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## Villages volunteers honored at Fiesta luncheon







The annual Villages Celebration of Villages Volunteers event was held Friday, April 25 in the Clubhouse to honor the many volunteers who create the energy and momentum that keeps The Villages on track. This year's celebration kicked off with a colorful Fiesta theme, featuring live mariachi music, a Mexican-inspired buffet and colorful decorations for a full house of happy Villagers.

(See more photos on page 4)

## 'Live, Love, Sing'—Get tickets now for May 2 and 4 shows

You're just in time! Tickets are available for the **Friday, May 2** and **Saturday, May 4** performances of the Voices' 2025 show, "Live, Love, Sing" at **2:30 p.m.** in Cribari Auditorium. Here are the ways to buy your tickets:

- Online: Visit tinyurl.com/34rc77dz
- Phone: Call Roberta at 408-685-3386
- Door: Come to Cribari Auditorium at 1:30 p.m., May 2 and 4

Tickets are \$20 each. Charge to your house or pay by cash or check. Act now. Tickets selling fast. Anticipate intoxicating music at "Live, Love, Sing." From turn-of-the-last-century-romance (and a modern



Sandy Sherman and Elayna Ellacer share a hug at rehearsal.

parody) with "Down by the Old Mill Stream," to today's poignant "For Good" from Wicked. Soloists Margaret Orandi and Kellen Perry will capture the complex friendship of Glinda the Good Witch and her counterpart Elphaba. Delight in hearing the VMS Villages Handbell Ensemble accompany the Voices choir and soloists Carol Baker and Peter Groot in "What a Wonderful World." Laugh aloud with the tongue twisting "Purple People Eater" and the tongue-tripping madrigal "Wannabe" popularized by the Spice Girls. Marvel at the heart-pumping sound of pianist Tammy Welsh as her fingers dance through the intricate notes of "Libertango," a song also performed by Yo-Yo Ma. Leave with "High Hopes" as soloists Sherle Frost and Walt Hlavacek tease us with a light-hearted tale of ants, rams, and rubber tree plants. Plus—join the musical fun and singalong with the Voices in a couple of songs that hit the just-right note.

During intermission connect with friends and new acquaintances over sweet treats. Take a chance and purchase raffle tickets on gift certificates and filled-to-the brim baskets of goodies. As an added bonus, your "Live, Love, Sing" ticket entitles you to a 10% discount at the Clubhouse on the day of the performance. Restaurant reservations required;

count at the Clubhouse on the day of the performance. Restaurant reservations required; call 408-223-4687. Need a ride? Call VMA for door-to-door service at 408-238-4230. Join Voices at "Live, Love, Sing" May 2 and 4. We promise you will go home singing!

## Come to the Crafty Flea Market Saturday, June 7

The Villages Arts & Crafts Association is hosting the Crafty Flea Market—back by popular demand—on **Saturday, June 7** from **9 a.m.** to **noon** in the Cribari Auditorium.

**BUY:** Need arts and craft supplies for a new hobby or some fun with your grandchildren? Shop for art and craft items at discount prices! (Bring cash or checks for purchases.)

**SELL:** If you have *usable* art or craft supplies gathering dust, sell them and make some space for new hobbies!

**DONATE:** Don't want to sell your stuff, just want it gone? Donate it to VACA and we'll sell it—proceeds will be used for Art Room supplies.Bring items by 8 a.m. on **Saturday, June 7.** 

To reserve a space (\$12 per table). Share a table with a friend! Sign up early to choose the best spot! Contact Claudia Welch at claudia.welch@yahoo.com. For more information, visit villagesartsandcrafts.org.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### **PULSE**

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

All Pulse letters are posted on The Villager Online. Pulse letters submitted for the print-on-paper Villager are published the first week and the third week of the month. If you have a preference for any specific edition, please submit letter prior to the deadline for that particular edition.

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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.

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E-mailed letters must include the text within the body of the email and the subject line must read PULSE LETTER. Typed or legibly written letters must include your signature and may be hand delivered to The Villager office in Building B or by mailing to the Communications Advisory Committee, 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135.

- 1 Pulse letter received this week.
- 1 Pulse letter deferred.
- 0 Pulse letters published this week.

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

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## **BOUQUETS**

A great thank you to all the Clubhouse and catering crew for the wonderful VJC Passover Seder held this month at the Clubhouse. A great cooperative effort and a wonderful evening.

Special thanks go to Alex, the new catering lead, for a great learning experience and super with cooperation. We also thank Agnes, the lead shift manager, and to Elizabeth and her great serving team. And a special thanks to Chef John for his fabulous food.

We had nothing but great cooperation and support from all of the staff.

Liz Dietz and Jan Margolius

## THANK YOU

Since I moved here 5 years ago, my sweet dog Nala (a white, 7-lb, 19-year old chihuahua) and I have met some wonderful people during our walks around the grounds, so I wanted to share this news with you. On Sunday, April 13, 2025, Nala passed, due to complications from failing health. Nala loved her walks (either by foot or in her stroller) as well as meeting new dog friends along the way. Thank you to our Villages friends who have been supportive and to all who have reached out during this difficult time as my family and I grieve over the loss of our beloved "diva."

-Grace Coquia

The Hayes family wishes to thank our friends and neighbors that attended the celebration of life for our daughter Patti Hayes. The love and thoughts were so appreciated. A very special thank you to Diana Hallock and her helpers for all their devotion. Also a big thank you to Alexandra, our event manager, for a job well done.

-The Ron Hayes Family

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You may pick up a replacement copy of your paper at the newsstand at the entrance of Building B or on the table outside The Villages Post Office in the Cribari Center hallway.



### IN MEMORIAM

#### **Beverly Louise Johnson** July 13, 1933 - March 22, 2025

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, May 3, 2025, at 2 p.m. at Montgomery Center. (Please see obituary in the Classified Advertising section.)

> Monte "Scotty" Scott Nov. 19, 1931-Feb. 19, 2025

Marine Corp Veteran

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#### **DEADLINES**

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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.

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#### **HOURS**

The Villager editorial and advertising hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 408-223-4657 for more information.

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## Boards & Committees

## Club President's Message—April 29, 2025 The 2026 Fiscal Year Budget – A Commitment to the Our Future

The Club Board will consider approval of next fiscal year's budget at the April 29 Board meeting. Over the last seven months, staff, under the Board's direction and in consultation with the three Boards of Directors, conducted a detailed analysis of the needs of our community and created a three-year Strategic Plan. This budget addresses the increased cost of current operations and is the first step in implementing that Strategic Plan. As part of this process, staff is recommending an increase in both operating and capital dues to support ongoing operations and the strategic goals identified by the Boards.

Operating costs are a major part of this year's increase. Operating Dues cover labor, utilities and fire safety and water conservation programs. The cost of water, electricity, professional services and contracts for maintenance of lakes and trees, are major contributors to the increase. Inflation also increases operating costs. Weaknesses in our financial position include underfunding capital replacement so that our revenue from dues does not meet depreciation. For capital improvements of any kind, we have a modest fund and no dues for capital improvements.

This budget includes commitments to achieve the following four key goals of the 2025–2028 Strategic Plan:

- · Enhancing resident engagement,
- · Master-planning facilities,
- · Improving landscape and fire safety,
- · Strengthening financial stewardship.

Each goal is grounded in the community's mission to provide a safe, attractive, and enriching lifestyle. To provide continuity from one board to the next the Club Board will consider Goals and Objectives for the FY26 Board at the May Board meeting. The Board will strive to keep future dues increases as low as possible. Specific programs Board and staff may consider include:

- Determine what services are necessary to support the community and not spend time and money on extra services.
  - Adequate staff to maintain an excellent service level.
  - Updating the Fee Schedule with benchmarking to similar facilities.
  - Improve the management of our investment accounts to at least meet inflation.
  - Reduce expenses wherever possible.
- Study a reorganization of the Club Corporation to allow a new source of revenue.

The Club's mission and vision statements commit us to be the active country club community of choice for adults 55+ in the South Bay. We expect to spend no more than is necessary and no less than is needed to do so.

Thank You for your suggestions and support.

-Richard Zahner, Board President, Villages Golf & Country Club

## Candidates' Night in Cribari Auditorium

This year's Candidates' Night is **Thursday, May 8** at **7 p.m.** in the Cribari Auditorium. This will be your opportunity to interact with and ask questions of the Club Board of Director candidates about topics important to you. This year the Association and the Homeowners Boards of Directors are uncontested.

## Questions for the CBOD or ABOD?

Both the CBOD and ABOD appreciate having your questions addressed.

For questions for the Villages Golf and Country Club Board of Directors, please email Julia Meadows at: jmeadows@the-villages.com.

For questions to the Villages Association Board of Directors, either go to The Villager Online and click the far-right tab to submit your questions online, or place your question in the drop box in Building A's parking lot.



### Prudent Club Board Investment Policy

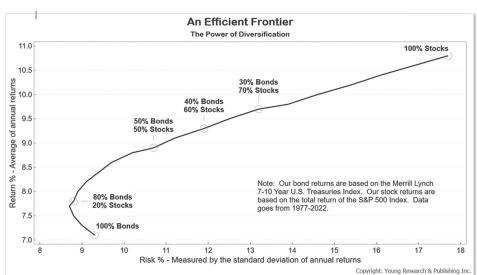
The Club Board is considering amending CPo 305—the Investment Policy. I have received a few comments on the proposed changes. Allow me to explain the rationale behind the proposed changes and to provide a few additional pieces of information.

Capital funds here at The Villages come from Club Member Dues. There will be two line items on your dues statement, replacement capital and improvement capital. Capital Replacement is used to maintain our existing infrastructure (paint, carpeting, A/C units, electrical panels). Capital Improvement is used to add infrastructure (bocce courts, patio cover at Bistro, new sound and lighting at the auditorium). Many of our assets are more than 50 years old. The current replacement capital fund income is insufficient to cover the ongoing depreciation of our assets. In addition to underfunding, our buying power decreases rapidly over time due to inflation.

The Board has several goals with respect to these funds. We must maintain our assets while controlling Club Dues. To this end, we are looking at ways to invest our cash to hedge against inflation and ensure we have enough in the fund to keep our community vibrant. If we choose an investment strategy with a lower rate of return, we will be required to increase Club Dues to cover expenses.

Several of you have discussed the inherent risk associated with equities without discussion of the equally real risk that inflation poses. Interest rates, generally, do not keep up with the rate of inflation. Equities, on the other hand, generally do. In 1952 Harry Markowitz formulated the "efficient frontier" portfolio (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Efficient\_frontier). He was awarded the Nobel Prize in Economics in 1990 for his efforts. A portfolio is referred to as "efficient" if it has the best possible expected level of return for its level of risk. Please see the chart below:

A portfolio of 100% bonds and one that is 70% bonds, and 30% equities have the same risk percentage (see the "X" Axis on the image below) yet the portfolio with the equity component produces an average rate of return nearly 1.25% higher.



In conjunction with our investment advisors, who are fiduciaries, we are proposing to add an equity component that will keep us on the efficient frontier. That means that while we expect to achieve better returns, our exposure to risk remains the same. The upside of the equity component offsets the dilution that inflation creates. Similarly, the bond elements offset the potential downturn of our equity elements.

While most of us are thinking about managing our assets for the next 10 to 15 years, the Board has a responsibility to take a longer-term view. We need to insure the viability, and, therefore, property values of our community for 30+ years.

We appreciate your interest in our proposed policy changes. I hope that the above information addresses your concerns.

-Andy Altman, Club Board Treasurer

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES, MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 4, 5, 6, 17 & 30

## MANAGEMENT

## May 3—Ready, Set, Go at The Villages

The Villages is excited to participate in National Wildfire Preparedness Day on **Saturday, May 3**! Join us for Ready, Set, Go—a community meeting focused on practical ways to stay prepared for emergencies like wildfires. For years, the Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) has emphasized that the first 72 hours of an emergency are up to each of us individually, so now is the perfect time to ensure you're readv.

A panel of experts from the American Red Cross, the San Jose Fire Department, and the San Jose Office of Emergency Management will share their





insights and tips. Plus, we're honored to welcome Senator Dave Cortese, who will present commendations to The Villages Golf and Country Club's Firewise/Fire Safety Committee for being San Jose's first recognized Firewise community.

The event will be held at Cribari Auditorium from **10:30 a.m.** to **noon**, with time for audience questions. As a Firewise community, we must stay proactive in wildfire preparedness and continue improving our safety measures.

We hope to see you there.

### Missed delivery of your 2025-2026 Phone Directory?

The Villages 2025/2026 Phone Directories have been delivered. If you did not receive your directory, please email us at comms@the-villages.com and we will have one delivered to you.

If you would like an extra directory, you may purchase one for \$15. Stop by Building B with your check or money order made out to The Villages, or charge it to your house number.

## Electronic waste recycling drop-off event is May 31

Recycle your E-waste with us for free in a drive-through event in partnership with the Villages Golf & Country Club.

Collection date is **Saturday, May 31** from **9 a.m.** to **noon** at the Cribari east parking lot.

#### Items that are accepted include:

Laptop computers Speakers
Computer towers Projectors

Copiers and printers Medical/lab equipment

Flat screens Televisions
DVD players Faxes
Stereos Calculators
Microwaves Cell phones
AC units without Freon And more

#### Items not accepted include:

Batteries Washers/dryers

Lightbulbs Large household appliances
Refrigerators Tires from generator companies
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### More Volunteer Recognition event photos...





Association Board President Michael Schwerin thanks volunteers for their contributions to The Villages.



A mariachi group provides live music at the fiesta luncheon.

## GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

## **THE DACs**

## Verano DAC to meet May 5

The Verano DAC will hold its guarterly meeting on Monday, May 5 at 4 p.m. at Vineyard Center.

## Montgomery DAC to meet May 5

The Montgomery DAC will meet Monday, May 5 at 10 a.m. in the Montgomery

## Sonata DAC to meet May 6

The Sonata DAC will hold a meeting on Tuesday, May 6 at 4 p.m. in Vineyard

### Del Lago DAC to hold 'Town Hall' May 7

The Village del Lago DAC will hold its residents' Town Hall on Wednesday, May 7, at 5:30 p.m. in the Montgomery Center.

## Heights DAC to meet May 12

The Heights DAC will hold a meeting Monday, May 12 at 6 p.m. in Montgomery Center. There will be an important update on FY25/26 budget, FireWise projects and Public Safety New Duties. ABOD member, Director of Public Safety and Director of Maintenance & Operations will attend to answer questions or concerns.

## Hermosa DAC to meet May 15

The Hermosa DAC will be holding a regular meeting on Thursday, May 15 at 3 p.m. at Foothill Center.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

## **SRS SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES**

## SRS: Water District property tax exemption

If you are a lower-income senior, you may qualify to have one of your parcel taxes removed from next December's REAL ID deadline is May 7 property tax bill. If you qualify, act quickly. You must apply by June 30, 2025.

First, dig out your tax year 2024/2025 property tax bill. Look at the list of Parcel Tax / Special Assessments on the second page. Is there a line labeled "1023 Santa Clara Valley Water District - Safe, Clean Water"?

This means you are currently paying the parcel tax and, if you qualify as lower income, you may request an exemption from this assessment beginning with your 2025/2026 property tax bill.

To qualify you must be 65 years or older by June 30, 2025 – i.e., the end of the fiscal 2024/2025 property tax year. You or your revocable living trust must be listed as an owner on the deed, and you must live in the property as your primary residence. Rentals units you own do not qualify. Only one owner needs to be age 65.

Your 2024 total household income must have been less than \$71,640. Social Security and other nontaxable income are included in your calculation of total household income. However, the law excludes capital gains. You are not required to send in any proof of income, but you sign the application under penalty of perjury that you meet the income requirement.

This income limit is based on 75 percent of California's Median Household Income, so it changes every year. The income limit started at \$32,850 in 2000 and has now increased to \$71,640 - a measure of inflation in California in 24 years.

You do not have to complete an application every year. Once you have qualified for this exemption, you will receive a verification postcard by mail each April. You must verify that the address is still your personal residence and that your income does not exceed the new period's income limitation. Remember, you know you are already receiving the exemption as long as the Safe, Clean Water is not listed in your Parcel Tax Assessments.

The application form is available online at www.valleywater.org. Enter "senior exemption" in the search box. You will need to attach a copy of your driver's license or some other document to prove your age. The address to mail the application is at the bottom of page 2 of the form. You may also submit the application and proof of age by email at SeniorExemption@valleywater.org.

If you do not have a computer to print the application, stop by the SRS office and an SRS volunteer will print a form for you to complete.

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

## **BOARD MEETINGS**

#### **Association**

 The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting open to all—is Tuesday, May 27 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 - open to all—is **Tuesday, May 27** at **1:30 p.m.** in Foothill Center and on Zoom. Meeting ID: 961 5036 4740; Passcode: 260616; Dial: 1-669-900-6833

#### Homeowners

 The Villages Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors FY 24/25 Quarterly Meeting—open to all—is **Thursday, June 12** at **9 a.m.** (location TBD)

## Welcome, New Residents! New Resident Orientation is May 21

There will be a New Resident Orientation on Wednesday, May 21 at 3 p.m. at The Villages Clubhouse. This event is for new residents who have recently moved in and provides valuable information regarding community amenities, governance, rules, architectural control requirements, clubs and organizations, and other valuable information.

The orientation is a fantastic opportunity to meet members of the three Villages' Boards, senior management team, and representatives from various clubs and organizations. The orientation is also a wonderful opportunity to connect with fellow new residents in a relaxed setting; we'll have refreshments available and encourage mingling and making new friends.

Note: New Resident Orientations are held quarterly, and the next one following this one is scheduled for July 16. For clubs and organizations wishing to attend, space is limited - please call 408-754-1333 before May 16 to confirm attendance.

#### SRS Reminder:

The DMV is reminding Californians there are just a few days remaining before the U.S. Department of Homeland Security begins enforcing the REAL ID requirement. Starting May 7, 2025, a REAL ID, or other federally approved identification, such as a passport, will be necessary to board domestic flights and access certain federal facilities.

A few Villagers have told us they don't plan to ever fly again, so they will not make the effort to get a REAL ID. However, many Villagers have children and grandchildren out of state. One Villager was asked by a friend if her daughter in Maryland died and her son-in-law requested her presence, would she go? She changed her mind and now has a REAL ID.

The application process can be started online at REALID.dmv.ca.gov. Documents can be uploaded before visiting a DMV office to complete the application. This streamlined process is quick and efficient while significantly reducing the amount of time for an office visit.

More **BOARDS & COMMITTEES,** and COMMUNITY NOTICES on page 6, 15 & 30

More BOARDS & COMMITTEES

## CPo 305 Investment Policy Revisions Under Review—Understand Proposed Updates

The Club Board asks that The Villages community understand the rationale behind the current proposed revisions to the CPo 305 Investment Policy. These revisions reflect the compilation of several months working with our financial investment firm, CS Group, the Club Board Policy Committee and a special task force composed of Villagers, the General Manager, our Chief Financial Officer and representatives from each Board.

When it comes to our money, clarity and solid understanding of these proposed changes, such as the fiduciary prudence behind them, are extremely important. We trust that the following information will meet both objectives.

#### Why Update CPo 305 Now?

The proposed revision to CPo 305 reflects a necessary evolution in financial governance. It does not abandon conservative principles—it refines them for a long-term view.

- Incorporates fiduciary best practices through a written Investment Policy Statement and oversight by an SEC-registered fiduciary advisor (HOA Invest).
- Establishes a cross-functional Investment Committee with Board liaisons, finance experts, and Villager members-at-large to ensure transparency, representation, and oversight.
  - · Adds policy discipline, including quarterly reviews by the Finance Committee and Board.
- Maintains conservative guardrails: 70–90% of assets remain in fixed income and cash equivalents; equities are limited to a 0–30% range with a 20% target.

#### What's Changing from the 2016 Version?

(Reference: Current CPo 305, adopted 8/30/2016)

Aspect	2016 Policy	Proposed Policy
Oversight	GM-managed with Controller delegation; quarterly Finance Committee review	Multi-layered: SEC-registered fiduciary + Investment Committee + quarterly Board and Finance reviews
Equity Investment	Not permitted	Permitted within a capped 0-30% band
Transparency	Minimal reporting requirements	Structured quarterly reporting, clear allocation ranges, policy compliance tracking
Liquidity Forecasting	Emphasized, no change	Emphasized, retained for near-term obligations
Authorized Vehicles	Limited to CDs and Treasuries	Expanded to include diversified ETFs like SPY (S&P 500), under strict fiduciary

#### Why Include a Small Equity Allocation?

Residents raised concern about "risk" from equities—but overlook the risk of inflation on idle cash. The current proposal mitigates both:

SPY ETF is used as a proxy for broad U.S. equity exposure because it is:

Low-cost and liquid (0.09% expense ratio).

Diversified across sectors (tech, healthcare, finance).

A common conservative tool used by fiduciaries—not for speculation, but for long-term inflation hedging.

**Example:** If \$1M (10% of a \$10M) reserve fund had been invested in SPY 20 years ago, it would have grown to \$5.6M vs. \$1.8M in CDs—without jeopardizing the 90% held in stable, fixed-income assets.

#### **Bottom Line**

This policy revision is not about chasing returns—it is about stewardship. Revisions:

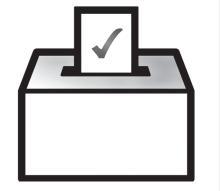
- Reduce long-term dues pressure.
- Increase resilience without sacrificing safety.
- Provide transparency and institutional oversight.
- Align with both modern fiduciary standards and Davis-Stirling compliance.

The Club Board's responsibility is to protect today's assets while preparing for tomorrow's costs. The proposed CPo 305 modifications do both.

## Submit your questions for Candidates' Night

This year's Candidates' Night is **Thursday, May 8** at **7 p.m.** in the Cribari Auditorium. This will be your opportunity to interact with and ask questions of the Club Board of Director candidates about topics important to you. This year the Association and the Homeowners Boards of Directors are uncontested.

Your questions may be used at the live event. Please send your questions to the Communication Advisory Committee (CAC) Chairperson, Barbara Clurman at bbclurman@gmail.com or call 347-451-5309.



## ABOD President's Message—April 29, 2025

Welcome everyone to the April Association Board of Directors meeting.

This has been a very difficult month for the Association Board and others with a lot of hard work going into finalizing the budget for 2025-2026. I would like to thank the DACs for all their hard work in setting their priorities and giving us their wants and needs. I would like to thank the staff and especially Ryan and Blake for all the time they have put in to get this budget clearly presented and explained to help us make the right decisions. Finally, I would like to thank all the members of this Board for all the hours put in attending meetings and working through this process. This has been my third budgeting process and the most difficult but by far the most gratifying. I believe we are getting good numbers and good results as a result of better computer programs and better management. We will be finalizing the budget later in this meeting.

In the past two years we have put a lot of emphasis on insurance and landscaping, two of our three largest expenses. Our third largest expense is water and today we will be establishing a new Association Water Advisory Committee. When I ran for election two years ago, I stated I would like to concentrate and work on our three biggest expenses. We are finally going to start paying attention to the third one and I think we have the perfect person for the job. Ed Logg has an incredible background in water usage and I know will do an excellent job ferreting out cost savings for the Villagers. I look forward to working with Ed and the committee to get our water usage under control.

The volunteer appreciation lunch reception on Friday was the biggest and best attended so far. It seems to get bigger and more festive each year. I again want to thank everyone who volunteers and would like to thank Julia, Maria and the staff for putting together an excellent luncheon.

Speaking of volunteering, we have two openings on this Board with Stephen Gilbert's term expiring and David Raskin's one-year appointment ending. Stephen has agreed to run for one position but no one else submitted an application to run for the other position. As a result, Stephen will be elected by acclamation and serve a three-year term. David is going back to the Montgomery DAC and the Board will have to find and appoint someone to a one-year term to fill the open chair. Anyone who would like to volunteer for a one-year appointment to the Association Board of Directors, please contact me or Maria Hernandez.

Thank you all for being here, and, as usual, my phone, my email and my door are always open and available for questions, comments or discussions.

-Michael Schwerin, Villages Association President

### Comcast/Xfinity virtual appointments

Deisy Gomez, The Villages Comcast/Xfinity Account Manager, is available for virtual appointments every Friday by appointment from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Please use https://calendly.com/deisygomez1326/the-villages to make an appointment

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- Susan Gale



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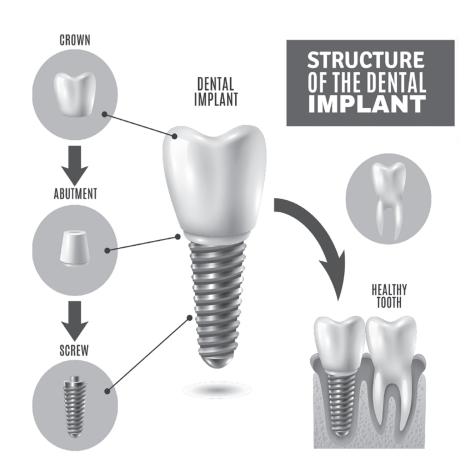
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For Information: **408-223-4687** 

2800 The Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

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

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

## Soup of the Day



For the week of 5/5 to 5/11

Monday, May 5
Tuscan Chicken and Quinoa

**Tuesday, May 6** Vegetable Barley

Wednesday, May 7 Creamy Turkey & Wild Rice

**Thursday, May 8**Chickpea and Pearl
Couscous with Spinach

Friday, May 9 Clam Chowder

Saturday, May 10 Chef's Choice

Sunday, May 11

CLOSED for

MOTHERS DAY

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

#### The following details will be in effect at the Clubhouse:

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

- Email: theclubhouse@the-villages.com, Phone: 408-223-4687, Online: clubhousereservation.com
   Patio Dining reservations for the patio are for 6 or more persons.
- The Bistro alcove can be reserved for parties of 8 to 10 people.
- The kitchen will still close at 8 p.m., last seating at the Bistro, Patio, curbside takeout and Restaurant main dining room is 7:30 p.m.
- · Bistro Bar closes at 9 p.m. Last call is at 8:30 p.m.
- Dress code for the main dining room will be enforced. During summer months, dress shorts and dress sandals will be allowed.
- Credit cards and house charges will be accepted.
- · Cash will not be accepted for payment but can be left as a tip.

#### **How does Curbside Grab-and-Go work?**

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

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

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

#### We want your opinion!

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

Thanks for taking the time to let us know what you think!
Please deposit comments directly to the locked comment card box at

the Clubhouse foyer.

#### The Villages Golf & Country Club

Dear Customer—As of March 2024, a 3% service charge will be applied to all credit card purchases.\* This surcharge helps The Villages manage costs associated with credit card transactions more responsibly and fairly.

You may avoid this extra fee by paying with check or using your house account.

\* Only debit cards with the Visa or Mastercard symbol can be accepted.

## Scan the QR code to see Clubhouse Menus

To access all Clubhouse menus, hours of operation, reservation information, specials and special offers, please scan this QR code with your phone





Take your cell phone, press the camera icon and frame the QR code to access the Clubhouse web pages.

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

## Weekly Specials

#### **Breakfast Special:**

Tuesday 5/6 to Saturday 5/10

Biscuits & Gravy: Scrambled Eggs and Hashbrowns with a Cup of Fruit \$17

#### **Lunch Specials:**

Monday 5/5 to Saturday 5/10—11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Grilled Hawaiian Short Rib Plate: With Steamed Rice, Macaroni Salad and Steamed Broccoli \$21

**Tuna Melt Sandwich:** Cheddar Cheese, Tomatoes, Sourdough Bread with Choice of Side **\$17** 

#### **Dinner Specials:**

Tuesday 5/6 to Saturday 5/10-5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Jerk Barbecue Oxtail: Slow-roasted with Tomato Gravy, Red Rice with Kidney Beans and Steamed Seasonal Vegetables \$34

Chicken Tikka Masala: Braised Chicken in Curry Tomato Sauce, Basmati Rice, Daal Masala with Grilled Naan Bread \$29

## Clubhouse Indoor, Patio Dining and Curbside Hours of Operation

#### Monday

Lunch: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bistro Menu 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. \*

#### **Tuesday to Friday**

Breakfast: 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Lunch: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bistro Menu: 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. \* Dinner Menu: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. \*

\* Last seating at 7:30 p.m.

#### Saturday and Sunday

Saturday Breakfast: 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Sunday Breakfast: 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bistro Menu: 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. \* Dinner Menu: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. \*

#### 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 Reservations, please use the Member Portal Email: theclubhouse@the-villages.com



See page 19 for **Mother's Day** special brunch menus Cinco de Mayo at the **Bistro** and the

Clubhouse Music series

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



## **Clubhouse Special Offers**

#### No corkage will be charged Wednesdays & Thursdays—Dinner service only.



Bring your favorite bottle of wine\* and your friends any and every Wednesday or Thursday at the Clubhouse and enjoy our no-corkage

\* No corkage will be charged with purchase from the Dinner Menu, Lighter Side, and Entrée items. One-bottle limit per two guests. Standard sized bottles only. This special offer is every Wednesday and Thursday.

#### **Single Diners' Night** Let's dine together every Wednesday at 5 p.m.



Shared table. Every Wednesday at 5 p.m. when you come as a single

with your favorite bottle of wine and share your table with another singe dining member, the corkage fee is on the house!\* Please see restrictions below.

Free corkage will be applied with purchase from the Lighter Side and Dinner Entrées from the Dinner Menu.

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



#### Buy One Appetizer\*, Get One Half-Off!

Appetizer Special in effect 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday \* Item must be of equal or lesser value. Service charge and taxes still applied to all items. For dine-in customers only.

#### **555 Bistro Happy Hour**

2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Sunday, All Day on Monday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.



\$5 House Cocktails \$5 House Wines \$5 Draft Beers 16 oz. Price subject to service charge and tax

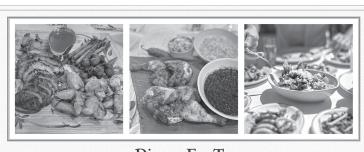
#### Online Meal Ordering at: www.clubhousereservation.com A fast and convenient way to order meals from the Clubhouse—Phone/Tablet/Desktop



To help streamline the process of ordering, the Clubhouse now has,

in addition to phone orders, an online meal ordering system. The system will be a fast and easy way for guests to choose meals and pickup times for their orders. This will also be a great way for golfers to order a meal from their phones while still on the course.

#### **Dinner For Two** Curbside Only—pre-order 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Same day pickup at 5 p.m.



Dinner For Two Grilled Tri-Tip \$55 Whole Chicken Asada \$45

**CURBSIDE ONLY** Pre-order 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. For 5 p.m. same-day pickup

#### WHOLE CHICKEN ASADA \$45

- House salad with balsamic Dinner Rolls & Butter
- Cilantro Lime Rice
- Seasoned Black Beans Corn Tortilla
- Pico De Gallo



#### **GRILLED TRI TIP \$55**

- House salad with balsamic
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- Roasted Cremini Mushrooms
- Grilled Jumbo Asparagus Green Peppercorn Demi Glac



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## RECREATION

The Recreation Services office is in Building D and is open Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The following events are sponsored by The Villages. Please call 408-223-4643 for additional information.

## New Nirvana Fitness classes

Date/Time Mon., May 12 - July 14, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m Cribari Conf. Room Wed., May 14 - July 16, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m Cribari Conf. Room Cost Instructor

**Bay Sports** 

Reg. Deadline May 9 at 4 p.m.

Location

Nirvana® fitness combines Yoga and Pilates with mood-



enhancing music to create a flowing rhythm that promotes mindful breathing and a strong mind-body connection. Movements are done both standing and on the floor, so participants must be able to get up and down independentlv. Please bring a yoga

mat; kneepads are recommended. Instructor Barbara Bitonti, a certified FWHA Wellness Health Coach, Nirvana® instructor and immunologist, brings medical knowledge and a passion for holistic wellness to every class.

Register for the Monday class at tinyurl.com/nirvana-class-m and/or register for the Wednesday class at tinyurl.com/nirvana-class-w. Or sign up in person with Recreation Services in Building D.

## Learn French 101: Start speaking with confidence

Date/Time

\$134

Tues., May 20 - June 24, 10 to 11 a.m. Cost Instructor \$180 T. Vacsi

Step into the world of French with this engaging beginner course! Designed for those with little to no experience, this class introduces the basics of French vocabulary, grammar and pronunciation. Through interactive activities, cultural insights and simple conversations, you'll start building confidence in speaking, listening, reading and writing. Whether you're preparing for travel, work or just love the language, this class is the perfect place to begin your French journey. No prior knowl-



Conf. Room

Reg. Deadline

May 12 at 4 p.m.

edge required. The session price includes six classes.

Register on the Member Portal at tinyurl.com/french-101 or with Recreation Services in Building D.

## Explore wonders of Marine Mammal Center

Date/Time Friday, July 11, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. **Attendant** M. LeGrand



Location Cost Sausalito \$158 Reg. Deadline Monday, June 23 at 4 p.m.

Join us for a fun and educational outing to the Marine Mammal Center, where you'll get a behind-the-scenes look at rescued seals and sea lions while learning about marine conservation efforts. Afterward, we'll head to San Francisco's iconic Fisherman's Wharf for a delicious lunch at Cioppino's, known for its coastal dishes. It's the perfect day to enjoy ocean views, great food and fascinating wildlife. Don't miss out on this memorable seaside experience!

Register on the Member Portal at tinyurl.com/marinemammal-center-rec or with Recreation Services in Building D.

## See a new twist on a classic tale: Don't miss '& Juliet' at the Orpheum!

Date/Time Wednesday, July 23, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. **Attendant** M. LeGrand

Location Cost San Francisco \$231 Reg. Deadline Monday, July 7 at 4 p.m.

Enjoy a fabulous day of music, fun and theater with a trip to see "& Juliet," the smash-hit musical that reimagines Shakespeare's classic with a fresh, empowering twist and a soundtrack packed with pop favorites. This high-energy show blends humor, heart and chart-topping hits from well-known artists to tell Juliet's story on her own terms. Before the show, we'll enjoy lunch at Max's Café before heading to the theater. Join this outing for bold storytelling, great music, and a whole lot of fun!

Register on the Member Portal at tinyurl.com/musical-and-juliet or with Recreation Services in Building D.



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#### See SF Giants vs. San Diego Padres Location

Date/Time Wednesday, August 13, 10:15 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. San Francisco **Attendant** 

H. Salazar



\$161 Reg. Deadline Monday, July 28 at 4 p.m.

day of baseball while they play the San Diego Padres at Oracle Park. Each ticket comes with a \$25 concession credit

Cheer on the San Francisco Giants for an exciting

for participants to use for whatever ballpark snack they desire! This is the perfect way to enjoy America's favorite pastime. The bus will pick up all participants from the Cribari Center East Parking Lot.

Register on the Member Portal at tinyurl.com/sfgiants-sdor with Recreation Services in Building D.

#### RESIDENT EXCURSION PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

Recreation Services office offers a wide variety of activities for the enjoyment of the Villages residents. Please check your personal calendars prior to committing to an event, class or trip. Once registered for an activity, you are responsible for the cost of the activity. All sales final after registration deadline.

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 them.

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.

\$70

### Transform your body with Yoga

Location Date/Time Wed., June 11 - July 16, 10 to 11 a.m. Auditorium Instructor Reg. Deadline Cost \$80 BaySport June 2 at 4 p.m.

Join us for a rejuvenating yoga experience designed for all skill levels. This session features gentle movements to improve flexibility, balance and muscle strength through standing, seated and lying poses. Whether you're a beginner or seeking a challenge, our mindful approach helps you connect with your body and breath. Participants must be able to move to and from the floor independently. Come unwind, stretch, and embrace your body's potential in a calm, supportive environment. The session price includes six classes.

Register on the Member Portal at tinyurl.com/yoga-transform or with Recreation Services in Building D.

## Sign up for Beginner and Advanced Aqua Aerobics

Date/Time Location Foothill Pool Thurs., June 5 - July 3

Beginner, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m Advanced 11:45 a.m. - 12:45

Reg. Deadline Cost Instructor \$66 **Bay Sports** May 27 at 4 p.m.

The Villages is offering both Beginner and Advanced Agua Aerobics classes, providing low-impact, joint-friendly workouts for all fitness levels. The beginner class focuses on a slower pace with simple, repetitive exercises to build strength, endurance and mobility—ideal for those new to exercise or recovering from injury. The advanced class increases intensity with faster-paced movements, cardiovascular training and strength work. The session price includes five classes.

Activity Level: Beginner - Moderate: Advanced - Intense Register for the Beginner class at tinyurl.com/agua-aerobics-b Register for the Advanced class at tinyurl.com/aqua-aerobics-a. Or sign up in person with Recreation Services in Building D.

## Spin, play and win with a day at Graton Casino

Location

Santa Rosa

Reg. Deadline

great food with friends.

Wednesday, August 6, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. **Attendant** 

M. LeGrand



Monday, July 21 at 4 p.m. Experience the energy and music of "A Beautiful Noise," the Neil Diamond musical that will have you singing along! After the show, enjoy a fantastic dinner at Rise Woodfire in San Mateo, known for its flavorful, wood-fired cuisine and warm ambiance. This is

The bus will pick up all participants from the Cribari Center East Parking Lot.

the perfect way to enjoy a day of entertainment and

Activity Level: Moderate

Register on the Member Portal at tinyurl.com/

graton-casino or with Recreation Services in Building D.

## Stroll through famed gardens at Filoli Gardens

Date/Time

Thursday, May 22, 8:45 a.m. - 4 p.m. **Attendant** 

M. LeGrand

Join us for a delightful day at Filoli Gardens and stroll through breathtaking landscapes, lush gardens and a historic estate. After soaking in the beauty, we'll head to Nola in Palo Alto for a lively, New Orleans-inspired lunch filled with bold flavors and vibrant ambiance. This is the perfect way to enjoy nature, history and delicious cuisine! The bus will pick up all participants from the Cribari Center East Parking Lot.

Activity Level: Moderate

Register on the Member Portal at tinyurl.

Location \$164 Woodside Reg. Deadline

Monday, May 5 at 4 p.m.



com/filoli-gardens or with Recreation Services in Building D.

## Join the fun with Zumba Gold

Date/Time Location Wed., June 4 - July 9, 5 to 6 p.m. Conf. Room Instructor Reg. Deadline Cost **BaySport** May 27 at 4 p.m.

Join the fun with Zumba Gold! This low-impact dance class blends Latin-inspired moves with a pace that's perfect for everyone-whether you're a beginner or an experienced dancer. Improve your heart health, flexibility, and balance while having a blast. Designed especially for active older adults or those seeking a gentler workout, Zumba Gold ensures you stay energized and engaged in a friendly, supportive environment. The session price includes six classes.

Register on the Member Portal at tinyurl.com/zumba-gold-new or with Recreation Services in Building D.

## See 'A Beautiful Noise'—the Neil Diamond musical

Date/Time

Wednesday, June 4, 10:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. **Attendant** 

M. LeGrand

Location Cost \$250 San Francisco Reg. Deadline Monday, May 19 at 4 p.m.

Experience the energy and music of "A Beautiful Noise," the Neil Diamond musical that will have you singing along! After the show, enjoy a fantastic dinner at Rise Woodfire in San Mateo, known for its flavorful, wood-fired cuisine and warm ambiance. This is the perfect way to enjoy a day of entertainment and great food with friends.

The bus will pick up all participants from the Cribari Center East Parking Lot.

Activity Level: Moderate

Register on the Member Portal at tinyurl.com/neildiamond-musical or with Recreation Services in Building D.

## Restore balance and vitality with QiGong class

Location Date/Time Wed., June 11 - July 16, Auditorium

11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Cost Instructor Reg. Deadline \$80 **BaySport** June 2 at 4 p.m.

QiGong is an ancient Chinese practice blending gentle movements, mindful breathing and meditation to boost energy flow, reduce stress and enhance overall well-being. Suitable for all ages, it offers benefits like improved fitness, mental clarity, and relaxation. Whether you want a peaceful retreat or better physical health, QiGong has something to offer everyone. The session price includes six classes.

Register on the Member Portal at tinyurl.com/gigong-classrec or with Recreation Services in Building D.

## Last chance to sign up for trip to Oakland Zoo

Date/Time Wednesday, May 7, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Attendant M. LeGrand



Location Cost \$149 Oakland Reg. Deadline Extended

There are a few spots remaining for our trip to the Oakland Zoo, where you can get up close with amazing animals and explore beautiful habitats. After the adventure, we will relax and enjoy a delicious lunch at Lake Chalet, a stunning lakeside restaurant with breathtaking views. Lunch options include mushroom ravioli. lemon rosemary chicken, grilled salmon and braised short ribs. The bus will pick up all participants from the Cribari Center East Parking Lot.Register on the Member Portal at tinyurl.com/oakland-zoo-rec or with Recreation Services in Building D.

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6:45 a.m.	Men's Golf Coffee Station
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise
9 a.m.	Catholic Mass
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise
9 a.m.	Game Day
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club-Advanced
10 a.m.	Quilters
10:15 a.m.	Art Open Studio
11 a.m.	Friends of SJSU Lunch
12:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge
1 p.m.	Voices Spring Concert
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio
2 p.m.	Democrats: Resistance Lab
3 p.m.	Cinco De Mayo Bocce Bash
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes

#### Saturday, May 3

6:45 a.m.	Men's Golf Coffee Station
8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi
9:30 a.m.	Wildfire Preparedness Day
10 a.m.	Watercolor Open Studio
10 a.m.	Quilters
10 a.m.	Ukulele Sing Along
3 p.m.	Dog Club Social
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance

## Sunday, May 4

6:45 a.m.	Men's Golf Coffee Station
7 a.m.	Catholic Hospitality Donuts
7:30 a.m.	Catholic Choir Practice
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass
9 a.m.	Men's Golf:
	Member/Member
9 a.m.	Pickleball Silvercreek Tourn
10 a.m.	Community Chapel
1 p.m.	Voices Spring Concert
1 p.m.	Table Tennis Club Social
7 p.m.	Chinese Karaoke/Game Nite

### Monday, May 5

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise
9 a.m.	Game Day
10 a.m.	Montgomery DAC
10:15 a.m.	Art Open Studio
10:30 a.m.	Fitness Center Cmte
10:30 a.m.	VMA: Grief Support
1 p.m.	Arts&Crafts Association
1 p.m.	Stitchery
1 p.m.	Senior Academy:
	Panama Canal
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio
3 p.m.	18-H Women Golf Board
4 p.m.	Verano DAC
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers Group 1
6 p.m.	Korean Club Singing Group
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge

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8:30 a.m.	Men's Golf Club Exec Cmte
8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi
9 a.m.	Game Day
10 a.m.	Art Class: Drawing
10:30 a.m.	Camera Club Board
10:30 a.m.	VMA: with Grace Hospice
11 a.m.	9-H Women Golf Board
11 a.m.	Men Fun Social Club Lunch
11:30 a.m.	LSAL Fitness
12 p.m.	Comcast Appointments
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio
2 p.m.	Piano Open Studio
2 p.m.	Veterans Club
3:30 p.m.	Catholic Council
3:30 p.m.	RV Club
4 p.m.	GM Office Focus Group Mtg
4 p.m.	Sonata DAC
5:30 p.m.	Desi Club Social Hour
6 p.m.	Murder Mystery Rehearsal
6 p.m.	Concert Band Rehearsal

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8 a.m.	GM Office Focus Group Mtg
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise
9 a.m.	Game Day

10 a.m.	Art Class: Watercolors
10 a.m.	Yoga
10 a.m.	Study Groups: iPhone
10:30 a.m.	GM Office Focus Group Mtg
11:15 a.m.	QiGong
11:30 a.m.	Dippy Dolphins
12 p.m.	Library Volunteer Lunch
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio
2 p.m.	GM Office Focus Group Mtg
3 p.m.	VMA Bingo
4 p.m.	Club Technology Cmte
4 p.m.	GM Office Focus Group Mtg
5 p.m.	Village Dancers Group 2
5 p.m.	Zumba Gold
6 p.m.	Art Class: Acrylics
6:30 p.m.	Del Lago DAC
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge
7 p.m.	GV: Meditation/Wellness
7 p.m.	Village Voices Rehearsal
7 p.m.	Village Dancers Group 3
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8 a.m.	GM Office Focus Group Mtg
8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi
9 a.m.	Swimming Pool Cmte.
9 a.m.	Game Day
10 a.m.	Art Class: Oils/Acrylics
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10 a.m.	GM Office Focus Group Mtg
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club
10:30 a.m.	Beginner Aqua Aerobics
11:30 a.m.	LSAL Fitness
11:45 a.m.	Advanced Aqua Aerobics
12:30 p.m.	18-H Women Golf Lunch
1 p.m.	Chapel Bible Small Group
1 p.m.	GM Office Focus Group Mtg
1:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio

Chapel Choir Rehearsal

Pickleball Club Board

**Board Candidates Night** 

Italian Club Board

#### The Villages Folksters Friday, May 9

8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise
9 a.m.	Catholic Mass Friday
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise
9 a.m.	Game Day
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club Advanced
10 a.m.	Quilters
10:15 a.m.	Art Open Studio
12:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge
12:30 p.m.	Democratic Club
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash
3 p.m.	Handbell Ensemble
4:30 p.m.	Pickleball: Dink 'n Drink
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes
7 p.m.	Study Groups: World Today

### **Saturday. May 10**

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9 a.m.	Concert Band Ticket Sales
9 a.m.	Tennis Scholar. Tourney
10 a.m.	Watercolor Open Studio
10 a.m.	Quilters
10 a.m.	Personal Training Demo
10 a.m.	Ukulele Sing Along
5 p.m.	Village Cribari Social
3 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance

#### **Sunday May 11**

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7:30 a.m.	Catholic Choir Practice
8:15 a.m.	Catholic Mass
10 a.m.	Community Chapel

### Monday May 12

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8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise
9 a.m.	Nirvana Fitness
9 a.m.	Game Day
10 a.m.	Rules Committee Meeting
10 a.m.	Search the Scriptures
10:15 a.m.	Art Open Studio
10:30 a.m.	VMA: Grief Support Group

9 a.m.

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5 p.m.

7 p.m.

7 p.m. 7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge Choir Rehearsal
Tuesda	<b>y, May 13</b>
8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi
9 a.m.	Men Golf: Evergreen Cmte
9 a.m.	Game Day
10 a.m.	Art Class: Drawing
11:30 a.m.	LSAL Fitness
1 p.m.	Bocce Board meeting
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio
3:30 p.m.	Village Voices Board
4 p.m.	History of Israel
5 p.m.	VMS Board Meeting
5:30 p.m.	Desi Club Social Hour
6 p.m.	Concert Band Rehearsal

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3:30 p.m.	EVF Board
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5 p.m.	Zumba Go
5:30 p.m.	Village Dan
6 p.m.	Art Class:
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10:30 a.m.	Beginner Aqua Aerobics
10:30 a.m.	VMA: Caregiver Support
11:30 a.m.	LSAL Fitness
11:45 a.m.	Advanced Aqua Aerobics
12:30 p.m.	18-H Women Golf Lunch
1 p.m.	Chapel Bible Small Group
1:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio
2 p.m.	Opera Lovers Movie
2 p.m.	Tai Chi Annual Mtg/demo
3 p.m.	Villages Golf Cmte.
3 p.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal
3 p.m.	Hermosa DAC
3 p.m.	Senior Academy Board
5 p.m.	Men Golf Team Play Dinner
6 p.m.	Democratic Club
7 p.m.	Chinese Club Board
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Friday,	<b>May 16</b>
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise
9 a.m.	Catholic Mass
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise
9 a.m.	Game Day
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club-Advanced
10 a.m.	Quilters
10:15 a.m.	Art Open Studio
12:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio
2 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash
3 p.m.	Hand Bell Ensemble
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes
7 p.m.	Jewish Shabbat

## **Calendar Highlights**

## **Village Voices** 'Live, Love, Sing'

Friday, May 2 and Saturday, May 4 at 2;30 p.m in Cribari Auditorium.

### Crafty Flea Mkt.

Saturday, June 7 at Cribari Auditorium from 9 a.m. until noon.

## **Concert Band** 'Hooray for Hollywood'

Sunday, May 18 at 2 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium.

### **Memorial Day Tribute**

Monday, May 26 at 11 a.m.in the Cribari Auditorium.

### Chinese Club **Ballroom Dance**

Sunday, May 18 from 4 to 6 p.m. at Foothill Center.



#### **EVENT LOCATIONS**

4	Auditorium-Cribari
٩R	Art Room—Cribari
3C	Bocce Courts
CER	Ceramics—Cribari
СН	Clubhouse
CR	Conference Room-Cribari
=	Forum Room—Cribari
-C	Foothill Center
-HP	Foothill Pool
GΡ	Gazebo
_	Lobby—Cribari
МС	Montgomery Center
>	Patio-Cribari
C	Pickleball Courts
PR	Patio Room—Cribari
RED	Redwood Room—Cribari
SEQ	Seguoia Room—Cribari
ΓR	Terrace Room—Cribari
ΓS	Tennis Stand
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## CLUBS & EVENTS

## Join Dog Club for wine outing at Gazebo

Got wine? The Villages Dog Club is meeting Saturday, May 3 from 3 to 5 p.m. at Gazebo Park. We are having a fun social gathering for all members including our furry ones. Please join us for this event. Not a member or don't have a dog? Stop by and visit us anyway.

Please feel free to bring an appetizer to share with all and your beverage of

your choice. If you like wine, please bring a bottle to share with others that also bring one and enjoy the taste of different wines we enjoy. If you have a favorite and would like to let everyone know where you got it and why you love it, that would be fantastic. Sharing is believing and we can all try something different to get out of our "box." Bring your chairs so we can all sit together and chat about food, wine and dogs!

## Senior Academy: The Panama Canal—Men Move Mountains



By Arlene Versaw

Building the Suez Canal was easy-it was flat and built on sand. Not so with the Panama Canal. Designated one of the "Seven Wonders of the Modern World" by the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Panama Canal is, in fact, an engineering miracle.

Senior Academy is delighted to bring this achievement to life in a presentation on Monday, May 5 at 2 p.m. in Foothill. Since Balboa discovered the Pacific Ocean, countries had been seeking a way to sail the 50 miles from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific. The French tried it in 1882– but failed. In that effort, 22,000 men died from mosquitoes and yellow fever caused by mosquitoes. It was abandoned after 11 miles had been dug.

When Teddy Roosevelt became President, he made it clear that he believed that international peace, prosperity and the nation's power of the country hinged on the United States building and operating a canal in the isthmus of Panama.

Thus, in 1904, the canal effort was launched and opened 10 years later. Still, today, this marvel is successfully moving ships, 24/7.

Our presenter will be Ricky Deutsch, an author and "histophile," who has been entertaining and informing audiences as a cruise-trip speaker for 12 years.

To see how men can move mountains, please register at senioracademy.vgcc.club or by contacting Lucy Pousho at 510-406-1582.

## Like to write? Join us!

Storytellers is a small group of writing enthusiasts that meets the second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 10 a.m. to noon. We share our writings from past and present in all forms - poetry, prose, reflections, etc. We may also read something that we did not write but that we would like to share with the group. We do not critique,



but often what we share will generate discussion. If this interests you, please contact Marty Funcell at 408-933-8423.

## Come to Memorial Day Tribute on May 26

By R.S. Semple

All Villagers are invited, and encouraged, to attend this year's Memorial Day Tribute on Monday, May 26 at 11 a.m. in Cribari Auditorium.

This event will feature a "Say Their Name" segment—an opportunity for audience members to recognize and honor a service member they know. Musical tributes will include a 12-voice chorus, solos by Bill Rodman and Marilyn Orandi, and performances by Catherine Ellacer with Tammy Welsh

The featured speaker will be our special guest, Lt. Col. P. Walker Pearce-Percy, a 2001 U.S. Air Force Academy graduate with a degree in Civil Engineering. Lt. Col. Pearce-Percy attended pilot training at Columbus Air Force Base, and in 2008 he was assigned to fly the C-5 at Travis AFB. He is a command pilot, having logged over 4500 hours in both airlift and tanker aircraft including the KC-135. He also is currently a commercial pilot for United Airlines. His many awards include



the Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters, the Air Medal with oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Commendation Medal, and the Air Force Achievement Medal.

Stand with us as we recognize and honor those veterans who could not be here today. (There is no cost to attend and registration is not required.)

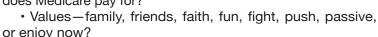
## VMA: Learn Benefits and Differences of Palliative Care and Hospice

Join Colby Perez, RN, Director of Nursing at With Grace Hospice, on Tuesday, May 6 at 10:30 a.m. in Sequoia, as she explains "The Benefits and Differences Between Pal-

liative Care and Hospice." A warm and experienced nursing professional, Colby will help you consider some factors to reflect upon regarding your comfort and treatment now and in the future.

These factors include your

- Your illness—is it chronic, life-threatening or curable?
- family dynamics including location of family and interpersonal relationships
- Caregiver availability and resilience-spouse, family, casual, agency?
- · Medicare coverage—what does Medicare pay for?



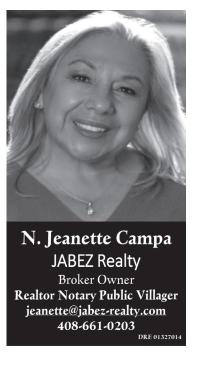
Colby Perez, RN

- Desired quality of life—surrounded by activity, regrets you want to face, projects you desire to finish, people with whom you want to connect?
- Difficult conversations: How to begin? How to handle "Avoiders" These can be sobering reflections. They can also be freeing in allowing you to focus on what is important to you.

Do the words stick in your throat as you consider letting your family know your preferences if you experienced a serious illness? Invite your loved ones to join you for this one-hour discussion, "The Benefits and Differences of Palliative Care and Hospice." Afterward, treat yourself to lunch at the Bistro. Savor today and revel in the relief of saying what is on your heart.

Limited space. Register now on our website, vmavillages.vgcc.club (click on Register for Programs) or by calling 408-234-4029.





More CLUBS

### 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.

Here at The Villages we can rely on our very own library. New books arrive monthly in regular and large print, chosen from among the bestsellers. There's also a wall of mystery, fiction and non-fiction large print editions in the backroom. While you're there, take a look through the biography section.

Did you know that the library has Consumer Reports? These magazines may be read in the library, but not checked out. Ask our volunteers for assistance.

Our latest recommendations:

"Memorial Days" by Geraldine Brooks. Publisher's description: "Many cultural and religious traditions expect those who are grieving to step away from the world. In contemporary life, we are more often met with red tape and to-do lists. This is exactly what happened to Geraldine Brooks when her partner of more than three decades, Tony Horwitz-just 60 years old and, to her knowledge, vigorous and healthy-collapsed and died on a Washington, D. C. sidewalk.

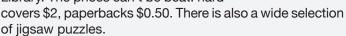
A spare and profoundly moving memoir that joins the classics of the genre, Memorial Days is a portrait of a larger-than-life man and a timeless love between souls that exquisitely captures the joy, agony, and mystery of life."

"The Human Scale" by Lawrence Wright. Publisher's description: "Tony Malik, a half-Irish, half-Arab FBI agent based in New York, specializes in tracking money from drug and arms deals. His life takes a dramatic turn when a long-term relationship ends and his job hangs in the balance. Amid personal turmoil, Malik becomes intrigued by his Palestinian father's past. He decides to visit his ancestral homeland for his niece's wedding, accepting a seemingly simple FBI assignment along the way.

Upon arrival in the West Bank, Malik's world is upended when the Israeli police chief is murdered. Initially a suspect, Malik's investigative prowess soon earns him a place in the Israeli investigation. At the heart of the story is Malik's complex relationship with Yossi, the hardline anti-Arab Israeli police officer leading the case. They must learn to trust each other because, as they move closer to solving the case, they realize there is no one else they can trust on either side."

### For all book lovers...visit the Library Book Sale

Visit the Villages Library Book Sale to discover your next read! Favorite authors, new books, special interest and more are added each week. Every sale supports our outstanding Villages Library. The prices can't be beat: hard-



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### Cribari Latin Dinner Dance

Saturday, May 10 from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Cribari Auditorium

Dinner - Steak & Chicken Fajitas, Spanish Rice, Beans, and more Bring your own beverage—Bring your own Margaritas. Alcohol permitted.

Music by DJay Zee

Latin Dance Contest

Latin Fashion Attire

\$40 for Cribari Residents / \$43 for others Seating Limited. RSVP Required

Email: cribarisc@gmail.com or

Text: 408-375-1760 Call: 408-274-1882

Please include house number for ticket(s) charge.



## Take mah jongg lessons in May



What is that game with the tiles all about? What is a "bam" a "crak," or a "soap"? Ever wonder why so many people in The Villages play mah jongg on a regular basis? Now you can find out!

A new mah jongg class will begin May 14. Judy Rogers is teaching a group of up to 10 people. Groups meet once a week for eight weeks. For

more information, contact Judy at 408-485-6776 or 408-223-9020. You can also reach her by email at judy.rogers488@gmail.com.

## VMA: Learn ABCs of Feldenkrais: Awareness-Breathing-Centering

You are invited to a demonstration of the Feldenkrais Method of pain relief and body awareness



Janet Lee, PT and **Feldenkrais Practitioner** 

Monday, May 19 in Montgomery Center at 10:30 a.m. Janel Lee, PT, a physical therapist, fitness coach, and certified Feldenkrais Practitioner will show interactive, practice-at-home techniques how to free yourself of pain, maintain your balance, and experience well-being throughout your body. What is the Feldenkrais Method? Developed by a Moshe Pinchas Feldenkrais, a Ukrainian-born physicist and athlete, the Feldenkrais Method teaches better physical movement by learning of alternative movement patterns, that you carry out in an active and conscious way,

A Physical Therapist for over three decades, Janet noticed a distressing trend with patients. "Despite patients following exact routines to heal, they would return again with recurrent pain and frustration." Desiring to better help her patients, Janet studied and practiced under clinical supervision, the Feldenkrais Method (FM). Using FM, Janet observed that

when "patients understood how their bodies worked and how to move more effectively, their pain was relieved," often for good.

During her presentation, Janet uses a model skeleton, nicknamed Fred, for you to trace the source and course of pain in your body. She will also guide you in:

- Awareness of your body by "waking up" your shoulder and your feet.
- Breathing to help you relax your body and mind.
- Softening your feet to better feel the floor.
- In-place Exercising to mobilize your feet and leg bones.
- Standing up to experience the alignment of your leg to your pelvis and from your pelvis to your head.

Feldenkrais functional awareness and movement teaches you small, simple, and effective changes and connections to awaken your body and mind, and to realign them, so they work more smoothly together—often pain free.

Learn the ABCs of Feldenkrais! Space Limited. Register now on our website, vmavillages.vgcc. club (click on Register for Programs) or call our office at 408-234-4029.

## VMA offers tech house calls

This is a reminder that the VMA has a group of volunteers willing to help residents with issues they may be having with their technology devices. We not only make house calls to ensure your comfort, but to verify your wi-fi is working well. Keeping you connected to regular communications around The Villages is key to this program. Setting you up on the Member Portal and navigating through all of the recently expanded fields will help you find information that's important to you!

Need help? Just call the VMA at 408-238-4230 and tell them you want a Tech visit! Yes, it is that easy.



## **ARTS & CRAFTS CALENDAR**

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

**Open Studio in the Art Room:** Monday and Friday mornings, 10 a.m. - 12 noon and every weekday afternoon, 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

May 5: Monthly Meeting of Arts & Crafts. Monday, 1:30 p.m. in Cribari Conference Room. Michale Sunzeri presents Joel Hallack: Using A I in Art. All Villagers and their guests are welcome.

**June 7:** Crafty Flea Market. 9 a.m. to 12 noon in Cribari Auditorium. Sale of useable art or craft supplies. Table \$12. Contact Claudia Welch at Claudia.welch@yahoo.com

Art Classes – Register by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail. com. All art classes are in the Cribari Center Art Room, unless noted otherwise.

**May 6:** Free Tuesday Art Night Make 'n Take Diamond Art, 6 – 8 p.m. in the Art Room. All materials furnished, but must register by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com

**June 3 – 24**: "Mixed Media Collage" with Wendy Fitzgerald. Tuesdays, 10:20 a.m. – 12:30 pm. Use abstract art to make college accordion sketches books in the Cribari Center Art Room. All materials furnished. \$60.

June 20 and 27, July 18 and 25, August 1, 8, 15, and 22: "Art Journal Time" with Pat Remington in the Cribari Center Art Room. Fridays, 12:50 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Eight different art techniques. Any four classes for \$50. All materials furnished. Max: 12 students.

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

**Stitchery Group:** Meets Mondays 1 – 3 p.m. in Patio Room. Call Roberta at 408-218-8372.

## **VMA EVENT CALENDAR**

REGISTER ONLINE: VMAVILLAGES.VGCC.CLUB OR CALL: 408-238-4029 Monday to Thursday. 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.



#### **Upcoming Programs**

Learn the Benefits between Hospice and Palliative Care Colby Perez, Nursing Director from With Grace Hospice and Palliative Care will cover the differences between hospice and palliative care explaining show how one's quality of life can be improved with both. **Tuesday, May 6** at **10:30 a.m.** in the Sequoia Room. Please register at vmavillages.vgcc.club or call 408-238-4029.

**ABC's of Feldenkrais:** Awareness—Breathing—Centering—Janet Lee PT, a physical therapist, fitness coach and certified Feldenkrais practitioner will present techniques to free yourself from pain, maintain balance and experience well-being throughout your body. **Monday, May 19** at **10:30 a.m.** in Montgomery Center. Please register at vmavillages.vgcc.club or call 408-238-4029.

Hearing Life AND Clear Captions will both be offering their free services for Villagers on Tuesday, May 20 from 10 a.m. to noon at Montgomery Center. Hearing Life will offer free screenings while Clear Captions will provide free caption phones and services for qualified, hard of hearing residents. To register for your screening time, please call 408-238-4230.

#### **Support Groups**

**Parkinson's Support Group:** This monthly group is for all people interested in discussing Parkinson's. Next meeting takes place **Thursday, May 22** at **10 a.m.** in the Forum room. No need to register, all are welcome.

**Grief Support Group:** The Grief Share group led by The Villages Chapel's Pastor Bill Hayden meets every Monday (except Memorial Day) in Sequoia from **10:30 a.m.** to **noon** ending June 2. There is a workbook as part of the group—cost is \$20.

Caregiver Support Group: Judith London Ph.D. conducts this monthly group where caregivers meet to share, listen, and learn. Thursday, May 15 at 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Patio Room and via Zoom. Please contact Judy for all meeting specifics at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325.

## **RV CLUB SCHEDULE**

More information and photos from recent outings are on villagesrvclub.org

December 11 - Holiday Party at Clubhouse

January 25, 26, 27, 28 - Fountain of Youth Spa & RV Park, Niland January 29, 30, 31, February 1 - Indian Waters RV Resort, Indio March 24, 25, 26, 27 - Black Oak Casino Resort, Tuolumne

**April 21, 22, 23, 24** - River Point Landing Marina Resort, Stocktor **May 6** - Quarterly Meeting - Sequoia Room (Cribari) 3:30 p.m.

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

June 14 - Open House at the RV Storage Lot June 22, 23, 24, 25 - Santa Cruz Redwoods RV Resort, Felton

July 21, 22, 23, 24 - Zephyr Cove Resort, Lake Tahoe

August 3 - Annual Barbecue

August 11, 12, 13, 14 - Dumbarton Quarry Campground (full hookups), Fremont

September 26, 27, 28, 29 - Yosemite Lakes, Groveland

October 30, 31, November 1, 2 - Pismo Coast Village, Pismo Beach

November 3, 4, 5, 6 - Wine Country RV Resort, Paso Robles

## **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. All hiking abilities are welcome. **Every Monday** – Walk around the golf course with Terri Vivoli and/or Cheryl Allmen, meet at the Clubhouse parking lot at **8:20 a.m.**, leave at 8:30.

**Rambler-Lite Hike, Wednesday, May 14** - 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, Wednesday, May 21 - Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a hike to LARKSPUR HILL. We'll walk through the Villages' gate to San Felipe Road where we'll take a left and walk for about 100 feet to a path on your right which will take us up the hill to the park which overlooks the Villages and the Diablo Range. Meet at the Clubhouse at 9 a.m.

Rambler-Lite Hike, Wednesday, May 28 - Katy Peretti (408-531-0917) will lead a walk to the CVS shopping center where you will have an opportunity to buy a coffee at Boulanger. The hike will start at the Clubhouse and continue through the estates to Yerba Buena. We will reverse the route back to the Villages. Meet at the Clubhouse at **9 a.m.** 

#### More BOARDS & COMMITTEES

### 2025 Annual Member Meetings and Elections—Update

By Assistant General Manager Julia Meadows, CCAM, CMCA, AMS, PCAM

The three Villages Corporations (Club, Association and Homeowners' Corporation) are preparing for this year's elections and annual membership meetings. Elections will be conducted in May and June with election results announced at this year's annual membership meetings to be held on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at 4 p.m. at The Villages Clubhouse.

**Club.** The election will be held for two director positions (each for a term of three years) on The Villages Golf and Country Club (VGCC) Board of Directors. The Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Corporation provide that there shall be seven directors. The directors who will continue to serve during the ensuing year are Richard Zahner, Judy Owen, Larry Versaw, Diana Hallock, and Michelle Breslin.

The Club's Nominating Committee has announced Howie Blumstein, Mira Dytko, and Andy Altman as its candidates for election to the Board of Directors.

**Association.** For the 2025 Director election there are two open director positions. As of the established deadline for receiving nominations (March 31, 2025), the number of qualified candidates for election to the Board does not exceed the number of director positions available, and all requirements set forth in The Villages Association Election Rules, Sections 2.5 through 2.5.6, have been satisfied. As a result, Stephen Gilbert is the sole qualified candidate and is declared elected by acclamation to serve a three-year term, beginning immediately following the conclusion of the June 11 annual membership meeting.

Further, The Villages Association will conduct a vote in May and June to vote on the Association Resolution regarding the refund of membership income exceeding membership expenses.

**Homeowners.** The Villages Homeowners' Corporation will conduct a vote on The Homeowners' Corporation Resolution, Excess of Membership Income Over Membership Expenses Refunded to Members and election to fill two director positions to serve three-year terms.

The bylaws of the Homeowners' Corporation provide that there will be five directors. Directors with expiring terms are Teddy Morse and Morton Cordell. Those who will continue to serve during the ensuing year are Rob Kirschbaum, Glen Seidel, and Larry McNary.

For the 2025 Director election there are two qualified candidates, Morton Cordell and Donna Ostheimer. Per Section 7.3 of the Second Amended and Restated Bylaws, if no additional candidates come forward as of May 1, 2025, at 5 p.m., they are to be declared elected by acclamation and will begin their terms as Directors on June 11, 2025, upon adjournment of the Annual Meeting of the Members.

The Special Open Meeting to count ballots under the direction of the Inspectors of Elections for all three corporate votes is scheduled for Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. at Vineyard Center.



## Clinical Social Worker Vanessa Souza to speak



at VMFSC meeting

On Tuesday, May 6, Vanessa Souza will be the speaker at the Villages Men's Fun Social Club luncheon. Social Club members should make lunch reservations at least a week in advance on the computer website referenced in the monthly Social Club newsletter. Non-member guests are

invited to attend and should arrive at the Clubhouse by 12:15 p.m.

Vanessa is a licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) with a focus on supporting older adults. She has a particular interest in ensuring people living with Alzheimer's disease and dementia, and their family and friends, have the knowledge needed to prepare for the future. She has nearly 15 years of experience working with older adults, family caregivers, and professional caregivers. Vanessa often works with people in times of transition and may use various interviewing strategies, along with narrative therapy or even reminiscence therapy, if appropriate.

Vanessa works as the Senior Manager for Community Engagement at the Alzheimer's Association of Northern California and Northern Nevada. She has a Bachelor of Social Work from Seattle University and a Master of Science in Social Administration from Case Western Reserve University.

We encourage you to attend and hear what it is like to navigate the healthcare system and manage both the physical and emotional needs of oneself and others.

### The Planets

#### May 10 & 11, 2025 at the California Theatre

Tatsuya Shimono, conductor Symphony San Jose, Women of the Symphony San Jose Chorale

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This space odyssey begins with **Jessie Montgomery**'s Starburst and concludes with Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's final symphony, nicknamed "Jupiter" and long considered by critics to be among the greatest symphonies in classical music.

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stage!

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## Come to Arts and Crafts meeting for 'Art and AI' presentation by Joel Pollack

By Michael Sunzeri

On Monday, May 5 at 1:45 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room we want to draw you in for a



very special presentation involving AI in the Art world. This is a modified demo. We will only be addressing Al in art, not Al and its bigger industry usage. Joel Pollack is an industry expert in electronic displays, holding a B.S. in Physics from Rochester Institute of Technology and an M.S. in Materials Science from the University

Joel's was a physicist at Xerox WRC. He also has a background in engineering, marketing, development, and management, at companies like Tektronix, Sharp

Microelectronics, Samsung, and Nividia and was CEO at Clairvoyante. In 2016 he retired from Amazon's Lab 126 as manager of display engineering for products like the Kindle. Currently he is a private industry consultant.

Among his other interests he is a commercial drone pilot and amateur photographer/videographer active in the Camera Club. Which leads us to Joel's recent applying his mastering Al imaging using an industry leading tool, Midjourney, for promptography.

Artificial Intelligence is a term frequently seen in the news for products like self-driving vehicles, Chat GPT, language, and more. Let Joel explain in his best layman's terms about Midjourney, Joel will show a range of images to demonstrate the depth and capability from photorealism to artwork.

Joel is encouraging you, Villagers, to create pencil or charcoal sketches and even a photograph to send to him at jpollack.cy@gmail.com in any format or scan as a PDF.

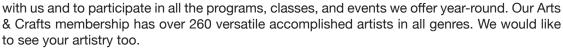
He'll use Midjourney for some to create Al retexturing netting different artistic looks of the original submissions. Make yourself available and perhaps some of your questions will be answered like, "how do they do that?"

## Make free Diamond Art at Arts and Crafts Make and Take Tuesday

By Michael Sunzeri

Third time is the Charm. Just in case you missed the two previous Diamond Art evenings, Arts and Crafts invites you to register for a third round of Diamond Art. It is a free Tuesday night Make and Take evening on May 6 in the Art Room at 6:30 p.m. Sign up with Barbara Gottesman at barb.gottesman@gmail.com early as the waiting list from last February is almost full again. If we are full this third time, then we will just offer a fourth evening for this popular night in the Art room.

Arts and Crafts is encouraging non-club Villagers to join us on Make and Take evenings on several Tuesdays throughout the year so that you can become familiar with Arts and Crafts. These evenings are for you to help spark your interest in art by giving you the opportunity to engage



We will have it all, so you don't need to bring anything except yourself for this event. We have refreshments and a bit o' wine, soda and water for you too.

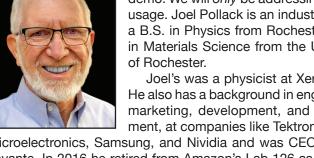
Hurry and register with Barbara Gottesman soon as space is limited to 18 attendees. That evening, hosts will greet you, guide you to a ready table and soon this awaited event will begin. Your enjoyment is foremost, courtesy of Arts and Crafts.

## Stolen Identity: Outsmart the thief before it's too late

Protecting your identity starts with awareness and smart habits. Join us Monday, June 2 at 5 p.m. at Foothill Center for a powerful presentation where you'll learn how to defend your digital self and protect what matters most—your identity and your finances.

Presented by U.S. Bank Manager Olga Dandoy and hosted by The Villages Study Groups Club, in this session, you'll discover: what identity theft is and how it happens; how to spot the warning signs; proven ways to stop and prevent identity theft; and how to report it quickly and effectively.





## 'Get Ready' to get down with Funk in May

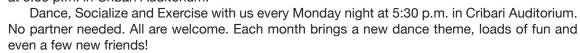
By B. Brown

Smokey Robinson and the Temptations' version of "Get Ready," was written as an answer to the latest dance craze, "The Duck" in 1966. The Temptations' falsetto Eddie Kendricks sung lead

on the song, which Robinson produced as an up-tempo dance number with a prominent rhythm provided by Motown drummer Benny Benjamin. The song made it to No. 1 on the U.S. R&B singles chart,

So "Get Ready" and stay ready for a season of dancing amongst friends during the warm spring evenings.

The style of dance for May is Funk! Join us Mondays at 5:30 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium.



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

Please see the Music Society website: https://villagesmusicsociety.org/about-us-3. The Village Dancers charge an annual \$20 membership fee to participants. While the weekly session is free, donations are welcomed.

## Camera Club scores big at Bay Area



Photo by Rich James entitled "Parrot Beak Lotus."

competition

Members of the Villages Camera Club competed against 15 Northern California clubs in the Northern California Council of Camera Clubs annual and monthly competition. Winners were selected from hundreds of images in competition genres including nature, journalism, creative, monochrome and pictorial. In the first three months of this year our club took 31 places with first place finishes going to Alan Lipton, Michael Jablon and Rich James.

The 78 member Villages Camera Club is made up Villagers interested in upping their photographic skills. Although some of our members use professional photographic equipment many of our photographers use their smartphones to create extraordinary images. Whether you're new to photography or a life-long shut-

terbug, the club's programming includes monthly competitions and programs designed to make us all better photographers. Upcoming talks include how to print and matt your own photos, iPhone photography for flowers and fungi and a presentation on how art intersects with photography.

To see the winning photos check out the exhibit at the Clubhouse and if you are interested in becoming a member (we'd love to have you!) please contact Rich James at rajames5959@gmail. com for details. Dues are only \$30 a year and the education is priceless.

## Villages Music Society to present two Sunday afternoons of special concerts

By Pamela Pierson

Mark your calendars for two Sunday afternoons of "Love-That-Music" concerts sponsored by the Villages Music Society (VMS). On **Sunday, May 18**, the Villages Concert Band will present a musical tribute called "Hooray for Hollywood!" Then on **May 25**, VMS will host the Pariter Vocal Ensemble's spring performance, "When We Sing: Reflections of the Soul."

Both concerts, in Cribari Auditorium, open their doors at 2 p.m. Purchase your \$20 tickets in advance on Saturday, May 17 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Cribari Lobby or at the door. Optionally, to place a phone order for a house charge, call Roberta at 408-685-3386. For more about the Villages Music Society, Inc., see VillagesMusicSociety.org for music events and groups of interest.

Inspired by our Southern California neighbors, "Hooray for Hollywood" includes several medleys of music from Hollywood

The Villages Music Society gets ready to host back-to-back concerts.

Photo by Eric Pierson

as well as music by Los Angeles-based composers. Owing to the myriad fine musical institutions in Los Angeles, including but not limited to USC's Thornton School of Music and UCLA's Herb Alpert School of Music, Los Angeles has had a long history of art music. The Villages Concert Band, directed by Melson Varsovia, includes Villagers, at least half a dozen scholarship students from surrounding schools, and friends from nearby neighborhoods.

On May 25, don't miss Pariter Vocal Ensemble, a tenor-bass ensemble in Silicon Valley, offering a new experience in vocal presentations. The performance will showcase talented members in new ways. For example, in small ensembles, solos, and duets alongside the whole ensemble create a wondrous gathering of music for the soul. The group is excited to share a wide range of styles of music from early renaissance to gospel and barbershop music. The ensemble will sing contemporary selections that include jazz, barbershop harmony and folk music from around the world. Albee Mabeza conducts the ensemble. For more information, visit https://resoundingachord.org/pariter.

## Come to Villages Tai Chi Club Open House

By Jeff Rose

The Tai Chi Club is holding a Villages Open House that will include a Tai Chi demonstration in Cribari Auditorium on Thursday, May 15 from 2 to 4 p.m.

All interested Villagers are invited to come and enjoy this outstanding exercise for your movement and balance.

Light refreshments will be served.



## Local Tours Study Group visits Tech Interactive

By Judy Rogers

On April 10, the Local Tours Study Group visited The Tech Interactive, a science and technology center in San Jose. The

museum offered a wide variety of hands-on activities, including life-sized body models that showcased the parts and functions of the human body. In addition to the interactive exhibits like the Dream Garden, the group had the opportunity to visit the IMAX Theatre, where they chose to watch a film about the T-Rex. It was a must-see, must-do Silicon Valley experience. The group thoroughly enjoyed the diverse exhibits and engaging presentations offered in the exciting atmosphere of the museum. And what was their favorite demonstration? Gizmo, the robotic puppy, of course.





## Join Chinese Club for Ballroom Dance

By Judy London

Love Dancing with the Stars? Well, put on your dance shoes and come to the Chinese Club Ballroom Dance on **Sunday, May 18** from 4 to 6 p.m. at Foothill Center. With music from our



own Ed Knott, we will dance the afternoon away! Troubleshooters will be on hand to help those who would like a refresher. Open to all Villagers, space is limited so sign up now and for a mere \$5 entry fee, have a ball! Remember to bring water. Register online at: sites.google.com/site/villageschineseclub/events-calendar

### Arts and Crafts accepting entries for Annual Members Juried Show

By Michael Sunzeri

The Arts and Crafts Association announces our upcoming and long-awaited Annual Members Juried Show. This popular show has history dating back to 2007 and features beautiful eclectic art from our very own talented Villagers. On Monday, July 14, between

1 – 1:30 p.m. we will be accepting works of art to be juried in the Art Room. The exhibition and reception with refreshments follow the next day on July 15 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in Cribari Conference Room. Our Juror, Carole Cameron of East Valley Artists will be present and your guests, as well as all Villagers, are welcomed. There are five categories: 1. Water Color 2. Oil or Acrylic 3. Mixed Media, Collage 4. Dry Media of Pen, Pencil, Pastels & Charcoal 5. 3D, Sculpture including Ceramics.

Artists will find a Contract entry form on our website at villagesartsandcrafts.org, in the Art Room, or in our Cribari Mail slot. All Artists must be Arts & Crafts members. If you are not a member, please submit \$10 and a Membership application form to Claudia Welch and place it in our Cribari Mailbox. You can find that membership application on our website or Cribari mailbox. There is a single \$10 Contract entry fee for the AMJS Artists' works. Artists may enter two 2D works but they must be in different

categories. For 3D artwork, two pieces are allowed unless you also enter a 2D piece. We now accept, to be juried and exhibited at the reception, large-scale 2D work over 36"x 42", but see the contract for more info. Submit the Juried Show Contract form with \$10 to Michael Sunzeri, same Cribari mailbox. The absolute deadline to enter the show is Friday, June 20.



## Macintosh Users Group to meet May 21

The Macintosh Users Group will have a hybrid meeting by Zoom and in person in



the Sequoia Room at Cribari Center on Wednesday, May 21at 3 p.m. Contact Larry Roben, club treasurer, if you wish to be sent email notices. Give Larry your address, phone number and email address. His phone number is 408-218-0851 and email is larryroben21@gmail.com.

## ADVERTISEMENT

#### **Real Estate**

This week there are 35 active sales and 10 pending sales. It is becoming more of a buyers' market. Cribari homes are at 16 active. The most I have seen since 2009. Hopefully, things will settle down in the stock market and interest rates will come down. It would help.

Interior design changes so fast. It seems like some of these interior design features we were just introduced to are now considered impractical. Though they may look good on TV or a staged home, floating shelves do not work so well in the real world. In practical use, they take up space that could be used for large cupboards that can hold a lot of dishes, glasses, etc. With an open shelf, you have to keep it clean and tidy and you have less room for other goodies. Then there is the easily-dated styles that we just got used to. The barn door replaced the pocket door. I prefer the barn door, but it is now considered a feature that dates a house remodel. Same with custom wood panels as a design feature. Too similar to '70s paneling I am told. I say, just do you and enjoy.

#### According to the National Association of Realtors, Americans spent an estimated \$603 billion on home remodeling projects in 2024.

According to the report, the remodeling projects that received the highest Joy Scores (a ranking from 1 to 10 based on the happiness homeowners reported upon completion) include the addition of a primary bedroom suite (10), and a kitchen upgrade (10). Then it goes on from there. I can see this to be true. I am sure the primary bedroom remodel included a deluxe closet. We own so much "stuff" that closet space is the Joy Space that they are talking about. Having your clothes organized and items made available to wear makes dressing faster, which leaves you more time to work or play.

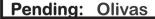
I personally love a sunroom/reading room that is warm and quiet. That is my Joy Space. Call me with any of your Real Estate comments or opinions or anything else I can help you with.



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## Stanford's public art brought to our doorstep

By Arlene Versaw

It may catch your eye as you drive by. Or adorn a street corner on your daily walk. Public art can be abstract or realistic; a sculpture or a mural; huge or not so big. But it generally gets your attention and usually in a good way, although art of any kind is

subjective.

The Stanford University campus in Palo Alto is graced with a multitude of examples of public art, and fortunately for us, Diane Levinson, an artist and an art/art history professor will bring it to our doorstep in a Senior Academy presentation. She will take us on a virtual grand tour to introduce us to work from



"Pars pro Toto" by Alicja Kwade.

familiar favorites, such as Aguste Rodin, and to explore several of the newer works installed on campus within the last few years.

Diane Levinson has taught at DeAnza College, City College of San Jose, Monterey Peninsula College, Santa Clara University, and Bellarmine College Preparatory. Since retiring from full-time teaching, Levinson has offered Art History classes for Osher/ OLLI at Santa Clara University, CSU Monterey Bay, CSU East Bay, and San Francisco State University.

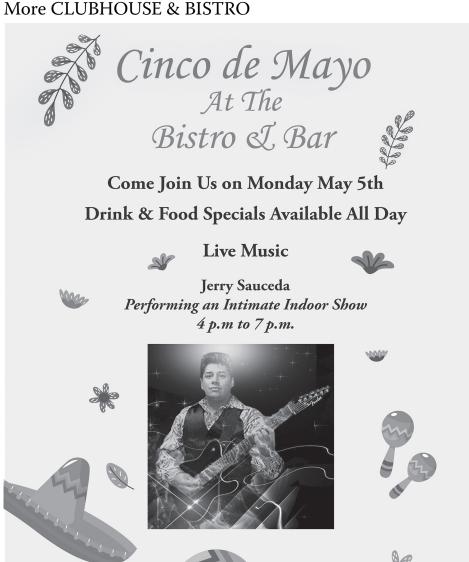
Join us on Tuesday, May 20 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Foothill Center for a delightful visual exploration Stanford's public art. Register at senioracademy.vgcc.club or call Bev Murphy at 408-921-0296.

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



A meeting of The Village Readers Club will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 21 at Montgomery Center. Any Villager who would like to join an existing group or to form a new group is invited to attend. There are currently 14 book groups, each with eight to 10 members. Each book group is

managed independently and functions differently, from the genre of books read to the snacks provided. Groups usually meet once a month in members' homes. If you love to read, want to make new friends, and enjoy interesting book discussions, please attend. Please contact Trudy Nicholls at trudy nicholls@hotmail. com with any questions.



### Music at the Clubbouse

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Jerry Sauceda will be doing a	an intimate Bistro p	erformance on Cinco De Mayo
Thursday, May 8	Restaurant	<b>Double Play Jazz</b> 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 28	Bistro	<b>Steve Guttman</b> 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
<b>June</b> Thursday, June 12	Bistro	Luke Westbrook

Thursday, June 12

Wednesday, June 25 Restaurant **Luke Westbrook** 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. **Double Play Jazz** 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

July

Thursday, July 10 Restaurant Wednesday, July 16 **Bistro** Wednesday, July 30 **Bistro** 

**Double Play Jazz** 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Steve Guttman 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. **Luke Westbrook** 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 14

Wednesday, August 27 Restaurant **Luke Westbrook** 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. **Double Play Jazz** 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

September

Thursday, September 11 Wednesday, September 24 **Bistro** 

Restaurant

**Bistro** 

**Double Play Jazz** Steve Guttman 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.











**SUNDAY MAY 11TH** 

seating times 10:30am & 1:30pm

ADULTS \$70++ CHILDREN (5-12) \$28++

#### **DISPLAYS**

cheese board with gourmet crackers fruit platter, assorted wild berries & grapes assorted mini breakfast pastries, donuts

#### SEAFOOD STATION

peel & eat shrimp, cocktail sauce crab claws oysters on a half shell, mignonette sauce, mini tabasco, lemons smoked salmon, whipped cream cheese, capers, red onions, tomatoes, mini bagels

#### **COOK TO ORDER OMELET STATION**

country potatoes bacon pork sausage eggs any style bell peppers, mushrooms tomatoes, spinach, jalapenos, roasted yukon potatoes bacon bits, pork sausage, chicken apple sausage, shredded cheddar & mozzarella

#### **SALAD STATION**

early summer vegetable salad hawaiian macaroni salad club house baby mix salad caesar salad

#### **CARVING STATION**

prime rib, horseradish cream, au jus bourbon glazed pork tenderloin, honey cider glaze assorted rolls & butter

#### **ENTREES**

champagne chicken, morel mushrooms herb crusted halibut, bearnaise sauce eggplant parmesan lasagna whit truffle potato au gratin steamed seasonal vegetables

#### **DESSERT**

lemon meringue, coconut cream pie, pecan pie, assorted dessert bars assorted cakes, cupcakes, petite fours, macaroons mini cheesecakes, freshly baked cookies

> all final changes due **RSVP BY 5.5.25 12PM** 408.754.1339 theclubhouse@the-villages.com



## Don't kick the can down the road recycle!

The VMA currently has barrels specifically labeled for its Aluminum Can Recycling Program in most trash enclosures in each village and has a team of volunteers that do pickups. Please, no pet food, soup, tin cans, plastic or glass-just

aluminum. For those of our neighbors who have curbside trash pickup, your aluminum cans are currently going to California Waste Solutions through The City of San Jose. We request, instead, that our residents deposit their aluminum cans in one of The Villages trash enclosures nearest you. The recycling proceeds the VMA receives go directly back into our community. We recycle over 2 ½ tons of aluminum annually.



Because we are considered a "Community Services Provider" by CalRecycle. we are only allowed to have receptacles for depositing aluminum cans in the trash enclosure and are not allowed to make collections. We are not licensed to recycle plastic, glass or tin cans. So, please separate those from your deposits.

Please, pay it forward and give back by either recycling your aluminum with us or via financial donations. We are also especially looking for more volunteers to help collect the recyclables. Please contact the VMA office (408-238-4230) if you have any questions or wish to volunteer.

## RELIGION

### Villages Religious Services

#### Weekly:

Sunday 8:15 a.m. **Catholic Mass** Cribari Contact: Kathy Schlosser 408-677-4770

Sunday 10 a.m. **Community Chapel** Cribari Contact: Del Herfurth 408-440-4649

#### Regularly Scheduled:

Friday 9 a.m. **Catholic Mass** Cribari First three Fridays of each month

Contact: Louise Connors 408-221-6485

Friday 7 p.m. **Jewish Shabbat** 

Next date: TBA Contact: Bob Lapidus 408-693-9498

Foothill

Judy London 650-469-9624

**Everyone is welcome! Please call for more information!** 

## **SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES**

Search the Scriptures is meeting at 10 a.m., May 12 at Vine-



yard. 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

## **COMMUNITY CHAPEL**

#### By Pastor Bill Hayden

The lines at the Department of Motor Vehicles and the Postal Offices have been staggering lately. People are under pressure to finally receive their California REAL ID cards so they can travel, and they are also panicking about updating their passports. Looming deadlines have a way of motivating people to prioritize what is essential in their lives.

It is in most people's nature to delay and put off things that we consider less critical until our backs are against the wall. If we have good health, we will go until we can't go anymore. When we can't go... then what do we do, or who do we turn to help us regain our strength and direction? We seldom plan for the what-if because we are too busy living... life large and in charge.

Some freedoms we have taken for granted have been eroded over time because we did not cherish and guard them. Technology can manipulate other people's voices and images to deceive us into thinking the actual person is addressing us. Whereas in times past, we trusted the integrity of those in the media and the government to guard us from false information.

It is as if the untruths are blinding us, and we are marching to the drumbeat of an unseen enemy to our destruction. The voices of one sounding the alarm of one thing or another create more panic and distrust among the people. The lines of discontent and mistrust within the world continue to separate us rather than build bridges of reconciliation and unity.

Not long ago, we celebrated the Easter Redemptive Message of Jesus Christ, who came to save us and put us on the right path for our eternal destiny. Out of all the known leaders who have come into the world to give people a living hope, He is the only one who defeated death... our greatest fear!

If people ignore the One who said, "I'm the Way, the Truth, and the Life, no man comes to the Father except through Me." (John 14:6 NKJV), we will continue down this road without returning. The lines of need will increase further than in the previous pandemic if we do not engage in this factual truth.

"Peace is what I leave with you; it is my own peace that I give you. I do not give it as the world does. Do not be worried and upset, do not be afraid." John 14:27 GNT.

Please join us at the Villages Community Chapel in Cribari Auditorium this Sunday at 10 a.m. to be encouraged over the Word of Life and enjoy coffee and cookies with friends. We will start a new series: "My Peace I Give You." The chapel is where needs are met, faith is affirmed, and new friends are made. You can view our worship services on YouTube at villagescommunitychapel.vgcc.club

## **CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

#### By Lerma Simpson, Pastoral Associate, St. Francis of Assisi

In remembrance of our beloved Pope Francis, may he rest in peace, this is a story of coming to know Mary. In this month of May, Mary, the mother of Jesus is honored.

#### Mary, Mother of Jesus

Growing up Catholic, I knew of Mary. I would see statues of her in churches and images of her at home and in the homes of friends who were Catholic. As a young child, I viewed her as the passive and meek mother of Jesus. Like most children, I did not fully understand the tremendous influence she had on her son and her prominent role in the Catholic church. As I grew to know more about her and developed a closer relationship with her, my image of Mary transformed.



The Bible doesn't give us many details about Mary's life, but scholars have shared some details on what her life might have been like. She probably lived in the town of Nazareth, which at that time was under the violent reign of Herod the Great who ruled with the backing of a brutal Roman military. Like many women of her day, Mary would have spent up to 10 hours a day hauling water, gathering firewood, cooking, and washing. She was a peasant woman who suffered from poverty and oppression. Yet, she knew the risks associated with her "yes" to bear Jesus. She accepted her mission because she trusted God with all her heart.

As a mother, Mary was Jesus' first teacher, and the person who would have formed his values the most while teaching him about his religion and about God. For 30 years, Jesus remained with Mary before He went out to preach the Gospel. It was by Mary's request that he performed His first miracle at the wedding of Cana. Despite the subservient role of women in those times, Jesus obliged his mother's request to provide more wine at the wedding feast. In his public ministry he treated women with respect. In Jesus' time, men were discouraged from speaking to women in public, but Jesus himself interacted with women freely, challenging societal norms. In a crowd of mourners, for example, he spoke with the widow at Nain. With compassion for her, Jesus called her only son back to life (Luke 7:11-17). In another instance, he saw the suffering of a woman who had been crippled for 18 years. Jesus laid his hands on her and said, "Woman, you are set free of your infirmity" (Luke 13:12). Surely by living with a strong and compassionate mother, he grew to respect and be considerate to women as well as to men.

Mary continued to follow her son and was among the circle of disciples he gathered around himself. She remained with him through his ministry, arrest, crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension. During his last moments on the Cross, Jesus gave his mother to all of humanity when he turned to the disciple John and said, "Behold your mother!" (John 19:26-27).

### **VILLAGES JEWISH COMMUNITY**

On Friday, May 16, after Shabbat services, Villages resident Phil Bookman will lecture on his career as an entrepreneur and author of 20 books. Phil retired from his career as a software entrepreneur when he was 60. He has since self-published 20 novels through Amazon. The first 19 were murder mysteries set in Silicon Valley.

His most recent novel, Bloom's Legacy, was published in March on Phil's 80th birthday. It is about Norm Bloom, who coincidentally wakes up on his 80th birthday, and decides to take a stroll down memory lane to review his life. In so doing, he uncovers long-kept secrets and hidden truths that transform his understanding of his identity and Jewish heritage which brings new meaning to his life and a renewed sense of purpose to an old man's future.

Come to The Villages Jewish Community Shabbat services and learn more about Bloom's Legacy, writing fiction and self-publishing. Services begin at 7 p.m. at Foothill Center.

#### Yom Ha'atzmaut: Celebrating Israel's Independence—April 30, 2025

#### "Freedom is the soul of a people." - Yom Ha'atzmaut 2025

Every country has a day to celebrate its birth—its declaration of independence, its journey to self-determination. For the State of Israel, that day is called Yom Ha'atzmaut (pronounced Yome Ha-ahtz-mah-OOT), and in 2025, it falls on Wednesday, April 30. It commemorates May 14, 1948, when Jewish leaders declared the establishment of a modern state in the ancient land of Israel. This declaration came just three years after the horrors of the Holocaust and fulfilled a long-held dream of Jewish return and renewal in their ancestral homeland. Yom Ha'atzmaut is uniquely preceded by Yom HaZikaron, Israel's Memorial Day. The shift from mourning to celebration reflects the reality that freedom often comes at a cost. The somber remembrance of fallen soldiers and victims of terror gives deeper meaning to the joy of independence.

**How Is It Celebrated?** In Israel, Yom Ha'atzmaut is a national holiday filled with joy and pride. Families and friends gather for barbecues, parades, fireworks, and outdoor festivities. Blue-andwhite flags line the streets, and cultural events showcase Israeli music, dance, and food.

Around the world, Jewish communities mark the day with community gatherings, Israeli-themed celebrations, and educational events. Many share songs of hope, stories of resilience, and reflections on Jewish identity and independence. For many Jewish people, this holiday is about more than a political event—it's a testament to survival, perseverance, and the human spirit. After centuries of exile, persecution, and hardship, Yom Ha'atzmaut is a celebration of homecoming and hope.

As April 30 approaches, we invite you to take a moment to learn more about Israel's journey and the significance of this day. Attend a community celebration, try Israeli food, listen to traditional music, or ask a Jewish friend what the day means to them.

May this Yom Ha'atzmaut bring a spirit of connection, understanding, and shared humanity. Blessings, The Jewish Community

## Sports News

## **BOCCE NEWS**



The second place team, The Big Lebocce. Captain Jay Deimling, Bob Lapidus, Sandi Rosenblum, Betty Abelson, Marilyn Goldsmith, Marilyn Gingerelli and two new bocce players, Samara King and Fifi Belalis and ref Kerry Besmehn.



The first place 2025 Spring Mixer Champions, The Blastards. Captain JA Whitacre, Jackie Berman, Steve Gilbert, Del Herfurth, Maureen Keane, Doreen Senior, Gerrit McCold and referee Kerry Besmehn. Not pictured is Kimi Kim-Tiger.

#### By Betty Hall

After six weeks, 256 bocce players including experienced players as well as brand new players making up 32 teams, it all came down to eight teams. These teams who made it to the playoff week had cumulative scores of 7-5, 8-4, 9-3 and 10-2 after 12 games in six weeks.

So on Monday, April 21, these teams met for a one game playoff to determine who would go to the semifinals and hopefully the final. On Monday morning, the Wild Cats beat the Bocceholics while the Blastards beat the Crunchy Rollers. In the afternoon, The Diamonds in the Rough defeated the Bocce Buddies while The Big LeBocce came out ahead of The Sure Shots.

So now it's down to these four winning teams for the Tuesday, April 22 semi-finals. They all want to be in the final game on Wednesday but it's going to be the 5th seed Blastards versus the 7th seed The Big LeBocce.

Again, a one game hour long playoff match, refereed by Kerry Besmehn took place Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. With a large audience of interested bocce players surrounding Court 1, these two teams brought their best throws. At the end of the hour, it was The Blastards who won the match with an impressive score.

The playoff game was followed by the Spring Mixer Championship lunch at the Gazebo. Freshly cooked burgers with all the fixings, accompanied by a delicious tortellini pasta salad and desserts of different types of pies. As always, lots of hardworking volunteers, this lunch was well attended with time to visit and socialize. Congratulations to all the teams who made it to the playoffs after their six weeks of games. See you at the next tournament, the Spring Round Robin on May 12.

More information and pictures on the Bocce Club website at villagesbocce.vgcc.club

## **TENNIS TALK**



Villages USTA Women's 65+ 7.0 team members won their playoff match against Courtside Bay Club on April 25, 2025. Back row: Mitzi Macon, Julie Hawkinson, Joy Rem, Helen Varenkamp, Gail Tuft, Sherry Benz, Mariana Lazarovici, Peggy Seidel. Front row: Pong Lu, Betty Olsen, Captain, Cheryl Diltz, Elaine Chin, Liz Kung, co-captain.

parts of life, shaping me as a person."

Santana played tennis with her family and as she grew up she fondly remembers that tennis was a way for the family to bond and enjoy each other's company. She played for four years on the team, and said, "I realized the importance of commitment and community. Tennis had a big impact on those years and I will carry the lessons, friendships, and joy that tennis brought."

Nandita also played for four years and her experiences taught her skills and values that extend far beyond the game. "Tennis instilled persistence and self-confidence and the team became a second family for me," she said. "The values learned on the court will help me tackle new challenges."

The Scholarship Tournament on May 10 (you've signed up already, right?) uses handicap scoring such that if you win the first game, you start the second game Love-15. So what is your score if you win the first three games? You guessed it: Love-40. Conversely if you lose the first game, you start the second game 15-Love. This is a great way to even out the score. There will be a bountiful breakfast and luscious lunch courtside. And, hopefully, you'll get to meet the four Scholarship winners at the lunch following the tournament.

It was a beautiful day at Rossmoor last Saturday, and sadly we left the trophy there losing by just two points. However, they were gracious hosts and treated us royally. Rossmoor players return to The Villages in October.

The Villages USTA teams are finishing their seasons. Kudos to the Villages USTA Women's 65+ 7.0 team. They won their playoff match against Courtside Bay Club team Friday, April 25, and now move on to Sectionals at St Mary's Collage in Moraga, CA, May 20 and 21. The Villages Men's 55+ 7.0 team has 6 wins and 2 losses with 2 more matches to go and currently is in first place. Their next match is at home on Sunday, April 27 at 4:30 p.m. Come down to the courts and cheer them on!

### **IRONMEN**

#### By Jerry Juracich and Bill Travis

The Ironmen are in morning play, gathering every Thursday morning at 10 a.m. with a shotgun start, sweeps, birdie pool, and closest to the pin.

On Thursday, April 24, 10 Ironmen played. It was a cold and dreary day, but otherwise another fine day for some golf.

Bob Pritchard won first place with a 2 under par net 25! Chuck Benjamin won second place with a net 26. And Jim White won third place with a net 29.

There was one birdie today by Hiei Takazawa on hole 3.

Bob Pritchard won closest to the flag on hole 5 at 7 feet 4 inches.

Bob Pritchard won low gross with a 32.

Bob Pritchard won **Golfer of the Day** honors with low gross, first place and closest to the flag. Way to go, Bob!

A reminder: If every Ironman at every game would take the time to fill in all divots and green damage noticed during each week's game, we would be making a big contribution toward maintaining our own course.

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

#### By Wendy Ferguson

As you know, the Tennis Scholarships are for SCHS seniors who want to further their education. The four Scholarship winners, who won \$5,000 each, wrote essays about how tennis influenced them while playing at Silver Creek High School. There thoughts and ideas are much akin to ours as adults. Below are some excerpts:

Siddharth noted that "As a freshman I came to The Villages, which was a big inspiration for me as I learned that tennis is a game that requires you to adapt and play your own game... the older players always had some tricks up their sleeve such as a nasty drop shot, slice, or serve."

Pranav wrote, "I realized that making mistakes on the court was just a normal part of life and the opportunities to learn from mistakes transfer to other

## **MEN'S GOLF CLUB**

#### By Doug Moore, douglas.moore865@gmail.com Upcoming Events

**2025 Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Member/ Member**—The first MGC Major of the year will be the 2025 Member/Member and it starts tomorrow and concludes on the 4th of May. Best of luck to all the participants and play well.

**2025 Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Summer Open & Annual Picnic**—This will take place on June 14 so get ready, it's right around the corner. Scramble, four-man teams, Shotgun-8 a.m. Flighted. Barbecue at Gazebo – Coffee / Donuts.

**2025 Evergreen Invitational**—The Villages Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Evergreen Invitational will be held July 10-12 and the cost this year will be \$850 per team. Make sure to save the date! **This is our Premiere / Major Tournament of the year!** 

If you have any ideas or thoughts to make this the most memorable Evergreen Invitational ever, why don't you please attend the next meeting that we have scheduled for May 12 at Montgomery Center, and we'll throw that spaghetti against the wall and see if it sticks. Your input really does matters. We will continue to keep you updated with news and information regarding this premiere event in the upcoming weeks. See you there! Should you know a club member who may be interested in helping out, please make sure to contact **Bill Johnston**, **the 2025 Evergreen Chairman** at wljandeaj1944@gmail.com

Home & Away 2025— The Home & Away Team traveled to Los Altos Hills on the 29th of April, and a huge time was had by all.

A keen but unskilled golfer plays the same course every week and has particular trouble with the water hazard on the 14th hole, losing a ball in it almost every time he plays that hole. One day he concludes that this process is too expensive and decides to use an old ball instead of a good one. He opens his bag and gets out the old ball, tees it up and addresses it. Just as he commences his backswing a mighty voice comes from on high:

"Use the new ball..."

So he picks up the old ball and tees up the new one again. He starts his backswing but once again is interrupted by a voice from the sky:

"Take a practice swing..."

The man steps away from the ball and rehearses his swing. Just as he steps forward to readdress the ball, the voice speaks again:

"Use the old ball."

**Executive Committee Meeting:** The Men's Golf Club Executive Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in the Montgomery Center. The next meeting will be **May 5, 2025.** 

## Junior Summer Golf Camps are back—

## are back— register now!

Back by popular demand we will be hosting Junior Camps again this summer.

Here are the dates and times for this summer's junior camps.



June 9-12 Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. July 14-17 Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

July 21-24 Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Cost is \$380 per junior per camp.

Junior Camps will be limited to 12-15 juniors per session, first come first served.

Rhegistration starts Tuesday, April 1 – Call the Pro Shop at 408-274-3220 extension #1.

## FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

**Upcoming Golf Club Fitting Days** 

Cobra - Sunday, May 18, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. Come try the new Cobra Dark Speed Adapt with their new patented FutureFit33 hosel adapter with 33 adjustment options to dial in you ball flight. If you hit too low, too high, too far left or too far right, the new Cobra DS Adapt clubs can transform you ball flight to that high, straight, low sin shot that will maximize your distance and accuracy. The DS Adapt also boasts the fastest speed clubhead Cobra as ever made.

Please call the Pro Shop to book an appointment for all fitting days. Staff professionals will be there to help you determine the best club(s) to maximize your performance and lower your scores.

And remember most of the manufacturers allow you to trade in your old equipment for credit toward your new equipment.

Men's Club Member-Member-Friday-Saturday-Sunday, May 2-3-4

Don't forget to find a partner and sign up for this great event. Three days of 9-hole match play plus a championship horserace to determine the overall champions. There will be snacks at the turn each day, a fun putting contest after golf on Friday, and a fabulous lunch after the horserace on Sunday.

Friday, May 2 – 8 a.m. Shotgun – 1:30 p.m. Open Play Shotgun Saturday, May 3 – 8 a.m. Shotgun – 1:30 p.m. Open Play Shotgun Sunday, May 4 – 8 a.m. Shotgun – 1:30 p.m. One Play Shotgun May Golf Schedule

**Friday-Sunday, May 2-4** – Men's Club Member-Member 8 a.m. Shotgun Each day – 1:30 Open Shotgun each day

Friday, May 9 – 8 a.m. Open Shotgun – 12:30 p.m. Golf Moose Outing 18-Hole Course *closed*Saturday, May 17 – 18-Hole Women Saturday Tournament 8 a.m. Tee Times – Koren Club
1 p.m. tee Times

Monday, May 26 - Memorial Day - Holiday Schedule 7:30 a.m. tee Times - Range Open

Tuesday, May 27 – Men's Club Home & Away – 1 p.m. Shotgun 18-Hole Course closed Friday, May 30 – Twilight Mixer – 9-Hole 4:30 p.m. Shotgun + Dinner – Last available 18-Hole Tee Time 12 p.m.

New Local Rule - Please be Advised

Goose Droppings—If your ball comes to rest on or near a Goose Dropping, and/or that Goose Dropping has adhered on your ball; you are entitled to lift, clean and replace your ball within 6 inches of its original location, with no penalty, and you may move the Goose Dropping to avoid interference.

New Demos available now in the Pro Shop!

New Cobra DS Adapt Drivers-Fairways-Hybrids—used by Max Homa, Rickie Fowler and

New **PING G440** Drivers-Fairways-Hybrids—used by Viktor Hovland, Tony Finau and Sahith Theegala

New **Callaway Elye** Drivers-Fairways-Hybrids—used by Xander Schauffele, John Rahm and Rose Zhang

New **Taylor Made Qi35 Drivers-Fairways-Hybrid**—used by Rory McIlroy, Scottie Scheffler and Colin Morikawa

Take your game to the next level with new 2025 technology to maximize your distance and accuracy!

Tips from the Pro-Newer is Better!

2025 is an astounding year for new golf clubs. The new technology in this year's equipment is unequivocally the best it has been in years. If your clubs are more than 3 years old, you are at a significant disadvantage...Here's why:

1. Shafts – Today's shafts are better than former generation shafts because they use higher quality materials, more advanced design features, and are manufactured to tighter tolerances, resulting in greater stability, consistency in performance, and often a better feel, especially for golfers seeking maximum control and distance potential. Modern shafts incorporate cutting-edge materials like high-performance carbon fiber composites with unique resin systems, allowing for better stiffness profiles and improved energy transfer at impact. Modern shafts have more options than ever, especially weight profiles with new lighter weight shafts weighing as low as 35-grams for those who have slower swing speeds and are looking for more distance.

2. Clubheads -

Larger sweet spot: The new clubs now all have AI enhanced clubfaces with better performance throughout the clubface including a much larger hitting area on the face, meaning even slightly off-center strikes still generate good ball speed and distance compared to older clubs where mis-hits resulted in significant loss of distance and accuracy.

**Advanced materials:** Newer clubs use lighter and stronger materials like high-quality titanium, and lighter-weight carbon, allowing for more efficient weight distribution and better club head design for optimal launch and spin.

**Center of gravity:** By strategically placing the center of gravity lower and further back in the club head, modern clubs promote a higher MOI resulting in higher launch angles, lower spin and better ball flight consistency, adding up to longer and straighter shots.

**Adjustable features:** Most new drivers come with adjustable weights and hosel settings, allowing golfers to customize launch and spin to suit their swing and playing conditions in more ways than ever.

Aerodynamic design: Modern driver heads are designed with aerodynamics in mind to reduce drag and promote faster club head speed at impact. Let me know how these tips work. To sign up for a lesson with me, email ssteele@the-villages.com

## **WOMEN'S 9-HOLE**

The Swingers hosted their first exchange of the year on April 22. Swing Into Spring was attended by 49 Swingers and guests from Almaden Country Club, San Jose Country Club, Saratoga Country Club and also from Fremont, Mission Hills, 808'ers, Stonebrae, Boulder Ridge and Deep Cliff. A big thank you to Mary Wagle for organizing the event. Also, thanks to Diane Nelson and Joyce Mukuno for staffing check-in, the Villages Men's Golf Club for providing four bag boys, and our Director of Golf, Scott Steele, and his staff. The breakfast and taco salad bar lunch were expertly prepared and served by the Food and Beverage staff, so we thank them too. The Swingers would like to thank and acknowledge realtor and resident Suzanne Rodda for the cash prizes for the winners on the front and back nine. Suzanne has been a tremendous supporter of our golf community. The four winning groups in first place are pictured.

#### **Front Nine Flight One:**

First Place: Adele Ratcliff, Mary Toomey, Mary Stowers and Susan Anderson with net 26

Second Place: Kathleen Pennington, Angelina Herrera, Susan Sunzeri and Auralie Citrigno with net 27 Third Place: Laura Swenson, Ann Betty, Mary Wagle and Julie Daly with a net 30

#### Front Nine Flight Two:

First Place: Maureen O'Neil, Judi Kettering, Pat Sear and Janet Madsen with a net 28

Second Place: Betty Garcia, Sara Brown, Kay Gray and Janet Madsen with a net 29

Third Place: Karen Kosmala, Mary Clarke and Beverly Murphy with a net 31

#### **Back Nine Flight One:**

First Place: Mazie Rice, Lola Turpault, Vicki Krattli and Diane Chaisson with a net 29 (card off)

Second Place: Kerry Besmehn, Ali Huynh, Loanne Rube and Josephine Chan with a net 29 (card off)

Third Place: Charlotte Waugh, Alice Huang and Lolivic Shaw with a net 29 (card off)

#### **Back Nine Flight Two:**

First Place: Carleen Corsello, Linda Klein, Carol Zaccheo and Holly Salkeld with a net 30 (card off) Second Place: Sherry Benz, Susan Fink, Mitzi Macon and Nancy Pearne with a net 30 (card off)

Third Place: Suzy Kim, Valerie Dimmick, Anka Hoek and Cheryl Ryan with a net 31

Closest to the pin and each winning a sleeve of golf balls: Hole #4 on the front nine at 26 feet, 6



**Front Nine Flight One winners** 



**Front Nine Flight Two winners** 



**Back Nine Flight One winners** 



**Back Nine Flight Two winners** 

inches was Jan McFarlane. Hole #11 on the back nine at 4 feet, 10 inches was Cheryl Ryan

## **18-HOLE WOMEN**

By Millie Anne Schwerin



Suzanne Fazzio and Monica Saneholz tie for lowest putts.

April 24 (May) Captain's Trophy— We had two Captain's Trophy winners: Monica Saneholz with a gross score of 74 and net score of 62 and Valerie Dimmick with a gross score of 91 and net score of 62. Monica and Suzanne Fazzio tied for lowest putts with 27 putts. Congratulations, ladies!

Diana Hallock (#18), Valerie Dimmick (#15), Priscilla Piper (#11), and Helen Varenkamp (#5) had birdies with chip-ins from Patti Bell (#15), Gwen Bindon (#5), Cindy Fuller (#2), Lyn Strong (#2), and Helen Varenkamp (#15). Congratulations, ladies!

May 1, Handicap Qualifier—The Club held its Handicap Qualifier on May 1. All subsequent matches will be on May 8, May 15, and May 22. All play will be from #2 tee boxes. Flights will be posted on scoreboards in common area by the Pro Shop. There are still spots on the tee sheet for ladies who

field need to call the Pro Shop for tee times and they will need to keep their own scores.

Check out scores and results by going to the 18 Hole Women's website at villageswomensgolf.

Check out scores and results by going to the 18 Hole Women's website at villageswomensgolf. vgcc.club/2025-weekly-results. Winners are also listed on the Scoreboard page of this paper.

May 17, Second Saturday Tournament—The Signup Sheet for this tournament is in the Posting Room. Please do *not* sign up on Cobalt. There will be 10 four-somes. Hosts Betty Sharps and Camille Giuliodibari will pair golfers. Golfers who stay for lunch afterward, please remember to pay Betty \$15 for lunch.

**No EC Partnership for the month of May**—There will be no EC play for the month of May because of the Handicap Tournament.

## **PICKLEBALL**

## Meet Cheryl Diltz, our Villages Pickleball Club Secretary

By Cheryl Diltz

Born and raised in New England, I spent many years living in Massachusetts and Cape Cod. Once my two boys reached middle school, I earned my real estate broker's license and became a jack-of-all-trades at the real estate firm my first husband and I owned. Life took an unexpected turn when I lost my husband suddenly, leading me to relocate to California in 2000.

In California, I dove into the startup world, working for a dot-com company—definitely a new and very "California" experience for me. That adventure ended with my first-ever layoff, but I quickly pivoted to a role at Krames



Cheryl Diltz

Publishing as a project coordinator. It was a fascinating position, allowing me to connect with people nationwide who were involved in publishing medical brochures for the general public. After seven years, another downsizing left me jobless again—cue the growing inferiority complex!

Taking time for some soul-searching, I transitioned into a parttime payroll role for an ambulance company, which turned out to be a perfect fit. Who wouldn't love working just five days every other week? Throughout all these career changes, my constant joy was playing tennis outdoors all over Northern California—I was hooked!

Then in 2014, my present husband, Michael, and I moved to The Villages. Before we even finished unpacking, the Tennis Club's welcoming committee had already recruited me. I quickly got involved, volunteering for events and serving as the club's communications director for a few years. Meanwhile, Michael became the court manager—despite not even playing tennis!

Then came along pickleball—the new rage in The Villages. Initially, I resisted, worried it would mess up my tennis game (as if I needed another excuse). I watched, listened, and cautiously dipped my toes into a few open-play sessions. After enduring many embarrassing "Oh, you must be a tennis player" comments, I decided to embrace the sport as part of my exercise routine—because let's be honest, I'm not a gym person. Plus, the pickleball community turned out to be just as welcoming.

Thanks to Anahid, I was recruited to serve as secretary on the pickleball board. While I don't know many of the players yet, I'm looking forward to changing that and playing more regularly. I appreciate the board's support and am excited for a fantastic year of *pickleball!* 





## Come to Bocce Club's Chuck Wagon BBQ

Saturday, June 7 from 4 to 8 p.m.

Saddle up and join us at Gazebo Park, by reserving your place with Barbara at orlmuh2@ comcast.net. Please include your steak preference and house number with your email.



The cost is \$35 members, \$40 non-members. Deadline for signing up and **no** refunds after Wednesday, June 4. No shows will be charged. Confirmations will be sent by email.

#### **Appetizer: Sweet & Spicy Beef Kielbasa Bites**

Ribeye Steak — Specify well, medium or medium rare when reserving your place.

Baked Potato W/ All The Fixin's Caesar Salad/Garlic Bread

#### **Dessert: Homemade Cookies**

(Vegetarian option available by request). Wet your whistle with complimentary wine or beer. Water and place setting with steak knife provided.

#### We're having a "Cookie Contest" with a \$75 first place prize. You must sign up to enter the contest.

For details on entering, email Barbara at orlmuh2@comcast. net and she will call you.

Music is provided by our own Cowboy DJ, Ed Knott.

### Sign up for 'Saturday Only' Bocce Volo Tournament

Starting on Saturday, May 24 and continuing through Saturday, June 28, the Villages Bocce Club is bringing back the Bocce Volo Tournament. This is a special tournament for recreational players/members who just want to have fun.

There are only two time slots available, 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Sign up on the club's website.

Teams will be made up of 6 to 8 players. Each team will be given an Italian name, and referees will be assigned for you. This is meant to be a fun tournament.

This is a Mixer format. Captains will select their teams from the proverbial hat on Friday, May 16 at 3 p.m. at the Bocce Courts.

On Saturday, July 5 at Vineyard Center, we will have a potluck for those participating in

Signup sheets will be available at the courts each Saturday during play. Limit of 75 for potluck.

## SHONIS

#### By Betty Hall

Last Tuesday was Earth Day. Did you reduce your carbon footprint? It was a nice day to play 9 holes. 21 Shonis came out for the first day of our Eclectic and 1 qualifier as well. There are 24 signed up for the Eclectic so if you missed your first day of the Eclectic, remember you need four Tuesdays but you can make up other days during the week. You have to golf with another Shoni but there's a few Shonis who golf on days other than Tuesdays so just reach out.

Our qualifier today was Terry Matsumura so she now has two games under her belt. We still have three other qualifiers who need one or more games to finish: Jeanne Chiaramonte, Linda McChesney and Amari Thomas.

Putting for Pesos winners today were Donna Erickson and Jonna Robinson. Sweeps payouts will be at our June General meeting so putting money wins will show up in those envelopes.

Well, the birdie pot actually got emptied today because both golfers put their quarters in the pot. Sabrina Kupperberg is becoming the birdie queen as she got a birdie on #8. And our other birdie today was Joyce Baptiste who got her birdie on #5. Nice pot to split. And we start over next week.

This week is our birthday game day so all the April birthdays will get a chance at sweeps.

## COREBOARD



#### Bob Fillhouer, Agent Insurance Lic#: 0786250 www.myagentbob.com www.myagentbob.com www.myagentbob.com

#### Thanks, Residents of The Villages.

I love being here to help in a community where people are making a difference every day. Thank you for all you do.



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#### **18-HOLE WOMEN MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES**

#### Thursday, April 24, 2025

#### **Captain's Trophy Winners:**

Monica Saneholtz and Valerie Dimmick

#### Flight One

Low Gross: Monica Saneholtz 74 Low Net:

Millie-Anne Schwerin 68

#### Flight Two

Low Gross: Jane Hong 89 Low Net: Betty Sharps 68

#### **Flight Three**

Low Gross: Kerry Besmehn 95 Low Net: Hyong Pau 69

#### 2 Tees Flight One

Low Gross: Priscilla Piper 79 Low Net: Mary Wagle 66 2nd Low Net: Joyce Mukuno 67 3rd Low Net: Jean Shimada 70

#### 2 Tees Flight Two

Low Gross: Valerie Dimmick 91 Low Net: Suzy Kim 64 2nd Low Net: Kathy Apgar 64 3rd Low Net: Gwen Bindon 68

#### Wednesday, April 23

Kit Hultquist	201
Sandy Gardiner	224
Sylvia Rozewicz	299
Suzanne Fazzio	394

#### Friday, April 25

Tuesday, April 22

1. Tied Marty Blinde

2. Elena Johal 24

3. Tied Betty Hall

and Teddy Morse 23

All Nets

Flight One:

Bonnie Barrett	20
Remy Pessah	193
Maribeth Berlie	21

## BRIDGE

#### Monday, April 21:

- 1. Mary LeGrand
- Bonnie Taylor
- 2. Jan Kiernan Hanhi Min
- 3. Jonna Robinson
- Puru Naidu

#### Wednesday, April 23:

- 1. Ed Logg Jonna Robinson
- 2. Jan Kiernan Sumi Minami
- 3. Hank Koransky
- Jane Michaels

#### Friday, April 25:

- 1. Hanhi Min George Welch
- 2. Hank Koransky
- Jane Michaels 3. Mary LeGrand
- Lorrie Scott
- and Pauline Robertson 25
- **Flight Two:** 1. Peggy White 19
- 2. Sabrina Kupperberg 25
- 3. Schinae Ogihara 26

#### Flight Three:

- 1. Amy Song 17
- 2. Rose Lov 29
- 3. Deborah Strauss 4



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Active	7946 Caledonia Drive	2,034	2	2 0	\$1,350,000	CS		\$663.72	
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Active	7886 Moorfoot Court	1,751	2	2 1	\$1,050,000	8		\$599.66	
Active	7534 Morevern Circle	1,509	2	2 0	\$999,888	5		\$662.62	
Active	3123 Lake Trasimeno Drive	1,855	2	2 0	\$975,000	46		\$525.61	
Active	6142 Montgomery Place	1,307	2	2 0	\$824,500	50		\$630.83	
Active	7314 Via Laguna	1,781	2	2 0	\$819,000	CS		\$459.85	
Active	8344 Riesling Way	1,571	2	2 0	\$818,888	29		\$521.25	
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Active	7522 Deveron Court	1,307	2	2 0	\$749,000	3		\$573.07	
Active	8356 Charbono Court	1,646	2	2 0	\$725,888	CS		\$441.00	
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Active	6232 Gerdts Drive	1,340	2	2 0	\$699,000	35		\$521.64	
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Active	5238 Cribari Hills	1,223	2	2 0	\$534,000	33		\$436.63	
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Sold	3333 Lake Albano Circle	1,679	3	2 0	\$925,000	17	\$925,000	\$550.92	4/25/202
Sold	7885 Moorfoot Court	1,572	2	2 0	\$928,000	8	\$975,000	\$620.23	4/4/202
Sold	2030 Folle Blanche Drive	1,735	3	2 0	\$974,888	5	\$985,000	\$567.72	4/23/202
Sold	7554 Morevern Circle	1,572	2	2 0	\$959,900	12	\$1,000,000	\$636.13	4/1/202
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## Landscape & Maintenance

### **MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE**

#### **Landscape Maintenance**

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

A high-level map and up-to-date outline of the vendor's various activities for May can be found on *The Online Villager* at: **news.thevillagesgcc.com**. The schedule reflects days for mowing, combined mowing/cleaning, cleaning, and detailing. Detailing includes pruning, pulling weeds, and detailing plant material. BellaVista has also provided hard pruning maps, which show the locations of different plant material to be hard pruned.

- Turf fertilization will begin the week of May 5.
- BellaVista has begun seeding lawns as previously scheduled. The BellaVista teams will follow behind the mowing operations to allow as much time as possible between seed application and the next mowing cycles.

#### Pest Control

Treatment for voles, moles, gophers and squirrels—Village Cribari, Village Fairways and Village Verano—will occur on 5/5.

(Giant Destroyer (EPA #10551-1) and Talprid Mole Bait (EPA #12455-101))

 For Pesticide information used by the pest control vendor or the landscape vendor, 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.

#### Watering Schedule

With the arrival of warmer spring temperatures and the conclusion of the rainy season, plant growth resumes in earnest. To support the health and appearance of The Villages' landscape, the irrigation systems have been reactivated. BellaVista is fine tuning run times and adjusting schedules to meet the specific needs of each area within the community. Throughout the season, BellaVista and management will continue to monitor and adapt the irrigation system based on all available data. If you observe any issues—such as runoff, leaks, or malfunctioning zones, please submit a work order to the Public Works. BellaVista will respond promptly to address any concerns.

#### **Club Maintenance**

- · Community Pool Closures
- All pools are open with the exception of the Montgomery Center. The county has approved the plans submitted by The Villages and we are waiting on the county to remove the tags from the pool. This will then give us 240 days to perform the temporary repair while also al lowing for usage of the pool in the interim. For facility hours and open status, check the Member Portal's "Today at a Glance" feature (https://member.thevillagesgcc.com/).
- Valle Vista Sewer Management is reviewing the submitted bids to perform the repair to the sewer infrastructure in Valle Vista and will provide their recommendation soon.
- Cribari Center Electrical Work—The electrical work and finish work has been completed.

#### **Association Maintenance**

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

- Village Cribari Environmental roofing has resumed work on the flat roof and will be working on units 5271-5282 the week of 4/28 and 5388-5399 the week of 5/5.
- Village Heights—Gutter Cleaning throughout the village continues.
- Village Olivas—On April 29, the Association Board of Directors selected a vendor to perform
  the Olivas Deck Coating Project. Management has contacted the vendor and is in the process
  of initiating the project. Notification will be sent out to the village as soon as the timelines
  have been confirmed and a preconstruction work has occurred with the vendor.

## 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.



## 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.

#### Contacting PG&E during a power outage

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

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

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

If you experience a power outage, contact PG&E and report it or to get more information about outages in your vicinity.

## Report Irrigation Issues

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## WHERE IN THE WORLD IS THE VILLAGER?

Here's how it works: Take along a copy of The Villager on your next vacation—it's not heavy—and have your picture taken holding up the paper with a well-known landmark or celebrity. Just tell them it's for the folks back home. (And be sure to get your camera back!) Then after you unpack and process your pictures from your vacation, e-mail your Villager picture (in Jpeg format) and perhaps a couple of "zingers" from your vacation and e-mail the files to shinrichs@the-villages.com. We'll publish your smiling face with your favorite local paper for all to see.



Pictured here left to right are Mickey and Mary Wagle and Debbie and Doug Moore who spent March 16 through 30 touring Portugal. Time was spent in Sintra, Molicero, Porto, Sao Miguel in the Azores, and Lisbon. This picture was taken the last day of their trip and they are in front of Shorty's bar, which was close to their VRBO rental.

Continue sending your travel photos and captions to the "Where In The World" column. Your adventures will appear in both the *Online Villager* and the traditional *Villager*.



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## The PUZ-LER



As you can see by our results list The PUZ-LER is gaining a little traction. Hopefully more readers find us. Anyway, here is the next edition:

Villagers, you are making it tough on the puzzle guy in that I do not like to type and list the winners—you get the idea. In the last puzzle you simply multiplied 1 by 2, the result x 3, the result x 4 and so on. The number of

10,080 was the answer we were looking for and the winners were Jayme Dickson, Bill Rodman, Penny Johnson, Larry Broderick, John Detrin, Rob (elite golfer) Howe, Gordon Carbonetti, Judy Bushey, Neda Dorjath, Phyllis Barrett, Hansel Wan, Bill Tibbs, Harriet?, Don Fernadez, Sandy Castillo, Donna Hale, Bharati Desai, Ed Logg, Olivia Spada, Peter Groot, Joy Romero, Joyce Demattei, Jim Ware, Ken Mallon, Ann Jackson and Fred Mathis. Whew!

Try this one on for size: You have 6 buckets in a row and we will call them A B C D E F. ABC are full of water and DEF are empty. Very simply our goal is to make the buckets line up: water, dry, water, dry, water, dry. What are the fewest buckets that have to be moved to accomplish that? And why?

Think you know email your answer to me Mike Baily at michsp@ aol.com. Please include your name and be sure to write puzzle in the subject line.

**Thought for the day:** A friend said she did not understand cloning. I told her, that makes two of us.

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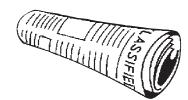
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## **OBITUARY**

#### Beverly Louise Johnson July 13, 1933 — March 22, 2025

It is with deep sorrow and much love that we mourn the passing of our beloved mother, grandmother and great grandmother, Beverly Louise Johnson. Beverly, a long time resident of The Villages, was born in Ottawa, Kansas. Following a lengthy battle with Alzheimer's disease, she passed away on March 22, 2025, at the age of 91.

A Memorial will be held on Saturday, May 3, 2025, at 2 p.m. at Montgomery Center.



More COMMUNITY NOTICES

# Hi-Neighbor!

Welcome to another edition of Hi Neighbor!

This week we introduce you to more Villagers who moved here in the past year.

Please say hi to **Patricia Glusco**, who moved to Village del Lago last April from Mountain View. A Pennsylvania native, Patricia is a retired registered nurse who previously worked for Stanford Children's Hospital. Her interests include music, theatre, concerts, hiking, wine tasting, reading, and at the time of her filling out this survey, hoped to learn pickleball and bocce. We hope she is now invested in both sports.

Wave hello to **Ann Lynn Snook**, who became a Verano Villager last August. Originally from San Francisco, Ann obtained a B.S. in Organizational Behavior at USF and received a Master's in both Training and Development and Hospital Administration at Univ. of St. Francis. She has worked as a curriculum designer and program director in radiologic technology. Her interests include education, 49ers football, culinary arts and gardening and she is thrilled to be living closer to her children and grandchildren.

Give a warm greeting to **George Wedekind**, who moved to Village del Lago last May from La Quinta. Born in Buenos Aires, Argentina, Chuck studied engineering in Buenos Aires, then did his post-grad in Berkeley, CA. His career spans from working on construction in the Argentinian Navy to working in electric generation in nuclear plants and being involved in the nuclear fuel enrichment space program in Livermore. In his spare time, George enjoys painting (all media), woodwork, golf, tennis, swimming, traveling, rugby, soccer and dancing the tango.

Say hello to **Gaetina LaTorre**, who relocated from Los Gators to Village del Lago last October. Originally from the Bronx, New York, Gaetina has a B.A. plus a graduate degree from San Jose State University and is a retired special needs teacher. Her hobbies and interests include pickleball, bocce, dancing, traveling and hiking.

Help us welcome **Enrique and Maala Yalung**, a couple who moved to Village Montgomery in late December from Menlo Park. Originally from the Philippines, the two are both registered nurses and in their spare time, they enjoy table tennis.

The "Hi Neighbor" column is written using information from the Biographical Surveys submitted when residents move into The Villages.

## Planning an estate, moving or garage sale?

Residents, or those working on the behalf of residents, are advised to call the Public Safety Administration office at 239-5246 before planning or opening a sale at the Villages. All sales on Villages property are subject to Association Rule 2.02 Residence Use and Occupancy Restrictions.

Homeowner Rule 3.2.10, Estate and Garage Sales states: 3.2.10 Estate and garage sales are permitted subject to the following:

A. A permit for the sale shall be obtained from the Public Safety Office prior to holding the sale and placement of advertising.

Also, effective July 1, 2012, all estate and garage sales in the Association will require a permit. The owner of the property must request the permit from Public Safety Administration in Building C.

The Villages Association Rule 2.02. 5., Residence Use and Occupancy Restrictions applies:

- 5. Estate and garage sales are permitted subject to the following:
- A. Public Safety will not allow entry to anyone who is not authorized by name in advance (Club Rule 1.01, Access to the Villages).
- B. All sales activity and sale items must be contained within the residence or garage.
  - C. Sales maybe held only between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.
  - D. Sales period may not exceed two days.
- E. Only one sale per resident household per year will be permitted. In the event of the death of a resident of the unit, a subsequent estate sale will be permitted. A permit is required and can be obtained from Public Safety.
- F. Residents may not use public media to invite members of the general public to attend estate or garage sales at The Villages.

In this context, "public media" includes the internet, social media such as Facebook and Twitter which will be seen by non-residents, and publications which circulate outside The Villages such as the Evergreen Times and Spotlight. Residents may post activities and notices on Next Door but must use the "Choose Neighbors: The Villages [only]" option.

**Note:** When placing classified ads for estate or garage sales in The Villager, you will need to attach proof of the permit to your Classified Advertising form.

## The Villager Classified Advertising Pricing

#### Category Cost **Real Estate** \$1.50 per word (minimum of 10 words) Services \$1.50 per word (minimum of 10 words) (See below for Services sub-categories.) **Notices** \$1.50 per word (minimum of 10 words) **Personals** \$1.50 per word (minimum of 10 words) **Cars & Carts** \$1.50 per word (minimum of 10 words) \$1.50 per word (minimum of 10 words) **Help Wanted** (Employment notices) Wanted \$1.50 per word (minimum of 10 words) **Items for Sale** Villagers: \$1.30 per word (minimum of 10 words) Non-residents: \$1.50 per word (minimum of 10 words) (Personal items only) Free Stuff Villagers: \$1.30 per word (minimum of 10 words) Non-residents: \$1.50 per word (minimum of 10 words) **Obituaries** \$1.30 per word. Photo of the deceased \$25 Free flag for veterans **Lost & Found** First 15 words of first ad are free; after 15 words: \$1.30 per word (Subsequent ads after first week are billed at \$1.30 per word)

Note: Classified ads are updated every Thursday evening.
The Villager appears in print and online on the first and third weeks of every month. The second, fourth and fifth weeks are online only.

**Specials** (Additional add-ons to regular ad pricing)

Placement in box\$15 per week (boxes limited to one-column width)Premium placement\$20 per week, placement anywhere with special box

(Anywhere in Classified Ad section, not including first column or above section heading)
(Premium ads will have a bolder border. Placement space is on a first-come-first-served basis.)

### **CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING GUIDELINES**

To submit ad copy, renew, cancel, or make changes to your ad: **Contact us at 408-223-4657** 

or advertising@the-villages.com or mail to: Villager Classified Ads, Building B 5000 Cribari Lane, San Jose, CA 95135.

(Downloadable forms available on the Villager website at **news.thevillagesgcc.com/addlisting**. Ad copy is not taken over the telephone.)

#### **Payment:**

All ads are to be paid in advance by check or money order—no cash. Make checks/money orders payable to: **The Villager**. Villages residents may charge ads to their Villages accounts. Take payments to the Villager office in Building B or mail to the address above.

#### **Deadlines:**

Ads are due Mondays by 4 p.m. for publication in that week's paper. Deadline also applies to renewals, cancellations and changes. Exceptions are only for holiday deadlines, details of which will be published in advance.

The Villages does not endorse or guarantee any advertisement or insert using space in this paper to reach our readers. It is the responsibility of the users of these services to check references and claims made. Residents, please be aware California State law mandates any contractor bidding for a job more than \$500 in parts and labor must be licensed. The Contractors State License Board (1-800-321-2752) may be contacted regarding any questions or concerns about a contractor. The Villager reserves the right to refuse ads containing offensive or questionable content.

## The Villager Classified Ad Form

Name:		Fill out your ad here. Be sure to include contact information. Phone numbers, email addresses websites, and symbols (&, +, @, etc.) are counted as one word. Hyphenated words are counted					
		as two words. Please print clearly. For more information, please contact us at advertising@the-villages.com or 408-223-4657.					
Select Category:  REAL ESTATE REAL ESTATE/HOUSING WANTED NOTICES CARS & CARTS HIRING/HELP WANTED WANTED ITEMS FOR SALE FREE STUFF OBITUARIES LOST & FOUND	□ OTHER CATEGORY (Please specify) □ OBITUARY (Photo optional)  Additional Options: □ Single Line Box (\$15 in addition to ad) □ Premium Box/ Placement (\$20 in addition to ad)						
□ SERVICES □ Appliances □ Automotive Repair □ Computers □ Electrical □ Health, Beauty, Wellness □ House Cleaning □ Landscape □ Legal/Professional □ Moving/Storage □ Painting □ Pet Care □ Plumbing	☐ Heating & A/C ☐ Remodeling ☐ Repair/Handyperson ☐ Senior In-Home Care ☐ Window Cleaning ☐ Tax/Finance/Insurance ☐ Transportation ☐ Miscellaneous ☐	Amount per week: \$ # of weeks: Issue Date(s): Total Amount: \$ Bill:					



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