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Famed MLB player and coach Dave ‘Rags’ Righetti to speak at Men’s Fun Social Club luncheon

On **Tuesday, August 5**, Dave “Rags” Righetti will be the speaker at the Villages Men’s Fun Social Club luncheon. Dave had a 17-year Major League career as a player and has coached for the Giants for 18 years.

Social Club members should make lunch reservations at least a week in advance on the website referenced in the monthly Social Club newsletter.

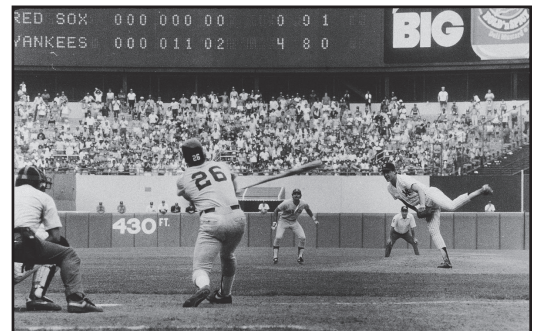
Non-member guests are invited to attend and should arrive at the Clubhouse by **12:15 p.m.**



Dave began his baseball career here in San Jose, on the fields of Pioneer High School, where his teams went 34-2 during his time. He was Junior College player of the year at San Jose City College, leading to him being drafted by the Texas Rangers. Soon after, he was traded to the New York Yankees where he became a starting pitcher and in 1981 was the American League Rookie of the year. On July 4, 1983, against the rival Boston Red Sox, Dave threw a no-hitter, striking out Wade Boggs to end the game. He was converted to a relief pitcher and became a dominant closer for the Yankees, winning the Relief Pitcher of the Year award twice and was named to two All-Star teams.

In 2000 Dave became the pitching coach for the San Francisco Giants and worked under managers Dusty Baker, Felipe Alou, and Bruce Bochy. He managed a pitching staff that included Matt Cain, Madison Bumgartner, Tim Lincecum, Jeremy Affeldt, and was a mentor to catcher Buster Posey. Dave helped lead them to winning World Series titles in 2010, 2012, and 2014. He retired from full-time coaching in 2017 but remains with the Giants working with their minor league pitchers.

You are encouraged to attend and listen to one of the greatest baseball players of all time.



Questions from the May 28 Budget Town Hall

We thank all members who took part in the Budget Town Hall. Your engagement and thoughtful questions show the care and commitment you have for The Villages.

As time went short, and not all questions could be responded to during the session, we committed to providing a written response. We apologize for the delay in publishing this follow-up. While many questions were discussed in individual conversations after the meeting, it is important to present and to respond to all questions publicly, to the best of our ability and understanding. Although not every question pertained directly to the FY2025-26 budget, we are addressing every member-submitted question as part of our ongoing dialogue with the community.

This Q&A series has been compiled to promote clarity, transparency and accountability. It will be in The Villager newspaper, The Villager Online, and posted to the Member Portal.

Thank you again for your participation and continued interest in The Villages’ future.

Q & A:

Q1. The budget presentation lists many fee changes and additions to the Master Fee Schedule but directs members to a “handout.” Where is this handout and how do we get it?

A1. The Master Fee Schedule handout referenced in the presentation is available on the Member Portal. Each corporation (Club, Association, Homeowners’) has their own fee schedule.

After logging in, follow this navigation:

Go to Governance > [the corporation name: Club, Association, or Homeowners’] > Documents then the Budget drop-down.

Direct link to the Association’s FY2025-26 Approved Master Fee Schedule: <https://member.thevillagesgcc.com/static/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/FY2025-26-Approved-ASSOCIATION-Master-Fee-Schedule.pdf>

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Bluegrass Music Club to host summer jam

The Bluegrass Music Club will hold its summer jam on **Sunday, August 3** at Foothill Center from **2 to 3:30 p.m.** All Villagers and their guests are welcome. This event is **free!** The jam will be led by the Scotch Creek Band, a Villages based Bluegrass band. We will be playing Bluegrass, vintage country, and gospel music. You are invited to bring your acoustic instruments (no electrics please) to play along with the band, sing, or just sit back and enjoy an afternoon of music. We do hope you can join us.



COMMUNITY NEWS

PULSE

Dear Readers:

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

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.

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

All Pulse letters must be 200 words or fewer on a single topic relating to life in the Villages. Letter authors are limited to one published Pulse letter per month. Each letter must also include name, address, phone number, date and number of words.

Letters may be submitted electronically through the Submission Form on The Villager Online: news.thevillagesgcc.com/article-submission-form/, or emailed to Villager Managing Editor S. Hinrichs: shinrichs@the-villages.com.

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.

- 0 Pulse letters received this week.
- 0 Pulse letters not meeting Pulse Letter Requirements.
- 1 Deferred 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.

Gazebo Park has been roped off several months. Is this a new rule? At the recent Flag Retirement Ceremony (6/12/25) a longtime Villager and member of Veterans Club was informed that golf carts are not allowed, and he had to leave. He was not permitted to stay in his cart to attend the Flag Retirement, which is an important military tradition as well as important to him personally. Has someone forgotten that this is a Retirement Community? The restriction to such a desired area and communal gathering place is unfair to people who have difficulty walking and rely on their carts for socialization. For now, I believe the ropes should be removed and we should begin working toward achieving a solution that will allow parking golf carts in Gazebo Park. This doesn’t have to be difficult or expensive. No concrete to be laid, just put things back the way it was several months ago. A little thoughtfulness will create a lot of good will. It’s summertime so let’s ALL be able to enjoy the Park with family and friends.

—Mary Jo Lyons

Recycle Right—Plastic Free July

Plastic Free July is an annual challenge that began in 2011 in western Australia. Organized by the Plastic Free Foundation, it encourages people around the world to refuse single-use plastics throughout the month of July—and, ideally, beyond.

You may start by:

- Avoiding the “Top 4” (plastic bags, water bottles, straws, disposable coffee cups).
- Go plastic-free in specific areas (like your kitchen or bathroom).
- Commit to going as plastic-free as possible.

Reducing plastic is a journey, not a destination. Whether you replace one disposable item or overhaul your whole lifestyle, you’re contributing to a healthier planet. Remember: progress beats perfection every time.



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IN MEMORIAM

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There will be a Celebration of Life on **Saturday, August 23 at 11:30 a.m.** in Foothill Center.

**Obituaries are also available online at
news.thevillagesgcc.com/in-memorial**

In Memoriam notices are run free of charge.

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

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

DEADLINES

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

The Villages Communications Advisory Committee develops operational plans, reviews rules and policies, and advises the General Manager and Club Board on issues pertaining to *The Villager*, including Pulse letters, FastNews and the website. Residents having relevant concerns may attend meetings or call committee members by phone: Chair Barbara Clurman at 669-234-4180, and Co-Chair Debbie Champion at 408-960-6994.

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.

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

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BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Budget Town Hall questions... (Continued from front page)

Q2. Where did the savings from canceling our earthquake insurance go? It was removed from our contract without our approval. Why didn't we get a discount on our HOAs then?

A2. The earthquake insurance coverage was discontinued in May 2022 as part of a collective decision by the Boards for FY2022-23. This decision followed multiple discussions among directors and staff concerned about the rapidly escalating cost of earthquake coverage. Premiums had gone up dramatically in the preceding years, jumping from about \$9.53 per million in 2018 to over \$100 per million by 2021. Even with minimal coverage and high deductibles (minimum \$250,000 per occurrence), the annual premiums exceeded \$250,000 for a \$2.5 million supplemental policy, which was viewed as providing limited benefit in the event of a major disaster.

At the same time, The Villages faced broader insurance pressures:

- California's shrinking admitted insurance market forced many associations (including The Villages Association) into non-admitted markets with higher rates and less flexibility.
- The insured value of The Villages rose to \$889 million, which increased base coverage costs proportionally.
- Property and casualty premiums more than doubled across many layers of coverage.

The removal of earthquake insurance did not result in a discount to HOA assessments because the broader insurance portfolio skyrocketed in cost. What might have been "savings" was instead absorbed by these base premium increases. Keeping earthquake insurance would have pushed total premiums even higher.

This is why the Boards collectively, concluded that the coverage no longer offered a justifiable cost-benefit ratio.

Q3. The level of services from administration and maintenance has gone down in the last couple of years. How is this being addressed in the budget?

A3. To better understand this question, we need to know: Is this about the level of service being provided? If so, which specific services are you referring to? Or is this about services that were previously available but have now changed or been discontinued? If that's the case, please identify which specific services you're concerned about so we can address them directly.

Q4. How much are we spending on consultants for re-branding, etc.?

A4. The branding effort is modest in scope and cost:

- \$30,000 total over two fiscal years
- That is \$15,000 yearly or about \$4,285/month over 7 engaged months
- It equates to about \$1.68 per unit

It is funded through the capital projects budget (not operating funds) and to clarify, this is not the first time The Villages has engaged in branding or strategic positioning efforts. Branding has long been part of The Villages effort to keep the community relevant and competitive:

- In 1992, and again in 2014, The Villages worked with Hamlin and Harkins on branding and strategic planning initiatives, spending \$30,000 each time.
- In 2016, we partnered with the Northern California Golf Association to assess our market position and outreach promote The Villages, spending \$19,000.
- In 2021, the Marketing Committee led a refresh of The Villages website and launched the resident-only site (now called the Member Portal) to modernize our digital presence, spending \$11,000.

This current effort is a natural continuation of that work. It is not about renaming the community or introducing flashy marketing. Instead, it is about refining how we communicate the unique value of The Villages to new and prospective residents, as well as to ourselves.

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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.



More BOARDS & COMMITTEES,
MANAGEMENT and COMMUNITY
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ADVERTISEMENT

Real Estate

We are still at 48-50 active listings and 8-9 pending sales. High inventory is common this time of the year, but this year inventory is higher than usual. We are still hoping for lower interest rates to get buyers motivated. Stability in the financial markets would also help.

Cribari Village has the highest number of active listings at 19. The larger Villages homes have been selling faster, but even a few of the larger homes are sitting on the market for several months.

My current listing in Olivas is the largest model in The Villages. It is very nicely upgraded and listed at a price to sell. It should sell faster than the current competitors due to its beautiful condition, location and excellent price. If the buyer is out there at this moment, this one will be gone soon.

According to the National Association of Realtors, a group that lobbied for Real Estate Tax benefits from the recent bill that passed in Congress:

- A temporary (5-year) quadrupling of the state and local tax (SALT) deduction cap, beginning in 2025
- Protection for SALT deductions and 1031 like-kind exchanges
- A permanent extension of the mortgage interest deduction.
- Permanent improvements to the Low-income Housing Tax Credit to support affordable housing development.
- An increased Child Tax Credit of \$2,200, indexed to inflation, helping ease housing costs for families
- A permanent \$15 million estate and gift tax threshold, protecting generational wealth transfer.

These are just some of the real estate benefits that the National Association of Realtors lobbied for. Many of these laws benefit homeowners in the Bay Area due to our higher median price range.

I wanted to share the positive parts of the bill recently passed in Congress that will most likely impact Bay Area homeowners in the next 5+ years. I hope this is some positive news for you and your families.



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



Donation and Collection Event!

Why donate to ROOTED? It is good for the community, the environment, and YOU! Donations are fully tax deductible!

Rooted is a nonprofit program offering reuse and recycling services for clothing and household items with a commitment to social responsibility. We focus on healing and transformation for formerly incarcerated adults by providing a vital training ground & employment for people to become empowered business leaders.

CAN accept:

- All clothing items
- Purses, bags, shoes, tools, and toys
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CANNOT accept:

- Furniture, beds, pillows, large appliances, batteries, or junk

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Date: Saturday, August 2

Time: 10 a.m. to noon

Location: Cribari East Parking Lot

Contact: Debi Higgs
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Cribari Auditorium closed for sound, stage and lighting upgrades

To improve safety and enhance your experience, Cribari Auditorium will be temporarily closed from **July 14 through August 1** for sound, lighting and stage flooring upgrades.

These improvements guided by feedback from our user groups will support better performances, presentations and programs for all residents. The stage flooring upgrade also ensures a safer and more versatile surface for a wide range of activities.

We've contacted the affected groups and, wherever possible, moved their reservations to alternate facilities to minimize disruptions to regular programming.

Thanks for your patience as we work to create a safer, more enjoyable space for our community.

Landscape Town Hall is July 23

BellaVista invites you to attend a Landscape Town Hall in the Clubhouse Fairway Room on **Wednesday, July 23**.

There will be two sessions available: The Morning Session is at **10 a.m.** and the Afternoon Session is at **3 p.m.**

Please attend this Summer Landscape Town Hall because it will provide a great opportunity to ask questions and learn about the landscaping plans for the coming season. Important topics of discussion will include irrigation, pruning, weed control, and more!

Bulky Bin service returns in July

Great news – Bulky Bin service is returning! Green Team is providing three dumpsters at the lower driving range parking lot (location change) for disposal of bulk items on **Tuesday to Thursday July 22, 23 and 24**. The bins are available from the time they are delivered on Tuesday, July 22 (between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m.) until they are picked up on Thursday, July 24 (between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m.)

Important Reminders:

No dumping of items outside the bins—all items must be placed *inside* the bin and pushed *towards the back*. Improper disposal leads to additional staff labor for refuse cleaning and hazardous waste removal.

Restricted items—The following items are *not allowed* for disposal at these dumpsters: Concrete, dirt, tires, engine parts, oil, televisions, refrigerators, freezers, washing machines, dryers and other appliances.

Medical waste or hazardous materials such as paint, antifreeze, motor oil, and pesticides. *E-waste* (examples include computers, monitors, chargers, keyboards, printers, laptops, and electrical components).

No garbage in bulky bins—Garbage is strictly prohibited in the bulky bins. Contaminated boxes will not be removed from the premises until all garbage is removed.

This free community service relies on everyone's participation and respect for the rules. Let's work together to keep The Villages looking great.

Thank you for your support and cooperation in advance.

Please contact Special Projects and Sustainability Director Mary Tatum if you have any questions—408-754-1334 or mtatum@the-villages.com



More COMMUNITY NOTICES on pages 7 & 23

Getting on the Road to the 21st Century

Fireside Chat with Theresa Ostrander



Wednesday, July 30, 3-4 p.m. - Fairway Room
Topic: **Management and Cost Reimbursement Agreement** with **Theresa Ostrander** (General Manager) and **Blake Kennedy** (CFO)

Open to all residents. First come, first served. Maximum 70.



Estate Planning and Probate Attorneys

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We have assisted many Villagers establish their estate plans, and we look forward to the opportunity to assist many more.

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GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

THE DACs

Olivas DAC to meet July 24—new date

There will be an Olivas DAC meeting at **4 p.m. on Thursday, July 24** at Foothill Center. **Note:** this is a new date.

Estates DAC to meet July 31

The Estates DAC will meet at 4 p.m., Thursday, July 31 in the Foothill Center.

Montgomery DAC to meet August 4

The Montgomery DAC will meet on **Monday, August 4** at **10 a.m.** in Montgomery Center.

Cribari DAC Town Hall is August 4

The Cribari DAC will hold a Town Hall Meeting on Monday, August 4 at 6 p.m. in the Cribari Conference Room.

Verano DAC Quarterly Meeting August 4

The Verano DAC Quarterly Meeting will be held at 4 p.m., Monday, August 4, in the Vineyard Center.

Valle Vista DAC to meet August 7

The Valle Vista DAC will meet at 4 p.m., Thursday, August 7 in Foothill Center.

All-DACs Meeting is August 18

There will be an All-DAC meeting at 9:30 a.m., Monday, August 18 in Foothill Center.

More COMMUNITY NOTICES

(SRS) SENIOR RESOURCE SERVICES

SRS: Answers to the Social Security quiz

An online poll about Social Security retirement benefits commissioned by MassMutual was conducted in 2024, among 1,500 Americans nearing retirement (age 55-65) who had not yet filed for SS retirement benefits.

There were 13 True/False questions. Five or more incorrect answers was considered a failure. More than 60% of the participants failed. We published the questions in the July 3rd edition of The Villager and challenged you to take the test. Below is the original quiz **with the correct answers**. How did you do?

1. In most cases, if I take benefits before my full retirement age, they will be reduced for early filing. (TRUE)
2. If I am receiving benefits before my full retirement age and continue to work, my benefits might be reduced based on how much I make. (TRUE)
3. If I have a spouse, he or she can receive benefits from my record even if he or she has no individual earnings history. (TRUE)
4. If I have a spouse and he or she passes away, I will receive both my full benefit and my deceased spouse's full benefit. (FALSE)
5. Generally, if I am in a same-sex marriage, there are different eligibility requirements when it comes to SS retirement benefits. (FALSE)
6. The money that comes out of my paycheck for SS goes into a specific account for me and remains there, earning interest, until I begin to receive benefits. (FALSE)
7. If I get divorced, I might be able to collect SS benefits based on my ex-spouse's SS earnings history. (TRUE)
8. Under current law, SS benefits could be reduced by 20% or more for everyone by 2035. (TRUE)*
9. Under current SS law, full retirement age is 65 no matter when you were born. (FALSE)
10. If I file for retirement benefits and have dependent children age 18 or younger, they also may qualify for SS benefits. (TRUE)
11. If I delay taking SS benefits past the age of 70, I will continue to get delayed retirement credit increases each year I wait. (FALSE)
12. SS retirement benefits are subject to income tax just like withdrawals from a traditional IRA account. (FALSE)
13. I must be a U.S. citizen to collect SS retirement benefits. (FALSE)

***Footnote:** The Social Security trust fund is actually projected to run out in 2035, which could lead to a 17% reduction in benefits.

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 villageshrs@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

Three Boards

• Three Boards Orientation (Directors Only) is **9:30 a.m.** on **Tuesday, August 12** in the Clubhouse Fairway Room.

• Three Board Strategic Planning meeting (Directors Only) is **9:30 a.m.** on **Tuesday, September 9** in the Clubhouse Fairway Room.

Association

• The Villages Association Board of Directors Monthly Board hybrid meeting—open to all—is **Tuesday, July 29** 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, July 29** at **1:30 p.m.** in Foothill Center and on Zoom. Meeting ID: 961 5036 4740; Passcode: 260616; Dial: 1-669-900-6833

• The Villages Golf & Country Club Board of Directors Working Session Re: Projects (Directors Only) is **1:30 p.m., Friday, August 15** in Foothill Center.

Homeowners

• The Villages Homeowners' Corporation Board of Directors September Quarterly and Organizational Meeting is **Wednesday, September 17** at **9 a.m.** Location TBD.

AC NOTICE

Association applications for Owner Alteration Requests for the month of August are due to the Architectural Committee on or before **July 25**. Call Elissa at the Corporation Yard office to obtain an application. The meeting date is scheduled for **Thursday, August 7** at **9 a.m.** in Montgomery Center.



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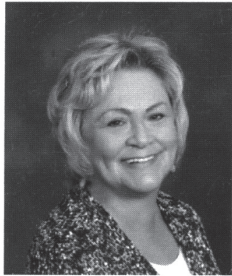
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8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	A
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	FC
9 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club-Advanced	FC
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10:15 a.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
12:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	BC
5 p.m.	Italian Club Mystery Dinner	CH
5 p.m.	Tennis Club: Mixer Tourny	TS
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Jewish Shabbat	FC

Saturday, July 19

8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	A
8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	P
10 a.m.	Watercolor Open Studio	AR
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Sing Along	SEQ
5 p.m.	Korean Club Golf Dinner	CH

Sunday, July 20

8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	
7:30 a.m.	Catholic Choir Practice	CR
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	SEQ
10 a.m.	Community Chapel Worship	FC

Monday, July 21

8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	A
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	FC
9 a.m.	EPC Leadership	PR
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
10 a.m.	Study Groups: Canasta	SEQ
10 a.m.	VMA Board	F
10:15 a.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
12:30 p.m.	18-H Women Golf Lunch: SV	CH
1 p.m.	Stitchery	PR
1 p.m.	VMA: Matter of Balance	CR
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers Group 1	FC
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

Tuesday, July 22

8 a.m.	Bulky Bins service	Driving RangeLot
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8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	A
8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
10 a.m.	2026 Master Calendar mtg	FC
10:30 a.m.	Beginner Aqua Aerobics	FHP
11 a.m.	VMA: Glaucoma-Dr. Mehta	SEQ
11:30 a.m.	LSAL Fitness	VC
11:45 a.m.	Advanced Aqua Aerobics	FHP
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
5:30 p.m.	Desi Club Social Hour	SEQ
7 p.m.	Tennis Club Board	PR

Wednesday, July 23

8 a.m.	Bulky Bins service	Driving RangeLot
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8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	A
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	FC
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P

9 a.m.	Game Day	
10 a.m.	BellaVista Town Hall	
11:15 a.m.	QiGong	
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	
2 p.m.	2026 Master Calendar mtg	
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers Group 2	
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	
7 p.m.	Village Dancers Group 3	

Thursday, July 24

8 a.m.	Bulky Bins service	Driving RangeLot
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8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	A
8:30 a.m.	Tai ChiP	
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club	FC
10 a.m.	VMA: Parkinson’s Support	F
10:30 a.m.	Beginner Aqua Aerobics	FHP
11:30 a.m.	LSAL Fitness	FC
11:45 a.m.	Advanced Aqua Aerobics	FHP
12:30 p.m.	18-H Women Golf Lunch	CH
1:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	CR
4 p.m.	Olivas DAC	FC
7 p.m.	The Villages Folksters	VC

Friday, July 25

8 a.m.	Bulky Bins service	Driving RangeLot
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8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	A
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	FC
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club-Advanced	VC
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10:15 a.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
12:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	BC
3:30 p.m.	Village Glen Arden Luau	FC
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance	VC
6:30 p.m.	Twilight Golf Dinner	CH
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC

Saturday, July 26

8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	A
8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	P
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10 a.m.	Ukulele Sing Along	SEQ
4:45 p.m.	Study Groups: Movie Group	SEQ
6 p.m.	Korean Club Game/Dance	VC

Sunday, July 27

8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	
7:30 a.m.	Catholic Choir Practice	CR
9 a.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	SEQ
10 a.m.	Community Chapel Worship	FC
1 p.m.	Table Tennis Club Social	MC
7 p.m.	Chinese Karaoke/Game Nite	SEQ

Monday, July 28

8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	A
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	FC
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
10 a.m.	VGC Six Clubs	VR
10 a.m.	Search the Scriptures	VC

10 a.m.	Study Groups: Canasta	SEQ
10:15 a.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
1 p.m.	Stitchery	PR
1 p.m.	VMA: Matter of Balance	CR
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers Group 1	FC
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED

Tuesday, July 29

8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	A
8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
9:30 a.m.	Association Board	FC
10:30 a.m.	Beginner Aqua Aerobics	FHP
11 a.m.	Men Golf: Home & Home	CH
11 a.m.	VMA: Clear Captions	SEQ
11:30 a.m.	LSAL Fitness	VC
11:45 a.m.	Advanced Aqua Aerobics	FHP
1:30 p.m.	Club Board	FC
1:30 p.m.	Chapel Women’s Fellowship	VC
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
5 p.m.	Study Groups: Club Picnic	GP
5:30 p.m.	Desi Club Social Hour	SEQ
7 p.m.	GV: Plant-based Diet	MC

Wednesday, July 30

8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	A
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	FC
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
11:15 a.m.	QiGong	FC
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	Fireside Chat	CH
5:30 p.m.	Village Dancers Group 2	FC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC
7 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
7 p.m.	Village Dancers Group 3	VC

Thursday, July 31

8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	A
8:30 a.m.	Tai Chi	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club	FC
10:30 a.m.	Beginner Aqua Aerobics	FHP
11:30 a.m.	LSAL Fitness	FC
11:45 a.m.	Advanced Aqua Aerobics	FHP
12:30 p.m.	18-H Women Golf Lunch	CH
1:30 p.m.	Ukulele Club	VC
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	Chapel Choir Rehearsal	CR
4 p.m.	Arts&Crafts Assoc. Board	AR

Friday, August 1

8 a.m.	Auditorium Closed-Upgrades	A
8:30 a.m.	Jazzercise	FC
9 a.m.	Catholic Mass	CR
9 a.m.	Chinese Morning Exercise	P
9 a.m.	Game Day	RED
10 a.m.	Line Dance Club-Advanced	FC
10 a.m.	Quilters	PR
10:15 a.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
12:30 p.m.	Duplicate Bridge	RED
2 p.m.	Art Open Studio	AR
3 p.m.	Bocce Bash	BC
3 p.m.	Handbell Ensemble	CR
6 p.m.	Chinese Club Line Dance	VC
6:30 p.m.	Mexican Train Dominoes	MC

Calendar Highlights

VMA Presents: ‘Living with Glaucoma’

Tuesday, July 22 from 11 a.m. to noon in Vineyard Center.

Bulky Bin Service

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at the lower Driving Range Parking Lot self serve drop-in.

BellaVista Landscape Town Hall

Wednesday, July 23 at the Clubhouse—two sessions: Morning at 10 a.m. and Afternoon at 3 p.m.

Household Battery and Light Bulb Recycling

Friday, July 25, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Tennis Courts Parking Lot.

Bluegrass Club Summer Jam

Sunday, August 3 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in Foothill Center.

EVENT LOCATIONS

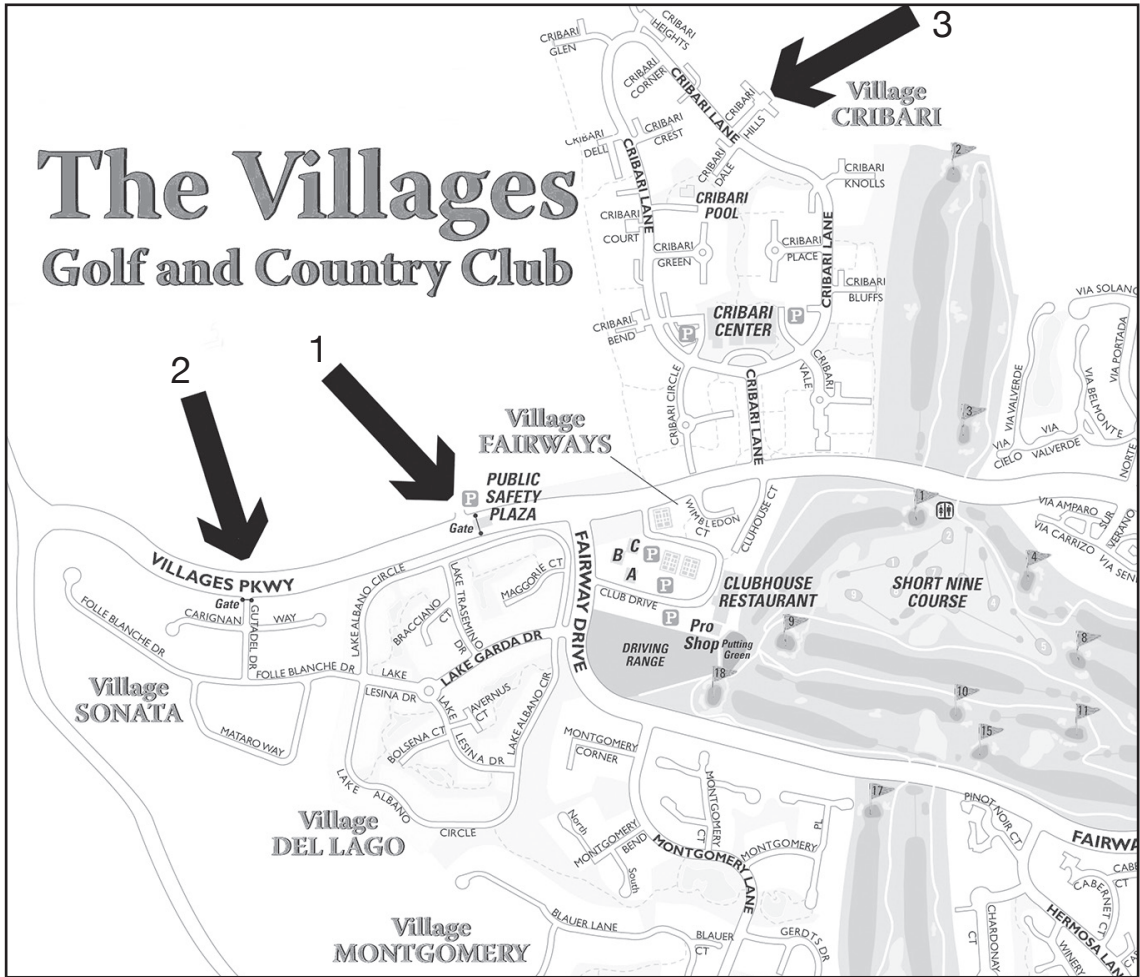
A	Auditorium—Cribari
AR	Art Room—Cribari
BC	Bocce Courts
CER	Ceramics—Cribari
CH	Clubhouse
CR	Conference Room—Cribari
F	Forum Room—Cribari
FC	Foothill Center
FHP	Foothill Pool
GP	Gazebo
L	Lobby—Cribari
MC	Montgomery Center
P	Patio—Cribari
PC	Pickleball Courts
PR	Patio Room—Cribari
RED	Redwood Room—Cribari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

Know Your Way

As part of the requirements to maintain Firewise recognition, The Villages needs to provide Villager education on how to safely leave The Villages in the event of wildfire. The Villages wants every resident to “Know Your Way.” Please become aware of exits out of The Villages. In the event of a wildfire—a local agency may give orders to leave The Villages.

The map below shows three exits out of The Villages indicated by arrows. Become familiar with their location to “Know Your Way.”

- 1. The main entrance and exit, which is Public Safety Plaza and front gate.
- 2. Sonata Gate—This gate is located on Gutadel Drive in Sonata. When driving towards the entry Plaza, on The Villages Parkway from outside The Villages, it is on your right.
- 3. Villa Vista Gate—This gate is located on Cribari Hills. The road is a one-lane road, which exits on to Yerba Buena near Evergreen Valley College.



Music at the Clubhouse

July			
Wednesday, July 30	Bistro	Luke Westbrook	6 to 7:30 p.m.
August			
Thursday, August 14	Bistro	Luke Westbrook	6 to 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, August 27	Restaurant	Double Play Jazz	6 to 7:30 p.m.
September			
Thursday, September 11	Restaurant	Double Play Jazz	6 to 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, September 24	Bistro	Steve Guttman	6 to 7:30 p.m.



Double Play Jazz
Bass & Piano



Luke Westbrook
Guitarist



Steve Guttman
Guitarist

Budget Town Hall questions...

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As part of our 2025–2028 Strategic Plan, we are working with two firms:

- The McMahon Group, who is leading our resident survey and strategic planning process.
- Sussner Design, who helps us build a consistent brand identity that reflects who we are and where we are going.

The Villages is not “rebranding” for the sake of change—we are aligning the way we present ourselves with the values, experiences and aspirations that define The Villages. This includes visual and verbal elements, such as how we describe our amenities, our lifestyle and our future vision.

Q5. Sidelineing or ignoring the petition yesterday! Is this a legitimate/legal action on part of the Board? Transparency? Where is it?

A5. We understand the concern and appreciate the opportunity to clarify the Board’s actions regarding the petition submitted May 5, 2025, calling for a member vote on proposed changes to Club Policy CPo 305.

After careful legal and procedural review, the following was determined:

- The Club bylaws do not allow members to call a vote on Board-adopted policies. Section 4.11.2 of the Club bylaws strictly limits member votes to specific actions, such as elections of directors, bylaw amendments and major capital projects. The investment policy is not one of those items.
- While Section 4.2 permits members to ask for a Special Meeting, the petition did not do this. Instead, it assumed a right to vote that the bylaws do not grant.

Despite this, the Club Board did not sideline the petition. Instead, the Board took additional steps to ensure transparency and public engagement:

1. A public study session was held June 17, 2025, in full compliance with CPo 113. This session included a presentation from the Club’s chief financial officer and our investment adviser CS Capital, as well as an open Member Forum period where all signatories and interested members were encouraged to speak.
2. The Club Board voluntarily delayed implementation of the revised CPo 305 policy, even after it was formally approved, to make sure the petitioners and general membership had a full opportunity to review and engage.
3. The Club Board also formally responded to the May 19, 2025, follow-up letter signed by five petitioners. That response included an offer to meet directly with up to five of the signatories to discuss concerns in more detail. That meeting offer was not accepted or scheduled by the signatories.

To be clear: the petition was not ignored or dismissed. The Club Board exceeded its legal obligations by creating opportunities for direct input, dialogue and education on the policy.

Context on CPo 305:

- CPo 305 does not allow speculative stock investing. It permits the Club to assign up to 30% (previously 0%) into diversified, conservative vehicles like exchange-traded funds (ETFs), certificate of deposits (CDs) and U.S. Treasury securities (Treasurys)— tools designed to protect purchasing power.
- Had a responsible investment approach been implemented 10–15 years ago, even conservatively, the Club could have generated millions in compounded gains, reducing pressure on dues and strengthening long-term financial sustainability.

This policy is not about trying to “time the market.” It is about prudent planning, rooted in the long-term interests of current and future members, much like the parable:

“An old man plants a tree, knowing he will never sit in its shade, but others will.”

Q6. How do we move meetings to later in the evening 6, 7, 7:30 p.m.? For people who work (still).

A6. This is an important point, and it was also raised during the focus groups in early May. We have heard your feedback and have begun making changes. For example:

- This Budget Town Hall was scheduled at 5 p.m., specifically to make it more accessible to working Villagers.
- Both the Club and Association Boards have discussed this topic publicly and have committed to holding quarterly evening meetings to improve accessibility.

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THE CLUBHOUSE

For Information:
408-223-4687

2800 The Villages Fairway Drive, San Jose CA 95135

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

To order
Curbside
Grab and Go,
call
408-223-4687
Press #2

Soup of the Day



For the week of 7/21 to 7/27
Monday, July 21
Coconut Chicken Curry
Tuesday, July 22
Creamy Tortellini
Wednesday, July 23
Chicken Noodle
Thursday, July 24
Old Fashioned Beef
Friday, July 25
Clam Chowder
Saturday, July 26
Chef's Choice
Sunday, July 27
Chef's Choice

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 Press #2, Online: clubhouserreservation.com
• **Patio Dining** reservations for the patio are for 6 or more persons.
• **The Bistro alcove** can be reserved for parties of 8 to 10 people.
• **The kitchen will still close at 8 p.m.**, last seating at the Bistro, Patio, curbside takeout and Restaurant main dining room is 7:30 p.m.
• **Bistro Bar closes at 9 p.m. Last call is at 8:30 p.m.**
• Dress code for the main dining room will be enforced. During summer months, dress shorts and dress sandals will be allowed.
• Credit cards and house charges will be accepted.
• Cash will not be accepted for payment but can be left as a tip.

How does Curbside Grab-and-Go work?

First, call in your order at 408-223-4687 Press #2. Call us again when you get to the Clubhouse curbside and we will bring it out to your vehicle. **A 15% Service Charge and Tax will be added to the price.**

Notice for our Curbside customers: Due to the increased volume of orders at 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: State legislation prohibits "Take-out service" from providing any single-use foodware accessories or standard condiments to customers unless they are requested. This is in effect now. Our staff will ask if customers need condiments such as ketchup, etc. or plastic utensils such as forks, etc. when taking orders.

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

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 7/22 to Sunday 7/27

Loco for Moco: Steamed Rice, Seared Angus Beef Patty, Mushroom Gravy, topped with Two Fried Eggs \$22

Lunch Specials:

Monday 7/21 to Sunday 7/27—11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Smoked Game Hen: Whole Game Hen with Roasted Potatoes, Pan Gravy and Seasonal Vegetables \$25

Hawaiian Teriyaki Chicken Plate: Marinated Grilled Chicken Thighs, Steamed Rice, Macaroni Salad and Steamed Broccoli \$23

Dinner Specials:

Tuesday 7/22 to Sunday 7/27—5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Braised Short Ribs: With Red Wine Reduction, Mashed Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables \$33

Roasted Whole Fish Branzino: Stuffed with Red Onion, Lemon, Dill with Lemon Oil and Choice of Two Sides \$34

CURBSIDE: Whole Rotisserie Chicken \$15.99
Order by 1 p.m. for 5 p.m. Same Day Pickup

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. *

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. *

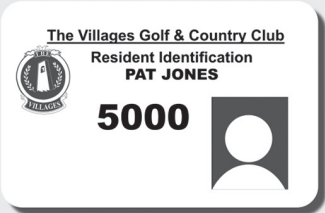
* Last seating at 7:30 p.m.

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

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 fee offer. * 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 single 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.

5 5 5 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.clubhouserreservation.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.

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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 dressing
 - Dinner Rolls & Butter
 - Cilantro Lime Rice
 - Seasoned Black Beans
 - Corn Tortilla
 - Pico De Gallo



- GRILLED TRI TIP \$55
- House salad with balsamic dressing
 - Dinner Rolls & Butter
 - Roasted Yukon Gold Potatoes
 - Roasted Cremini Mushrooms
 - Grilled Jumbo Asparagus
 - Green Peppercorn Demi Glace



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Pickup Available at 5 p.m.

\$15.99 Plus
Service Charge
and Tax



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.

Learn French 101: Start speaking with confidence

Date/Time	Location
Tues., Aug. 19 - Sept. 23, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.	Conf. Room
Cost	Reg. Deadline
\$180	Aug. 11 at 4 p.m.
Instructor	
T. Vacsi	

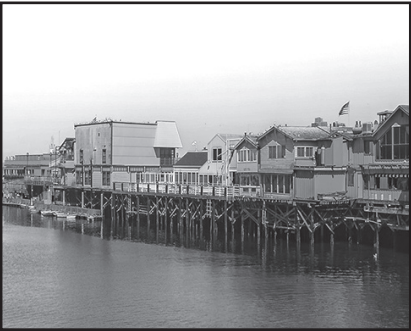
Step into the world of French with this engaging beginner course! Designed for those with little to no experience, this class introduces the basics of French vocabulary, grammar, and pronunciation. Through interactive activities, cultural insights, and simple conversations, you'll start building confidence 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. Bring a friend who registers and receive a delightful French treat to enjoy, along with a certificate of appreciation — because learning together is more fun. No prior knowledge required! Additionally, brand-new students can join a **free** prep session on **Friday, August 15**, to learn the basics — including greetings, numbers (1–31), colors, and how to say the date and talk about the weather — so they'll feel confident from Day One! The session price includes six classes.

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



Explore Monterey with guide Gael Gallagher

Date/Time	Location	Cost
Wednesday, Oct. 8, 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Monterey	\$180
Attendant	Reg. Deadline	
M. LeGrand	Monday, Sept. 22 at 4 p.m.	



Join us for an unforgettable trip to Monterey featuring an exclusive private tour with Gael Gallagher—renowned as the ultimate tour guide of Monterey and Carmel! With her captivating storytelling and insider knowledge, Gael will bring the area's rich history and charm to life. After our scenic and engaging tour, we'll enjoy a delicious lunch at the beautiful Portabella restaurant, known for its elegant ambiance and coastal cuisine. This is a perfect day of discovery, beauty, and relaxation—don't miss it!

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

Explore history and horticulture at the Luther Burbank Home and Gardens

Date/Time	Location	Cost
Wednesday, Sept. 3, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Santa Rosa	\$151
Attendant	Reg. Deadline	
M. LeGrand	Monday, Aug. 18 at 4 p.m.	

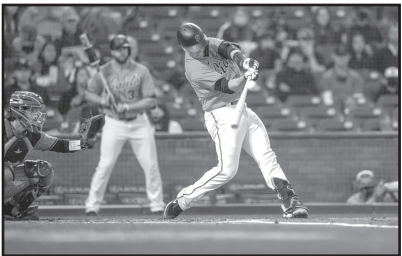
Join us for a relaxing day trip to Luther Burbank Home and Gardens! Explore the beautifully preserved home, greenhouse, and lush gardens of one of America's most renowned horticulturists. Enjoy a peaceful stroll through vibrant plant displays and learn about Burbank's incredible legacy. After the tour, we'll head to Downtown BBQ for a delicious lunch featuring slow-smoked meats and classic sides. After lunch we will visit a local nursery for you to explore and purchase on your own! This is the perfect outing for garden lovers, history buffs, and foodies alike!

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



See SF Giants play Padres

Date/Time		Cost
Wednesday, August 13, 10:15 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.		\$161
Location	Attendant	Reg. Deadline
San Francisco	H. Salazar	Monday, July 28 at 4 p.m.



Cheer on the San Francisco Giants for an exciting day of baseball while they play the San Diego Padres at Oracle Park.

Each ticket comes with a \$25 concession credit 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/sf-giants-sd or with Recreation Services in Building D.

Sip & Savor: A Scenic Escape to Sarah's Vineyard

Date/Time	Location	Cost
Thursday, Sept. 25, 10:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Morgan Hill	\$117
Attendant	Reg. Deadline	
M. LeGrand	Monday, Sept. 8 at 4 p.m.	



Join us for a fun-filled day at Sarah's Vineyard in Morgan Hill! Enjoy a tasting of four unique wines, each showcasing the rich flavors of the region. During the tasting, relax with a lovely, boxed lunch surrounded by the vineyard's stunning views and charm. This is the perfect outing for wine lovers and anyone looking to unwind in a beautiful setting. Don't miss this chance to sip, savor, and soak in the scenic beauty of one of Morgan Hill's hidden gems!

Register on the Member Portal at tinyurl.com/wine-tasting-rec or 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 are final after the 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 him/her.

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

Spin, play and win with a day at Graton Casino

Date/Time	Location	Cost
Wednesday, August 6, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Santa Rosa	\$70
Attendant	Reg. Deadline	
M. LeGrand	Monday, July 21 at 4 p.m.	



Try your luck and enjoy a day of excitement with a trip to Graton Resort & Casino! Whether you're into slot machines, table games, or just soaking up the lively atmosphere, Graton offers something for everyone. With over 3,000 slots, a variety of gaming tables, and multiple dining options, it's the perfect escape for fun and entertainment. Gather your friends, enjoy the ride, and get ready for a thrilling casino experience.

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

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ARTS & CRAFTS?

All Villagers are invited to participate in Arts and Crafts Activities. Visit 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.

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

July 18, July 25, August 1, August 8, August 15, and August 22: “Art Journal Time” with Pat Remington in the Cribari Center Art Room. Fridays, 12:50 – 3:30 pm. Eight different art techniques. Any four classes for \$50, all 8 for \$100. All materials furnished. Members only.

July 22, 24, 29 and 31: Pastels with Terri Ford. Two Tuesdays and two Thursdays, 1 – 3:30 p.m. \$75.

July 23: “Gouache Watercolor Workshop” with Jenna Hobbs. Wednesday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. in Cribari Center Art Room. \$70. Jenna will cover materials cost for first 10 to register. Open to all Villagers. Materials list on website www.villagesartandcrafts.org

August 7 - 28: “Painting with Acrylics” with Swati Mohari. Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. \$100. All materials furnished. Members only.

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.

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 Hike, Wednesday, July 23 - Gary and Terry Holmquist (408-332-8581) will lead a hike along West Cliff Drive in Santa Cruz. We will start at the parking lot for Lighthouse Field and proceed North for about half a mile before heading back to the Wharf. There will be an optional lunch there before returning to our cars. The hike will be approximately 4 miles in length. The drive is about 90 miles round trip. Meet at Cribari at **8:45 a.m.** for a departure at 9 a.m.

Rambler-Lite, Wednesday, July 23 - 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 Hike, Wednesday, July 30 - Sandy (530-412-1744) and John Petrin (530-927-7024) will lead a rambler hike from the parking lot on Silver Creek Valley Rd (on the right just before HWY 101). We will hike north to the picnic area by Cottonwood Lake and take a break. Bring water and a snack. The R/T hike is about 4 miles and is mostly shaded. There are restrooms at the parking lot and by the picnic tables near Cottonwood Lake. We will meet at Cribari Center at **8:30 a.m.** and depart at 8:45. Roundtrip mileage is 9 miles. For those interested, we will stop for coffee on the way back at Starbuck's, across Silver Creek Valley Road next to the Shell Station.

Rambler-Lite, Wednesday, July 30 - 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.**

Rambler Hike, Wednesday, August 6 - Guy Hoover (408-667-9935) will lead a 3.3-mile R/T rambler hike along the Devil's Slide trail 2.6 miles north of Montara State Beach on Hwy 1. The trail is paved and offers spectacular ocean views with great opportunities for viewing birds and marine mammals. The hike has approximately 300 feet of elevation change and should provide a nice break from the South Bay heat. Round trip driving distance is 110 miles. There are restrooms at both ends of the hiking trail and many benches along the way. We will park in the southern parking lot. Bringing a jacket is advisable. We can stop for lunch afterward at Flying Fish & Grill (211 San Mateo Rd) in Half Moon Bay. We will meet at the Cribari bell at **9 a.m.** and leave at 9:15.

RV CLUB SCHEDULE

Information and photos from outings are on villagesrvclub.org

- 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

Sign up for Nirvana Fitness

Date/Time		Location
Mon., July 28 - Sept. 29, 9 a.m.to 10:15 a.m		Conf. Room
Wed., July 30 - Oct. 1, 9 a.m.to 10:15 a.m		Conf. Room
Cost	Instructor	Reg. Deadline
\$134	Barbara B.	July 21 at 4 p.m.

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 independently. Please bring a yoga mat; kneepads are recommended. Instructor Barbara Bitonti, a certified FWA Wellness Health

Coach, Nirvana® instructor and immunologist, brings medical knowledge and a passion for holistic wellness to every class.

Register for the Monday class on the Member Portal online at tinyurl.com/nirvana-mon and/or register for the Wednesday class at tinyurl.com/nirvana-wed. Or sign up in person with Recreation Services in Building D.

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

Living With Glaucoma – Dr. Rajvi Mehta, a Board certified glaucoma specialist who is also experienced in complex cataract and glaucoma surgeries, will explain glaucoma, who's at risk, some traditional treatment options and the role of alternative medicines. Please join us on **Tuesday, July 22** at 11 a.m. in Sequoia. Please register online or call 408-238-4029.

ClearCaptions Pizza Lunch and Learn – Elli Tehrani will tell us about a free “captioning service” and phone for those with hearing loss on **Tuesday, July 29 at 11 a.m.** in the Sequoia room. Register online or call 408-238-4029.

Support Groups

Parkinson's Support Group: This monthly group is for all people interested in discussing Parkinson's. Next meeting takes place **Thursday, July 24 at 10 a.m.** in the Forum room. No need to register, all are welcome.

Grief Support Group: In-person grief support will be on hiatus until **September 8** but one can still find guidance, here are some optional contacts:

GriefShare – griefshare.org – 800-395-5755
Hospice of the Valley – hov.org – 650-530-6970
With Grace Hospice – withgracehospice.com – 408-444-5500

Caregiver Support Group: Judith London Ph.D. conducts this monthly group where caregivers meet to share, listen, and learn. **Thursday, August 21 at 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.** in the Patio Room and via Zoom. Please contact Judy for all meeting specifics at judithlondon@sbcglobal.net or call 408-784-3325.

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Status	Street Address	Total Sq.Ft.	Beds	Bths	List Price	DOM	Sale \$	\$/Per. SqFt
Active	7133 Via Solana	1,790	3	2 0	\$1,568,000	17		\$876
Active	7137 Via Solana	1,707	3	2 0	\$1,499,900	33		\$879
Active	8873 Wine Valley Circle	2,032	3	2 0	\$1,495,000	84		\$736
Active	8718 Mccarty Ranch Drive	2,043	2	2 1	\$1,489,000	93		\$729
Active	8756 Mccarty Ranch Drive	2,305	2	2 1	\$1,449,888	3		\$629
Active	7306 Via Granja	1,837	3	2 0	\$1,100,000	17		\$599
Active	7886 Moorfoot Court	1,751	2	2 1	\$1,050,000	85		\$600
Active	7723 Kilmarnok Drive	1,804	2	2 0	\$989,888	32		\$549
Active	7530 Morevern Circle	1,751	2	2 1	\$988,000	14		\$564
Active	3123 Lake Trasimeno Drive	1,855	2	2 0	\$950,000	123		\$512
Active	3230 Lake Albano Circle	1,776	2	2 1	\$949,888	23		\$535
Active	8480 Grenache Court	1,571	2	2 0	\$949,000	53		\$604
Active	3417 Avernus Court	1,679	2	2 0	\$947,750	44		\$564
Active	8377 Riesling Way	1,700	2	2 0	\$898,888	16		\$529
Active	7638 Falkirk Drive	1,572	2	2 0	\$849,000	9		\$540
Active	7713 Galloway Drive	1,572	2	2 0	\$819,900	54		\$522
Active	8344 Riesling Way	1,571	2	2 0	\$798,888	106		\$509
Active	6098 Montgomery Court	1,571	2	2 0	\$795,000	36		\$506
Active	6202 Gerdts Drive	1,526	2	2 0	\$788,888	34		\$517
Active	7648 Falkirk Drive	1,509	2	2 0	\$785,000	CS		\$520
Active	7792 Prestwick Circle	1,490	2	2 0	\$779,000	36		\$523
Active	8463 Traminer Court	1,646	2	2 0	\$778,000	24		\$473
Active	7302 Via Granja	1,781	2	2 0	\$775,000	10		\$435
Active	7812 Prestwick Circle	1,490	2	2 0	\$760,000	86		\$510
Active	7510 Deveron Court	1,509	2	2 0	\$745,000	107		\$494
Active	7798 Prestwick Circle	1,490	2	2 0	\$739,000	27		\$496
Active	6142 Montgomery Place	1,307	2	2 0	\$729,950	96		\$558
Active	6251 Blauer Lane	1,340	2	2 0	\$719,000	58		\$537
Active	8366 Riesling Way	1,646	2	2 0	\$718,888	48		\$437
Active	8513 Fume Blanc Court	1,370	2	2 0	\$675,000	96		\$493
Active	8356 Charbono Court	1,646	2	2 0	\$674,000	72		\$409
Active	6200 Gerdts Drive	1,197	2	2 0	\$668,880	38		\$559
Active	5155 Cribari Knolls, #5155	1,240	2	2 0	\$649,867	32		\$524
Active	5090 Cribari Place	1,348	2	2 0	\$648,888	10		\$481
Active	6094 Montgomery Court	913	2	1 0	\$627,991	94		\$688
Active	5173 Cribari Knolls	1,223	2	2 0	\$599,000	5		\$490
Active	5441 Cribari Green	1,240	2	2 0	\$589,000	37		\$475
Active	5141 Cribari Place	1,240	2	2 0	\$568,000	41		\$458
Active	5185 Cribari Hills	1,240	2	2 0	\$560,000	18		\$452
Active	5379 Cribari Crest	1,240	2	2 0	\$539,000	110		\$435
Active	5469 Cribari Green	1,223	2	2 0	\$525,000	108		\$429
Active	5350 Cribari Dell	1,223	2	2 0	\$523,750	113		\$428
Active	5533 Cribari Circle	1,223	2	2 0	\$519,888	55		\$425
Active	5408 Cribari Court	1,223	2	2 0	\$515,000	59		\$421
Active	5523 Cribari Circle	1,223	2	2 0	\$514,999	6		\$421
Active	6066 Montgomery Bend	913	2	1 0	\$499,950	7		\$548
Active	5183 Cribari Knolls	1,223	2	2 0	\$499,888	164		\$409
Active	5302 Cribari Heights	1,223	2	2 0	\$495,000	144		\$405
Active	5235 Cribari Hills, #5235	947	2	1 0	\$485,000	10		\$512
Active	5324 Cribari Glen	1,223	2	2 0	\$485,000	67		\$397
Active	5277 Cribari Corner	1,223	2	2 0	\$475,000	54		\$388
Active	5111 Cribari Place	1,223	2	2 0	\$468,000	48		\$383

	AVERAGES NUMBER OF SALES	TOTAL SQ. FT. AVERAGES	LIST PRICE AVERAGES	DOM	SALE \$ AVERAGES	\$/PER SQ.FT. AVERAGES
Active	53 ↑ from 41	1,473	\$782,920	53 ↑		\$521↑
Cont/Pend	8 ↑ from 14	1,426	\$727,397	26 ↑		\$502↓
Sold	14 ↑ from 8	1,447	\$858,214	32 ↑	\$1,041,861	\$575↓
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CLUBS & EVENTS

Sign up for VMA Presents: ‘Living with Glaucoma’

Come to the Vineyard Center for a “Living with Glaucoma” presentation by Board-certified Glaucoma Specialist Rajvi Mehta, M.D.

Over 4.22 million people in the U.S. have glaucoma, the eye disease that causes loss of sight by damaging the optic nerve. Called the “silent thief of sight,” many experience shock and fear hearing the diagnosis. On **Tuesday, July 22** from **11 a.m. to noon**, Dr. Rajvi Mehta, a Board-Certified Glaucoma Specialist associated with the Palo Alto Eye Group, will present, “**Living with Glaucoma.**” In her hour-long interactive talk, Dr. Mehta will cover:

- What is Glaucoma
- Who is at risk of developing Glaucoma
- Traditional treatment options
- Role of diet and exercise
- Role of alternative medicines
- Emotional aspects of living with glaucoma

Often those with glaucoma experience disability, loss of independence, and decline in overall health and well-being.

Dr. Mehta is experienced in complex cataract surgery and glaucoma surgery. Dr. Mehta graduated from Brown University with a degree in biochemistry and completed her residency training in Ophthalmology at the Illinois Eye and Ear Infirmary. She returned to Duke University for a clinical fellowship at the Duke Eye Center for her subspecialty training in glaucoma.

Experience goodness and hope even when the future may appear dark with glaucoma. Come learn how best to be “Living with Glaucoma” on July 22 at Vineyard Center.

To register online visit <https://vmavillages.vgcc.club> and click on “Program registration.” Or call the VMA office at 408-238-4029.



VAT to hold auditions for fall show



The VAT (Villages Amateur Theatre) is pleased to announce that the fall show will be Agatha Christie’s classic mystery “Murder on the Orient Express.” Adapted from Christie’s book by Ken Ludwig, this show is about 10 apparent strangers on the famous Orient

Express train traveling from Istanbul to Paris, when one of them is murdered. Fortunately, Hercule Poirot, the renowned detective from Belgium is aboard, and goes about solving the mystery.

A cast of five women and six men make up the ensemble of this timeless play. The play will be directed by Nelson Frick and auditions will be held **August 3, 4 and 5** in Cribari Auditorium at 7 p.m. Performances will be **October 31, November 1 and 2**. The Friday, October 31 performance will be at **7:30 p.m.** and the **Saturday and Sunday** performances will be at **2:30 p.m.** All in Cribari with the newly installed sound and lighting systems.

Come and join us and read for a part in this great show.

Matinee Theatre gets standing ovation



Matinee Theatre’s “Alias Cinderella” was a smashing success with a 200 person audience and a standing ovation!

Showcase your talent at the Home Studio Art Tour



The Villages Arts & Crafts Association is gearing up for our annual Home Studio Art Tour on **Saturday, August 16**. Resident artists and crafters can showcase their talent in their home studio, garage or driveway. This is a unique and fun event to show and sell the items that you make to hundreds of buyers from the convenience of your own home.

How does this work? You sign up, we promote, you profit.

On Saturday, August 16, you set up all your items, we pass out colored maps giving directions to the participating artists’ homes. Residents drive around to between 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. and shop for unique, handmade treasures that you make.

Join the fun! This is a popular event sponsored by The Arts & Crafts Association.

Artist contracts are available online at homestudioart-tour.com, and hard copies are in the Arts & Crafts mail slot in Cribari and in the Art Room.

Need more info? Email dianefinley1@gmail.com



Presents

The Drowsy Chaperone!

This charming show pays tribute to the Jazz-age shows of the 1920s. Based on the tale of a pampered Broadway starlet who wants to give up show business to get married, her producer sets out to sabotage the nuptials, her chaperone, the debonair groom, the dizzy chorine, the Latin lover and a couple of gangsters. Songs in the score include “Fancy Dress,” “As We Stumble Along,” “Love is Always Love” and “I Do I Do In the Sky.”

8 p.m. Performances: July 19, 25, 26

2:30 p.m. Performances: July 20

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Take ‘80s dance trip back in time

“The Heart of Rock & Roll” meets summer dancing in Cribari Auditorium on **Mondays in July at 5:30 p.m.**

Huey Lewis & the News, with their simple, straightforward rock and roll, became one of America’s most popular pop/rock bands of the mid-’80s. The group was formed in San Francisco and the hit “The Heart of Rock & Roll” peaked at #6 on U.S. Billboard Hot 100. It was also a gigantic hit on MTV (remember that station?).

The VMS Village Dancers’ July style of dance is ‘80s. Dance, socialize and exercise with us every Monday night at 5:30 p.m. in Cribari Auditorium. No partner needed. All are welcome. Each month brings a new dance theme, loads of fun and even a few new friends! **Note:** The auditorium will be closed after the **Monday, July 7** class. Please join us at **Foothill Center** for the remainder of July classes (July 21 and 28).

Bernice Toy is the Club President and choreographer of The VMS Village Dancers. She can be reached at vms.dancers@gmail.com. The Village Dancers charge an annual \$20 (annual) membership fee to participants. While the weekly session is free, donations are welcomed.



VMA Presents: ‘See What Your Phone Caller Says’

“Sorry, could you repeat that number?” Try as you might, you miss numbers, dates, and messages in your phone calls. On **Tuesday, July 29** at **11 a.m.** in the Sequoia Room, Elli Tehrani, a specialist for ClearCaptions wants to treat you to pizza, and let you know about a free service for those who qualify: real-time captioning as you speak on the telephone. With this feature on your cell and home phone, you can:

- Stay connected and read (and re-read) the words of your loved ones.
- Have clearer phone conversations catching every word.
- Maintain your independence and not need help with phone calls.

In short in real time, you will see what you and say and your caller says. You will also have an emergency weather alert system from FEMA. And you may qualify for a free phone.

ClearCaptions is free for customers who are qualified through Title IV of the Americans for Disability Act. These laws were created so people with hearing loss disabilities can access their phone calls. Telephone companies and internet providers contribute to the fund to help service providers, such as ClearCaptions make this service available to you.

Join Elli Tehrani to learn more about ClearCaptions and enjoy pizza on July 29. Elli needs to know how many pizzas to order. To register for this event online, visit vmavillages.vgcc.club and click on “Program registration.” Or call the VMA office at 408-238-4029.

More CLUBS

Patio BBQ Is Now Open!

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Every Thursday, Friday & Saturday

11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

SUMMER BBQ

Half Rack Baby Back Ribs ★ Smoked Brisket Sandwich ★ Pulled Pork Sandwich

Pesto Chicken Sandwich ★ Chili Hot Dogs ★ Angus Hamburgers



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

Explore color and creativity in Terri Ford’s pastel classes



Terri Ford, Villages resident and internationally famous pastelist, is offering four classes in pastels to Arts & Crafts members. Her artwork is now on display in the Cribari Conference Room. The first two classes are **Tuesday** and **Thursday, July 22 and 24** from **1 to 3:30 p.m.** Participants will work in pastel or the medium of your choice. We will work small—6x6 and 8x8 paper will be provided. The idea is to create or experiment with whatever moves you. Bring photos or Terri will have some available. Or just play with color. Join Terri for some fun!

Terri’s intent is all about color. You can do literal things similar to the “3 Trees” painting, or just play with color as in “Deep Dark.” All of these paintings are 6”x6” and make great gifts!

The second set of classes will be **Tuesday** and **Thursday, July 29 and 31** from **1 to 3:30 p.m.** In this series we will work larger. Terri will bring 11”x14” paper for everyone, and we will use what we learned in the first week and apply it to a larger format. Again, be as wild and abstract as you want or create a literal object with hopefully a little abstraction. Have fun; create something unique!

Fee for all classes is \$75. Register by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com. (A&C members only.)

Learn to make Wordpress posts and pages at Webmasters Guild quarterly training session

It is time for the quarterly training session hosted by the Villages Webmasters Guild. The training will be held on **Tuesday, August 12 at 4 p.m.** in the Montgomery Center. This session will focus on creating and editing new pages and posts in WordPress, which will be particularly helpful for new websites and webmasters who have recently joined.

As a reminder, the Villages Webmasters Guild aims to build a pool of webmaster talent to assist Villages clubs and each other, and to provide shared website services to lower the cost and complexity of club websites. All our websites are built using the WordPress content management system. You’re welcome to bring your laptop to the session.

Our sessions are open to all Villagers. Members will have access to recordings and materials for future reference. We look forward to seeing you there! For more information, you can contact the Guild at villages.webmaster.guild@gmail.com.



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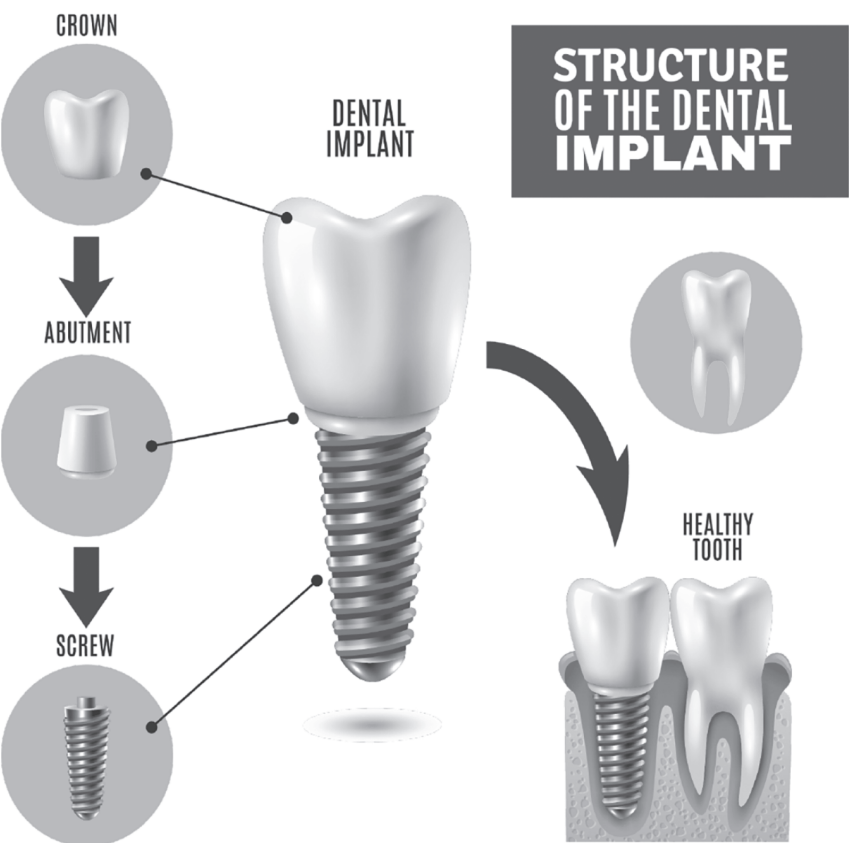
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Take on our ‘Summer Art Project: Tiny Treasures’

Arts & Crafts members are invited to complete a summer art project which involves several challenges: two months to think about it; small 5”x5” inch canvas; any media drawing, painting, collage, assemblage, jewelry or anything that can be glued to canvas!

Pick up a 5”x5” canvas from the Art Room and sign the participants sheet. You can pick it up during any Open Studio, Monday or Friday, 10 a.m. – noon in the Art Room.

Summer is halfway over, and Jane Hink has used watercolor to paint the pink wildflower “Pride of California” (pictured). Over 40 other members are thinking about their creations in July!

Work on your tiny art project during August and half of September. Paint, draw, collage, assemble, crewel or glue 3D objects to the canvas. Let your imagination run wild! Sign it. Do not frame it.

Bring it to the New Members Reception on **Monday, September 15** in the Art Room to display. The purpose is to have everyone create new work the same size that shows great imagination. Use no frame to distract from your artwork. At the end of the reception, members might swap or trade for other artistic creations!

For more information, email barb.gottesman@gmail.com



Pride of California” by Jane Hink

Learn Sourdough for Healthy Living—Encore Edition

Apparently, saying “that was fun” means “do it again next month.” So here we are—the Healthy Eating group is bringing back the Sourdough Bread Workshop **Tuesday, July 29 at 7 p.m.** in Montgomery Center, and this time Marie-Paule will be back (jet lag and all). Darrel Kelly, because let’s face it—it’s hard to shape dough when you’re still on Paris time. RSVP by emailing globalvc-club@gmail.com.

Crusty on the outside, warm on the inside. Whether you’re already baking or just curious about that jar of bubbly dough your neighbor keeps talking about, this class is for you. It’s an easygoing, hands-on intro to sourdough—the kind of bread that’s full of flavor, crunch, and culture (both literal and figurative).

We’ll cover:

- What a starter is — and how to keep it alive
- How time, temperature, and folding affect your final loaf
- How to bake a crusty, chewy boule even if you’ve never touched a banneton

- And yes, what to do when things go sideways (as told by “a friend”)

Bring your curiosity. Maybe leave with your own starter, a basic sourdough formula, and a new appreciation for what flour, water, salt, and wild yeast can become — in the right hands.

Don’t forget to register.



Cribari Rock Concert

Sunday, August 10 at Gazebo Park—4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

All Villagers are invited to rock out!

Music by the 14th Street Band

Great food: Barbequed Hamburgers, Veggie Burgers, Hot Dogs and Homemade Coleslaw.
BYOB: Alcohol is permitted

Tickets are \$20. Email cribarisc@gmail.com or text 408-375-1760
or call 408-274-1882.

Please include member number for ticket(s) charge.

Explore a new and different art medium—gouache!



“Little One on the Farm” by Jenna Hobbs

On **Wednesday, July 23**, Jenna Hobbs, artist and high school art teacher, will offer a one-day class from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** in a medium new to most of us—gouache! Gouache is opaque watercolor.

Jenna previously provided a demonstration of her skill with gouache to Arts & Crafts members in February. She impressed us all with her landscapes, boats, people, horses, school scenes and home scenes. She will show us the basics and benefits of gouache paint. She will also demonstrate how to consolidate details and articulate light and

form with this fast and versatile medium.

Jenna will cover the cost of materials for the first 10 persons who register. The materials list is on our website at villagesartsandcrafts.org.

Register by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com. This class is open to all Villagers and their guests.

Save the date!

Montgomery Village presents
**Hot August Nights Classic
Car Show and Picnic
Sunday, August 24**

4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Gazebo Park

More information to come!

Sign up for Acrylics Class
with Swati Mohari

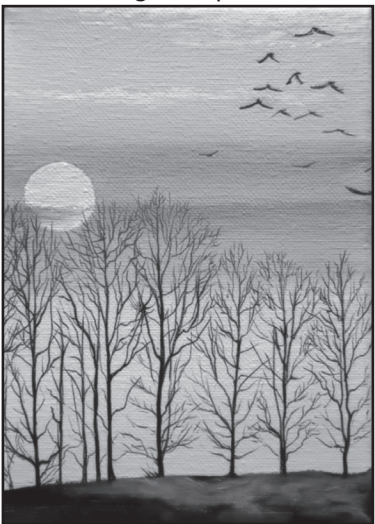
Swati Mohari is offering another Acrylic Painting Class to Arts & Crafts members. She is offering a four-week acrylics class, suitable for Beginners or Advanced, on **Thursdays, August 7, 14, 21 and 28** from **10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** You will learn to create beautiful landscapes. Painters will get to paint themes of valleys, rivers, mountains with attention to sunrises and sunsets in the landscape. See examples of Swati’s work on our website at villagesartsandcrafts.org.

Swati will furnish all necessary materials for a student fee of \$100. If you bring your own materials, the fee is \$70; bring four 8x10 canvases or canvas boards, brushes and acrylic colors. Members only.

Swati has over 15 years of teaching experience and currently teaches part time in Cupertino. She has a Master’s Degree in Art. She has taught art to students of all ages—

from elementary school to high school to adults to elders. Swati is an artist and an art teacher. She strongly believes in the role of art in enriching human lives, and its health benefits not only for mental health but healing and overall well-being.

Register by emailing barb.gottesman@gmail.com



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RELIGION

Villages Religious Services

Weekly:

Sunday 8:15 a.m. **Catholic Mass**
Note: 7/20 and 7/27 Masses cancelled for construction
Contact: Kathy Schlosser 408-677-4770

Sunday 10 a.m. **Community Chapel**
Note: Chapel services moved to Foothill Center 7/20 and 7/27 because of construction in Cribari Auditorium
Contact: Del Herfurth 408-440-4649

Regularly Scheduled:

Friday	9 a.m. Catholic Mass First three Fridays of each month Contact: Louise Connors	Cribari 408-221-6485
Friday	7 p.m. Jewish Shabbat Next date: TBA Contact: Bob Lapidus Judy London	Foothill 408-693-9498 650-469-9624

Everyone is welcome! Please call for more information!

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

No Catholic Mass at Cribari July 20 and 27

Please be advised that the Cribari Auditorium will be closed for construction (upgrading the lighting and sound system) on July 20 and 27. This closure is only temporary. The following assistance will be available for those two days:

Rides to St. Francis of Assisi: Call VMA to arrange a ride for the Sunday 8 a.m. Mass only. The VMA office is open Monday – Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call the VMA Office 408-238-4230.

Communion: If you are unable to attend Mass at St. Francis church, you can request a Eucharistic minister to visit your home and bring communion.

Contact Marilyn Rodman at mrodman777@sbcglobal.net or 408-274-4521

There will also be a sign-up sheet at Mass on Sundays, July 6 and 13

Friday Mass in the conference room will continue as usual on **July 18.**

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and look forward to welcoming you back to Cribari for Mass at 8:15 a.m. on August 3.

Thank you for your understanding,
The Villages Catholic Council

COMMUNITY CHAPEL

‘Lord, Forgive Us!’

By Pastor Bill Hayden

Lord, forgive us, we knew better than to put our confidence in men, rather than to trust your infallible word. You know us, and we can never be satisfied without your peace in our hearts. We have looked to man, in his brokenness, to give us what only comes from you. How long shall we wonder and cast our lots upon those who have no knowledge of your holiness and loving kindness?

Lord, forgive us, we closed our eyes after witnessing what we knew as truth because our hearts had become darkened by lies and falsehood. Lord, forgive us; we did not seek you, but instead became anxious and took matters into our own hands.

Each day, Lord, you call us to have a relationship, and we refuse to acknowledge your existence... until our fears paralyze us.

Proverbs 29:2 NLT: “When those who are right with God rule, the people are glad, but when a sinful man rules, the people have sorrow.”

There is so much negativity in our world today that it has caused people to focus on the negative, which has a detrimental impact on their mental and spiritual well-being. Lord, help us not to look at things that have no eternal virtue and cause deep sorrow. Let your words give us hope and a future.

Philippians 8-9 MSG: *Summing it all up, friends, I’d say you’ll do best by filling your minds and meditating on things true, noble, reputable, authentic, compelling, gracious—the best, not the worst; the beautiful, not the ugly; things to praise, not things to curse. Put into practice what you learned from me, what you heard and saw, and realized. Do that, and God, who makes everything work together, will work you into his most excellent harmonies.*

Note: Temporary location change. Please join us in celebrating Life at the Villages Community Chapel in **Foothill Center** this Sunday at 10 a.m. to be encouraged over the Word of Life and enjoy coffee and cookies with friends. The chapel is a place for needs to be met, faith to be affirmed, and new friends to embrace. You can view our worship services on YouTube at www.villagescommunitychapel.vgcc.club

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: hardcovers \$2, paperbacks \$0.50. There is also a wide selection of jigsaw puzzles. Come check us out in Cribari Center near the Post Office every **Wednesday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon.**



‘Is Lazarus Out Shopping?’—Martha & Mary Revisited

Barbara F. Zahner

On the July cover of “Give Us This Day,” artist He Qi whimsically captures Martha’s squinty-eyed, tight-lipped grumbling while hosting a dinner party for Jesus. Gripping a basket, Martha looks ready to smash her sister’s head with the woven fibers. In contrast, her sister Mary sits in peace at the feet of Jesus. In case one misses the point, Qi adds a lotus flower on hearth above Mary’s head. I laughed aloud seeing the cover. I recognized myself in Martha’s “fussin’ and fumin’”, as my Mom used to say.

In another turn of fancy, Trappist monk Thomas Keating in his book “**The Better Part: Stages of Contemplative Living**” imagines the familiar Gospel story as a “household of persons in various stages of the spiritual life.” No fussing or fuming, simply human beings seeking spiritual meaning amidst life’s grit and glory. How do Martha, Mary, and Lazarus illustrate the three stages of the spiritual life?

Martha lives in the first stage of the spiritual journey, the Purgative Way. Keating wrote, “The Purgative Way consists of becoming aware how our unconscious needs affect ordinary daily life, including our service to God. It is unsettling for us to realize that mixed in with our good intentions are these infantile attitudes” to seek security, affection, and control. Simply put, Martha needs to let go of her attachment to results.

Mary is entering the Illuminative Way. Keating wrote, “In this state words and reasoning give way to intuition and the direct transmission of Jesus’ Divine presence...Mary’s love moves her faith to a deeper level of listening, and its fruit of interior freedom.” Rather than results, Mary centers on the Divine Indwelling.

Where is Lazarus? Keating playfully suggests anxious Martha sent him shopping! In a more somber tone, Keating speaks of the mysterious silence regarding Lazarus. In Scripture less is often more. Is Lazarus ill? Disabled? Emotionally or mentally distressed? Keating suggests that later Lazarus in the tomb experienced willing surrender to the unknown. By letting go, Lazarus “is a paradigm of Christian transformation,” the Unitive Stage of our spiritual life. With God’s grace, we experience union with God.

Purgative, Illuminative, Unitive are not linear stages; we flit among them. Imagine where you generally land as you reflect on Mary, Martha, and the missing Lazarus. Fussin’ and fumin’? Centered? Letting go and letting God?



Help bring hope to those in need

As we attempt to bring hope, the Villages Catholic Community is currently participating in two ways:

1. We will be making sandwiches on the second Monday of each month for distribution to a location in downtown San Jose. This location accepts food for those who are in need. We are making these sandwiches at the home of a member of our community. If you are interested in helping, please call Leona Karayan at 408-223-2325, and leave a message if asked.

2. July is back to school month for collecting backpacks and school supplies for youth in need. (No red or blue backpacks). You may bring your contribution to the Catholic Masses on Sundays (*Please note that the 7/20 and 7/27 Masses are cancelled because of auditorium construction*) or call Leona Karayan at 408-223-2325 for further information, including pickup and drop-off options.

SPORTS NEWS

PICKLEBALL

By Kim Silverman

Despite the summer heat, our first Pickleball Club Dink & Drink BBQ brought out a fantastic crowd, with 86 members signed up and many showing up to enjoy the food, games, and great company.

Celebrations—We took time to honor two special members: **Mark Gregg**, celebrating his retirement
Don Kludt, ringing in another birthday

Food & Hospitality—The club provided a classic BBQ spread including hamburgers, cheeseburgers, hot dogs, black bean burgers, bottled water, and sodas. Members rounded out the menu with a generous potluck of appetizers, salads, and desserts—enough to feed the whole crowd and then some. Leftovers were delivered to the guard shack and the local fire department as a thank-you to those who serve our community.



Volunteer Appreciation—A huge thank you to Michelle and Tim McQuay for organizing the event. Their leadership, along with the help of many dedicated volunteers, made everything run smoothly.

Pickle Pit helpers included: Joyce and Don Kludt, Cindy and Arthur Yu, Diane and Kyle Finley, Anahid and Mark Gregg, Valerie and Steve Simlar, and Stan Evert. Many others stayed to help with cleanup—we appreciate everyone’s effort to keep things running smoothly from start to finish.

Pickle Pong Winners—Our new game, Pickle Pong, added a fun twist to the day. Using Home Depot buckets and pickleballs, participants aimed for high scores.

First Place: Margaret McDaniel – 9 points with just three balls.

Second Place: Min Xiong.

Event Photos—Thank you to Cindy Yu for capturing the highlights of the day. You can view and download event photos here: <https://thevillages.smugmug.com/Pickleball-Club/2025/Dink-Drink-BBQ>

Thanks again to all who participated and volunteered. It was a great way to come together as a club—we’re already looking forward to the next one.



MEN’S GOLF CLUB

By Doug Moore, douglas.moore865@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

Senior Net Championship August 9, Individual Play, Flighted by Age. Coffee / Donuts Shotgun-8 a.m. Catered Lunch at the Gazebo

Next in the queue:

September 13-14 Club Championship – first and second rounds

September 20-21 Club Championship – third round and fourth Finals Championship flight

Please make sure to put this on your calendars if you plan on participating. These rules will be strictly adhered to:

1. Play will be conducted over two consecutive weekends.
2. Tee times will be assigned by the Pro Shop.
3. Rescheduling tee times will not be permitted.

Evergreen Invitational — The final results are here! View them on the Scoreboard page.

The Men’s 18 Hole Golf Club Home and Away went off campus on Tuesday, July 8 and was hosted by Blackhawk Country Club. What a stunning course and what a beautiful facility with gorgeous surroundings. This was absolutely a fabulous venue to spend the day chasing after a small white dimpled sphere. Can’t wait to go back there again. Thanks for putting that together, Mike Tuft!

Golf Thoughts: On the 4th of July

“I still swing the way I used to but when I look up the ball is going in a different direction.” - Lee Trevino

“Actually, the only time I ever took out a 1-iron is to kill a tarantula, and it took me seven to do that.” - Jim Murray

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 **August 5, 2025**. MGC Members are always welcome to attend.

Have you logged into the Men’s 18 Hole Golf Club website recently? What are you waiting for... you’re really missing out. Visit our website at villagesgolfers.com for the latest Men’s Golf Club information. **Kyle Finley** does a phenomenal job with the website, keeping us up to date with all the latest information we need to know regarding the club.

TENNIS TALK

Meet new member, Montse

By Betty Olsen

Meet new Tennis Club member, Montse (short for “Montserrat,” pronounced Mon-say) Vroman. She was raised in Orange County in Southern California. Montse is from a family of nine children, meaning she has eight brothers and sisters—five brothers and three sisters and Montse as the middle child. Since she was interested in joining the tennis team in high school, Montse started practicing daily, during the summer



Catherine, Montse and Mike Vroman.

mornings before school by hitting against the wall by the tennis courts and begging one of her brothers to play and coach her in the evenings after his work. That worked as she played on the Varsity tennis team all four years and was MVP. She also played badminton on her high school team.

After college, Montse was busy working and traveling, and after getting married in 2000, two children (John Paul and Catherine) arrived and tennis fell by the wayside. She became a full-time mom and according to Montse, “John Paul and Catherine are our blessings!” Montse and husband, Mike Vroman, moved to Glen Arden in 2023. She joined Jump Start this year and is ready to participate in club events and activities. For Montse, faith, family and friends are important in her life. She enjoys life’s moments by spending time with family, friends, tennis, swimming, walking at the beach, hiking, going out for coffee chats, reading a good book and power walking with their pup Lucia.

Montse still works part-time as Administrator for Menlough Study Center, a nonprofit organization affiliated with the Catholic Prelature of Opus Dei. Montse described a wonderful experience and opportunity when Montse and Mike spent their honeymoon in Italy. It is custom that newly married couples be blessed by the Pope. They were one of 50 couples blessed by Pope St. John Paul II and 11 months later when their son was born, they named him John Paul (“JP”). They also have a daughter, Catherine, who goes to Baylor University, in Waco, Texas.

Her husband Mike is from Billings, Montana, but after college he decided to try California weather and today is the Senior Traffic Engineer for the Town of Los Gatos. Mike was a very good friend of one of Montse’s older brothers, so that is how Montse and Mike met. Mike was an avid skier until he had a freak beach accident in Newport Beach. They were at their favorite family beach when Mike was caught by a rogue wave that broke his Tibia. It was his son, John Paul, that rescued him since he was a former lifeguard. “J.P.” as he is known, is now working in the Marines Intelligence Service in Washington D.C.

Reminder: Don’t forget to sign up and attend the Tennis Club Mixer and dinner, Friday, July 18, 5 to 8 p.m.



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18 HOLE WOMEN

By Karen Davidsen

Our usual Thursday play day was switched to Wednesday, July 9 because of Men’s Invitational activities, so since there were no sweeps or games, it was a great opportunity to just relax, play, and maybe try out some swing moves without stressing about the outcome. On Thursday, July 17 we returned to our normal Thursday schedule.

Coming up—some fun and original events:

On **Saturday morning, July 19**, grab your favorite five clubs because that’s all you get to play a Cha Cha Cha format from the #2 tees. Yes, the putter counts as one of those five clubs. It’s been suggested that players leave their other clubs at home to eliminate temptation. Lunch and excuses will follow at Kerry and Lo’s home. If you can’t play, lunch only is an option, and lunch will be really good. For details, please refer to the flyer emailed previously to all members, or contact Diane Doughty, Patti Bell, or Donna Quartaro. Even if the field is full at this point, there are always cancellations, so please put your name on the waiting list.

Friday, July 25 is “Putt Now, Wine Later,” a Twilight Nine and Dine Dinner. It’s a step aside scramble format. The dress can be the wine shirt in the back of your closet you thought you would never wear again. See poster below for details.

Wednesday, August 6 is Whacky Wednesday with a 4 p.m. shotgun start/scramble format. This 9-hole tournament will include foursomes made up of all Villagers or Villagers with guests, and any combination of men and women. Food and drink will follow. Please refer to the flyer emailed to everyone or contact Mary Wagle for more details.

Our Member/Member Tournament, aka M&M, will take place **August 14 and 21**. It’s a two-woman partnership. This is one of our most important tournaments. It’s an eclectic format. There is always hope on that second day to improve a bad score from the first day on a particular hole, or conversely to relax on a particular hole because you and your partner nailed a great score there on the first day.

Twilight Nine and Dine Mixer

**Friday, July 25, 2025 with 4:30 p.m. Shotgun Start
Putt Now, Wine later!**



Sign up as a single, couple or foursome.
Wear your wine shirt!

Non-golfing guests are welcome to join for dinner.
Just let the Pro Shop know when you call.

Senior players are allowed to adjust their tee box but must inform the Pro Shop when a reservation is made.

Format: Step Aside Scramble

Food: Dinner Rolls & Butter, Beef Tips with Red Wine Mushroom Sauce, Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables and Chocolate Truffle Cake

Cost: \$37.38 - Dinner, \$23 - Golf, \$5 - Sweeps
\$65.38 - Total

Registration: Open now. Must call the Pro Shop at (408) 274-3220. You cannot sign up on Cobalt.

Cancellations for this event are required by noon, Wednesday, July 23. After that, you will be charged for the dinner(s). To have meals “To Go,” let Gisele know in advance so she can have your dinner ready for pickup.

Contact: Gisele Barber at pigsbarbers@gmail.com or (408) 892-7454 or Diana Hallock dianahallock@yahoo.com or (650) 465-1818.



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BOCCE NEWS



Bocce Volo first place winners, The Fixers

cial Coordinator, Barb Orlando assisted by the membership chair, Jeanne-Anne Whitacre coordinated the potluck to make sure it wasn’t just chips and salsa.

The winning team, **The Fixers**, is shown here. Pictured left to right: Tony Orlando, Captain Todd Horvatic, Karen Peters, Gale Mura, Deborah Spencer and Colleen McIntyre.

The second place winners were **Wanna Pisa Us**. Pictured left to right: Helga Spickhoff, Mel Waldman, Gay Stuart, Stephanie Torres, Captain Jeanne-Anne Whitacre, Mark Thomas and Rene Macias.

Congratulations to all the winners. The next big tournament pits the Guys versus the Gals. 30 teams on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday at 9:30 a.m. or 6 p.m. After six weeks of games, there will be a championship celebration on August 27.



Bocce Volo second place winners, Wanna Pisa Us

IRONMEN

By Jerry Juracich

The Ironmen are in morning play, gathering every Thursday: check-in by the golf practice area at 9:30 a.m. and play starts at 10 a.m., with a shotgun start, sweeps, birdie pool, and closest-to-the-pin.

On Thursday, July 10, 2025, 11 Ironmen played. It was warm and clear, another fine day for some golf.

Arki Galicki and Walter Lucas tied for third place with net 28s. Dave Hathaway and Sang Nam tied for second place with net 27s. And Mario Silva won first place with a 2 under par net 25!

There were two birdies today: one by Dave Hathaway on hole 4 and the other by Lee Thompson on hole 2.

Sang Nam won low gross with a score of 31.

Mario Silva won closest to the flag on hole 5 at 6 feet 7 inches.

“Golfer of the Day” honors go to Mario Silva with first place and closest to the flag. Way to go, Mario!

A reminder: If every Ironman at each game takes the time to fill in all divots and repair any green damage noticed during the round, we would be making a big contribution toward maintaining our course.

The Ironmen 9-hole, par-3 group would love to welcome new members. We’re a very sociable group, and we play pressure-free golf. Plus, your first round is on us! Just call Jerry Juracich at 408-440-8283 (landline). You can also visit our website at ironmen.vgcc.club.

SHONIS

By Betty Hall

Another beautiful golf day. 20 Shonis plus one qualifier out on the course today. It was a little wet out there but no significant problems.

I think our qualifier, Jan Ehrhardt has now completed her fifth game so as soon as Jan Trusso confirms this, we can welcome her officially to the Shonis!

Putting for Pesos had one winner today. Our newest shoni, Terri Matsumura, got her putting groove on and won her match. Congratulations.

Two birdies today. Nice golf, ladies. Jan Ehrhardt got hers on #5 and Meg Rogers dropped one in on #2. Nice split pot.

9 HOLE WOMEN

Etiquette Rules Review

By Vicki Krattli

While the weather heated up, the events on the course also increased the workload of the Pro Shop. This past week was a “no sweeps” day to allow Scott and the other members of our staff prepare for the Men’s Evergreen Invitational.

I thought this might be a good time to review some golf etiquette rules, realizing that these steps make golf more enjoyable for everyone. (This is the first part of the etiquette rules. More rules will be included in a future Villager edition.)

Preparing to Play

It is important to follow proper golf etiquette when warming up on the putting green. Warming up should not be done with a bucket of range balls, but players should not use more than three of their own balls as this can confuse other players and disrupt their practice. Mark your ball before putting it on the ground—this way, it is easier to identify which ball belongs to which player.

Furthermore, golfers should be mindful of their surroundings when warming up and not putt or leave their balls in the way of other players. It may seem like a little thing, but an errant putt can cause serious consequences for the golfer executing the shot and any other players on the green. So, before you take your practice shot, ensure no one else is nearby, and you are not interfering with their practice.

Remember golf has always been a game of honor we all need to record a correct score on every hole including penalties, whiffs, etc. We all sometimes forget a shot and should never take offense if our playing competitors help us remember. Think of it as losing your sunglasses and someone reminding you, they are on your head. Life is sometimes very confusing.

- **Play ready golf:** When it is not your turn, make sure to do everything you can to be ready to play immediately when it is your turn. Find your ball. Identify the yardage. Pick a club. Eye up the shot. Take practice cuts.
- **Limit mobile phone use:** Keep your phone on silent or vibrate, taking only important/emergency calls. Limit how often you look at your phone for other purposes, including emails and other messages.
- **Do not hit into groups in front of you:** Yes, we are trying to keep up and keep moving, but do not do so at a pace that could injure or anger groups in front of you.
- **Replace your divots:** When you take a divot with your swing, particularly in the fairway, make sure to put that turf back into the ground after your shot and give it a good stomp to keep it in place. If you cannot replace the turf, make sure to put in some of the pre-mixed seeds that facilities will give you for your cart or bag.
- **Rake the bunkers:** When you have to hit out of the sand (sometimes multiple times in a row), make sure to clean up the bunker for the next person by using the rake to smooth out your divot and footprints, including your path to you shot in the bunker.
- **Walking into the bunker:** Try your best to take the shortest path to the ball in the bunker, making sure you do not walk down or up any steep bunker walls or slopes which will have to be rebuilt or raked and waste time. Take the rake in with you if it means a long walk back out to get it.

The next few months have several fun events planned, and the most important one is a Rules Seminar led by Susie Q Conklin. It will be held on **July 15 at 6 p.m.** at hole 9. We will cover many of the issues that arise while playing the 9th hole. Knowledge of the rules is helpful and often beneficial in posting your correct score on the course. Come out and join the fun and indulge in a beverage after discussing your newfound knowledge.

Remember our Whacky Wednesdays are fun evening events on August 6 and October 8 so mark your calendars.

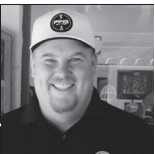
Tuesday, July 22, 8:45 a.m. - Swingers Golf / Sweeps

Tuesday, July 29, 8:45 a.m. - Swingers Golf / Sweeps / Club Challenge/Day 1

Tuesday, August 5, 8:45 a.m. - Swingers Golf / Sweeps / Club Challenge/Day 2

Our chosen charity for this year, Court Appointed Child Advocates (CASA) of Silicon Valley, serves foster children in Santa Clara County. CASA volunteers provide much needed support and services to these children. Plan to play in the tournament on August 26 benefiting this deserving organization. You can learn more about the CASA program at <http://childadvocatessv.org>.

FROM THE PRO



By Scott Steele, PGA Head Golf Professional

Junior Camps in July—The July junior camps are July 14-17 and July 21-24 from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. each day. Some practice areas and the Par-3 Course will be in use during these days and times. Please plan accordingly and phone the Pro Shop for more information.

VGC Meeting in July—The July Villages Golf Committee meeting will be on Thursday, July 17 at 3 p.m. at Montgomery Center. All Villages residents are welcome to attend.

July Golf Schedule

Saturday, July 19 – 18-Hole Women Saturday Play Day 8 a.m. tee Times + Korean Club 1pm tee times

Monday, July 21 – Women’s Team Play 8:30 a.m. Shotgun – Open Play Shotgun 1:30 p.m.

Friday, July 25 – Twilight Mixer – 9-Hole 4:30 p.m. Shotgun + Dinner – Last available 18-Hole Tee Time 12 p.m.

Tuesday, July 29 – Men’s Club Home & Away 1 p.m. Shotgun – Course *closed* – Driving Range *closed* 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Summer “Couples” Invitational – Mark Your Calendars!

Be sure to save the date for our 2nd annual Summer Couples Invitational! **Sunday, August 3 at 1 p.m.** Shotgun. Foursome teams – 2 Net Best Balls. Foursome teams must consist of two Villagers and two Guests (all players *must* have an official USGA Handicap). Pairs can be man-woman / woman-woman / man-man or any combination as such. The day will include golf and a banquet awards dinner after golf with lots of prizes! Entry fee is \$110 and includes: green fees, cart fees, range balls, wine, banquet dinner, tee prizes and winners’ prizes. Sign up now! Contact Mary Wagle at marylwagle@gmail.com or (408) 829-4021. **Let’s have some fun!**

TaylorMade Fitting Day - Friday, August 8, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

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Let’s All Get Together Now—Be a part of our “Culture of Care” and follow these simple Golf Course Etiquette Guidelines...

We can all participate in keeping our golf course beautiful by observing these **NINE simple acts of care:**

1. Follow the 90-degree rule (longer hitters) or the Entrance Gates (shorter hitters) when entering the fairway
2. Drive the cart from shot to shot keeping the cart in the fairway as you play the hole... please avoid driving in the rough as much as possible to maintain the integrity of the rough
3. Do not drive within 30-feet of the greens defined by the yellow painted ground lines in front of each green
4. EXIT every hole through the EXIT GATES – please do not drive on the mounding around the greens and proceed from hole to hole using the cart paths
5. Respect any roping, cart directional signs and Ground Under Repair
6. Fill all divots with sand mix
7. Repair pitch marks on the greens
8. Smooth out the sand in the bunkers with the bunker rake and return the rake at a right angle to bunker edge placing the head of the rake in the sand and the handle of the rake on the bunker edge. **Do your best to push the rake instead of pulling the rake ...we don’t want the new sand to build up on the edges of the bunkers.**
9. Knock the sand off your shoes before walking on the green

Let’s all make it a goal to leave our golf course in better shape than we found it, every time we play.

Tips from the Pro—Uphill Battle

Playing uphill lies out of the greenside bunkers can be a challenge. With the awkward lie, stance and being in the sand, it can make for a difficult situation and hitting it thin and fat can be the result.

Follow these SIX tips and see if your uphill bunker shot results improve.

1. Position the ball back towards the middle of your stance
2. Tilt your right shoulder down so that your shoulders are parallel to the uphill slope (left shoulder for left-handed golfers)
3. Assume a nice wide stance so that you keep your balance.
4. Your weight will be back, more on your rear foot.
5. Throw the clubhead through impact, meaning let the clubhead pass your hands. You want to feel like the shaft is leaning back at impact. Forward shaft lean is *not* good for this particular shot. This is the hardest thing to accomplish as in most shots we are seeking forward shaft lean.
6. Don’t worry about a long follow through as with the uphill lie the follow through will naturally be abbreviated.

Let us know if these tips help... **To sign up for a lesson with me, email ssteele@the-villages.com**

SCOREBOARD

MEN'S GOLF CLUB

2025 Evergreen Invitational Results

Overall Champions: Tomas Mendoza and Paul Phommachit

Team	Total Stableford Points	BB	Both Ball
Flight One			
1. Tomas Mendoza, Paul Phommachit	78	37	41
2. Michael Tuft, Alex Tuft	74	31	43
3. Jeff Steinberg, David Hopp	70	31	39
4. Bill Johnston, Paul Sechrist	64	30	34
Flight Two			
1. Mike Guidry, Jason Dessiaume	77	35	42
2. Brian Sullivan, Ryan Sullivan	70	35	35
3. Matt Gallaway, Cory McGee	67	32	35
4. John O'Connor, Brian O'Connor	63	32	31
Flight Three			
1. Chappell, Gary Bob Gordon	71	32	39
2. Arnold Bernal, Hector Rangel	70	33	37
3. Bill Morefield, Jarvis, Zachary	67	29	38
T4. Michael Schwerin, Raj Kunjithapadam	62	36	26
Flight Four			
1. Andrew Altman, Ian Altman	77	31	46
2. George Welch, Andy Contreras	71	33	38
3. Brooks Fuller, Ryan Schmidt	70	37	33
4. Alan Chase, Rocky Rocamora	69	40	29
Flight Five			
1. Rick Tobler, John Seeger	77	35	42
2. David Bacigalupi, Dave Vachon	75	37	38
3. Raul (Guy) Juarez, Mike Martinez	71	24	47
4. Dan Hernandez, Tom Holm	62	27	35

SHONIS

Tuesday, July 8 - All Nets

Flight One:

- 1. Pauline Robertson 21
- 2. Meg Rogers 22
- 3. Joyce Baptiste 23

Flight Two:

- 1. Jonna Robinson 24
- 2. Schinae Ogihara 26
- 3. Peggy White 27

Flight Three:

- 1. Any White 21
- 2. Tied – Dee Garfinkle and Barb Berman 24
- 3. Fran Schumaker 26

BRIDGE

Monday, July 7:

- 1. Lorrie Scott - Donna Erickson
- Tied 2/3. Jan Kiernan - Sumi Minami; Ed Logg - Jonna Robinson

Wednesday, July 9:

- 1. Jonna Robinson - Roy Tsai
- 2. Ed Logg - Mary LeGrand
- 3. Art Lind - Donna Erickson

Friday, July 11:

- 1. Ed Logg - Jonna Robinson
- 2. Hank Koransky - Louann Partridge
- 3. Joe Henry - Bonnie Taylor

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

Wednesday, July 2

- Shirley Bellavance 219
- Bev Waller-Wharton 230
- Sylvia Rozewicz 287
- Suzanne Fazzio 463

Friday, July 4

- Audrey Osuna 213
- Sylvia Rozewicz 214
- Sandy Gardiner 239
- Shirley Bellavance 303

Wednesday, July 9

- Sandy Gardiner 231
- Maribeth Berlie 238
- Shirley Bellavance 244
- Sylvia Rozewicz 260

Friday, June 11

- Shirley Bellavance 144
- Remy Pessah 193
- Sylvia Rozewicz 207

Men's 18 Hole Golf Club Senior Net Championship



Individual Low Net
When: Saturday, August 9, 2025
What: Individual Low Net Tournament
Catered BBQ Pork Rib Lunch at the Gazebo
BYOB - If possible, use Aluminum cans since the VMA will collect them again.
MGC Tournament Players *only*. **No Guest/Spouses**
Format: Individual Low Net Competition
Signup: July 26 through August 7 – Sign up with the Pro Shop either as a foursome, or individually, and the Pro Shop will pair you with other players.
Handicaps: 100 % of August 8 Handicap
Flights: Flighted by AGE, depending on the number of players
Tees: TBD
Tee Times: 8 a.m. Shotgun.
Cost: \$50 – This includes green fees and sweeps
Coffee and Donuts from 6:45 to 8 a.m.

Make friends, play bocce at Bocce Bash on Fridays

Every Friday at 3 p.m., the Bocce Club hosts a Bash. Open to all Villagers, this is a time to socialize with old friends and make new friends and play some casual bocce. There are snacks involved (yum) and semi-structured bocce play. You can sign up for 30 minutes of casual bocce and roll against another bocce player for fun throughout the two hours.



If you come to bocce and snack, please contribute to the snacks. There are Bash hosts who can help with the sign-in to play as well as answering any questions about bocce. If you aren't a Bocce Club member, you are still welcome, and after some fun bocce you can join the Bocce Club if you wish. Dues are low and all you are expected to do is have fun.

So don't forget to come out on Fridays at 3 p.m. at the bocce courts and have fun at the Bash.

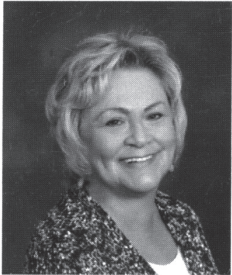
For more information on the Bocce Club, please visit our website at villagesbocce.vgcc.club.

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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 July can be found on The Villager Online 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. The contractor has also provided hard pruning maps which show the locations of different plant material to be hard pruned.

• Pest Control

Treatment for voles, moles, gophers, and squirrels—Village Heights, Village Hermosa, Village Heights will occur on 7/21.

- (Giant Destroyer (EPA #10551-1) and Talpid 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 Member Portal.

• Watering Schedule

Unfortunately, there appears to be some individuals in the community who are turning on valves and/or adjusting other landscape irrigation components. This is contributing to some inconsistent watering within the community as well as some landscaping not receiving the watering it needs. Please reach out to Public Works if you identify an irrigation concern. Thank you for your help in keeping your community a verdant place to live.

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 Olivas

- The deck repair and coating project began on June 9. The contractor completed the repairs on the first 55 decks.

- The contractor completed the deck repairs, pressure washing and coating this week on the following units: 8604, 8605, 8606, 8612, 8613, 8614, 8615, 8616, 8617, 8657, 8658, 8683, 8684, 8685, 8686, 8687, 8688, 8689, 8690, 8692, 8693, 8695, 8697, 8699, 8700, 8704, 8705, 8706, 8708, 8710, 8711 & 8712, 8713, 8714, 8715, 8716, 8717 8718, 8719, 8720, 8721, 8722, 8723, 8724 & 8725, 8726, 8727, 8728, 8729, 8731, 8732, 8733, 8747, 8763 & 8767

-The contractor is in progress with the deck repairs, pressure washing and coating this week at 8740, 8741, 8744, 8745, 8746 & 8748 the project is scheduled to be completed by week's end.

• **Village Montgomery**—The contractor will trim trees in Village Montgomery from July 15 through July 17.

• **Village Glen Arden**—The contractor is performing tree trimming in Glen Arden on July 17 and July 18.

• **Village Valle Vista**—The contractor is performing tree trimming in Village Valle Vista on July 18.

Club Maintenance

• **There's cows in "them thar hills!"**—The Villages will have cattle on site from June 16 through November 2025. The cows will be grazing in the hill lands to help mitigate fire risks. There will 50 cows with colored ear tags to help distinguish them from Richmond Ranch Cattle.

Practical advice for residents:

- Admire the cattle with your eyes and from a distance. Do not attempt to approach or interact with the animals.
- Always keep dogs on leashes.
- Cattle do not like loud noises. If a cow seems aggressive, which is very unlikely, yell or make a loud noise to deter them from approaching you.

• Cribari Auditorium

- The vendor will be working all this week to address small details related to the auditorium project.

- Beginning the week of July 21, the contractor responsible for flooring will use the same staging area to begin stage flooring removal. Flooring work is expected to take no more than one week. During this time, the stage nosing and wooden steps will also be sanded, cleaned, and sealed.

- Work is scheduled to continue through Friday, August 1.

- Cribari Auditorium remains closed until August 1. Please do not disturb the workers. Call Project Manager Trent Alameda at 669-292-3402 with any questions.

Upcoming Recycling Events

Upcoming Sustainability Service Events
Check The Villager Online for specific details

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, July 22-24

Bulky Bin Service

Lower Driving Range Parking Lot (location change)

Friday, July 25

Household Battery and Light Bulb Recycling

9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Tennis Court/Administration Parking Lot

Report

Irrigation Issues

Please report broken sprinklers or other irrigation repair issues by calling Maintenance Customer Service at 408-223-4670 or online at: workorder@the-villages.com

For after hours or on holidays, contact Public Safety at 408-223-4665

Budget Town Hall questions...

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We will continue to evaluate opportunities to adjust meeting times and formats based on member feedback, including potential hybrid options.

Thank you for speaking up. We value participation from all members, including people still working.

Q7. Where on the Member Portal can we find budget info?

A7. After logging in, follow this navigation:

Go to Governance > [the corporation name: Club, Association, or Homeowners'] > Documents then the Budget drop-down.

Q8. When will the District itemized allocations be available?

A8. Member notices for FY2025-26 assessments and dues were sent out with the May 9, 2025, monthly statement.

Disclosures went out to the membership May 30, 2025, and are posted on the Member Portal. After logging in, follow this navigation:

Go to Governance > [the corporation name: Club, Association, or Homeowners'] > Documents then the Budget drop-down.

The PUZ-LER



The billiard balls puzzle had two solutions but I will only deal with one. Weigh AB against CD. If one side is light take those two balls, split them and weigh again. Done. If AB and CD are equal then from the remaining EFG weigh any one of them against another one of them. If equal then the lone ball is your culprit and if unequal then the scale will identify the lighter ball. Whew!

Those who knew their billiard balls were Ed Logg, Irv Kaplan, Bill Tibbs, Peter Groot, Jim Ware, Joanne Robinson, Larry Rosene, Rob Howe, Fred Mathis, Don Fernandez, Judy Bushey, Larry Broderick, Lee Thompson and Neda Dorjath. MENSA candidates, all!

This puzzle will test your knowledge of money, history and gool ol'e deduction: Why is it that 1945 dollar bills printed at the San Francisco Mint are worth considerably more than 1941 dollar bills printed at the Denver Mint?

Think you know then send your answer to me, Mike Bailey at michsp@aol.com, put PUZZLE in the subject line and include your full name.

Thought for the day: I went to MacDonald's the other day and ate a kids meal. It was delicious but his mom was furious.



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**Images from
the early
years of The
Villages**

Top photo: First employee group picture. The early employees included the landscapers, the medical team—including a doctor (Robert S. Condie M.D.) and pharmacist, maintenance workers, security officers, golf course employees and the management team at center. Theresa Jepson is dead-center (with beehive hair-do).

Below left: Cribari Village under construction—two-thirds completed.

Below right: Newly-built Montgomery Village.

Bottom left: The newly-built Cribari Center—nerve center of The Villages in 1968.

Bottom right: Villages logo on stationery from 1968.



1968 was a year of significant global and national upheaval, marked by political assassinations, social unrest, and major events in the Vietnam War and space exploration. The year saw the assassinations of Martin Luther King Jr. and Robert F. Kennedy, the Tet Offensive in Vietnam, and the Prague Spring, along with the Apollo 8 mission orbiting the moon.

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