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Our Paths - Our Choices

San Rafael Village

Empowering older adults to remain active, connected,
and independent in the place they call home

February 2022 Calendar of Events

*"Kindness and consideration of somebody besides yourself: I think that keeps you
feeling young." ~Betty White*

NEW MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEERS

Welcome to our newest members: Diantha Bell, Adele Flake, and Gillian Wirganowicz

We look forward to seeing you at our social events and activities!

Are you interested in being a "buddy" for a new San Rafael Village member? We are considering starting a buddy system for new members who are interested. This would involve connecting with the member shortly after they join and making sure they are comfortable requesting services and joining social events. If so, please contact Jane Solomons at cartersolo@comcast.net or (415) 892-8041.

SAN RAFAEL VILLAGE EVENTS

A friendly COVID reminder: All of our in-person groups are currently limited in size and participants must be fully vaccinated. Masks must be worn inside at all times and social distancing observed.

2nd Writers' Group

We are having so much fun with the first group, we are opening another section. If you are interested in creative writing, give it a try with San Rafael Village. This new group is forming now and will again be limited to 6 - 8 participants. For more information, please call Anne Rozsa at (415) 250-2510 or email her at akrozs@outlook.com. Place and time have yet to be determined.

Movie Group

Sundays, January 30, and February 6, 13, 20, and 27, 7:00pm
Zoom

San Rafael Village loves our movie group! We meet **on Zoom** on Sundays at 7:00pm every week to discuss, in our highly entertaining but by no means high-brow group, a film selected from Netflix. On January 30, the film is *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?* We invite you to join the talk or just listen. If you are interested in joining the mailing list (invitations are only sent to those who request them), contact Karen Gray at karenkasavana@gmail.com or (714) 403-3345.

Book Chat

Monday, February 7, 2:00pm

Would you like to share reading recommendations? Would you like to know what other Villagers are enjoying reading? Join us at Book Chat! We review and comment upon books or articles/commentary and sometimes poetry. We will be meeting this month in person at the home of Marilyn Sharp. Please RSVP to Valerie Stilson (415) 479-1439 or valerie.stilson@sbcglobal.net
(COVID rules: vaccinated, boosted, masked)

Writers' Group

Wednesdays every other week

This group continues to meet every other Wednesday at the home of Susan Mines. The group is currently full and there is a waiting list. For more information, contact Valerie Stilson at (415) 479-1439 or valerie.stilson@sbcglobal.net
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Coffee with San Rafael Village

Wednesday, February 9, 2:00pm

Our pre-COVID monthly coffees had been a popular gathering for many of us. Having a chance to catch up with other Villagers and meet new ones was always a pleasant way to spend a couple of hours in someone's home. We are not ready to have a large group gathering indoors and it can be problematic to meet outdoors during the winter.

Because we miss the in-person experience, we are going to take a chance that the afternoon of February 9 will be warm enough to gather outdoors at the tables and chairs behind Andy's Market. If you haven't been there before, it is located in East San Rafael in the Loch Lomond Marina off Point San Pedro Road. Bundle up as needed. Drinks and goodies can be purchased

inside the market. Please bring masks. Questions? Contact Carole at (415) 300-5220 or csherick@gmail.com.

Not Home Alone Valentine's Day early dinner

Monday, February 14, 2:00 – 4:00pm

Pacific Catch, 133 Corte Madera Town Center, Corte Madera



Join Donnalee Wells, Marin Villages' hostess with the mostest, and other Marin Villagers for a Valentine's Day early dinner. We will be outside on the covered and heated patio. Always a fun time and a great opportunity to share the holiday with old and new friends. First come, first served, and space is limited to 20 guests. You will be able to order off the regular menu. Please **BRING CASH** for your meal. All attendees must be COVID vaccinated, and masks required. RSVP ASAP to Donnalee at donnaleewells@comcast.net or text or call (415) 302-9244. If you need a ride, please call the office. (415) 457-4633

Valentine Happy Hour!

Tuesday, February 15, 4:30pm

Join us on Zoom with your favorite beverage as we reminisce on Valentine's Days past, present and future. Look for more information and the Zoom link in your email in early February. Hope you can join us!

San Rafael Village Walk

Thursday, February 17, 10:30am

Starkweather Shoreline Park Trail

Join other San Rafael Villagers as we walk on the longest and least-traveled shoreline multiuse path in the Bay Area. This level trail has marshes, fields and lagoons on one side and San Pablo Bay on the other. We will travel out and back for a walk of about two miles. There are benches to stop along the way. Interested in joining us? Contact Carole at csherick@gmail.com or (415) 300-5220.

Villages Book Club

Thursday, February 24, 12:30pm
Zoom

Book to be selected at January meeting. You don't have to read the book first; just come meet us and see for yourself what a lively group of readers we are. Everyone welcome. For more information, please call Karen Gray at (714) 403-3345.

Attention Card and Game Players!

Friday, February 25, 1:00pm

Join fellow Villagers in an afternoon of fun! Revisit some of your old favorite card and other games and maybe learn some new ones. And, of course, always good company. We will meet this month at the home of Sandra Levitan. RSVP to Sandra at sandralevitan@comcast.net or (415) 246-1912.

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Village Business**Program Committee**

Friday, February 11, 1:30pm

Join us to help plan and implement activities and social events for our members and volunteers. Contact Carole Sherick at csherick@gmail.com or (415) 300-5220.

Membership/Volunteer Committee

Wednesday, February 16, 12:30pm

Help recruit new members and volunteers and support the ones we have. Contact Jane Solomons at (415) 492-8041 or cartersolo@comcast.net.

Steering Committee

Friday, February 18, 2:30pm

Are you interested in helping guide and further expand San Rafael Village? Do you have organizational and administrative skills you can contribute? If so, please contact Sparkie Spaeth at oksparkie@aol.com or (415) 250-3172.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

San Rafael Library Drop-In Tech Support at Pickleweed and Northgate

Pickleweed: Wednesdays and Thursdays, 4:00 – 6:00pm

Northgate: Saturdays, 12:00 – 4:00pm

Did you get a new device and need a little help getting set up? Do you need assistance creating an email account? Interested in utilizing some of the library's digital offerings, like ebooks or streaming services, but don't know how to get started? The library is now offering drop-in tech support! Come by and chat with one of their awesome WebStars; these tech-savvy teens are available to assist you with all your basic technology questions.

SAN RAFAEL VILLAGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our "Rock Star" volunteers for the month of December were **Donnalee Wells**, **Drake Johnson** and **Peter Roodhuyzen**. These rock stars went above and beyond in service to our members. We are grateful for their commitment!

HELP US HELP OTHERS

If you know someone who could use our services, is interested in volunteering, or would like to donate to an organization serving older adults in Marin, please have them call the office at (415) 457-4633, or visit our website (www.marinvillages.org) for application forms and online donations.

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