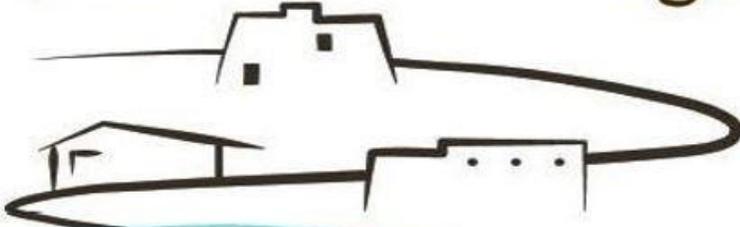


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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

By: Cindy Taylor

ViV – Connecting, collaborating, and moving forward in our village

One of the most common questions we get from potential members and existing members is “How does ViV differ from our Senior Center?”. In fact, ViV and the Corrales Senior Center (CSC) are quite complimentary organizations!

Both organizations are focused on helping our senior Corralesenos as we age. The approach that each organization takes is what

differentiates us. Don Reightley is on the board of the Corrales Senior Center (CSC) and is also a member of ViV. As such, he serves as our CSC/ViV liaison. According to Don, a good way to think about these two organizations is to consider ViV as an “outreach” function and the CSC as a “facility”. Both organizations use a volunteer network to help assist with numerous functions but as a facility, CSC receives funding from Sandoval County for staff and automobiles used for transportation. The CSC building itself is owned by the village of Corrales.

The Corrales Senior Center offers a number of activities that may be of interest to ViV members. Here are a few you might be interested in:

- CSC provides lunch every Monday through Friday for a donation of just \$2.00 for Seniors 60 and over. (Diners age 59 and under are required to pay \$6.00). Lunch is served from 11:30 – 12:30 with plenty of time for socializing after the meal. Home delivered meals are available for qualifying Seniors.
- CSC hosts numerous van excursions throughout the year. Included are recreational trips, trips to *local* stores and for medical appointments.
- CSC has an exercise room with a treadmill and weight machines. There is a pool table as well. Activity courses include Tai Chi, Zumba Gold, Yoga, PWR! Group, and Line Dance.
- CSC also provides other instructional opportunities including sewing and quilting, ukulele lessons, conversational Spanish classes, and bingo.
- Individual computer and smart phone instruction is available as well.

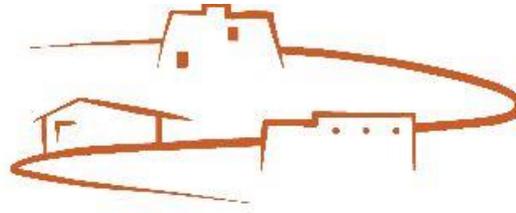
Full Members of ViV can always contact our Call Manager and request rides to the CSC to participate in these functions.

Another questions we get is “What options do I have when ViV can no longer support my needs?” ViV is in the process of finalizing a collaboration with Roadrunner Healthcare to help assess the needs of transitioning to a higher level of care. Roadrunner Healthcare and ViV share similar missions in that their goal is also to help Corrales seniors with quality, safe, and compassionate care in their home. Roadrunner Healthcare can provide home visit assessments ranging from patient advocacy needs such as navigating the healthcare system and medication interactions to skilled nursing care. In the event that a ViV member may need the next level of care, Roadrunner Healthcare can help assess the extent of those needs.

ViV will continue to develop meaningful alliances with Corrales resources. It’s all about knowledge of and access to the many options available to help us remain longer in our Corrales homes.

VIV MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

Just like the little engine that could, our organization has been steadily chugging along and is now sustaining a solid 140 person membership base. We could not have gotten here without the hard work and dedicated support of so many members. Having achieved a comfort level with our financial status, the Board felt that it was time to re-evaluate our structure. On July 1, 2018, we will implement the following changes to our membership structure.



- Associate Members will now be called *Supporting Members*. We feel this is more reflective of who they are: the backbone of the organization, providing the everyday support through volunteering, participating in social events, or serving on committees.
- *Supporting Members* will be eligible to request services from our vetted member-volunteers – either 6 weeks for a short-term need, or 8 services per year, without upgrading their membership. (The Give & Get Program will be eliminated.)
- *Full Members* still receive services as usual, including rides. Financial assistance continues to be available to members who may need help with dues.

Membership will decrease in cost across both tiers. New pricing will be:

- *Supporting Member \$175 individual/\$200 household*
- *Full Member \$375 individual/\$450 household*

We are always striving to increase the value of our memberships. We are adding:

Quarterly Volunteer Support and Training sessions.

New Educational Programming with emphasis on topics relevant to our membership.

We hope these changes will not only enhance the experience for our current members, but also increase the attractiveness of VIV to new members. Please reach out to us either by calling [505-274-6206](tel:505-274-6206) or emailing BoardMembers@VILLAGEintheVillage.org with any questions or comments you may have, and THANK YOU for your continued support!

HAVE

A GREAT....



Learn More About ViV Operations

Would you like to know:

More about ViV's budget, financial position and how your membership fees are spent?

What decisions are made at ViV Board Meeting?

How to share an idea, concern or suggestion with the ViV Board?

It's easy to do any of these things either by using the ViV website or contacting the Board through the ViV Call Manager.

If you would like to know what happened at the most recent Board meeting

- Log onto the ViV website - www.villageinthevillage.org
- Click on "Resources"
- Click on "Document Library"
- Click on "Board Meeting Minutes"

Welcome to Our New Members

Michael Baron

John Condon

Pamina Deutsch

Judith Deutsch

Vijaya Subbaswamy

Sam Subbaswamy

Martha Van Riper

Richard Van Riper

Borrower Medical Equipment, Corrales

This will bring you to the most recent Board Meeting Minutes, which include a summary of Board discussions and actions as well as information about the ongoing activities of ViV's various committees. Within the "Board Meeting Minutes" folder you will find the subfolder "Budget Reports." This folder contains detailed information about ViV's finances.

If you prefer not to use the website, just telephone the Call Manager at 505-274-6206 or email the Call Manager at CallManagers@VillageintheVillage.org to request a copy of the minutes or Budget Reports.

The Board welcomes hearing about ideas, concerns and suggestions from ViV Members. If you have something you would like to share with the Board, just contact the Call Manager by phone or email and a Board Member will contact you.

June 7: Music in the Home at the Levy's, Brad Clement piano. Early 1900s popular songs—we sang along.



June 14: Volunteer appreciation Celebration at Chuck and Laura's, VOLUNTEERS ARE GREAT





Honoring our Volunteers: Cecilia and Bill Dail

Cecilia and Bill are volunteer drivers for VILLAGE in the Village (ViV), and Cecilia also assists with member outreach. They say, “We both grew up in small towns and experienced the generosity of friends and neighbors. So ViV, in a sense, is a return to our roots. After 30 years of teaching, we were eager to leave the anonymity of a city and spend the remaining years in a real community. We recognize the ‘heavy lifting’ done by the organizers of ViV and enjoy the part we play in assisting others.”

VILLAGE in the Village (ViV) recognizes that all of us will need the help of our neighbors and friends in the community as we grow older. ViV is dedicated to ensuring that this support system is in place now and in the future. Find out more by calling 505-274-6206 or visit our website at www.VILLAGEintheVillage.org.

VILLAGE in the Village will be there!
Join us (kazooos provided)
8:45 am Wed. July 4 at the corner
of Target Road and Corrales Road
Look for our ViV banners!

THE WORLD FAMOUS
Corrales
4TH OF JULY
Kazoo Band



**Volunteers Marching
in Celebration of the
Old Church
Sesquicentennial**
Led by the indomitable, outrageous Michael Rooke

Meet at **8:45am** July 4 at
Target Rd & Corrales Rd (specific spot TBD)
Bring a celebrating spirit, a kazoo, and
attitude! (Interesting hats always welcome.)



The **KAZOO BAND** will
once again be a
celebrated feature
of the
**Corrales 4th of July
Parade!**

The Band will be
celebrating
Volunteers of Corrales
so please join us!

See You There!



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