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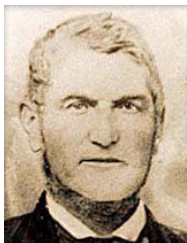
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Welcome to our March 2019 Newsletter

In this issue you will learn a little bit about the history of Clayton, read a message from our president, a reminder of the type of help you can get from our volunteers, find photos of our past events and news of our upcoming events, and information about our interest circles and committees. Enjoy!

Did You Know?

History of Clayton



Joel Clayton was born in Bugsworth, Derbyshire, England in or about 1812. Joel Clayton's parents and their eleven children immigrated to the United States during the years 1837 through 1841. In 1843, Joel married Margaret Ellen MacLay, a Scottish immigrant in Galena, Illinois and together they had nine children, the three youngest born in Clayton, California. In 1853, Joel Clayton purchased 40 acres of land in the Diablo Valley, established a general store, cattle ranch, the first vineyards, and laid out the streets and lots of the community. Mr. Clayton's involvement as a civic leader in the region led to the naming of the City of Clayton in his honor in 1857. Joel Clayton died on March 9, 1872 from pneumonia, contracted while bringing in cattle during a rainstorm.

Click the following link for more information about the history of Clayton: <https://ci.clayton.ca.us/history-of-clayton/>



President's Message

Jim Whitfield

Hello CVV Members, Volunteers and Interested Friends -

This has been a busy time! Your new Board held its first meeting February 5 and immediately started plans for our April 24 Community Informational Gathering to announce our plans to increase our service area into the new Concord voting districts #1 and #5. You will read more about this in future newsletters and announcements, but mark your calendars for a 7PM to 8PM CVV event at Hoyer Hall.

The Bay Regional Area Village Organization (BRAVO) is a group of 32** Villages like ours in the Bay Area. We recently met in Lafayette to discuss mutual interests and learn new techniques of support for our members. It was an enriching experience to hear of the expansion of the Village Movement within California and in the US.

Stepping Off! We have a new hiking group - "The Village Explorers"! Hikers met at the Library and hiked to Safeway, enjoyed coffee and returned. Watch the newsletter and our web calendar for additional activities.

We are looking for opportunities to spread the word about CVV. If your HOA or social group is looking for speakers, CVV is available! One or two of our Outreach Team will come to your location to share thoughts on the Village concept. We will tailor our presentation to fit your time slot. Call our Village number and leave a message - we will get back to you.

Be sure to attend our open CVV Mixer at March 19 at LaVeranda. It's a great way to meet others and learn more about our activities.

Thanks for your support!

Clayton Valley Village Volunteer Services



Minor plumbing, home repairs, landscaping, transportation



Do you have a patio tree that needs trimming or help with some minor landscape issues? As a CVV member, you can easily get help!

Simply **LOGIN** to the **Members Only** area of our website at claytonvalleyvillage.org and submit a service request. One of our amazing volunteers will be happy to help!

Pictured is volunteer Pete Bardea helping member Carol Hansen Grey trim her patio tree.



Do you purchase items through Amazon.com? If so, we wanted to make you aware of a program that Amazon offers called **AmazonSmile** that donates a small percentage of every eligible Amazon purchase you make to a non-profit of your choice. Clayton Valley Village is registered as a non-profit with Amazon, so this is an easy (and painless) way you can help raise funds for our organization. All you need to do to set this up, is to log in to <https://smile.amazon.com/>. On your first visit to **AmazonSmile** you will be prompted to select a charitable organization from their list of eligible organizations. That organization will then show up on your menu (see screenshot below). Then, an easy way for you to remember to log in to your **AmazonSmile** account (rather than the regular Amazon account) is to bookmark and always use the following link to login: <https://smile.amazon.com>



Thank you for supporting Clayton Valley Village in this way!

Upcoming CVV Events for March 2019

- Tuesday, March 5:** Board of Directors Meeting
- Saturday, March 9:** International Women's Day Global Drumming Event
- Sunday, March 10:** Daylight Savings Time
- Friday, March 8:** Out to Lunch Bunch for Members Only
- Thursday, March 14:** Tour of Tony LaRussa's ARF
- Friday, March 15:** Eldercare Speaker Series: The Connected Horse
- Tuesday, March 19:** CVV Mixer - Veranda Cafe
- Friday, March 28:** CVV Events Committee Meeting
- Tuesday, March 26:** Movie Circle
- Sunday, March 31:** Clayton Theatre Company
The Savannah Sipping Society
- Sat Apr. 6:** Soroptimist International of Diablo Vista Texas Hold 'Em

For additional information about these events and more, click the link below:

https://claytonvalley.helpfulvillage.com/events/index_list

CVV Past Events

CVV Quarterly Birthday Celebration for Members

Twenty-three members attended our fun-filled quarterly birthday potluck. The event was held on Feb. 15 at Joanne Wasak's home and was coordinated by volunteer Fiona Hughes and member Sue Manning. Fiona also took individual videos of members expressing what drew them to, and why they love, Clayton Valley Village.



Clayton Valley Village February 19th Mixer

Our February Mixer was held at Pavilion Bar and Grill attended by 16 Members, Volunteers, a brand-new member and some new friends. A fun time was had by all.



Community Events

Local Theater Outing

On Sunday, February 24, several CVV Members attended a very unusual play called "Fuddy Meers" produced by the non-profit **B8 Theater Company** in Concord. It was billed as a comedy, but most of us found the subject matter rather unsettling -- a woman who has lost her memory and her dysfunctional family.



Soroptimist International of Diablo Vista Texas Hold 'Em



Join us at this FUN evening for a great cause: Sweet Beginnings Family Resource Center!

When: April 6th

Where: Concord Elks Lodge, [3565 Clayton Rd. Concord](#)

Time: 5:30

Cost: \$65.00

To Reserve Your Seat **Call: Sue Manning — 925-672-2727** e-mail: suemanning121@gmail.com *prize pool to be determined by number of players FUN! FUN! FUN! — MUST BE 21



CVV members and volunteers have many interests, hobbies and skills, so we invite you to start an "Interest Circle." It's a great way to meet, share and learn from others in our village who share common interests. Suggestions include: walking/hiking, arts & crafts, book club, creative writing, woodworking, doll making, card making, painting, quilting, sewing, photography, dining in private homes, conversations on various topics, attending musical events and/or local theater, travel. What it comes down to, however, is the willingness of our Members and Volunteers to lead and coordinate these Interest Circles. If you'd like to share ideas and discuss further, please contact Sonja by email [<sonjawilkin@gmail.com>](mailto:sonjawilkin@gmail.com).

Our First Presentation!

Walt and Nancy Hoffman just returned from a 6-week adventure to Indonesia and are excited to share their experiences with CVV Members! I was fortunate to get a sneak preview of some of the sights of Surabaya when Nancy posted pictures and comments on Facebook during their trip. Now you'll be able to "visit" this exotic



For Members Only



**Coordinated by
Sue Manning**

locale when you join other CVV Members on Thursday, April 11, 2019, 7:00 pm, at the Hoffman's home.

Seating is limited to the first 15 Members who register; "the Hoffman address" will be confirmed upon registration. Coffee and Dessert will be served! ("Armchair Travelers" is coordinated by Sue Manning; if you have questions or would like to host an upcoming "trip" please call (925) 672-2727.)



Inaugural Hike

Under the leadership of Dorothy Bradt and Kathy O'Toole

Nine of us left the Clayton Library parking lot and followed the George Cardinet Trail to Safeway for a coffee break and more planning for this new Circle just formed. By the time we had returned two delightful hours had passed and we had walked/hiked about 4 miles. Different names were discussed such as Walk & Talk, Hiking Bunch and others, but we all came to the decision that **VILLAGE EXPLORERS** covered various levels of activities and gave us a broad scope.



Dorothy has planned the next hike for Monday, April 8th to especially enjoy the wildflowers on Mount Diablo. We will meet at the Clayton Library at 10:00 am and carpool to Mt. Diablo State Park. We will take Mitchell Canyon Trail, right on Black Point Trail, left on Globe Lilly Trail, left on Red Road and left on Mitchell Canyon to parking. It is about 2 miles and under 100 ft. elevation.



Details of the following hike will be announced for sometime in June. These hikes are open to all Members, Volunteers and Guests of Clayton Valley Village. We want this to be an opportunity for others in the community to learn more about CVV and enjoy being with each other as we take advantage of the wonderful outdoors that surround us. A big thank you to Dorothy and Kathy for organizing this new activity for us!



Standing & Ad Hoc Committees

2019 CVV Board of Directors

Executive Committee:

Jim Whitfield (President), Sonja Wilkin (Past-President), Kathy Geddes (VP/President Elect),
Sue Manning (Secretary), Joanne Wasak (Treasurer)

Members-at-Large

Diane Berger, Carol Hansen Grey, Mary Esther Loranger, Marilyn Wollenweber

Volunteer Representative Members

Pete Bardea, Fiona Hughes

- The **CVV Events Committee** meets on the last Friday of the month between 1-3 pm and we welcome anyone to our hardworking team! We enjoy our meetings and the satisfaction of pitching in to make sure our events run smoothly.
- The **CVV Tech Committee** meets on the first Wednesday of the month and also participates in the monthly 3-Village Tech meeting and the HV Users group.
- The **CVV Member Services Committee** meets on the second Thursday of the month.

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