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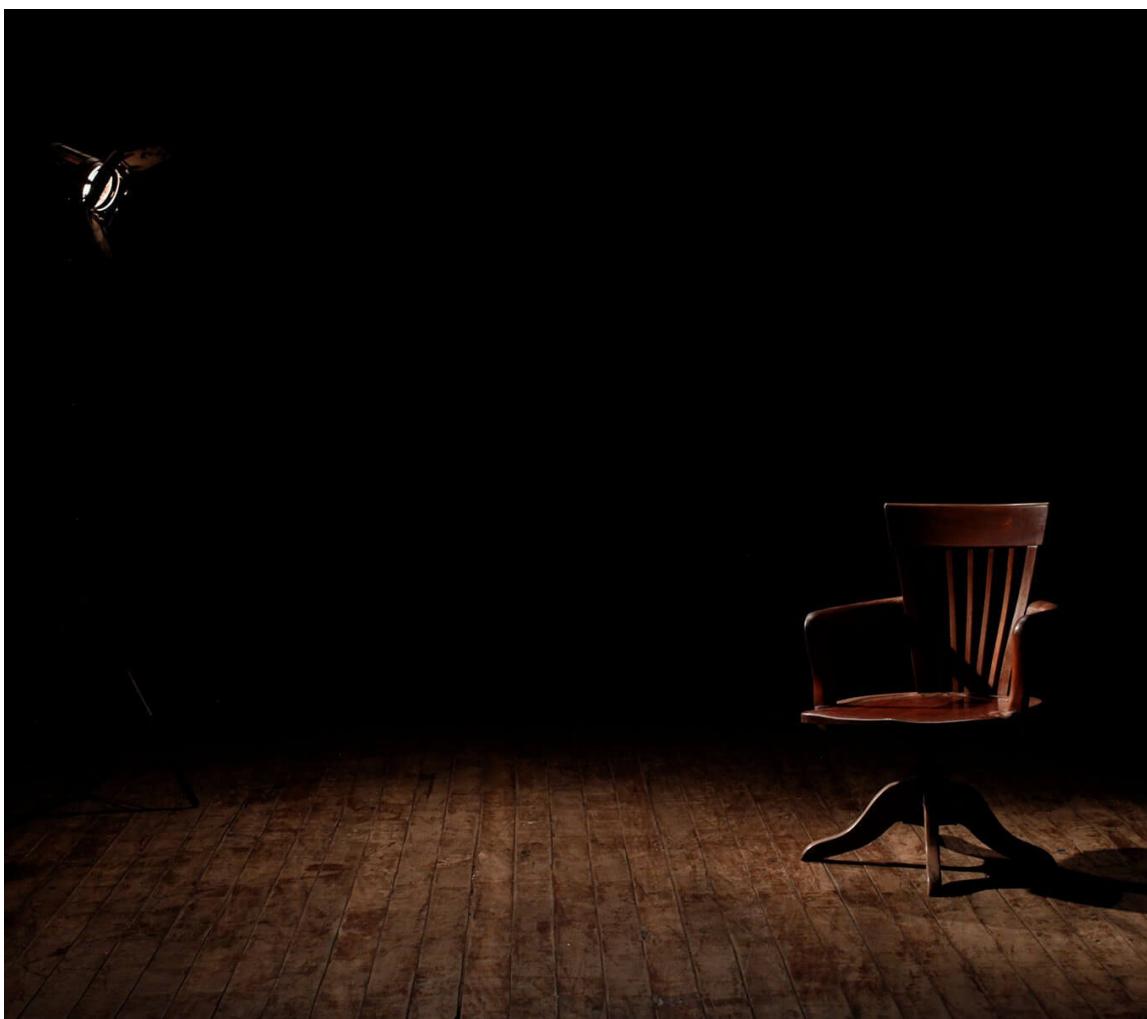
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2022 GOLF OPENING BOTH COURSES TO OPEN APRIL 15TH

The Voyager Village golf season is officially scheduled to begin on April 15th, 2022. Both our Champion Course and our Par 3 course will be open to carts, assuming good weather. Members can begin to book their tee times starting on April 7th, and nonmembers can begin booking on April 8th. Call the pro shop at 715-259-3991 to book your time. Our 2022 spring rates can be viewed online on our website, at www.voyagervillage.com.

If you can't wait to break out the clubs, come on out to hit some balls on our driving range! We'll be opening the driving range to mats only on April 1st, 2nd, and 3rd provided the weather cooperates. The ranges will be open from noon to 4pm, come swing by!





NEW EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT: DREW ALDERMAN

by Claire Johnson, multimedia and branding communications coordinator

Welcome to the Village, Drew! Voyager Village is growing and changing every day and we're thrilled to have you along for the ride. Drew was hired last month as our Golf Manager following Ryan Christopherson's departure; Drew has always loved the sport of golf and especially enjoys teaching friends how

to play and helping people improve their game. He grew up in Grantsburg, and in high school he played on the hockey team and was captain of the school's golf team.

Drew later went to college at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, and graduated with a Business Management

degree with an Insurance concentration, as his parents worked in that field. When Drew saw the position posted at Voyager Village, he thought it was a chance to pursue his passion for golf. Drew has always wanted to be a certified PGA professional; he is currently scheduling courses and working towards becoming certified, and said that in five years time, he wants to be a PGA professional and running our golf shop with ease.

Drew currently lives in Frederic with his girlfriend Carly and their two dogs. He enjoys being outdoors with them in his free time and loves walking trails. He would like to tour around Aruba one day, and is most looking forward to being the new face of the clubhouse and getting to know everyone and their game.

Please swing by and say hello when you get the chance!



Attention Golfers...

MONDAY LEGENDS LEAGUE

Are you searching for an excuse to hit the course and have fun this summer? Look no further; the Men's Monday Legends League is looking for more golfers. Interested players can call Dave at 612-812-9931 or email him at speidel@centurylink.net to sign up and to receive more information.

WEBB LAKE MEN'S CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT

Mark your calendars, June 10th will be the date for the Summer Tee-Off Golf, Dinner, Raffle and Music Event at Voyager Village. Open to all and sponsored by the Webb Lake Men's Club. Proceeds benefit local charities and projects; details and registration available soon!



2022 BOCCE BALL LEAGUE REGISTRATION

Bocce is back! Another season is beginning at Voyager Village, and registration forms for interested players are located inside the pro shop. The deadline for registration is 5pm on Monday, April 25th, so please register your team as soon as possible.

Teams will be playing one night a week, either Monday or Wednesday. The season dates are May 9th through August 22nd for teams playing on Monday, and May 11th through August 24th for the Wednesday teams.

Teams are required to have at least four people available to play each night, with a maximum team size of eight. A tournament and lunch for both leagues will be held on Sunday, August 28th at noon.

To apply, teams must submit the following:

1. Team application (available in the golf shop)
2. An official team roster
3. League fees for the team (\$16 per person for Voyager members, or \$18 for non-members)
4. A team name and a preferred night (Monday or Wednesday).

A mandatory team captains meeting will be held Monday, May 2nd at the Bar & Grill.



KNOWING YOUR PROVISIONS AND MAINTAINING THEM

by Geoffrey George, Voyager Village Executive Chef

We all know that there can be times we don't feel like preparing a big meal for ourselves. Knowing what you have in your pantry cupboard, refrigerator, and freezer can be a big aid in eliminating the worry of "what do I fix for dinner"?

Simple items like broths, bouillon cubes or bases can be a foundation for many items; to name a few: soups, sauces, gravies and slurries—a thin liquid used to keep proteins moist. You'll need some eggs, butter and milk as well, and make sure you have some all-purpose flour handy as well as a thickener. Frozen veggies are my go-to if I don't have fresh. Some meats aren't bad to have in the freezer, but remember to use them before around six months in the freezer or the meat will no longer have a grain left in it. Meats tend to freezer burn even if they're cryo-packed without air.

Lets look at some quick fixes for a hunger cure.

There is the go-to egg sandwich. But how about boiling a couple eggs earlier? Chill them, now this gives you the option of having them as hard boiled eggs or to chop them and add a bit of mayo, sweet relish, salt and pepper and enjoying egg salad. How about breakfast at dinner; a little French toast maybe? You have the bases already with egg, some milk, now add a touch of pancake mix—that's right, I said pancake mix—not too much as to thicken the batter too much. A touch of cinnamon and you have an original for yourself.

Got ground beef? Try out some handmade burgers. Take your raw burger and add in some spices. Experiment with what you know you like and go from there. Maybe some dried onion, rosemary, shredded cheeses, diced half cooked bacon, A1? I don't suggest putting BBQ in the burger itself; this contains a lot of sugar and cause a lot of flaring on the grill or burning in the pan while cooking.

You could also cut chicken or boneless pork into sandwich size portions, lay them out on a cutting board, cover them with plastic wrap, and flatten them for easy prep fried sandwiches. To make

your breading, you will take 1 cup of flour in a shallow pan larger than the cut pieces, add salt and pepper for taste and mix. Then take 2 whole eggs whisk while adding cold water to make a thin egg liquid/wash. Finally, use a 1:1 ratio of bread crumbs and flour (plain or seasoned, all your preference). Season with salt and pepper.

Now take your flattened piece of protein and place in the flour mix, coating both sides. Then move to the egg wash, lightly shaking off any excess flour before dunking. Be sure to coat both sides here as well. Next, go to your bread crumb/flour mixture, coating well and gently shaking off the excess. Set aside and finish your other pieces.

The cooking of these is entirely up to you! You can pan fry with very little oil. You can 'dry' pan fry, which is just using the juices from the meat, possibly a food spray. Or you can even bake/broil them. Just always make sure that your meats are cooked to a minimum of 165 degrees internally. If you can't check it with a thermometer, cut it open and check visually, I don't like this method except as a last resort; I don't pierce my meats in order to encase the natural flavors.

A LETTER TO MEMBERSHIP

by Brent Linnemeyer, Food & Beverage and Golf Operations General Manager

With the start of the busy season just around the corner, it's important to thank all of you for supporting Voyager Village. From volunteering your time, being members of our committees, and being such loyal patrons to our restaurant and golf course, the success of Voyager is because of you.

I believe we have made some great strides over the last year and I will continue to take feedback and make adjustments with the goal to always improve our service and offerings in all areas.

As we prepare for the upcoming season, you will be seeing a lot of new employees over the next several months. Please help me in welcoming our new staff members and supporting them. Voyager Village is a unique organization with a lot of moving parts and it takes time for our new employees to figure out and understand all the nuances of Voyager Village. I look forward to making 2022 the best year yet for Voyager Village and having all of you be a part of it.

DINNER CLUB IS BACK

Thanks to popular demand and the request of membership, we have brought back Dinner Club! Dinner Club will continue to take place once every other month throughout the summer. The event includes a multi-course dinner followed by an informational presentation from a wide range of local speakers. Our next dinner club will be on April 28th at Kilkare Lodge. More details will be available soon.

WEEKLY BAR AND GRILL ACTIVITIES

Sunday: Broasted Chicken Special, 4pm - Quarter or half chicken served with coleslaw and choice of potato.

Monday: CLOSED (Opening April 11th)

Tuesday: Corn Hole League (Open House), 3pm DJ Trivia, 6pm

Thursday: Wing Night, 4pm - 99 cent bone-in wings served with choice of two sauces.

Mahjong Card Players Group, 12pm

Friday: Friday Night Fish Fry, 4pm - All you can eat beer battered or broiled haddock served with coleslaw and choice of potato.

Saturday: Meat Raffle, 3pm Prime Rib Special, 4pm - 12oz or 16oz prime rib served with choice of vegetable and choice of potato.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Friday, April 8th - Birdhouse Build Day, 1-3pm outside the Golf Shop
- Every Monday, starting April 11th - Game Night at Kilkare Lodge, 6pm
- Wednesday, April 13th - Golf Course Cleanup Day
- Friday, April 15th - Golf Course Opening
- Sunday, April 17th - Easter Brunch, 10am-2pm
- Thursday, April 21st - Monthly Board Meeting at Kilkare Lodge
- Thursday, April 28th - Spring Dinner Club
- Saturday, April 30th - Trail Nature Walk, 9-11am at the West Cadotte Beach House

Easter Sunday BRUNCH

Voyager Village invites you to a special Easter Sunday Brunch at the Bar & Grill

April 17th
10 a m - 2 p m

cream cheese crêpes with fruit toppings
southwest scrambled eggs
bacon & sausage
bacon potato hash
waffles
fresh fruit
assorted pastries
buttermilk biscuits & gravy
baked cod
chef's carved ham & roast beef stations
glazed baby carrots
mashed potatoes
assorted desserts

\$23.95 per adult, \$9.95 per child (4-12)

Call 715-733-7006 to make a reservation



MEMBER CARDS AND STICKERS

Member Cards & Stickers are in and available for pick-up beginning Monday, April 4th in the POA office. Office hours are Monday through Saturday, from 8am - 4pm.

- Member cards entitle you to 10% off food items in the restaurant. You must show your card!
- Parking placards are only required for beach area parking.
- If you have a Dock Slip, your Boat Dock I.D. sticker should be placed on your watercraft.
- Canoe and ATV/UTV should be placed on the specified item.

Any cards, stickers and placards that are not picked up can be mailed out to the appropriate member.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT VOYAGER

Voyager Village is seeking candidates for the position of Director, Administrative Management.

Recently, the Voyager Village members were made aware of several role changes being made to its management team. Brent Linnemeyer is now the Food & Beverage and Golf Operations General Manager & Steve Johnson is the Director, Facilities, Maintenance & Grounds.

After making these changes and reviewing the management needs that are important to Voyager achieving its short- and long-term goals, we are looking for candidates to interview for the position of Director, Administrative Management.

This position will be an important member of Voyager's management team

and report to the Board of Directors. This senior manager will have general oversight of all administrative services provided to the membership, including but not limited to IT, communications, processes & procedures, planning, finance & budgeting. The P.O.A. Office will report to this position. Qualified candidates will possess critical leadership skills and successful management experience in the above areas. Candidates should submit their resumes to membership@voyagervillage.com or by mail to the Voyager Village POA, 28851 Kilkare Rd, Danbury, WI 54830.

We are also looking for a few people to help fill roles including office work, hosting in the restaurant, and helping in the golf shop. We can offer flexible schedules, great golf benefits, and discounts. Full and part time positions are available. If interested, please contact Brent at 715.733.7006 to learn more.

CULBERTSON LAKE

by Juli Skillman, Lakes Committee

Culbertson Lake is one of the many hidden gems available exclusively to Voyager Village members. Located at the end of Deerpath Trailway, off County Road C, north of Loon Creek Trail.

Ideal for kayaking or fishing with children, or for sport fisherman looking for northern, bass, panfish, this 28-acre lake has a depth of 34 feet with a fishing pier

and boat ramp. There are natural beaches along the lake shore when the water level is lower. Culbertson Lake is perfect for short length trail hikes, small group picnics, taking a walk with your special partner, boating with your grandchildren, or enjoying peaceful fishing.

Culbertson Lake off Deer Path Trailway

Acres: 28

Maximum Depth: 34 feet

Amenities: fishing pier, boat ramp

Fish Population Includes: Northern, Bass, Panfish



JOIN A COMMITTEE

The Voyager Village Board of Directors is currently supported by nine standing committees; these committees handle an important aspect of our association and are responsible for advising the Board of Directors and membership. The eight current committees are:

Architectural and Environmental Control Committee; the Airport Committee; the Election Committee; the Finance Committee; the Golf & Greens Committee, the Lakes & Beaches Committee; the Trails Committee; the Nominating Committee; and the Covenants & Bylaws Committee. If you are interested in serving on a

committee, please contact Gail in the POA office for an application. You can also receive an application by emailing membership@voyagervillage.com. The chairperson for each Committee and their email is listed on our website; if you had any questions about the committee, its duties, or what being on the committee is like, reach out to the chairperson and they will get back to you with the information you need.

Currently, we are seeking members for three committees: the Nominating Committee, the Covenants and Bylaws Committee, and the Architectural and Environmental Control Committee. All of our Committees are made possible by volunteers, and we thank them for their time.

ASK THE BOARD PRESIDENT

This month, Voyager Village Board President Dave Heiss answers three questions submitted by Voyager Village members.

I would like to know when it was decided to partner with this new realty company, and why it was announced on Facebook after the fact and why it was not discussed with membership!

Several months ago, Voyager Village Realty's broker and salesperson parted ways with us.

The board spent considerable time and effort evaluating how to move forward selling vacant lots at Voyager. We looked at continuing with a Voyager Realty Broker or contracting with a larger realty company and using their brokers. The Board and Voyager Management assessed these options and made the decision to partner with another realty company. Several realty companies were met with and ultimately, we selected Keller.

During this process we updated the status in the open sessions of Monthly Board Meetings. To protect the confidentiality, as requested by the realty companies, we did not name who we were considering in the open sessions.

At the last Quarterly Board Meeting (the day we executed the agreement), a representative from Keller gave a presentation to the membership (in person and on zoom) about their company and the efforts they will be implementing to maximize the number of lots sold and increase the awareness of Voyager Village.

It was important to get this relationship in place early in the year to be able to start selling lots. Lot sales are a very important part of Voyager's bottom line. Without these sales Voyager's operating budget shows a loss.

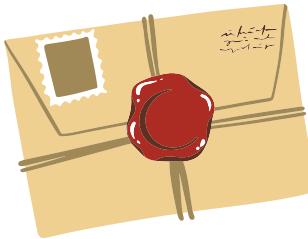
What is going on with the boat slips? I've went into the office and nobody can tell me where I am on the list. Who do I talk to in order to get this information?

I apologize for the confusion you experienced in the P.O.A. office when asking about the Dock's wait list. It should have been explained to you that the list was currently in an update mode. The list is available from Nancy Brandt Tuesday-Saturday between the hours of 8am-4pm.

When do we need to pick up our 2022 parking slips? I haven't received mine yet in the mail and would like to make sure I didn't miss it.

Parking slips (for Voyager Village beaches) will arrive to us in April. At that time an email will go out to the members with the date they can be picked up in the P.O.A. office.

Got a question? Forms for submitting questions and comments for consideration in this column can be found on our website at <https://www.voyagervillage.com/member-resources/> or at the POA Office.



FEBRUARY PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

This month, you decided the winning February entries to our photo contest. Congratulations to Alan Ellefson Sr. for his photo, of an owl in Half Moon Circle winning first place. The runner-up was a photo taken by Michael Hussey, who submitted a photo of the Bitch Island Dock in the cold middle of winter.

Submissions for the month of April are now open! Public voting for our March entries has begun: go to our website to cast your vote for your favorite!



photo taken by Alan Ellefson



OUT AND ABOUT

by Steve Johnson, Director of Grounds, Golf Course Superintendent

Spring can be an exciting but busy time for all of us, including the maintenance staff at Voyager. Spring usually includes removing tarps off some of the golf course greens, staging carts back at the clubhouse, cleaning up the mess left from winter winds, repairing and installing docks, and bringing online the seven facilities that we winterize and shut down. Along with these normal tasks, we are also looking to move into place two campers that we purchased last fall for employee housing, finish some last minute work to the snack shack so it's ready to open in mid May, improve lighting around the outside of the clubhouse, work with contractors to start the installation process of a new security gate at Little Bear that we plan to bring online sometime by early summer, and order parts to build a small dock that we plan to install at Shoal Lake.

Please remember that boats can start being placed on our docks for the season beginning April 30th, and that Beach Houses will also open on that same day.

Finally, I want to say thank you to Claire Johnson for being the behind the scenes person that has worked so hard to maintain and improve our website and communications at Voyager Village over the past 4.5 years. She first started working for us part time helping Voyager with a variety of communication tasks including editing countless blog posts and articles that the staff put together. Claire always has a smile on her face and if you were lucky enough to get to know her, you would quickly appreciate her witty sense of humor. Claire is leaving us to take a position with Polk County as the Communications and Public Information Specialist. We will greatly miss you Claire and we wish you the best in your future endeavors.

Last year was the first time that Voyager Village rented out all its dock spaces and started a new committee to help enhance and protect our lakes in the Village. During the review process of trying to get more docks for the Village, we have realized that we have a few small opportunities to enhance boat slips through a prior agreement.

VOYAGER VILLAGE

2022 AT A GLANCE

JANUARY

- 1st | Super Raffle
- 15th | Luminary Ski Event

FEBRUARY

- 13th | Super Bowl Party
- 14th | Valentine's Day
- 20th | Sleigh Rides
- 20th | Sunday Brunch
- 23rd | Winter Dinner Series

MARCH

- 9th | Dinner Club
- 14th | Cooking with Chef Geoffrey
- 19th | St. Patrick's Day Parade
- 20th | St. Patrick's Day Brunch
- 23rd | Winter Dinner Series
- 31st | Craft + Paint Event

APRIL

- 13th | Golf Course Clean Up
- 15th | Golf Course Opening Day
- 17th | Easter Brunch
- Birdhouse Build Day
- Spring Trail Walk
- 28th | Spring Dinner Club

MAY

- 8th | Mother's Day Brunch
- Spring Dinner Series
- Cooking with Chef Geoffrey
- Spring Fling
- 21st | New Member Orientation
- 29th | Annual Triathlon

JUNE

- 4th | Cheese Fest
- 5th | Couples Chapman Tournament
- Spring Dinner Series
- 18th | Annual Meeting
- 19th | Father's Day Brunch
- Craft + Paint Event

JULY

- 9th+ 10th | Voyager Shoot Out
- 16th | Beach Party
- 15th + 17th | Men's Senior Club Championship
- 15th | Ladies Senior Club Championship
- 24th | Couples Club Championship
- Summer Dinner Series

AUGUST

- 7th | Mixed Doubles Derby
- 13th + 14th | Men/Women's Club Championship
- Outdoor Concert
- Summer Dinner Series
- Cooking with Chef Geoffrey
- Summer Trail Walk
- 28th | Bocce League Tournament

SEPTEMBER

- 3rd + 4th | Arts & Crafts Fair
- Fall Dinner Series
- Annual Car Show
- 20th | Fireworks
- Oktoberfest
- Craft + Paint Event

OCTOBER

- Fall Dinner Series
- Fall Trail Walk
- 15th | New Member Orientation
- 21st + 22nd | Fall Fest

NOVEMBER

- Fall Dinner Series
- Cooking with Chef Geoffrey
- 24th | Thanksgiving Brunch

DECEMBER

- 2nd | Light Up the Clubhouse
- Winter Dinner Series
- Craft + Paint Event
- 24th | Tom & Jerry Party
- 31st | New Year's Eve Dinner



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Event details will be shared with membership via email and on our website | voyagervillage.com
Event dates and details are subject to change