

The Villages

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One example of veterans skills and interests led in the military to to The Villages through ent opportunities. The owner of HardScapes Florida, is contracted maintenance on all three town squares. He also he bricks at the park with Dominic, a Villages High graduate. has been contracted by ges for almost 20 years. He he community's growth for ss of his company. like The Villages, we grew

exponentially," he said. "We've been stable for the last 20 years. Not a lot of companies can say that."

Hess has laid the last three installations of bricks in the park, totaling about 840. He said working in The Villages has impacted his entire family.

"I know I'm not a resident here, but it's been a great 20 years," he said.

Brad Hunt's military career transferred smoothly to his current job as a dispatch trainer for Community Watch.

A 33-year Marine Corps and Army veteran, Hunt spent 18 of those years training others. He now trains dispatchers and serves as a supervisor as needed.

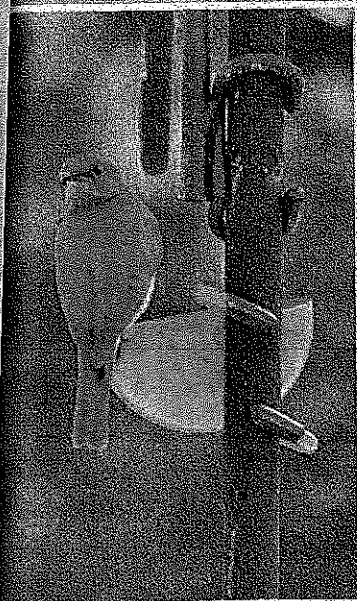
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"I was looking for something that would benefit the residents of The Villages (and) help my neighbors"

BRAD HUNT
Village of Collier



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CARNIVAL COMES TO HARBORCHASE COMMUNITY

Kids of all ages and species were welcome at the assisted-living community's carnival Tuesday. Residents, family and staff mingled with baby goats, chickens and a pig in the outdoor petting zoo area. Inside, clowns distributed balloon animal creations while attendees knocked down cans and fished for toy ducks for prizes. They snacked on funnel cake and churros between activities.

RESPITE CLUB HAS OPENINGS FOR NEW MEMBERS

Day-Break Club volunteers bring music, games and snacks every Tuesday afternoon to Odell Recreation Center. The goal of meetings is to provide respite for caregivers and entertainment in a safe space for their family members. Those seeking a break for themselves and social time out of the house for their loved ones can call Don Broughton at 813-765-3146.