

A history of Channel 63

I was the cofounder of channel 63 with Leonard Thompson and Sadie Lovinger. We were the first to put it on the air, back about 12 year ago .

Adelphia came to the Computer Club and asked us if we would take it over so they can save money. They supply the equipment and we would type pages of information about UCO Meetings and Clubs Meetings and put it on the air. Then came the hurricane and destroyed the Clubhouse, as we were repairing the Clubhouse we made a channel 63 room where we could work. Adelphia bought new equipment paid for half and UCO payed for the other half. I was a New Vice President of UCO at that time so I continued to run channel 63. We bought new computers and the latest software to operate it. We put music and videos on the air.

I ran channel 63 for about three years until I resigned from UCO, I don't remember who took it over then, but when the new regimes came in Ed Black took it over. He didn't do a good job, he ran it for about 7 years had all kinds of trouble with the equipment; it went down when it got hit by lightning. It was replaced and as time went on, the equipment got old. The Actors Studio gave up their efforts to air programming when they were refused the use of equipment and not permitted to get their programming into the line up.

When I was running it, I bought a new video camera. When I left, Ed took over, and they bought another video camera and then just last year they bought another video camera then they updated and bought another camera for channel 63.

In the last two years the Gregg's were putting on all kinds of great shows and videos and running channel 63 in the super way they worked hard and spend a lot of time putting programs on channel 63.

Then David Israel put his two cents in, he didn't want certain programs to be put on channel 63, Including, but not limited to postings from the **Messenger Club**. The Gregg's protested and finally The Gregg's re- signed.

David Israel appointed a power-hungry person; Joy Vestal to head up channel 63. She's now a

Reporter and now runs Channel 63. Where does she spend all her time?? (I also wonder where the free press is?)

When I was VP we didn't have a new building, everything was in one building, including the UCO Reporter and I was able to do my job and run channel 63. We all have to thank Kristy in the WPRF office; she is the one that is doing it, putting on all the pages that you see. It reminds me of when I started, the same old style no difference.

Where is all the fancy software programs that we bought? I guess we have to ask Joy. Maybe she should learn how to work channel 63 instead of doing all the talking that she's the great one.

I asked a question at the July monthly meeting of the UCO Reporter about why we are advertising David Israel's blog in the UCO Reporter and we don't Advertise other blogs? The next Monday, I was fired, I was only a volunteer photographer for the past five years and took pictures of all kinds of events and featured stories that you see in the UCO Reporter all over the Village and even took photos when President Obama was here.

So I guess you can't ask any questions of UCO Officers!!

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