

Approve Five-Year Bus Contract

By BEN GOULD

The United Civic Organization Delegate Assembly, meeting in emergency session on Nov. 13 in the clubhouse, unanimously approved a five-year transportation contract with Holland Industries of Toledo, Ohio.

Details of the contract were finally agreed upon following numerous negotiating sessions between UCO's Transportation

Committee and Michael Margolis, president of Holland which operates 16 bus lines throughout the East and South.

The contract, costing \$425,000 the first year, provides for five percent base increments each year to cover rising operating costs. UCO has an option to purchase six buses after the second, third or fourth years.

President Philip Sokol told the Dele-

gates that while the contract basically calls for six buses (four inside and two external) it also provides that Holland will provide two additional buses to be kept on the premises at all times which will be used as replacements when necessary and to provide additional hours of service on the outside routes. In effect, therefore the contract provides eight buses to service the people of

Century Village. Each bus seats 42 persons.

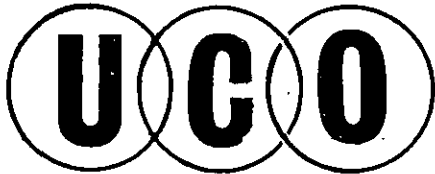
In order to limit breakdowns to a minimum, buses will be sent to the maintenance shop for overhaul and repairs on a regular basis (in effect a prevention maintenance program) with a full-time mechanic on hand.

The buses will have two center doors, wide aisles and air conditioning hooked into the engine, thus eliminat-

ing much of the noise emanating from buses previously in operation.

In addition, they will be retrofitted with lower steps. At the present time, the Classic buses are 17½ inches from the ground in the center and 14½ inches in front. The new buses will be considerably lower, 10 inches or less from the ground.

A \$75,000 performance
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President's Message

For Our Bus Committee Two Months Of Agony

By PHILIP SOKOL

As senior citizens, we have all learned that events have a way of taking off, without warning and contrary to all reasonable expectations. This is another way of saying that no matter how well or carefully we plan, there are forces beyond our control which can knock all our planning into a cocked hat, and create confusion where order previously obtained.

One of these overpowering forces, of course, is death, and it was the death of Bob Burrell, the president of PBM Tours, which dealt us a severe and totally unanticipated blow and which disrupted and then terminated our relationship with his company. Who ever expected a 42-year-old man in the prime of life to drop dead only two or three days after commencement of bus service on September first? Certainly not his young widow, who overnight became president of a business she knew nothing about and found herself overwhelmed with obligations she was unable to meet. And, certainly not the residents of Century Village, who found the transportation service breaking down for lack of maintenance. And certainly not the leadership of UCO, which was thrown into a crisis situation where desperate efforts had to be made to enforce compliance with an existing contract while simultaneously scrambling to find a substitute.

The past two months for the Transportation Committee and for the officers of UCO have been traumatic, and I wouldn't wish it on my worst enemy. The threat of repossession of the Bluebirds by the bank has hung over our heads for weeks and the inconvenience carried to our residents.

The crisis is on the way to solution, but (as of today, November 6) not yet fully resolved. I can assure you, however, of several things. One, bus service will be continued, and two, the cost of continued bus service to our residents will be within the financial framework already established under the order of the Court.

With the continued support of our people, UCO will overcome this challenge just as it has in the past and will continue to do in the future.

Beautification Program Set

By BARNEY COHEN

After years of trying, we have finally found a paper collection company which will supply our Village with more than 50 paper containers to collect old newspapers.

Not only will we be saving energy, but we will receive an income which UCO will use in a Village-wide beautification program with the purchase of trees, bushes, plants and benches.

Your condominium association president, and, or your UCO delegate have received a copy of the contract between S.C.A Service of Florida and the Recycling Committee of UCO.

This committee spent several months investigating paper com-

panies and has finally negotiated a satisfactory contract.

The committee consisted of Harry Kalb, chairman, Jean Zohn and Joe Lilienfeld, co-chairpersons, Nat Cohen, Barney Cohen, Doc Davis, Victory Duke, Joe Dorf and Harry Turbner.

Your cooperation is vital. Save your newspapers and drop them in the special containers in or near your area.

It is important to note that no magazines, cardboard, plastics, paperbags, string or garbage can be placed in the containers. Otherwise, the entire container will be rejected.

Help make this Beautification Program a success. It's up to you.



Part of the scores of Villagers who packed Congregation Anshe Sholom on Nov. 2 to protest request by Century Utilities, Inc. for an increase in water rates.

Good Sam Finally OKs Medicare

Bowing to strong community pressure — much of which came from Century Village residents — Good Samaritan Hospital voted unanimously on Nov. 7 to accept for the first time senior citizens and handicapped persons enrolled in the Medicare program.

The new program will not go into effect until next year, possibly in the Spring, because of changes in billing procedures, record coding and hiring of new personnel to take care of new patients, hospital officials pointed out.

The 21-member board, explaining its shift in policy, said the decision came after months of research. There is little doubt that the citizen action meeting on Oct. 29, organized by the Florida Consumers Federation with scores of Villagers in attendance, had convinced Good Sam that the time had come for a change.

However, the hospital board refused to include Medicaid in its policy shift. But Susan Chunn who is spokeswoman for the Federation which represents 70 citizen and labor groups, declared, "We will continue to press for inclusion of poor people at Good Sam."

The Federation also intends to contact state legislators with a view of drafting a law which would require all Florida hospitals to accept needy patients who qualify for Medicaid.

BULLETIN

County Commissioners, meeting on Nov. 8, voted unanimously to have its staff ascertain how much it would cost to do a feasible study of the purchase of Century Utilities, Inc. provided costs to residents are not greater than with present management. (Earlier details on page 14.)

UCO Installation Luncheon Is Set for March 9

Got your 1984 calendar book handy? Make sure you circle the date of Friday, March 9 if you're planning to attend UCO's second annual luncheon-installation at the Colonnades Hotel on Singer Island at noon.

If you're going, rush to the nearest phone and put in your bid for tickets. Last year a sellout throng of 513 was on hand, and many last minute requests were turned down.

Chairman Charley Cahn reports that he has put a ceiling on 450 tickets this year, at \$11 per person. Gratuities and tax are included.

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PSC Hears Complaints On Water

By HY RUCHLIS

Century Utilities' callous treatment of customer complaints and continuous rate increases for profit were vigorously protested by UCO representatives and 300 C V residents at PSC "informal" public hearing, Nov. 2 at Anshe Sholom. A number of representatives of the company also attended but did not participate.

The consumers' case against the new rate increase request of about 30% was presented by Hy Ruchlis for the UCO Water and Sewer Committee, chaired by Manny Kessler. Additional testimony was provided, either personally or by letter, by Bertha Hochman, Erna Reischer, Lee Maran, Fred Hammeiburger, Eli Schliesinger, Hy Kantor, Harry Shapiro, Bates Boyle, Ben Grossman, Frances Peters, Matilda Israel and ten others from the audience who spoke after the main presentation. The following main points were made:

* Bills have doubled in the short period of three years. Increases are especially onerous for retirees living on fixed incomes.

* The company shows no consideration, and offers no help whatsoever, to customers suddenly faced with immense water and sewer bills of up to \$100 (or more) for huge amounts of water.

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(about 50,000 gallons). The attitude is "Pay the bill," or "Others pay more."

* Although some of these bills may be caused by leaks in toilets or pipes from the main valve to the house, many are probably due to defects in water meter or main valve. A number of people at the meeting indicated similar problems with suddenly increased meter and bills. There may be general deterioration of meters due to age (more than ten years).

* "The buck is the main consideration. Let the buyer beware" Customers are generally assumed to be lying when they find no leak in the plumbing and ask for refunds (For documentation see the column, 'Just Between Us' on page 8)

* Testing of meters is not objective because the company 'acts as judge and jury' when it removes the meter and tests it on its own premises UCO is not aware of any case in which a meter was found defective by the company and a refund given on that basis

* Testing a meter does not disprove company responsibility Jerry Levine, a building president, reported that when he uses a special tool (key) to turn off the water the meter begins to turn, indicating a defect in meter or valve assembly.

* A system of objective handling of complaints should be set up that would include UCO representatives (A PSC representative at the hearing strongly endorsed this method of solving the problem.)

* These problems have severe psychological impact on many residents who are suddenly confronted with the threat of monumental bills.

* CV residents should "fight these unjustified large bills all the way." It would then cost the company much more to maintain present anti-customer policies than to resolve problems reasonably.

* Bad odors from the sewage plant near Sussex have been a constant source of complaint since original construction. Several witnesses testified that people who originally bought condos near the plant had been misinformed by CV sales representatives when they inquired what the unnamed facility shown on the map was to be. None were told it would be a sewage plant

* Harry Shapiro described the poor water quality, with extra costs for filters that have to be replaced frequently. He also reported discoloration of water on many occasions.

* Heavy, 18-wheel trucks used by the company to remove sludge from the sewage plant are breaking roads and lawns in the Sussex area, causing major expense to local residents. The company or its affiliates refuse to accept a fair share of responsibility for payment of repairs. Bates Boyle reported similar lack of cooperation for necessary alteration of main water valves on roads being repaved

These hearings will be followed by investigation of company records and operations by PSC staff. Their report will become the basis of final action by the PSC Commissioners.

No date was set for a final decision. If the PSC does not complete the proceedings in eight months (from time of application) the company would probably get its full rate increase on an interim basis subject to adjustment when the PSC decision becomes final

The 1980 rate increase request took three years to complete and was recently ended with a retroactive 20% rollback of rates and refund of \$500,000 for CV residents. Most of the delay was caused by legal actions by the utility to eliminate the rollback ordered by the PSC.

Installation

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and music, again, by the Sammy Fields trio.

Cahn and his committee expect to be swamped for ticket requests, since the luncheon's highlight will be a testimonial for outgoing president Philip Sokol

"If you have friends up north who won't be here until later on in the season, I'll take care of your requests if you get them in early," advises Cahn.

Honored guests will include members of the County Commission and Century Village executives. County chairperson Peggy Evatt will again install the 1984 slate of officers

For reservations and information, contact Cahn at 686-7288, at 683-8895 or Ann Wiener at 684-0835.



Bertha Hochman (left) and Lee Marin, both of Sussex, air their complaints against Century Utilities, Inc.

Contract

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mance bond has been put up by Holland. It is anticipated that all the retrofitted buses will be operating in six weeks or less.

Members of the Transportation Committee are Joe Ram, chairman; Joe Schwartz, Milt Berkowitz, Bill Zarow and Joe Rowan. The committee is under the jurisdiction of Vice President Bill Snyder.

Durbin Heads Nominating Slate

Sam Durbin of Wellington has been named chairman of the UCO nominating committee which will select the slate of 1984 officers and members of the executive board.

President Phil Sokol, in naming the group, pointed out that under UCO by-laws a new committee must be formed every two years

Other members of the group are Emanuel Schlanger of Somerset, Max Davis of Sussex; Anne Elam of Wellington, Bea Finkelstein of Oxford; Milton Handel of Cambridge. Max Harlem of Dorchester, and Irving Goldstein of Somerset.

Members of the committee are ineligible to seek posts of officers or delegate board

No Calls Please

If you have any problem, please do not call UCO Attorney Rod Tennyson, because we are billed for any conversations dealing with Century Village. Contact your building president or your UCO delegate who will pursue the matter.

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 - d. If temporary I.D. has a photo, a deposit of \$15 is required. It will be refunded when the I.D. card is returned.
3. Children (under 16), Must be accompanied by an adult passholder, must relinquish seat to standing residents.
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Manuel Goodman, Stratford — I believe the United States acted properly in both instances. Such action was necessary to prevent the spread of Communism, particularly in Grenada. There it was necessary to prevent Cuba from establishing Grenada as an arsenal for Communism. As Teddy Roosevelt said, "Speak softly and carry a big stick."



Harold Lichten, Wellington — For obvious reasons, we were right in stepping in to keep Cuba out of Grenada. However, we do not belong in Lebanon. A United Nations sponsored international peace force should serve in Lebanon.



John Banzhaf, Stratford — I am definitely opposed to the United States' presence in either area. I do not believe we should be the world's policeman. We should not try to impose our way of life and our political beliefs on other countries.



Bea Finkelstein, Oxford — We do not belong in Lebanon. It is an impossible situation politically for a peacekeeping force and our Marines are sitting ducks. My feelings about Grenada are mixed. At first it seemed there was a threat from Cuba. If that turns out to be true, it was a good idea.



Tom Speerin, Tennis Court Supervisor — As to Grenada, we made the right move. If we hadn't moved when we did, we would have had another Iranian hostage situation. Regarding Lebanon, we should stay there, but only if we can carry the "big stick" and protect ourselves properly.



Esther Samuels, Wellington — I feel that the United States belongs in Lebanon. If we were not there, Syria would move right in. Grenada is a different situation. Our presence there prevented a Cuban takeover. Also, the action restored our prestige at a time when it was at a low level.

Outstanding Woman Award Presented to Anne Elman

At a meeting of the Palm Beach County Commission on October 25, Wellington resident Anne Elman was awarded the coveted Women's Achievement Award for outstanding work in creating, organizing and directing the Mid-County Medical Center training Schools for Nurse Assistants and Home Health Aides.

The two schools, in West Palm Beach and Boynton Beach, operated by nonprofit Mid-County Medical Center, has trained 1,200 health workers who now serve large numbers of infirm elderly in their homes, area nursing homes and hospitals. They have played a major role in maintaining the quality of health care in our community and revising costs.

In 1975, at a time when volunteers, many from Century Village, were beginning the organization of Mid-County MEDICAL Center, Mrs. Elman began her long-range plan for creation of the Training Schools. In 1978 she obtained a grant from CETA and opened a school in West Palm Beach.

CETA referred unemployed people (most on welfare) to the school for two months of training. Almost all were then able to obtain gainful employment in the health field at wages well above minimum.

Under Mrs. Elman's direction, the schools became a model for successful training of the unemployed for skilled jobs. When funds for CETA were sharply curtailed the Training Schools continued with full funding and still continue to be funded today under state auspices.

Mrs. Elman came to West Palm Beach from New York City 12 years ago with 25 years experience as a licensed Vocational School Director where she owned

and operated nine vocational schools. She lives in Wellington with her

husband, Henry Elman, who is a noted cellist, and active in many community musical activities.



Anne Elman receiving award from County Commission Chairperson Peggy Evatt.

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Village Vignettes

By Ben Gould

Over the summer, Larry and Sally Ring (or should it be Sally and Larry) came up with a great idea, up there in beautiful Magnolia, Mass. where the magnolias really bloom

Instead of that long 1,500 mile trek to Century Village, they came to the conclusion it would be a better idea to leave their car behind, fly down and get hold of a second car in West Palm.

That way, they theorized, they could leave at 8:30 a.m. and get here in time for an 11 a.m. swim.

Sure enough, they arrived at 11, but it wasn't in the morning, but 60 minutes before midnight

Here's what happened, short and sweet. the limo driver never showed up, but they managed to get to Logan airport in time; however, the flight was cancelled, obviously not enough passengers; so a wait for the next flight.

Once in the air, the problems persisted. On a layover, it took six hours to resume the journey. Arriving here, they had to get a cab to ferry them to Dover. So they finally made it: 11 p.m.

It certainly was one of those days that it didn't pay to get up.

A happier summer anecdote concerns Bucky and Sylvia Saffro of Greenbrier, who have a cozy place in Cranbury, N. J., not far from old Princeton, where they continue their golf mania.

One fine, sunny day, Bucky competed in the men's tourney and came home with a snazzy trophy. The other half, a strong feminist, figured that she was just as good as Bucky, so she went out and won a trophy of her own. That should make for a compatible couple

Speaking of golf, we hear that following the tornado which struck down in the Village some months ago, dozens of golf balls came tumbling out of the trees where they had been hibernating for a year and more. They lay there like ripe apples

Lew Wise, our own Art Buchwald, wrote one of his hilarious tongue-in-cheek columns in the October Reporter about the possibility of oceans rising seven feet in the next 100 years, which made him consider moving to a lofty (10-story) condominium in Orlando

A few days later, a friend called up and asked when was he moving!

Quite a few Villagers, intrigued by the prospect of seeing Elizabeth Taylor in person in "Sweet Bird of Youth" at the Royal Poinciana Playhouse in December, are chagrined to learn that Liz won't show up. Play was cancelled. We suspect she'd rather spend the time in her favorite pastime — eating spaghetti.

(Ed. note — did you say THAT was her favorite pastime?)

Memo to snowbirds with show six for the West Palm Beach Auditorium: You've got to cough up with a buck for parking.

We've got an idea lots of folks may consider leaving their autos in the Mall and walking across the street or coming with a full car.

Don't say we didn't warn you: Tickets for UCO's second annual luncheon-dance are being gobbled up. The date is March 9. So hurry.

And finally, this note about people who read this paper too fast.

Moe Moss, our house 'Doctor' got a call from a friend who wanted to know why his regular column did not appear last month.

Moe retorted, 'Look on page 13' After a moment's pause, the caller said, you're right . . . but since I didn't see your picture, I didn't look for your column"

Doris and Hy Yanowitz They're 'Real People'

Doris and Hy Yanowitz are the subjects of our first UCO Reporter "Real People" column

Doris and Hy moved into Northampton E on Dec. 26, 1972, the day that building was officially opened

Doris has always been interested in promoting the welfare of her Condo Association and all her neighbors in Century Village. She served as president of Northampton E after having been vice-president for a number of years. She is an alternate to the UCO Delegates Assembly, and is an ardent supporter of UCO and its policies. She worked almost every day in the I D distribution transportation program.

During their 42 years of happy married life Doris and Hy lived in Brooklyn, N.Y., and in Lake Hopatcong, N.J. before coming to Century Village

During 15 years with A and S, Doris worked in sales, personnel, and complaint departments, and was section manager before retiring. Her hobbies are ceramics and knitting. She has knitted more than 200 pairs of children's booties for the Children's Rehabilitation Center of the University of Virginia Mental Health Center. At present she is knitting booties to be sold by Deborah in December at the Cross County Mall.

Hy was with the Revenue Division of the New York City Transit Department for 25 years, retiring from that position at the age of 50. He holds dual membership in New York and Florida Pythian Lodges. At present Hy is

SWA Approves Study of #7

By approving the sum of \$515,000 for an environmental and permit preparation study on a landfill site near Riviera Beach, the County Solid Waste Authority has all but moved the Dyer site as its final choice after months of discussions.

This study of Site 7 will take approximately six to eight months, and will evaluate potential air and water pollution from the facility

The actual location is about 1,600 acres west of the Turnpike, north of 45th Street, East of the West Palm Beach Water Catchment Area and south of Beeline Highway.

THANKS TO LOCAL 323

UCO thanks the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 323, for its assistance.

When special bulletins had to be printed late in the afternoon for issuance early the next morning, and the printers UCO ordinarily uses were not available, it was Local 323 which volunteered its assistance through Sol Silverman and had the bulletins ready when needed.



Marshall Criser, chairman of Board of Governors of Good Samaritan Hospital, gives his point of view at public meeting in West Palm Beach Library on Oct. 29. The subject: Medicare and Medicaid as they apply to Good Sam. On Nov. 7 the Hospital Board voted to accept Medicare patients in program. (See story on page 1.)

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

**Finally A Policy Shift
By Good Samaritan**

At long last the members of the board of governors of Good Samaritan Hospital have bowed to community pressure.

They have finally given the green light to the Medicare program, recognizing that the hospital serves an area in which 23 percent of the residents are eligible for Medicare.

This long-sought change in policy should come as a relief to St. Mary's Hospital which has borne the brunt of Medicare patients, a problem which contributed to its financial burdens.

However, the fight against the hospital's refusal to accept Medicaid patients must go on. If Good Sam is to live up to its name then the poor and the needy must also be included in its program.

The Message Is Clear

On the other "war front" in which Century Villagers are engaged, there is every reason to believe that the hearing in C. V. by the Public Service Commission on Nov. 2 will bear fruit in the future.

Speaker after speaker shocked PSC representatives with "horror" stories of Century Utilities' lack of consideration in responding to complaints; as well as protests against continuous rate increases sought by the company.

P.S.C. Hears Complaints

It was apparent that the testimony of UCO's Water and Sewer Committee left a deep impression on the staff members of PSC

As an official of the utility company remarked to a UCO representative at the conclusion of the hearing, "You people certainly made a fine case."

Ben Gould

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**Cranston Says
Reagan May
Not Run Again**

By BEN GOULD

Presidential hopeful Sen Allan Cranston (D., California) "suspects" that Ronald Reagan may not run in the '84 election.

In an exclusive interview with the UCO Reporter last Monday, Cranston said, "I have an idea that the President is leaning to the belief that the job is too heavy for him and besides that ranch in California looks very appealing."

Asked if Mrs. Reagan might persuade the President to drop out of the race, Cranston said, "I think that Nancy's views will have a great deal to do with his final decision. I believe she would like to have him give up the White House and return to the Pacific Palisades."

Cranston noted that this was his own personal feelings, that he had no "inside" information. "It's just that Reagan can't handle the headaches for another four years," he said.

The California senator, visiting Century Village for a talk before the Sunshine Democratic Club, stressed the need to end the nuclear arms race.

"That's the top priority, because the economy and the unemployed won't mean a thing if we get into a nuclear war with the Soviets. Peace and jobs — that's my theme."

Among his other points, he said:

- There are 70,000 more millionaires in the U.S. today than when Jimmy Carter was president.

- 18 million people are seeking full-time jobs.

- Grenada was a big mistake, because we violated international law and the United Nations charter.

- We have to get out of Lebanon. We have no business there

- The President is reckless and trigger-happy. I'm convinced of that, after the Grenada invasion.

- I am giving very serious thought to a woman for the vice presidency on my ticket

On Sunday, 24 hours before Cranston's appearance here, another Democratic Senator, Howard Metzenbaum of Ohio was the featured speaker at the dedication of the Joseph L. Morse Geriatric Center, with a large contingent of Century Villagers on hand

Like Cranston, Metzenbaum blasted Reagan's policies toward the elderly.

"Ronald Reagan is the first president in 50 years to break faith with the elderly," he declared, citing the cuts in Social Security, Medicare and other programs which are targeted to aid retired persons

LAFF WITH LEIB

Definition of an optimist: A guy who tells you to cheer up when things are going his way.

Experience is a wonderful thing. It enables you to recognize a mistake when you make it again

If you ever tried to do something and failed, you are vastly better off than if you had tried to do nothing — and succeeded!

A lady broke off her long time "friendship" with a doctor who asked her to return all his gifts. Not only that, he sent her a bill for 86 house calls.

Never make the same mistake twice. Make a new one.

The closest some people ever come to reaching their ideal is when they write their resume!

Sign on the back of small car on Okeechobee. "Quit honking your horn. I'm pedaling as fast as I can"

Herb Leib
Golf's Edge



"No - I won't go there again! The food is terrible - and such small portions!"

The Curmudgeon's Corner

BY BATES BOYLE

Today, in the Summit Avenue Branch of the Palm Beach Public Library, I heard the check-out lady explain to the man ahead of me in line that he could only borrow three books on the same subject. Since he had four books of the same category that he wanted to check out, he tried to get her to let him take them all but she was adamant he could only take three. All of this would not have been worthy of a second thought but for the ultimatum she gave him, "You can only take three, so you've just got to pick the one you really don't want." Such logic can't be disputed; how could you get anywhere?

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No doubt the man (or men) who first homogenized milk thought the process a boon to mankind, and I suppose that many people would agree should the question come up. However, I have reservations. Most of us in Century Village can remember when milk was delivered in pint or quart bottles which were recycled. You will probably remember that the cream rose to the top of the bottle and, unless the bottle was given a good shake before removing the cover, the first one to pour milk into a glass or on to his cereal got mostly cream.

You will also remember that if the milk you poured later seemed a bit thin, you figured that some unscrupulous member of the family had taken the cream off the top. On a cold winter day the milk was apt to freeze and the cream would push the cap up and the milk and cream would rise an inch or so above the top of the bottle. On such mornings you could look outside on the porch or doorstep and know that it was cold outside. As for me, you can have your homogenized milk. In the precarton days, you could be sure of butterfat being in the milk you drank — unless you had a sneaky sibling.

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Your curmudgeon is developing a list — a sort of hate list — on which, very near the top, are those who are involved in the making and selling of furniture, which, when displayed in the store, seems of good quality and reasonably priced, but when delivered needs to be assembled. Recently I purchased a bentwood rocker — the kind that John F. Kennedy enjoyed sitting in. At the time of the sale only the display chair was in stock, but some were expected in a few days. No mention was made of the fact that it came knocked down and that I would have to assemble it. I might have refused it, but I had already paid for it.

Being handy and mechanically experienced with a fantastic collection of tools, I expected that putting it together should offer very little difficulty. I could not have been "wronger." I spent about six hours putting it together, and had I relied on the tool and instructions that came with it, I probably would be waiting for our famous Florida weather to warp the parts so that they might agree with the prethreaded holes in each member. If you shop in one of the malls and are attracted by a bentwood rocker on display — for your own sanity DON'T!!

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Your curmudgeon notes that three management outfits are now wooing us for contracts to maintain our lawns, shrubbery, lighting and so forth. In general, each provides association representatives with coffee and crumpets or is it tea and strumpets? to beguile you while they give their sales pitches.

Cenvill Management should give thought to the fact that, had they provided adequate service when they had a monopoly on maintenance, they would not now have to compete with Seacrest. For much the same reason, Seacrest would not have Encore trying to share in the pie. Although I consider it highly unlikely, if each contractor lives up to all he agrees to do, there will be little likelihood that a fourth company will enter the contract battle next time around.

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Who could have anticipated that just as our transportation problem seemed solved, and at a considerable saving in cost to those Cenvillagers who desperately needed it, the head of the Palm Beach Tours Co. would drop dead at the comparatively young age of 42? All of which brought the problem back to square one and provided the UCO Transportation Committee with long days and some sleepless nights

It is remarkable that when the bankrupt operator removed the PBT buses, other buses were made available within the hour, and took over and covered the routes without any stoppage — in fact there was no appreciable time that Cenvillagers were without transportation. Even your curmudgeon can only say that the Committee and the UCO executive officers should be praised for performing the incredible.

The Reporter's Op-Ed Page

News Letter

From Peggy Evatt



Peggy Evatt

Welcome back to all of those residents who were able to get away from the Florida heat during this past summer and to those of you that remained here it's great to get some cooler weather and relief from those hot days

Recently, the County Traffic Division installed and placed in operation a new traffic signal device at Village Mart on Haverhill Road just north of Okeechobee Road. Having personally examined this dangerous location, at the request of concerned citizens, it became readily apparent that immediate action was required to prevent loss of life and/or serious injuries. Meetings were scheduled with the two major property owners of the adjacent shopping centers to request funding assistance. Unfortunately, the owner of the westside property refused to participate in the project even though the owner of the eastside property was agreeable. Nevertheless, the Board of County Commissioners recognized this important need and agreed with my recommendation that this important project had to be funded, for the safety of the citizens, and that the installation proceed expeditiously. I am

certain, having reviewed the signal's operation, that the potential for accidents has been greatly reduced and that the residents are greatly relieved. To all of those leading citizens who brought this to my attention, I extend my personal "Thanks", for their assistance and support. With their help, my role as Commissioner has been made much easier.

I was present for the grand opening of the new transportation system for Century Village and was greatly impressed by the efforts of community leaders to solve this long standing problem and to find a solution. It is my sincere hope that the residents will find that their needs have been met with the implementation of this system and that even though small problems may occur, from time to time, that the greater concerns have been addressed.

During the past week, I have announced my intention to pursue election to the State Senate, District 27. I believe that I can bring to State government an in-depth knowledge of the problems being faced by local governments and our citizens. I believe that I can make an excellent contribution to the State Legislative process.

Lewis Seeks New Approach in Lebanon

By TOM LEWIS
Rep., 12th District

Washington — On Sept. 20, I spoke out on the floor of the House of Representatives on the importance of sending a "crystal clear" message to the world that our resolve in Lebanon would not falter. At the same time, I urged members of the House not to hinder this commitment with a timetable for our Marines' withdrawal from Lebanon.

However, in lieu of the Oct. 23 bombing of the Marine Headquarters Building at the Beirut Airport, I believe it is necessary to take a close look at our present policy in Lebanon and the Middle East.

Many members of Congress were ready to withdraw our troops immediately after the attack. This would have been wrong. We must take a stand once and for all to let the world know that we will not let these despicable acts of international terrorists dictate our foreign policy. Nor can we, as a member of a multinational force, unilaterally withdraw from the area without consulting with the other nations that constitute the multinational force.

It is time to re-evaluate and redefine our presence and policies in Lebanon. We must have specific short- and long-term goals and a thorough understanding of the commitment involved in pursuing these goals.



Some Thoughts

From Dennis Koehler

It's fashionable today to be an alarmist about the future of Palm Beach County, particularly in light of recent U.S. Census Department projections that will make Florida the nation's largest state by the year 2000.

For at least the past ten years, candidates for office in Palm Beach County have rallied voters around the cry, "Let's not make this place like Dade or Broward County!" And properly so, for our two sister counties to the south have amply demonstrated what unplanned urban sprawl can do to destroy an otherwise beautiful natural environment. High density residential development, concrete condominium canyons on the oceanfront, strip commercial development along every major thoroughfare, non-existent landscape buffering and a transportation system choked with cars and trucks paint a very unpretty picture indeed for Palm Beach Countians fearful of the future.

But these lessons have not been lost on Palm Beach County's leaders, nor on the professional land use planners that serve the County Commission or the coun-

ty's thirty-seven municipalities. The county's Comprehensive Land Use Plan, considered a model for Florida and the rest of the nation when it was first adopted in 1972, has been amended over the years to ensure that the development excesses that have damaged Dade and Broward County so badly will never occur here.

Strip commercial development along major thoroughfares is literally verboten throughout our unincorporated areas, with planned commercial developments limited to "major intersections." For the past ten years, few if any large-scale land development projects have been permitted in the county with densities in excess of eight dwelling units per acre. Compare this with Century Village's average density of 24 units per acre, or Hollywood's 80-100 dwelling units per acre and more along the oceanfront.

Under the county's strict land development regulations, no project can be permitted without providing substantial landscape buffering, vegetation and other aesthetically pleasing amenities. The county's land use plan establishes a vast area of active agricultural farmland as literally "off limits" to residential development, a measure designed to preserve the county's active and important agricultural industry (and prevent urban sprawl). And no project can even be considered for development approval without having first obtained developer commitments to provide public utilities (water and sewer), as well as sufficient transportation improvements to handle the project's expected impacts.

We Palm Beach Countians have much to be thankful for. We live in perhaps the most attractive natural environment in all of Florida. We enjoy a tradition of reasonable growth controls at all levels of local government. And most community leaders are looking firmly ahead to a dynamic future, one filled with opportunities for future residents yet sensitive to the values of the past.

As in any dynamically growing community, there are as many different opinions and views about the quality of life here as there are people to express them. Where action takes place, critics abound, particularly among the news media. But our future remains solid and bright, and as long as the people who live here let their leaders know how they feel about things, we shall all continue to enjoy the world's most engaging human environment.

Memo to Delegates

Memo for all area delegates: Please call UCO office, 683-9189, and give the secretary the names of persons assigned to pick up the UCO Reporter for home delivery. Also, the office seeks an updated list of those persons to be notified of special Delegates' meetings.

Message From Harry Johnston

As a public official I have frequently been at odds with the medical community, but on no issue so strongly as that of health care cost containment. As you are aware, this is not a new problem. The state legislature addressed it my first term of office in 1975. During that session and the three years following, I was tagged a "liberal" for my support of the cancer registry, Sunlands, hospital regulation, and other controversial subjects.

The state's health care system was not helped by the fact that the then Secretary of the Department of Health & Rehabilitative Services, O. J. Keller, was under fire by various political factions, and was subsequently replaced. After the 1978 election I became chairman of the Senate HRS Committee, and at that time the DHRS had 30,000 employees and a budget of \$1.5 billion.

Many of the difficulties of the late 70's have abated, but attempts to hold down medical costs continue. The attempt is vital. Between 1975 and 1977 hospital costs increased between 14 and 20 per cent annually, more than twice the increase of the cost of living. Over the decade of 1969-79 the average hospital stay cost rose from \$533 to \$1634. By 1980 health care service costs were equivalent to 9 1/2% of our gross national product.

Florida must be the pilot project for the United States. By the 21st century demographers predict a population here of 17 million. The fastest-growing age group in our state is the 80-year-olds, and by 1990 we will have, at the current rate, 1.3 million veterans over 65. Provisions must be made for their

reasonably priced care. You have already seen the morass Medicaid-Medicare has sunk into, with more and more hospitals and clinics refusing to participate in care for the indigent and elderly. Proprietary hospitals have compounded the situation by swallowing up the small community facilities and transforming them into huge impersonal care centers.

Florida's Hospital Cost Containment Board can help you become more informed about medical costs and treatment, and can provide "cost comparisons" between facilities in your area. You may write the Board at Larson Building, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, or call toll-free to 1-800-342-0828.

Legislature News

By LOUIS DICKSTEIN

While the Florida State Legislature is now in recess, and does not begin its 1984 Session until the 3rd of April, its committees are already busy at work.

The reason for this is that the law provides that members of the Legislature may pre-file bills to be acted upon by the 1984 Session.

As of the end of October, 20 bills have been pre-filed in the Senate and 36 in the House of Representatives, and the committees to which they have been referred have already begun the study of those bills.

Among those bills there are two filed in the Senate which may interest residents of Century Village. One of those has a companion bill which was filed in House.

The bills in question are: Senate Joint Resolution (SJR 1) whose House Companion is House Joint Resolution (HJR 4) is a proposed Constitutional Amendment to amend Article VII, Sec. 6 of the Constitution to provide that the homestead exemption shall not apply to the first \$10,000 of assessed value of a homestead, unless the owner has attained age 65. The present provision of the Constitution is one which grants a \$25,000 exemption to all homestead owners for all years from 1982. The intent of the proposed amendment is to be able to collect some taxes from all property regardless of value (at least for the first \$10,000) but provision is



Louis Dickstein

made to allow senior owners to keep the full exemption. This would at least be beneficial to most of the owners in Century Village.

Senate Bill (SB 6) is a bill which proposes to prohibit the Public Service Commission from approving rates for local telephone calls based on measured service. This bill would greatly benefit residents of our locality who presently enjoy unlimited local service without regard to the number of calls made or the length of time of those calls.

If you are in favor of any legislation it is suggested that you let your local Senator or Representative know. Our local Senator is Sen Harry A. Johnston, P.O. Drawer M, West Palm Beach, 33402 (659-6600). Our Representative is Rep. Eleanor Weinstock, Suite 617, Comeau Bldg, 319 Clematis Street, West Palm Beach 33401 (832-5122).

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Just Between Us

By HY RUCHLIS

Bill of Rights For Owners

How would you like to get your water/sewer bill one day and see an astonishing item of \$110 for 50,000 gallons of water for the month? That amount of water would almost fill the pool at the main clubhouse!

That's the alarming situation Sussex resident Bertha Hochman faced in October, 1982. The followed six months of 'water torture' in which she was pushed around from pillar to post, between Century Utilities and PSC.

Just a few details: A repairman found no leak. The meter was checked by Century Utilities (\$5 more) with a clean bill of health. But with no leak and a new meter bills went back to normal.

None of this cut any ice with the utility. Mrs. Hochman was told to pay the \$110.

She wrote to the PSC. They "investigated" by accepting an erroneous "fact" supplied by the company that a toilet leak had caused the large flow. That was not true! The PSC made no attempt to get Mrs. Hochman's side of the story.

After six months, with 18 letters and documents going back and forth, costing everybody far more than the amount of money involved, a "compromise" was reached. Mrs. Hochman would pay \$56 for the full 50,000 gallons, but not the sewer charge!

To the company and the PSC this was part of the day's work. To Mrs. Hochman, however, fighting the monopoly largely on her own, it also meant facing a future of capriciously monumental water bills, sleepless nights and worsening health. She settled "under pressure" for \$56 for 50,000 gallons of water and no sewer charge.

How was she expected to continue fighting the juggernaut in a formal public hearing to which she was entitled?

OR, TAKE THE CASE of Dover resident Erna Reischer who came back from a trip on June 23, 1983 to find an \$85 water bill for 35,000 gallons of water. The next month a similar bill came in for another \$70 for an additional 29,000 gallons!

During the second billing period the meter was checked by Century Utilities (\$5 more) and declared OK. "Miraculously" as soon as a new meter was installed usage readings went right back to normal!

Total cost for two months was \$210 (\$155 for 64,000 gallons, \$50 for plumbers who found no leak, \$5 for meter-checking, plus long distance phone calls) But what about the human cost of worry and sleepless nights?

As with Mrs. Hochman, Mrs. Reischer was told by the utility to pay the full bill! She paid under protest.

— However, there was one big difference in this case. Mrs. Reischer's son-in-law, an expert environmental engineer with a Ph. D., and her daughter, an accountant, vigorously came to her aid with testimony and detailed letters.

For the first time (as far as any Village resident is concerned the PSC fully accepted the customer's facts and ordered a rollback of 94% of the bill! But the unnecessary time and heartache for Mrs. Reischer could never be rolled back.

These are but two recent instances in a growing list of victimized customers with huge, unfair bills. Such a bill could be delivered to your door at any time.

There are also an increasing number of cases of doubling or tripling of monthly meter readings, despite apparently normal use. Some are due to slow leaks in toilets or pipes, others to defective meters or incorrect meter readings.

Whatever the cause, don't expect any help at all from the utility or its office people. All you'll get is the familiar refrain. "It's your fault. Pay the bill."

The attitude is "let the buyer beware." The customer is always wrong.

THERE'S NO REASON why our community has to put up any longer with such callous, money-comes-first treatment from a company that is supposed to serve us.

We ought to have something to say **AS A MATTER OF RIGHT!**

It's time for a change. We need a 'Bill of Rights' for condo owners.

We should unite with other communities, stand up on our hind legs and shout it loud and clear.

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VILLAGERS SHOULD fight for their rights to the hilt, if they possibly can. If everyone did so it would cost the company so much in time and effort that they might become more cooperative and treat us reasonably in these situations.

UCO is developing a program to advise and help people in difficulties with the utility.

Volunteers are needed to be trained for this important work. Offer your services by calling Edna Rosenblum, 686-7488.

Nominations For Delegates Due In December

The strength of UCO is based on completely democratic election of Delegates from each Area. These representatives are empowered to make important decisions in your behalf.

Your vote is precious. Be sure to use it.

Most Important, an Area Election Committee and Chairman should be selected by the Area Association. The Committee should have at least three people, but more, if necessary.

Conducting a democratic election in your community depends mainly on the them.

SCHEDULE

Nov. 28 (Monday), 1 p.m., at UCO office (Camden Pool) Area Election Chairmen (or one representative) will be given essential information, nominating petitions, notices, etc. Attendance is essential. (Please... only one representative per Area. There is no room for more.)

Dec. 1 through 20 — Nominations for delegates may be made by UCO petition. According to a recent change in UCO bylaws any three Building Presidents in the Area may nominate one or more delegates. As before, any nomination may be made by petition of 25 UCO members in the Area, or 10%, whichever is less.

Nominating petitions must be submitted to the Area Election Committee on or before December 20.

Sunday, Jan. 8 or Monday Jan. 9, ELECTION DAY. Exact date, time and place in each Area to be set by Area Election Committee.

BE SURE YOU HAVE PAID YOUR 1984 DUES TO EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE.

Open Employment

The community of Palm Beach County has established a long-needed service for the securing of employment for 55 years and older workers.

The program is under the joint sponsorship of the Palm Beach County Commissioners, United Way and the National Council of Senior Citizens Act and is funded through the Older Americans Act.

This service has been established to concentrate on securing gainful employment for mature persons in the private and public sectors in all occupational areas.

All applicants over 55 may apply to this office for assistance in obtaining employment, full or part time. There is no charge to either the employee or the employer for this service.

All interested applicants are invited to apply in person between the hours of 8 A.M. to 5 P.M., Monday through Friday, at 307 North Dixie Highway (between 2nd and 3rd Streets) Room 414, or call 837-3900 for an appointment.

Consumers Federation Sponsors Clean-Up '84

By SUSAN CHINN

Campaign Director
Florida Consumers Federation

Today, about 80,000 chemicals, drugs and other substances are manufactured and used in the products we buy. About 1,000 new chemicals come out of laboratories to add to the complexity of our modern industrial world.

Of course, almost all such substances are useful in some way, but, unfortunately, many are dangerous to life, even in small quantities.

Eventually, all of these substances, often in altered form, end up somewhere in the environment — in the air, in landfills, in soil, in sewers, streams, rivers, ground-water, lakes and oceans.

These waste chemicals enter our bodies in the air we breathe, the water we drink, the food we eat, the products we touch. They are an ever increasing cause of illness and death.

No individual has full control over such environmentally-caused illness. Only laws and strict enforcement could possibly make a dent in this growing problem.

For that reason Florida Consumers Federation is sponsoring a statewide campaign known as, Clean-Up '84 in cooperation with other organizations. The plan is to place an 'environmental rights' amendment to the Florida state constitution on the Nov. 1984 election ballot.

Here's what the Clean-Up '84 amendment would do:

- Establish the right to a healthful environment.
- Provide the "right to know" if the environment has been endangered by toxic substances
- Make natural water, air and wildlife a public trust
- Grant legal standing for such environmental rights in the courts

Getting such an amendment on the ballot is a very tough job. It requires 350,000 signatures on a formal petition (about 10% of the voters).

Canvassers from the Florida Consumers Federation will be knocking at doors all over the state five days a week for the next six months. They will bring a message of hope to the many who despair that our lovely environment will be ruined for all time.

This is the largest grassroots campaign in Florida's history. It will be successful because of enthusiastic help from thousands of citizens who are eager to do the job. But more are needed.

One of these days a canvasser for Clean-Up '84 will be knocking at your door. We know what your response will be.

Century Villages have always been in the forefront of campaigns for the betterment of all citizens of our state. They will surely do everything possible to put this Clean-Up '84 campaign for a better, more healthful environment over the top, as they have for so many others.

(See page 26 for statement of Clean-Up '84 amendment and petition for signing.)

When You Bought A Condo You Bought Into A Business

By ANN WIENER

When you bought your condominium did you know that you were buying into a business? And did you know about the responsibilities as a unit owner?

The Association (building association) is a corporation. Each unit owner is a stockholder in the corporation. A Board of Directors is elected by the stockholders. They are required to manage the operation of the property. They collect the necessary fees to maintain the property in the proper manner so that the value and quality is secured. The Board of Directors calculates the necessary expenditures anticipating the needs, and a reserve account for capital expenditures, and submits a budget for the amount needed for the coming year.

The unit owner, as a shareholder, is required to pay a fee for his share (on a percentage basis) to the Association, for the funding of the expenses as explained in the budget. This is according to the rules and regulations in your legal documents: the Declaration of Condominium, Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, and the Division of Florida Land Sales and Condominiums. It is your responsibility that this be observed by everyone and enforced equally. If anyone fails to pay the assessment then everyone else will pay part of the extra share.

Board members are sometimes in difficult positions because it is incumbent upon them to preserve the well being of all owners! They are not the developers or landlords — the Board members are unit owners.

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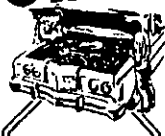
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Members of Yovel Hadassah who performed in the comedy hit, "What you always wanted to know about Hadassah, but were afraid to ask," are being sought for repeat performances. Seated (from left) are Sylvia Wadler, chapter president Sarah Kenvin, program chairwoman and narrator Edna Gould, Dorothy R. Isaacs, Pauline Berkof, Sylvia Ram. Standing, Dorothy Segelin, Claire Braun, Sylvia Turbiner, Ceil Fields and Lee Goldberg.

Problems For Road Repair Committees

By LEON B. APPLEBAUM, P.E.

Considerations and Problems for Road Repair Committees:

Cost effective and successful repairs have been made in several Century Village areas by using the following sequence of operations:

1. Patching of potholes
2. Cleaning the road of dirt, debris, and loose materials
3. Application of Type S-2 mix, where needed, to properly grade the road areas so that water will quickly drain to the catch basins or swales. This mix of shell rock and asphalt is economical and bonds well to the existing surface and to the coarse

4. Application of Type S-1 wearing coarse, minimum thickness, after rolling of 1" Type S-1 mix contains limestone chips instead of shells. Shells should not be used in the wearing coarse mix because it wears quickly and also causes rapid wear of tires.

Details of preparation, mix,

weather conditions, placement, compaction, and tolerances should be specified to be in accordance with Section 330 of Florida Department of Transportation Specifications 1982 Edition.

Because of the fact that the quantity of the S-2 grading mix is difficult to estimate, payment for this material should be on a tonnage basis.

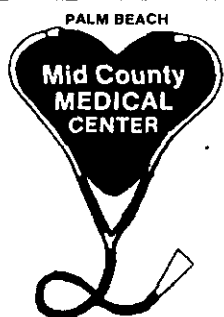
Type S-1 Mix should be paid for on a square yard basis.

Provisions for lowering of catch basins, where necessary, on a unit payment basis.

The question arises as to paving "grass to grass" or just the roadway areas. Going the full width will increase the cost by at least one-third. It will be up to the associations to determine if the aesthetic improvement will warrant the additional cost. It should be pointed out, however, that in 6 to 8 years, the life of the paving wearing coarse, only the roadway will have to be paved if the full width is originally paved whereas the full width will have to be paved if originally only the roadway was paved.

To forestall complaints when a few puddles of water form after a rain, it should be noted that all highway specifications allow for a tolerance of 3/4" specified. It will be found that few puddles will exceed this limit and require correction by the contractor.

No contract should be entered into without the advice and supervision of construction by an engineer who should also keep interfering bystanders away from the contractor.



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From Reporter To Drama Critic- He's Tom Dash

(This is another in a series on Century Village residents who enjoyed notable success before their retirement.)

Tom Dash, ex-president of Wellington B and currently a member of its executive committee, was the drama critic of Women's Wear Daily and The Daily News Record (Fairchild Publications) for many years.

He joined The Fairchild Publications on April 1, 1919, shortly after his graduation from Columbia University. He entered Columbia in 1914 on a tuition scholarship from Boys High, Brooklyn.

He was hired at Fairchild's as labor reporter and soon after became head of The Copy Desk, in charge of makeup, copy editing and editorial coordination. He later moved on to the posts of associate and executive editor.

Tom started writing reviews in 1925, while at the same time performing all his other duties on the publication. In 1947 he began to devote himself exclusively to reviewing theatre, ballet, opera and motion pictures.

During his tenure as drama critic he was elected at different times president of The New York Drama Critics Circle and president of The Drama Desk, an organization of reporters and editors working in the theatre field. He was also on the executive committee of The Outer Circle, an organization of out-of-state critics.

During his tenure as drama critic, his biography appeared in Who's Who in America. In 1958, he made a trip abroad to cover the theatre of London, Paris and Rome. Upon his return to the U.S. he was elected an honorary member of The London Critics' Circle. His collected reviews covering four decades will have a permanent home in the Library of



Tom Dash

The Performing Arts of Lincoln Center.

Tom pioneered in the coverage of the Off-Broadway theatre with Brooks Atkinson of The Times and Vernon Rice of The Post. This trio was among the first to sense the potential of Off-Broadway for discovering and nurturing the talents of new playwrights, directors and performers.

At Columbia, Tom majored in newspaper reporting and editing at the prestigious School of Journalism. While at the university he was a reporter on Spectator, the college campus daily.

He was also a member of the varsity debating team which won the Ivey League Championship in triangular debates with the University of Pennsylvania and Cornell.

Tom has been married to his wife, Ruby, for almost 62 years. They met as ardent young zealots at the Williamsburg (Brooklyn) Zionist Club.

Ruby was a notable in her own right. She became active in ORT and founded The Washington Heights Chapter. She also served as general secretary of The Greater New York Region.

Management Hosts Area Presidents

On Friday, Nov. 4, as part of its program to maintain a line of communication with those associations which have maintenance contracts with Village Management, Ms. Peggy Jackson, in charge of day-to-day Village Operations and Clubhouse activities, hosted a meeting of the presidents of those associations, together with representatives of Management.

The meeting began at 12:15 P.M. On the dais with Ms Jackson were Mark Chevery, president of Village Management, Ed Lewis, budget director, Ed Rogers, in charge of maintenance; Sam Bunch, supervisor of landscaping; Emma Williams, in charge of the cleaning staff; and Judy Best, office "jack of all trades."

Management, through Ms Jackson, explained its maintenance program and its program of scheduled meetings with association presidents to establish a better line of communication.

Those associations whose maintenance contracts terminate April 30, 1984, will be given an opportunity to substitute a new contract to cover Jan 1, 1984, through Dec 1984, at a \$1.50 to \$2.00 reduction per month.

As in previous meetings, a question and answer period closed the session.

Crack Down On Bus Delinquents

By EMIL HONIG

As of Friday, Oct. 28, 90 associations had presented to UCO signed Collection Management Agreements authorizing UCO to initiate or settle legal action against such unit owners who were in arrears in payment of transportation assessments. Fourteen of these associations accompanied the agreements with lists of unit owners delinquent in their payments.

One association, Andover L, submitted the names of delinquent owners of seven residential units. These owners had given the president of the association a good deal of trouble so much so that she resigned from office.

It was decided not to hold up action on these seven, pending completion of the paper work on all the delinquents. On Oct. 18, form letters prepared by Attorney Rod Tennyson were sent on UCO letterheads to the seven non-payers. These letters stated that if payments were not forthcoming within ten days from the date of the letter, the matter would be turned over to our counsel for collection.

All seven of the delinquents paid in full prior to the expiration date.

Had any delinquent not paid and had the matter been given over to Tennyson, he would have recorded a lien for the amount of the unpaid assessment, plus 10% interest on this, plus a \$25 late charge, plus the cost of filing the lien, plus legal fees, etc. This would definitely not be a negligible amount. Sixty days after the filing, foreclosure proceedings could be instituted.

Letters have since been sent by UCO to the other 18 delinquents. Should they not pay as required, they will be turned over for collection to our attorney.

All of the above was done only after consultation with Tennyson, and all letters sent were approved by him.

Thanks must be given to Pearl Metnick, an office typist, for her assistance. Special thanks must be given to Anne Cohen for her much appreciated help in all aspects of the procedures.

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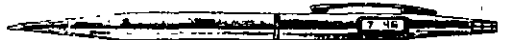
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3. Excessive water bills sometimes occur during periods while people are away for a period of time. To be sure this does not happen to you have the company shut off your water when you leave. Then they can't charge you any more than the minimum.

CHECK FOR LEAKS

4. One simple, but sure way to check for any kind of leak is to observe the gallonage readings on your water meter for a period of time. Be sure that no water flows anywhere in the house while you are checking. No faucets should be turned on or toilets flushed (perhaps by others in the house who may not be aware you are testing).

Any large leak will show up quickly in motion of a pointer or change in numbers on the dial. If there is no change in the meter reading after an hour it's almost certain that there is no significant leak anywhere.

5. The number of gallons of water leaking per hour may be estimated by noting the increase in meter reading (gallons of water) in an hour while no water faucets or toilets are turned on. That figure enables you to estimate leakage during a month, and its effect on the bill.

IF THERE IS A LEAK

6. If a leak is detected find the cause and repair it immediately. If necessary, call a repairman. Have him sign a note as to what he found and what he did, and keep it on file. You may need it if a problem arises later.

7. The major cause of large water bills is leakage of water from toilet tank to bowl. Often some continuous noise or motion of water in the toilet reveals such leakage.

Another way to check toilet leakage is to add food coloring in the tank until the color is dense. If water in the bowl soon becomes colored this proves that there is a leak. Also, color of water in the tank will be diluted as new water enters.

Another way to check for toilet leaks is to see what happens to readings of the water meter when closeoff valves beneath each water tank are turned off. Then any leakage previously shown on the meter stops.

8. It's important to shut off water for a major leak in a toilet until it is repaired. This may be done by turning the closeoff valve on the pipe underneath the tank.

CHECKING THE METER

9. If the water bill is excessive and there is no leak then the meter may be the cause. But, before allowing the meter to be taken out for testing by the utility (\$5 charge) check its accuracy yourself. Once the meter is removed an independent check is no longer feasible. Be sure to have your observations confirmed by one or more neighbors, preferably with professional background in engineering, sciences, accounting, law, etc. You may need this for evidence in case of dispute with the company.

10. Check accuracy of the water meter as follows. First note the

reading (gallons) on the water meter. Fill a one or two gallon container from a faucet and empty it into the sink. Repeat until 20 gallons have been used. Read the meter. The meter reading should have increased by close to 20 gallons. If the increase is significantly greater than 20 gallons then your bills are correspondingly too high.


11. Before allowing Century Utilities to remove the meter for testing carefully note the reading

of gallons on the meter and any identification number, name, model number, etc.

IN CASE OF DISPUTE

12. If the response of Century Utilities to any serious complaint is not to your liking put your complaint in writing with a copy to the PSC (101 E. Gaines St., Tallahassee, Fla., 32301). Don't do this for trivial reasons.

13. Contact the UCO Water and Sewer Committee. (Volunteers are needed for this committee).



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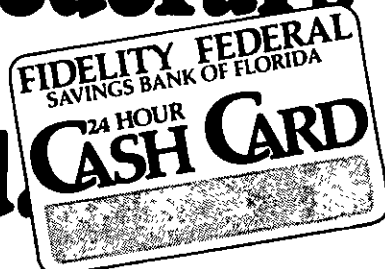
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Doctors Decide Just About Everything

By MOE MOSS PH. G. - R.P.H.

The nation's health care bill has soared to the unbelievable cost of \$1325 per year for each man, woman and child in the United States and rising.

This rapid rise in costs has threatened to bankrupt the Medicare kitty by the end of the decade.

How did we get there and what can we do about it before the bubble bursts? There are many factors that contribute to it and there is enough blame to go around for all of us to share, both the medical profession and the public. Thirty years ago an average day in a hospital cost \$17.53. Today it is over \$500 a day.

There is not enough space in this column to try to explain it fully. Here are some of the factors that contribute to it.

1) The value of the dollar has eroded because of inflation through the years.

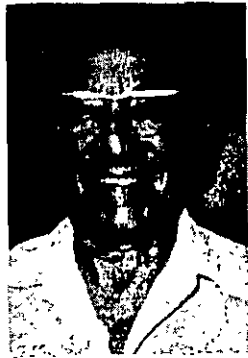
2) The public is no longer satisfied with mediocre medical care and demands the best.

3) The doctors are not interested in saving the patient any money and have bowed to the pressures of hospitals who have put in million dollar equipment. They demand that the doctors on their staff use this equipment and the doctors do it.

4) The public has become "litigious" (look the word up in the dictionary). It means that they are ready to sue at the slightest provocation, and there are many lawyers ready to help them do it. The result has been that doctors are constantly increasing their malpractice insurance and increasing their fees to pay for it.

5) Hospital employees have become unionized demanding and getting a decent living wage. Years ago they were "low man on the totem pole". That is no longer so and that has added to hospital costs.

6) Medicare has given the hospitals and doctors a green light to add on service and their costs without any restrictions. That is



Moe Moss

just a few reasons. There are many more that can be added to the list.

Recently I wrote in a previous column that Congress has addressed itself to the problem, finally, and have passed laws starting Nov. 1, 1983 limiting hospital costs relating to Medicare. A step in the right direction, but only a beginning.

They should now set a cap on the amount a hospital can increase its budget from year to year. The trouble is and has always been that doctors decide just about everything and their decisions control the bulk of what is spent on health, and if you get sick and the doctor orders all the fancy tests that are available you are scared enough and not knowledgeable enough to refuse to take them. The resulting costs could be astronomical and you are faced with a sober appraisal of them when the crisis is over and you are feeling better.

There are new plans available on the horizon, which if they become popular can hold the costs down. HMO's (Health Maintenance Organizations) say their greatest savings have been in reducing unnecessary hospital days for the patient. HMO subscribers pay a monthly premium and agree to pick their doctors, hospital and pharmacy from the

HMO's list. There may be charges for office visits but they are much less than standard physicians fees.

The problem is that not everybody wants to give up the liberty of choosing any doctor. If the costs keep going up on a runaway path as they are doing, people will have to accept this new concept or go broke when a major illness strikes a family.

The solutions in my opinion will take a whole generation to implement. There are many illnesses such as back, digestion, gynecological or headache which can be treated on an outpatient basis. Also endoscopy and related tests are in the same category. This would help to reduce medical costs.

The public should be educated to stop suing minor mishaps and doctors should be advised to stop raising their rates unconscionably. The use of generics should be encouraged when possible. This would help to stop the drug manufacturers from becoming rich at the expense of all of us. Lack of space precludes listing many more suggestions. But first of all **STAY HEALTHY** and cut your medical costs to zero.

FISHING MEMBERS SEE 'PAL JOEY'

On Wednesday, Oct 26, 46 members of the Century Fishing and Social Club, under the leadership of Dorothy Kaye, entertainment chairlady, went to the Royal Palm Theater for lunch and to see the show, "Pal Joey".

PARNAS REVIEW

The American Red Magon David will meet at the American Savings Bank, on Wednesday, Dec. 28 at 12.30. Estelle Plaskow will give a dramatization of the book, "Parnas". On Dec. 11 a flea market sale will be held near the Century Corners movie house.



UCO Attorney Rod Tennison, Manny Kessler and Hy Ruchlis (left to right) listen attentively to questions from Century Village audience at PSC hearing.

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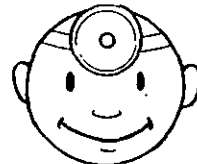
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BY FRANCES LEVY

There's nothing like having holes in your head! But these holes are for earrings, not in your nose for a nose ring. This fad which has caught on in this country, has created a boom in earrings of the old-fashioned kind, the kind that girls in Europe used to wear.

American girls who have had their ears pierced vow that these earrings have it all over the new ones that pinch your ears or just fall off and get lost. And take it from me, I know, because I have two holes in my head to prove it.

It's a long story but the old-time girls had a good thing in this ear-piercing business. Maybe they learned it from the gypsies but nobility did it too. They couldn't afford to have gold and precious stones fall off, not the stuff they wore! But rich or poor, all women in the old world had pierced ears.

You HAD to have pierced ears because your betrothed's first gift was always a pair of earrings. Some were made simply of a precious metal, some were set with precious or semi-precious stones, but whatever? Wasn't it better to get two earrings than one ring?

My mother told me this story about herself, back in Poland in the last century. When she was eight years old she begged her mother to let her get her ears pierced. My grandmother has six girls on her hands and was not about to spend money for a useless vanity.

The poor people in those days, naturally, could not afford to pay so they did what many teenagers have done in the United States. They pierce ears for each other, taking care of sterilization. But back there in Poland, who knew from sterilization?

Having been turned down at home, my mother was bewailing her cruel lot to a peasant woman who was working on their place. She was packing potatoes into burlap bags and sewing them up. So she had a large needle and twine and readily consented to pierce the kid's ears for free. My mother was sure that being as busy as she was, my grandmother would never notice it. How lucky can you be?

So the old lady cleaned the needle with her saliva and plunged it through the little ear lobes quickly, just as she had done for her own daughters.

Actually, ear piercing is not painful because ear lobes have few nerve ends and it hurts very little when you're young and want something badly. Properly done, a lubricated silk thread is pulled through the hole and within a week



Frances Levy

you can wear earrings.

But in my mother's "surgery" both the needle and the twine began their work at once. Delightedly she tied a cotton babushka around her head and went to bed, dreaming about diamond earrings. During the night she woke up, burning with fever. She had to admit the escapade to her irate parents and it took ten days to pull her out of danger. She got a good tongue lashing; she has no idea what they did to the peasant.

But it turned out that my mother was no dope! She came to this country as a small girl. In the course of time she met a handsome man who obviously came from places where girls wore earrings. So, instead of just one diamond ring such as we poor girls get, she got TWO diamond solitaires, one for each ear.

Thinking that it would be ever thus, she had my ears pierced when I was one month old and kept the ears on call with tiny gold earrings. But by 1925, the modern age was upon us. Boys did not give

earrings for an engagement present, so I got just one diamond for my finger.

But I still have the holes in my head!

Dinner - Dance

Sisterhood of Aitz Chaim Chai-nukah dinner - dance is set for Dec 3, in the Party Room at 7:30 p.m. for members and friends of Century Village.

Photogs Meet

New cameras and accessories will be reviewed at the Dec. 5 meeting of the Century Village Camera Club at 7:30 p.m. in Room B at the clubhouse.



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Barnett Gave With Full Heart

Reporter readers have already been told of the gift of office furniture and equipment by the Barnett Bank to the UCO office.

To use Paul Harvey's words, "Here's the story behind the news."

One of the items contributed was a fire-retarding file cabinet. Just before the cabinet and the other materials were slated to be picked up by the truck hired by UCO, one of the Barnett people noticed there was a crack in the steel jacket of the cabinet.

The bank had the cabinet taken to a welder, repaired at the bank's expense, and brought back to the bank, where we picked it up with other equipment several days later.

That is "Giving with a full heart."

Should We Let Them Have It?

By LEW WISE

Every day in every way I'm getting madder and madder. Reading the morning paper I'm told anew that the U.S.S.R. and communist-inspired nations are once again encircling our shores. Remember their attempt to implant missiles in Cuba? At this moment they are fomenting strife in Central America in addition to angling for herring offshore Coney Island.

What are we going to do about it? Well, if they want the U.S. so badly I say let them have it. We just may swing it with an even swap. True, their land, climate and natural resources aren't the equal of ours. But our people with their hopes, incentives and unexcelled leadership would more than balance the equation. After all, Israeli settlers made the desert bloom and we didn't do too badly with Alaska, a frozen waste.

What will we be giving up? A sinkhole in Gainesville swallowed three cars last September — A feat Jaws III could never accomplish. Mud slides precipitate homes into the drink and an unneighborly Mt. Helene laid waste a good part of the northwest. Not forgetting the spring thaws that leave half the nation awash.

What's so hot about our landmarks? The Woolworth building is strictly five and dime stuff and no bargain. The Statue of Liberty is in need of a new torch (estimated cost is \$2,300,000) Why did she need a torch in the first place? What was she looking for? And lastly, Cleopatra's needle (in New York's Central Park) is completely corroded and any contact with it would be deadlier than the cobra in her basket. Could we possibly exchange the Beach Boys for the Volga Boatmen? I have it

from a good source they do a mean rendition of "Oi Chichornya".

The geographical boundaries of the U.S.S.R. are definitely advantageous. A frigid Taimyo in the north (fifty below not unusual) and a torrid Tashkent in the south make for vacation sites to suit anyone's taste.

And lastly, (this is absolutely my last lastly) with China, Iran, Bulgaria and Outer Mongolia as neighbors a golden opportunity presents itself to learn a foreign language. In the U.S., alas, with just one non-English speaking country to the South our benefit is limited.

Closing on a sober note. As this issue goes to press, word reaches me that our marines have secured all landing fields in Grenada after Marxist factions scored with bloody coup. See what I mean?

Is County Purchase of Water System Feasible Plan?

A possible solution to the problem of proper water and sewer service has been proposed by Sol Silverman and Manny Kessler. A motion they introduced was unanimously approved by the UCO Water and Sewer Committee and subsequently overwhelming endorsed by UCO Delegates at their November meeting.

It requests the County to investigate the feasibility and costs of purchasing our water and sewer system and setting up an independent utility. The motion specifies that a basic condition of such a purchase is that costs to customers should be no higher than at present.

An expert utility accountant hired by UCO analyzed the

Wadler Finds Time For New Assignment

There's an old adage, "Ask a busy man to do another job and he'll find time to do it."

This certainly holds true for Sam Wadler, of Greenbrier, the five-year president of Temple Beth El.

Not content with putting in 45 or 50 hours a week — on a seven-day basis — as Temple chief, Sam has now accepted appointment as chairman of Synagogues for Palm Beach County State of Israel Bonds.

And following, Sam will be the incoming president of Wellington G. That is, when his present term at the Temple expires.

Involved in religious and communal life for many years, both here and previously in New York, Sam has been past president of many organizations.



Sam Wadler

He has lived in Florida for the past decade, and his wife, Sylvia, is mother of Stephen Gillers, nationally-famous professor of law at New York University.

JCC Invites Community To Join Holiday Fete

The Jewish Community Center invites the community to join together in celebrating the joyous holiday of Chanukah, Sunday, Dec. 4, from 12:30 to 4:30 P.M. at Camp Shalom, Belvedere Road, one mile west of the Turnpike.

Ellen and Steve Shapiro, chairpersons, have been working hard to ensure that there will be something for everybody of all ages to enjoy. For the youngsters there will be a moon walk, hay rides, pony rides plus many other surprises. For the adults there will be a live presentation by the Actors Repertory Theatre of a play related to the holiday, Israeli dancing and special entertainment by the Hod Hasharon Singers.

H. R.

Shuffleboard Notes

By BOB KETZIS

The shuffleboard stands were jam-packed with spectators and the players could be seen happily moving the discs around on almost every court. This was the scene at the official opening of the 1983-84 season of team play, singles and draw doubles.

There are six teams of 12 players which use Major League baseball names: Yanks, Giants, etc. Each week, they compete against each other for 10 weeks. The first and second place winners receive trophies.

For draw doubles — partners are not chosen in advance, but, you pick a number out of a hat, and you don't know who your partner will be until you get on the court ready to play. Each week you play two games for 10 weeks and in each game you have a different partner on a different court.

You can join the Club for \$2 a year but of course, you do not have to be a member to use the Courts at any time. So come on down and get into the swing. Singles are played on Tuesdays; team play on Wednesdays and draw doubles on Fridays. You must sign in by 1:15 P.M. and contests start as soon as Courts have been assigned.

List Art Auction

The Jewish Community Center will be holding a gala art auction, Sat., Nov. 19, at Temple Israel, 1901 So. Flagler Drive, at 8 P.M.

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The Reporter's Book Shelf

THE LONESOME GODS By Louis L'Amour

"The Lonesome Gods" will not enhance the reputation of Louis L'Amour as the best writer of westerns ever. It is a big disappointment. Mr. L'Amour earned his reputation and millions by writing fast moving, full of action simple, one plot stories. This one does not quite meet these criteria.

The story is typically L'Amour in that it is peopled by 100% good guys and 100% bad guys, with no shadings of in between.

Now to the story. The setting is California in the 1830s and the 1840s.

There is the typical L'Amour protagonist, the hero with extraordinary qualities, physically and mentally. Johannes Verne, called Hannes, is the son of Zack Verne, equally a superperson. Don Isidro, Hannes' grandfather, a Californian was shamed when Zack had married and run off with Don Isidro's daughter Consuela. The Don pursued them through the deserts, but aided by the desert Indians, Zack and Consuela escaped and fled to the east.

The story actually starts when Zack and the then six-year-old Hannes returned west after Consuela had died. Zack hopes the Don will forgive and accept his grandson. Instead, the hirelings of Don Isidro kill Zack and leave Hannes to die in the desert. Hannes survives with the aid of the desert Indians.

The story line continues through Hannes' growth to manhood, despite many hardships, and as expected from page 1 onward, and as always happens in L'Amour stories, justice finally triumphs. If you want the details, read the book; it's interesting.

Hannes has a host of friends, all outstanding and honorable, their "white hats" are not the least bit soiled. Kelso, Finney Francisco (an Indian) and Miss Nesselrode, all brave and crack shots (even Miss Nesselrode).

Let's not forget the heroine par excellence, Meghan Laurel, who creates problems when she does things she shouldn't.

There are plenty of bad guys. In addition to Don Isidro, (the evil grandfather), there's Don Frederico (the very evil cousin), Rad Huber and Fletcher. You can rest assured they will get their just desserts.

At times the story line may seem confusing. That's because at times the story line is confusing. New sub-plots continually pop up. In addition to the main plot, Johannes' story, there is the mystery of Miss Nesselrode's origin, the mystery of the unknown giant and the mystery of Don Isidro's secret. And then there is the mystery of Alfredo. (Hah, I haven't even mentioned him until now.)

This book might almost be considered a minor textbook, presenting morsels of history, archaeology, anthropology, Indian legendry, human relationships and most of all, philosophy. One can but wonder at the

tremendous research Mr. L'Amour (or someone) did.

Louis even slips in a slick piece of propaganda through one of his characters who says, "Our constitution provides that no law shall forbid us from keeping and bearing arms —" ad nauseum.

Getting back to philosophy, here are some gems gleaned from the book:

On fear: Do not be afraid. A little fear can make one cautious. Too much fear can rob one of initiative.

On change: Nothing remains the same. Things are always changing. One must understand the changes and change with them or be lost by the wayside.

A truism: He who sits at a desk and tries to understand by logic often loses touch with realities.

All these jewels were taken from conversations by various characters.

There is this Yiddish anecdote about the man who, when asked how he and his wife spent their evenings, replied, "We talk. First I talk. Then she talks. Then I talk. Then she talks, and talks, and talks and talks. Ferbrendt zul zee veren."

And that's the one trouble I find with this book. The characters talk and talk and talk and talk. It is true the talk is usually interesting and informative, but gosh, it does wear on you after a while.

Do people in real life talk so much? After a little reflection I must confess that they (and I) do.

Oh, yes "The Lonesome Gods" are the gods of the Old Ones, the people who inhabited the lands before the Indians came. With the Old Ones gone, there is no one left to worship these lonesome gods.

One more bit of L'Amour philosophy before we close: "We who pass do not own this land, we

but use it; we hold it briefly for those yet to come. We must not reap without seeding, we must not take from the earth without replacing." Mr. James Watt, are you listening?
Emil Honig

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Poppa And 20 Questions

By HARRY HURET

Thirty years ago when my son was eight years old, I was driving back to the Bronx from Levittown, Long Island where my sister lived at the time. In the car were my wife, son and daughter and my mother and father. It was a long, tiring, trafficky ride and boring, boring, boring. Suddenly my son, Robbie, said, "Grandpa, wanna play 20 questions?" Grandpa said, "Vus iz 20 questions?"

My son, and I tried to explain the game to Grandpa. We told him he had to choose in his mind, and not tell us who, anybody in the world, but it has to be somebody Robbie will also know. Robbie would ask the questions and Grandpa could only answer yes or no. "O K", said grandpa. He thought for a moment then said, "I got a name."

Robbie started "Is it a man, grandpa?"
"Yeah, a man"
"Living?"
"Of coss!"
"Amerian?"
"Right"
"East of the Mississippi?"
Grandpa hesitated "Vus iz di Mississippi?"
Robbie explained the Mississippi.
"Alright", said Grandpa. "East of the Mississippi!"
"In New York?", asked Robbie.
"Right again"
"The Bronx?"
"Yeah"
Robbie took a wild guess "It's your partner, Abie"
Poppa, stunned, turned to me "What kind genius you raising? Billions people in the world and with six questions he knows it's my partner, Abie. A genius he is. A regaller genius"
Poppa still thinks so and "Robbele", no genius, is taping Poppa's stories for his children

(Editor's Note — since this was written, Poppa passed away, 18 months shy of his 100th birthday.)

Technion Group Meets

Members of the American Society for Technion saw the film, "Israel-the 20th Century Miracle", at the meeting of the group on Nov 15 at the American Savings Bank.

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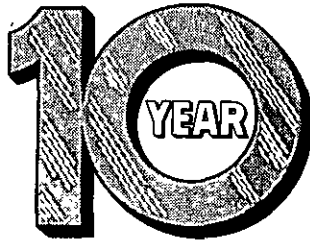
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Local Brandeis Chapter Starts Tenth Year Says U.S. Education Is Making No Progress

By DOROTHY R. ISAACS

In 1948 Brandeis University, named for the late Justice Louis Brandeis, the first non-sectarian Jewish sponsored college, became a reality. It existed with three buildings and a library housed in a stable containing 1,000 volumes. Today, Brandeis, in Waltham, Mass., has its first woman president, Dr. Evelyn Handler, boasts 90 buildings, a library with 850,000 volumes and 600,000 microtexts.

The National Women's Committee supports the Brandeis Library and is primarily educational in nature. With chapters throughout the nation, the membership has reached 167,000.

Palm Beach West Chapter of Brandeis opened its tenth year with a meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 26 at Anshei Shalom, the site of its Study Group meetings. Approximately 250 people attended.

Starting Nov. 7, each Monday from 12:45 P.M. to 4 P.M., Study Groups will commence. Members may choose three of the many Study Groups offered. The difficult task of trying to fulfill each member's request is ably accomplished by Birdie Parmet, vice-president, who resides in Wellington C.

"Current Events" is Frieda Lederer's domain and has been since its inception. Frieda started with twenty women and this year will have two hundred. With her delightful sense of humor, speckled with wry Yiddish, and a superb grasp of world current problems, this study group is not only enjoyable, but a veritable brain exercise.

Ruth Handel, of Cambridge, not only ably handles the difficult task of the Presidency, but also heads a very popular study group in "Contemporary Literature." She is a former librarian retired from the New York City Bronx High School of Science. Other courses are the "Actors Workshop" given by the fabulous and charming Bob Carter of the Actors Rep Theatre, "The Joy of Music" by Dr. David Prenskey, Intermediate Bridge by the capable Pauline Mertz of Sheffield, and countless others. Beatrice Boltuck of Kent, heads the Nominating Committee and spoke eloquently about the needs of the Executive Board. At the meeting, those Study Group Leaders present were introduced.

Minerva Pollack of Coventry, the amazing vice-president, who is constantly finding talented people and interesting places for special events, introduced Rosalie Williams, a vibrant and talented songstress. Her selections of Rodgers and Hammerstein favorites, along with renditions of old Yiddish songs from Second Avenue Yiddish theatre of yesteryear, brought poignant memories to all as well as thorough enjoyment. The meeting drew to a close amid tumultuous applause for Miss Williams.

At the entrance of each of the three chapels at Brandeis University, is the following.

"We shall go, you in your way and I in mine. But I shall love you and your way, and you will love me and mine, so that in our separate ways we shall be strong that way so that no enemy seeing our separateness will ever break our togetherness."

American educators are not making any progress.

That was the message delivered by a noted professor of education to members of the Century Chapter of B'nai B'rith at its monthly meeting on Nov. 8 at Anshe Shalom.

Dr. Abraham S. Fischler, president and James Donn professor of education at Nova University in Ft. Lauderdale, pointed out that, "This is a time when many children do not attend school or advance beyond elementary school because of family financial difficulties. Also, there are many working mothers, causing a situation where kids come home to an empty house. This pattern should be changed."

Fischler decried the present policy of schools promoting students even when they have little or no command of the subject matter.

"They are being pushed out of high school after four years, some without diplomas, with little command for our language, or knowledge of basic mathematics and other vital subjects."

The speaker pointed out that Nova University is probably the most progressive institute of higher learning in the country and has steadily moved forward in many educational innovations.

"More money is not really the answer to today's educational problems," Fischler said. "The time has come for industry to join as a partner with education to impart a more practical aspect so that students will be prepared to cope with the real world after graduation."

He called on Century Village residents to urge Gov. Graham and the Florida legislature to examine proposals he has advanced and to implement these in order to get the challenge of our times.

Welcome New Members

The Golda Meir Club, Pioneer Women, heard Sylvia Snyder, vice president of the southeast area, at its last meeting on Nov. 16. New members were welcomed.



DR. FISCHLER

Bloodmobile Continues Monthly C.V. Visits

The Palm Beach Blood Bank announces the due to the success of a special summer program, the Bloodmobile will continue to visit Century Village on a regularly scheduled basis. The 1st Thursday of every month, the Palm Beach Blood Bank's Bloodmobile will be parked at the Century Village clubhouse from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (When Thanksgiving or other holidays fall on the last Thursday, special arrangements will be made and the Bloodmobile will be scheduled the day after the holiday.)

In addition to the regularly scheduled Bloodmobile visits to C.V., organizations may schedule special blood drives for their members and friends. The only requirement for this convenience is that a maximum of 30 people pledge in advance that they plan to participate as blood donors.

C.G.N.Y. Alumni To See Travelogue

The Alumni Association of City College of New York will meet at the Holiday Inn of Century Village on Monday, Dec. 19 at 7:45 p.m.

The topic will be "A Travelogue in Egypt" narrated by Dr. Simon and Stella Silverman. For further information contact Sidney Isaacs at 689-7533

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In the Catskills All Is Not Lost

By MAX HAMMERMAN

Emil Honig's reminiscences of the days of his youth in last month's Reporter brought back nostalgic memories of those days when . . .

There have been many changes in Brooklyn and in the Catskills since those hard but sometimes happy times; happy because we didn't expect too much and got what we expected, and hard because who earned a fortune?

In Brooklyn, the Municipal Baths, Washington Baths and the numerous smaller ones are no longer there, nor have they been for a long time. Oriental Beach is now a Community College; Brighton Beach Baths, where two could share a locker for \$50, now charges \$500 a person.

Anyone who remembers the Catskills as they were in the 40's and 50's would not recognize them now. Children's camps which abounded then have closed by the dozens and those which are still operating cater to the well-to-do Hotels which thrived on families spending two weeks in the country have shut down and allowed the buildings to fall into ruins or sold out to religious groups, rehabilitative institutions or cults.

The Windsor is now Transcendental Meditation, Gilbert's is now Siddhi Yoga Dam, Flagler and Roxy are institutions for the retarded, Murray Hill is a drug rehabilitation institute, Laurel Park and Gradus are orthodox hotels and Yeshivas. All this to the despair of the property owners whose taxes have risen to new heights because of the tax-free real estate.

Bungalow colonies ("kocha-leins") where mama and the children spent the summer and papa traveled on Route 17 every Friday for weekends, and for a two-week vacation, which were the main support of the village retail stores, have closed their doors and allowed the buildings to deteriorate. Villages like Liberty and Monticello whose streets

jumped until the late hours now roll the sidewalks up at 6 o'clock.

But all is not lost. Thanks to the Floridians, (former Bronxites, Brooklynites and Queenspersons) the Catskills have been rediscovered and taken on a new life. Wherever one travels, Florida license plates are everywhere. By actual count, several bungalow colonies have upward of 60% Floridians. Some colonies have been taken over entirely by orthodox Jewish groups. The Evans Hotel has been demolished and is now being converted to a colony of new homes for the Orthodox. The top-line hotels are busy again.

Since we moved to Century Village 10 years ago, we have spent every summer renting a bungalow at Loch Sheldrake. Thanks to the Sullivan County Community College, we avail ourselves of courses, free to the senior citizens. The college is also the center of the Sullivan County Arts Festival where for a moderate fee we attend lectures, plays, concerts and dance performances four to five evenings a week from early July to the middle of August.

We are thankful that we can get away from the heat of the summer to the "coolth" of the Catskills, and as long as we are able, we shall continue to do so.

'Small World' Exhibit Opens At Northwood

More than 100 people entered the miniature world of Harry Beethoven during the artist's opening night reception at Northwood Institute. The exhibit, consisting of 16 tiny panoramas is appropriately titled "Mr. Beethoven's Small World." Beethoven moved to West Palm, Beach 12 years ago and has been sculpting the figures since then. The free exhibit is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Friday, at Northwood Institute, 2600 North Military Trail. It will remain on display through December 5.

C.V. Fishing Club Marks 11th Birthday

On Oct. 16, the Century Fishing and Social Club celebrated its 11th Anniversary at a dinner-dance at The Breakers. The affair was hosted by Dorothy Kaye, chair-lady of the entertainment committee, and Ben Walters, first vice-president.

As a token of appreciation for his many services to the club, members presented Walters, with an exceptionally fine rod and reel to further pursue his hobby.



The members expressed their gratitude to Dorothy Kaye and Jerry Chaiken, president, presented her with a beautiful wrist watch.

As a highlight of the celebration, a candle-lighting ceremony was conducted, presided over by Chaiken, in which officers of the club were honored by being called upon to light 12 candles on a cake.

Abe Brier, former chairman of the entertainment committee, gave a resume of the club's many activities over the past 11 years. He also paid tribute to Tom Vitterito.

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From C.V. to Old New Mexico

BY HERB GOODSTEIN
PRESIDENT, WELLINGTON D

For the past six years, my wife, Leabelle, and I have had the pleasure of spending our winters in Florida and our summers in Albuquerque, New Mexico. It has been my pleasure to have served in both areas with Retired Senior Volunteer Persons groups.

In Florida, I had served with those active in the Public Defenders office and am now with the State Attorney's office, Condominium Commission and the Executive Board of Artists Guild of Norton Museum.

In Albuquerque, I am an active member of the following groups:

Grey Gladiators Inc (senior citizens dedicated to charitable work.)

Consultant to the office of R.S.V.P.

Member of the staff of the Balloon Festival. This city is considered the World's capital for balloonists who come from all over the world congregating in Albuquerque in October. Last year there were 464 balloonists.

Volunteer Juvenile Probation Officer, appointed by the Judge of the Probation Court of Albuquerque, hearing cases wherein children under 17 years of age have been in violation of the law.

I mention these because being away from Century Village, working with retired persons (all volunteers who are taking part in numerous activities) has been a delightful experience. Here, they greet each other pleasantly, and each of them realize that this city must be their center of activity work together.

The unit owners of Century Village should also realize that

their center of activity is Century Village and all should help and work for the betterment.

In view of the progress made by the officers, executive board and delegates of the UCO and the plans of our organization for the future, one can only pray that they remain in good health and those who oppose them see the light.

Century Village should become one of the outstanding places in all of Florida where we, the senior citizens, can enjoy each other's company, be active and enjoy good health.

We are fortunate that UCO has shown to all that the talent to do the above is there.

Here is a story worth repeating: There were four people named "Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody." There was an important job to be done and —

Prayer to a Surgeon

Dear Doctor Sill
You bear me no ill
You give me a pill
And send me no bill
We admire you still
But — I have had my fill
Of suffering and tears
and frightening fears
and wasted years.
Isn't there something that you can do
To make my latest dream come true?
Once I walked and I ran
I want to do that again
Please do what you can
Let's have a successful operation
End of program — Switch the station

Miriam Arvan
(before the 5th hip operation)

Medicare Assistance Group Meets Weekly

Every Friday, from 9 a.m. to noon, and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., the Century Village Medicare Assistance program is held in the clubhouse party room. The program is manned by volunteers who have had intensive training and are qualified to render individual Medicare assistance. There is never a charge for services.

SHOSHANA ENTERTAINS

The Lupus Foundation of Palm Beach were entertained by Shoshana Flexer who presented dramatic reading and songs at the regular monthly meeting on Nov. 18 at the Sunrise Savings Bank.

Next Meeting of the Delegates
Friday
Dec. 2
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EVERYBODY was asked to it
EVERYBODY was sure
SOMEBODY would do it.
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EVERYBODY blamed
SOMEBODY when
NOBODY did what
ANYBODY could have done.

I hope that our unit owners will not try to be "EVERYBODY, SOMEBODY, ANYBODY and NOBODY," but each will be the one to volunteer to cooperate with the UCO officers and try to do their best.



A LETTER TO GRANDMA

Dear Grandma,

I realized how important you were to me as I was growing up. Many of my warm childhood memories have to do with you. Wonderful thoughts, smells and feelings come to mind because of you. Some of these joys are:

1. The smells and tastes of your great cookies - especially the ones with jelly in them.
2. Riding on the train to Coney Island, or Palisades and falling asleep on your wonderfully soft mouton coat, you brought it along even though it was the middle of summer.
3. Taking baths in your bathtub and you washing me down with that natural sponge. You were the first person to notice I was developing and you made me feel good about that.
4. And last but not least the sharing of our birthdays. You took time and energy to make that day wonderful and joyous for me.

For all these things and many more I want to thank you. You are a very important person to me.

As your birthday draws near I wish you a wonderful happy day.

Love, Marilyn

(This letter was written by my daughter when my dear mother was in Darcy Hall Nursing Home. Ethel Cahn.)

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Dear Editor:

Allow me to express my gratitude for the dedicated services you have rendered to the residents of Century Village. For the successful manner in which you applied these efforts, my personal congratulations. Whether you, personally were a member of the "Ad Hoc" Committee for "water & sewage" involvement is not pertinent I feel certain you had some influential role in the successful outcome of our litigation. The expense for this maneuver is not fairly shared. It is a flagrant burden upon some of us for a benefit shared by all of us. An item in a previous issue of the "Advocate" or some other publication announced that there will be a refund distribution of the unused \$12,000. Now it has been decided to continue the rate but all units should contribute for the cost.

dispute with these funds. I approve the decision of litigating.

The meeting held on Picnic Island in April, 1981, and the hearing in the courthouse — I brought some of our residents and we supported the venture. There will always be those who do and those who don't. At least they are as much indebted to defray expenses!

I respectfully suggest that the unused funds of the previous collection be returned to the original contributors. Then, all equal tax be assessed upon all units to defray the cost that benefits all. There may be some outcries of disapproval, — but, there always is objection to an expenditure. Record my vote against using my contribution without the other units being similarly assessed!

Morris Thaw

TAKE A BOW!

Dear Editor:

The officers and members of Chatham H Condominium Association express their gratitude and appreciation to the officers of the United Civic Organization and to the members of its Transportation Committee for their tireless effort and industry in providing improved and uninterrupted service to our members as well as to all homeowners of Century Village.

Abraham Colbert
Chatham H President

Dear Editor:

May I take this opportunity of thanking Larry Lasper, our shuffleboard instructor who has taught us for the last 10 years the correct way to play the game.

Not only does he give free lessons every Thursday at 10 a.m on courts 1, 2, 3, 4 but he's always around correcting our mistakes.

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Tillie Krout
Southampton

MANY THANKS

Dear Editor:

Ruth and Herman Tauber of Greenbrier A wish to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to all for the many get-well cards and concern during my wife's recent illness.

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Arthritis: A Crippler

The two most common types of arthritis are called rheumatoid, and degenerative or osteoarthritis. Degenerative arthritis is frequently associated with the older members of the population. It is painful, but rarely disabling. Rheumatoid arthritis, on the other hand, is of greater concern for it can strike at any age and does in fact cripple.

The biggest problem with the people who have rheumatoid arthritis is that they put off diagnosis and treatment. Even though the symptoms, come and go, with each bout the condition can develop into a serious condition. Rheumatoid arthritis does not only affect the joints, it involves the entire bodily system, particularly the connective tissue. Without healthy connective tissue, ligaments, tendons and cartilage cannot perform their proper functions. Consequently, coordination of movement becomes difficult.

Joints become lax and slip apart. In a healthy person, cartilage provides a smooth, shiny lubrication for joints to move freely. In the rheumatoid arthritic patient, this cartilage dries up, making movement difficult and painful. As this condition worsens, the muscles and connective tissue begin to waste away.

Frequently, the patient loses weight, feels tired and is sickly. In the hands, the knuckles become extremely swollen and disfigured. If the legs are involved, it sometimes even becomes impossible to use a cane or crutch and the patient is confined to bed.

Degenerative arthritis seldom attacks before the age of 40. This is the type of arthritis commonly found in older people. Joints do not last as long if they are subject to abnormal wear and tear.

Consequently, the overweight person is extremely susceptible to degenerative arthritis. Also, those who have poor posture can expect to have this type of arthritis. The best preventive measure for this condition is to practice throughout one's life the principles of dynamic posture and to maintain the



Manny Kessler, president of the Sunshine Democratic Club, (left) welcomes Senator Allan Cranston to Century Village last Monday night. (Story on page 6.)

proper alignment of the joints of the body through regular chiropractic care.

The pain associated with degenerative arthritis is usually a dull ache and stiffness. This pain is usually worse in the morning upon arising and at the end of the day. Degenerative arthritis rarely becomes incapacitating unless the hip joint or spine becomes involved. Joints that bear weight are more frequently attacked by the disease; spinal vertebrae, hip, knee, ankles.

The correct diagnosis is of the extreme importance. This should include x-rays to determine the extent the disease has progressed. It is also necessary to determine the type of arthritis the patient has. Although we have only discussed two types of arthritis in this article, there are others, including gouty arthritis, which can become quite serious. Early diagnosis and proper chiropractic care may help to prevent severe crippling.

Dr. David Pine

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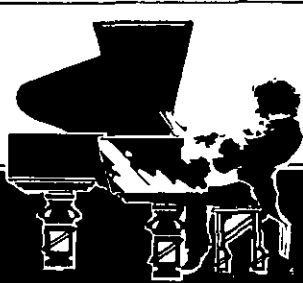


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Aims of Common Cause Reported by D'Angio

The Century Village Chapter of Common Cause, the citizens lobby, held its first meeting of the season in the meeting room of the American Bank building.

A large crowd listened to Mrs. Vivian D'Angio, coordinator for the 12th and 14th Congressional districts who reported on the aims and achievements of Common Cause.

October had been proclaimed "People Vs. PAC's" month and in a lively discussion the danger of well-heeled Political Action Committees was pointed out. It was explained that PAC's contributions had ballooned from \$55 million in 1980 to \$86 million in 1983. Members were urged to help in this fight against the threat to our system of Democratic Representation, by pressuring our lawmakers to support a clean campaign act.

The next meeting of Common Cause will be held in the American Bank Building on Monday, Nov. 28 at 7:30 p.m.

The proposed Citizens Choice Amendment, (Proposition #1) will be discussed. It has been ex-

plained why this item would present a grave danger to senior citizens. All of us should learn more about Proposition #1 which is being sponsored and financed by a handful of out of state developers and wealthy landowners.

Representative Eleanor Weinstock will speak on this problem and will also discuss future state legislation of interest to all.

Refreshments will be served and everybody is welcome to attend this important meeting.

Talk by Dr. Corry

Dr. M. E. Corry, chiropractor physician, will be the guest speaker at a membership meeting of the Netanya Chapter of the American Red Cross Magen David chapter on Wednesday, Nov. 23, 12:30 p.m., at the American Savings Bank. His topic will be arthritis and its treatment.

The chapter reports it is helping the first aid stations to be staffed with the best of modern first aid equipment.

1. If awakened at night by an intruder, don't try to apprehend him. He might be armed. Do not panic. Lie still, observe carefully and at the first chance call the police at 911.
2. Never open the door automatically after a knock—ask who it is. Look through a viewer if you have one or in C.V. look out your window.
3. In case of burglary, don't enter residence if door has been forced. Don't touch anything. Notify police.
4. If threatened by a robber, do as you are told. Observe as much as possible and notify police.
5. At night, in addition to locking your door with 2 locks, have a chain lock installed and also window locks.
6. Don't place keys under mats, in mail boxes or other receptacles outside the door.
7. If you lose your door key and your key ring identifies your apartment, replace your locks or have cylinders or key combinations changed immediately. Make certain your door is locked at all times. Some burglars make a career of finding open doors.
8. When you go away for a vacation, do it quietly. Be sure paper, milk, seltzer, etc deliveries are stopped in your absence. Don't leave notes.
9. Engrave all items of value that are attractive to burglars—TV sets, radios, cameras and the like. It is very inexpensive to buy an engraving tool. Inscribe the 2 letters of your state followed by your driver's license. If stolen articles are recovered, this is the quickest method of identification.
10. Notify police promptly of any suspicious person loitering in the vicinity of your home or on routes that you ordinarily take. Beware of unfamiliar vehicles parked nearby for any length of time, especially if they are occupied. When traveling alone at night, walk where it is well lighted and people are around. Don't take short cuts.
11. Don't flash sums of money in public places. Money and valuables belong in the bank. If you must keep them at home, don't display them. A burglary-resistant safe that is securely anchored is recommended. Do not depend on fire resistant safes for burglary protection.
12. When shopping, don't leave your purse lying on a counter.

Hold on to your shoulder bag at the lock. A pickpocket can open it in a crowded place. Also, it's very easy to cut the straps off your shoulder bag and that's all you may end up with.

13. In a theatre, keep your bag on your lap. Don't place it on a seat. In the "John" do not remove rings and put them on the sink while washing. You may wash them down the drain or you may find that the hand is quicker than the eye, that is someone else's hand.

In reference to numbers 1, 2, 3 & 4, look for these items: the individual's height, weight, age and complexion; his dress, speech, movements, any outstanding peculiarities in appear-

ance or actions. If there are 2 or more men, listen to them talk, call each other by name and try to concentrate on one of them by comparing his physical proportions and age with someone you know. Look for distinguishing marks; a ring or other jewelry, a tattoo or scar, missing tooth or finger, bowlegs or limp, etc.

When they leave, if possible see the direction they take. If a car is used, the color, make, style and license number if possible. If a license plate has several numbers, remember those that came first. Write them down immediately so you won't forget.

Please look for next issue's security tips.

Sam Bartel

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Deborah Commitment

The local Deborah Hospital Foundation group announces that the hospital has made a commitment to provide treatment for children the world over. The chapter will meet at Anshe Sholom on Wed., Dec. 14 at 1 p.m.

Hold Birthday Luncheon

A birthday luncheon and entertainment at the Colonnades Beach Hotel has been set by United Order True Sisters on Dec. 7. The group has a Burt Reynolds theatre date on Dec. 23.

Free Sons Bowling League In 8th Year

The Free Sons of Israel, oldest Jewish fraternal organization which is celebrating its 135th Anniversary this year, has been conducting a bowling league for the past eight years. The 12-team league bowls on Mondays at Verdes Tropicana Lanes at 1:00 p.m.

NCJW Meeting

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A Glossary of Commonly Used Condominium Terms

Articles of Incorporation — The document creating the association responsible for operating the condominium. It describes the purpose of the association as well as its powers and duties.

Assessment — A unit owner's share of the amount of money required to pay the expenses of the association and the condominium.

Assessment (Special) — An assessment by the association in addition to the regular assessment. It may be required in emergencies or when the amounts budgeted were not sufficient to cover expenses.

Association — The entity responsible for the operation of a condominium. In most instances, the association is a not-for-profit corporation. The individual unit owners are members of the association.

By-laws — The document which contains provisions for carrying out the internal affairs of the condominium. It provides for the administration of the association, various meetings, quorums, voting and other rules relating to the association.

Board of Directors — Individuals responsible for the administration of the affairs of the association. Directors are usually unit owners.

Condominiums — A form of ownership of real property. The condominium property is made up of units which are individually owned by one or more persons and common property which is owned jointly by all unit owners.

Condominium Parcel — The unit together with the undivided share in the common elements.

Common Elements — The portion of the condominium property which is not included in the unit and which is owned jointly by all unit owners.

Common Expenses — All expenses properly incurred by the association for the condominium in carrying out its duties and responsibilities. The documents may name specific common expenses.

Conversion — A condominium which is created from property which was previously occupied.

Declaration of Condominium — The document which establishes the property as a condominium. The condominium is considered to be legally created when its declaration is recorded in the public records of the county where the condominium is located. The declaration contains legal descriptions of the property, including the units. It also describes each unit owner's undivided share in the common elements, membership and voting rights in the association, and covenants and restrictions on the use of the units and common elements.

Documents — The set of papers creating and describing the condominium. It includes such items as the declaration of condominium, articles of incorporation, by-laws, and any existing leases or contracts of the association.

Escalation Clause — A provision in a lease or other contract which states that the rental payment will increase at the same percentage rate as the Consumer Price Index or other nationally recognized measure of inflation.

Leasehold — The right to use property in exchange for rent.

Lien — A claim against property which allows the holder of a lien to take possession of the property to satisfy a debt. Florida law

provides that condominium associations have liens on condominium units for unpaid assessments.

Limited Common Elements — A portion of the common elements which is reserved for the use of a particular condominium unit or units to the exclusion of all other units, even though they are owned by all of the unit owners. For example, a patio, which is not part of the unit to which it is attached but can be used only by the appurtenant unit, would be a limited common element. The declaration of condominium describes all limited common elements.

Multiple Condominium Community — A development which consists of more than one condominium. The condominiums often share common recreational facilities and are operated by one association.

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 And, there's times — when it Believe it — I opened it
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 With my night-cap on my Love,
 Submitted by Bernard Zeiger

ORT Convention On West Coast

The 27th Biennial National Convention of Women's American ORT was held at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel in Los Angeles last month.

The keynote speaker was Beverly Minkoff, National ORT President. Other distinguished people addressing the gathering were Joseph Harmatz, Director-General of World ORT Union, Serge and Beate Klarsfeld who tracked down Klaus Barbie in Argentina and helped bring him back to France for trial, Jules Bloch, Director-General of ORT France, Joshua Flidel, Director, World ORT Israel.

Topics for panel discussion concerned the new educational standards in the United States, Jewish unemployment, preparing our youth for the future, economic equity for women, politicization of international forums and Israel and Hi Tech.

Delegates from North Palm Beach County joined representatives from more than 1,250 chapters from coast to coast.

On the chapter level, delegates attending included Sylvia Sommerfield of Century Chapter.

Dems To Meet

Sunshine Democratic Club will meet Monday night, Dec. 12 at Congregation Anshei Sholom, at 7:30 p.m. there will be a speaker on the matter of community interest and candidates who are running for public office. Visitors are welcome.



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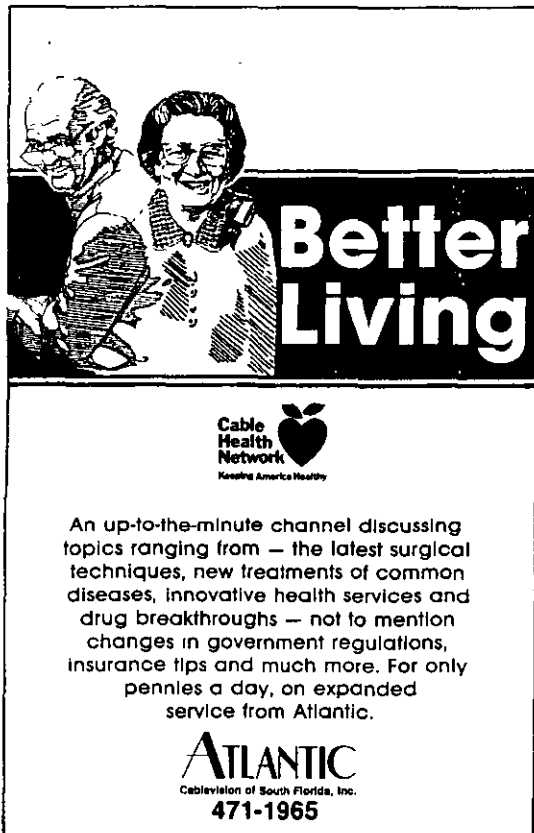
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Ways To Conserve Water

Some people have not yet become accustomed to the fact that water is really not 'free'. It's more than a matter of money. Even if you can afford it, water should be conserved because of increasingly limited water supplies for the burgeoning population of our area.

On several occasions I have seen men loitering around in public showers, exercising or talking to neighbors while the water runs full force. Usually, the water is piping hot so that they also waste the fuel required to heat the water. The philosophy seems to be to 'let management pay'. The truth is that in the long run it is we who pay the price of water waste shortsighted, in higher community costs as well as region-wide water shortages.

Here, then, are some ways that you could conserve water to reduce your bill and help our community.

1 Stop Any Leaks As Soon As They Occur

The worst ones, in terms of wasting water, are in the toilet. In most cases such leaks are due to some kind of mechanical failure that is easily fixed. The lever may be stuck in the 'on' position. The rubber valve that is lifted up by the lever to let water out and then falls to close it off, may become soft with age and not shut off the water flow completely. That rubber valve is easily replaced with a new one obtainable in the hardware store.

If a leak develops in the toilet and you don't know how to fix it, or can't get the part needed, it is best to shut off the water by turning the valve on the pipe that lets water into the tank. This shut-off valve is generally behind the toilet, under the tank. If you have an apartment with only one toilet it may be necessary to turn that valve on or off each time the toilet is to be used, until it is fixed.

If you don't know how to stop a toilet leak, ask a handy neighbor to help you. Usually, it is a matter of a minute or two to fix a toilet leak and most handy people are glad to help neighbors in distress with such a simple task.

2 Stop Faucet Leaks

Faucet drips don't look as though they are very important, but just let a drip go for a long time and you would be surprised at how much extra water it could put on your bill. Many people have service contracts that include assistance for minor plumbing. Call for assistance as soon as you notice a leak and get the washer changed.

3. Take Showers Instead Of Baths

A shower is just as effective as a bath in getting your body clean. So, unless you have to take baths for medical reasons, or because you get some very special pleasure that you are willing to pay for, take showers instead of baths.

It's also a lot safer, since many of us find it increasingly difficult to get into and out of tubs as we get on in years.

A bath uses many times more water than a shower, and if you take them daily the cost could be very substantial per month.

4. Reduce Water Flow For A Shower

One simple way is to install a 'flow restrictor' in the pipe before the showerhead. This is just a small disc with a small hole that partially closes off the water pipe and thereby reduces flow. As a result the water no longer gushes out in a strong stream. The savings in water over the year are substantial, and your bill would be reduced correspondingly.

The device is easily installed by removing the showerhead. Any handy person could do the job in

about five minutes. This is an ideal project for a Building Association to undertake.

5. Reduce Water Usage For Toilets.

The water tanks installed in former times paid little attention to conservation. Every time the toilet is flushed some five to seven gallons of fresh water flow into the sewer. This amount of water is more than necessary for a flush. You can reduce the amount by installing 'water dams' in the tank, vertical plastic partitions that block off part of the water and prevent it from flowing out. The amount that flows out may be controlled by placing the partitions closer together or farther apart.

These 'water dams' are sold in some hardware stores and plumbing supply stores. This is a good project for the building to undertake, with 'water dams' purchased in quantity.

6 Use Less Water For Dishwashers, And Clothes Washers

There's no point in letting the water run in a strong stream when you wash dishes. Fill a pot with hot

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4. Continue walking even when DON'T WALK sign begins to blink.
5. DO NOT cross when DON'T WALK starts to blink.
6. Do not carry on a conversation while crossing road.
7. Concentrate on crossing road when WALK sign is on.

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Constitutional Amendment Petition Form

Ballot Title and Summary

Environmental Rights

Establishes a right to a healthful environment and the right to know if that healthful environment has been endangered. Establishes natural water, air and wildlife as a public trust. Grants standing in legal proceedings for enforcement of these rights.

The following new section is added to Article I of the Florida Constitution

Section 24. Environmental Rights

- (a) Each person has a right to a healthful environment and a duty to provide and to maintain a healthful environment for the benefit of this and future generations. Each person has a right to know, and the duty to give notice as shall be provided by law, if a healthful environment has been or may be endangered by toxic or other potentially hazardous substances.
- (b) The natural waters, air and wildlife in the state are public resources that shall be managed as a public trust for the use and benefit of all the people of this and future generations and for the maintenance of the natural ecosystems. Each person as beneficiary of this trust has a right to have the trust purposes fulfilled.

(c) Each person, governmental or private, shall have standing to enforce the rights granted by this section against all other persons through legal proceedings.

I am a registered voter of Florida and hereby petition the Secretary of State to place the following amendment to the Florida Constitution on the ballot in the general election to be held more than ninety days after this petition is filed.

Signature _____
(Please sign name as it appears on voting roll)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

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Congressional District _____

Date Signed _____

Note: 104 185 (Election Code) It is unlawful to knowingly sign a petition more than one time.

Poet's Corner

REHEARSING

My heart leaps up when I behold
My tram bus lumber down the road.
Forsooth! It stops and I ascend.
I gayly smile at foe and friend
We jog along, relaxed, at ease,
When suddenly a gasp! A wheeze
The bus breaks down! Another day
Rehearsing for "That One Horse Shay "

Kate H Barotz
Greenbrier

CONCEPT

It was ordained
That I was to die.
I accepted the mandate
With a shrug.
To outmaneuver God
Was not my intent
Being a worm
I wriggled and writhed
I writhed and wriggled.
When the Big Shoe fell
I was out of its reach
Out of its range
Out of its jurisdiction

Kate H. Barotz
Greenbrier 108 C

A BOY I KNOW

There is a little boy I know
Who lives so far away,
I wish that I could see him
At least two times a day.

I hear he's growing lean and tall
And that he loves to play,
Soon he will be reading books
To pass the time away

I'd give him anything he'd ask for
Provided that I could,
I got a sneaky feeling
He even knows I would.

I'd make the world a playground
For all the kids to come,
No one would think of leaving
Because it'd be such fun

There would be basketballs and surfboards
Skateboards and sleighs and trucks
Puzzles and books and crayons
Surprise in every box.

When nighttime comes we'd lock it up
Put all the toys to sleep
And every kid would smile and say
That this is really neat

All this and more I'd do for Ted,
Because I love him so,
I think that he's the greatest
Of any kid I know.

From A Reader

Has your building budgeted \$1 UCO dues for the coming year?

Payments from buildings should be made before the first of the year so that all unit owners would be bona fide UCO members with the right to vote for delegates in January.

VOLS. NEEDED FOR BRAILLE

Can you spare some time to assist the blind? Volunteers are needed for Braille Transcribing. Instruction is free. All materials and equipment are supplied without charge.

Under the sponsorship of Temple Israel Sisterhood, volunteer braille services started classes in Century Village last month, each Tuesday at 9 a.m.

This program of study leads to accredited certification by the Library of Congress, Washington, D C

For further information, call Mrs. Estelle Grossfeld, 686-8478 or Mrs. Bea Fichman, 793-9147.

BANK V.P. NAMED

William C Frame has been promoted to senior vice president of Sunrise Savings & Loan Association.

SAGA OF WELLINGTON G

In the beginning, the going was very rough

We had to choose a captain who was very tough

So we chose the debonair Mr Pood

Whose regime was considered fairly good

Next we had to select a person for president

So we scanned the list for a responsible resident

We were fortunate to find a man fit to reign

Dave Faller filled the bill as the man with a brain

To follow Dave's act was no easy task

And the \$64 question was who to ask

Jack Adler's name occurred in everyone's mind

And he quickly proved he was one of a kind

Time ticked away and Jack's stint was done

And next we selected a man as one

Who could carry on the excellent work

One who would not his responsibilities shirk

By unanimous acclaim we chose Nat Raskin

We knew that Nat was ripe for the askin

This gentle man stepped right into the role

And with his help we attained our goal

Thus far we were lucky with our choice of men

Each was tops in the scale of one to ten

And again we were lucky to have in our midst

A newcomer who could rule with an iron fist

Mickey Slatkoff was chosen as the man of the hour

Though his demeanor was brusque and his face dour

He did a commendable job in the president's chair

He confessed for this stunt he had a flair

Since Mickey removed himself from our sphere

Never to return again, so I hear

We are back again to stage number three

Thus again Jack Adler will our president be.

Ben Somers

Post Columnist at AJC Meeting

Do you have a question or problem?

Perhaps Thom Smith, columnist of "Contact" in the Post, can help you.

Smith will speak at the meeting of American Jewish Congress on Monday, Nov. 21, at 12:30 p.m. at the American Savings Bank

Bostwick To Review Books by Doroshkin

Frank Bostwick, well-known book reviewer, will review two books written by Yankel Doroshkin, at the Yiddish Culture meeting in the auditorium on Nov. 20 at 10 a.m. Doroshkin is founder and chairman of the Yiddish Culture Group, and his books, originally written in Yiddish, have been translated into English.

DELIVERY COMPLAINTS

Irate residents in several areas are still complaining that The Reporter is not being placed in their door-knockers or on the mat in front of the apartment.

It appears that copies of this publication are dropped into mail chutes. The Reporter's circulation department is investigating these areas to ascertain why there is a breakdown in delivery.

VFW Group Meets

Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 10191, meets on Nov. 28 at 10 a.m. in the Westgate Community Center, 3691 Oswego Avenue. All vets are invited.

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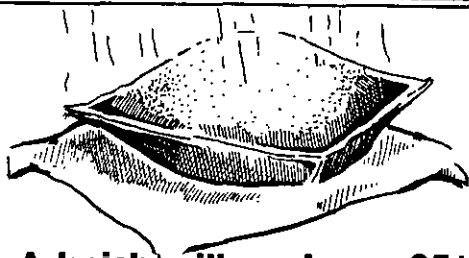
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6. The T.V. antenna maintenance program has been made optional to allow for the Associations that have installed cable T.V.
7. If there are monies remaining at the end of the year, after operating expenses have been paid, these funds are returned to the Associations. To date, these refunds have totalled over \$106,000.00 to our customers in Century Village.
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