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President's Message

Kurt Weiss



"Vox populi-vox dei" ("The voice of the people-the voice of God") I do not know whether deity had anything to do with it, but people represented by their Association's President or designated delegate, certainly spoke - loud and clear.

And so it is my pleasure and my privilege to welcome the Vice Presidents and members of the Executive Board you just elected. An equally warm welcome is extended to the officers who were unopposed and who will serve with us in 2000.

As to myself, I certainly appreciate your vote of confidence in electing me to another two-year term in which to serve you. It is hard to go back to "Business as usual" after what occurred these last few weeks. A lot depends on whether we shall encounter continuous sniping or whether this community will be allowed to return to the peace and tranquillity it enjoyed these last few years.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to Al McLaughlin, Chair of the Election Committee and the members of that committee for a job very well done,

UCO will continue with its tasks - and they are numerous and formidable. We need the help and collaboration of everybody. Some among us would do well to try and reestablish the trust necessary to work as a team.

Elsewhere in this issue is a list of all elected Officers and members of the Executive Board for 2000. I also requested publication of the names of chairpersons and members of the newly constituted committees for this year. You will also find a list of meeting dates of the Officers Committee, the Executive Board and the Delegate Assembly. Another list will show you in which quadrant your Association is situated, who your quadrant adviser is and on what day of the week you can find him/her in the UCO office.

And now, back to work.

Security and safety considerations demand adequate lighting in all areas within Century Village. Close observation of the current state of lighting in the Village resulted in discovering many shortcomings and the urgent need for improvements.

The combination of not enough light, drivers whose eyesight is not as good as when they were young and people walking in the middle of the road at night wearing dark clothes - can be deadly. It already resulted in a number of accidents, one fatal. We can do little about drivers who should not drive at night and those walking, short of asking again and again to heed our warnings and advice.

As to improved lighting, the Executive Board has accepted my suggestion that UCO should take upon itself the task of improving lighting conditions, not only on the perimeter.

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Delegate Meeting.

Fri., April 7, 9:30 a.m.

in Auditorium

All Welcome!!

Lift seminar & workshop held Feb. 29

by Phil Shapkin

Over 400 interested unit owners turned out on Feb. 29 at the Hastings Clubhouse to hear what could be done in their 2-story buildings regarding the installation of lifts, which would no longer make them captive in their homes. They had heard in the Village and read in this publication, that there was the possibility that they could once again enjoy the freedom to come and go as they were able to do when they first moved here. Lifts have become a necessity for future life in Century Village and the question appears not to be whether your building will install a lift, but **when**.

As Chair of the Lifts Committee, I put together a very interesting and informative program with invited guests, Dick Garlen, Prime Management Group, Dave Batelaan, Action Mobility; Dave Balmer, Concord Suppliers; and Ray Ellis, Sun Trust Bank to speak about the coming of lifts to Century Village. Also present on the dais were resident members of the Ad Hoc Lift Committee, Bob Fogelman, Marcia Ziccardy,

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Gate Passes for Apr., May & June will be sold starting Mar 24, 2000.

Eight appointed to UCO Exec. Board

In accordance with the provisions of the UCO bylaws, the following residents were appointed to the Executive Board by President Kurt Weiss with the approval of the officers and the newly elected members of Executive Board: Betty Chaney, Ken Davis, Haskell Morin, Marie Oliver, Phyllis Richland, Bernie Ross, Phil Shapkin and Gabe Woolfson.

Delegates elect officers and Executive Board

By Al McLaughlin

As Chairman of Election Committee, I want to congratulate all of the voting delegates for selecting the new Vice Presidents and members of the Executive Board of Directors. This year we had a very good response to our election procedure with over 260 of the 309 associations participating in the voting.

Those running unopposed were:

President:	Kurt Weiss
Treasurer	Anne Cohen
Corresponding Secretary:	Fay Bromberg
Secretary:	Betty Lapidus

The elected Vice-Presidents:

Dave Bernstein	Dan Salvo
Bob Fogelman	Vivian Walsh

The elected Members of the Executive Board:

Ruth Bernhard-Dreiss	Lenny Lipofsky
Morry Blank	Marilyn Nissensohn
Phil Dreiss	Herb Nordhauser
David Frankel	Mary Patrick
Esther Gellis	Ann Rosenblatt
Max Hammerman	Vince Salvo
Emil Honig	Sid Schuman
Irving Lazar	George Shore
Larry Kall	Irv Spevak
Larry Keiner	Doris Yanowitz

I want to thank the members of the Election Committee who rapidly completed validation of the election results. Thanks: Avis Blank, Bertha Elliott, Sidney Falik, Jonus Goldstein, Marvin Kaskawits, Lillian Lam, Charles Lutz, Sheldon Mead, Mona Radonsky, Ruth and Herb Schindler, and Mae Stenson.

Also this year, we had 9 people helping us as observers. These folks quietly watched and supported us. Thanks Ken Davis, Jerry Epstein, Bea Escott, Barbara Henry, Rhoda Kaufman, Martin Levy, Howard Silver, Bill Snyder and Irv Goldstone.



Election Committee -- these volunteers spent many hours to assure an honest count. (Photo by Morry Blank)



Residents marking their ballots (Photo by Morry Blank)

At the Delegates Meeting

Betty Lapidus



(Excerpts from the Minutes March 3, prepared by the Reporter staff.)

This was our annual Election Day meeting; delegates began to arrive at 8 a.m. and signed in at various desks in order to receive their ballot and to vote. Elections were closed at 9:25 a.m. Guards moved the ballot boxes to the counting room at 9:30

The meeting was formally called to order by President Kurt Weiss. There was a quorum of 267 delegates. Licensed Property Manager Pat Blunck was present.

President Weiss announced that election results will be posted in the UCO office.

Treasurer's Report... Treasurer Anne Cohen reported on cash balances. Anne reminded us to pick up association checks for refunds from the Negotiation Funds.

Pres Weiss reported that according to UCO By-laws, he will submit at the April 5th Executive Board meeting, a list of the new committee members and chairs. This will be published in the UCO Reporter.

He then reported that the CPA's audit for 1999 has been completed and will be published in the UCO Reporter.

The Florida State Computer does not show incorporation of certain Building Associations. If they have proof of incorporation please bring it into the UCO office to help straighten out this situation.

The Lake Worth Drainage District sent a letter to WPRF (copy on file in the UCO Office). Permits on work on the dam have not yet been issued; however a three month extension of time has been granted to WPRF.

On March 18th, there will be a Poliakov seminar at no charge. If you are interested, please come to the UCO office and put your name on our list and get further details, etc.

Regarding the Bi-Lateral

Agreement, 5 associations requested their agreements be returned to them. Later on, two of these associations returned the agreements to us. Since then, eleven associations signed up for these agreements.

Committee Reports
Cable...Larry Kerner reported that fibre optics will be installed by Adelphia in April or May. Q & A It will be necessary to rewire outlets and we will be kept informed.

Security...See Security column in the UCO Reporter.

Beautification...Harold Becker reported that his committee cleaned up the old fronds and branches on our trees and he thanked them for their very hard work and participation.

Programs and Services...Marilyn Nissensohn reported that the first ten rows of sections A & D will be repositioned for better viewing. We are trying to get a place to resell show tickets, so that we don't need to stand out on the roads. See the UCO Reporter for details.

Bar Codes...at the Hastings clubhouse, twice this month, on the second Friday and also on fourth Friday - 9 to 11 a.m.. This will be repeated in the month of April.

Signs...Morry Blank reported that fading stop signs on the perimeter roads will be replaced by UCO. On the internal roads, it's up to the building associations to replace them at \$32.48 per sign.

Investigations...David Frankel reported that HUD requires that every Building Association keep a record-updated every two years of the age of each occupant of each unit. May 2nd is the deadline.

Public Relations...George Shore reported that we will have a more definite proposal from Mark Levy re updating our apartments, etc. He also reported on the success of our Welcoming Committee meeting.

Enough... No More

We have had enough of the accusations and recriminations which originated with the Bi-Lateral Agreement and veered off into other areas.

Call it censorship, if you wish, but after this issue the UCO Reporter will no longer print letters, articles or comments on these subjects from either side.

The Editors

PERSONALS

Thank you

Many thanks to all those caring friends for their expressions of sympathy upon the loss of my brother.

David Frankel

Thank you for condolences

My family and I would like to thank everyone for their words of encouragement and the generous donations that were made in memory of our mother, Clara Schwartz. Thank you, again.

Phyllis Richland

Notice

The following building association presidents had not picked up their refunds for surplus Negotiation Funds at the time this issue went to press:

- Camden H
- Chatham L, S, T
- Coventry A, F, J
- Dorchester H
- Kent M
- Northampton I, L, Q, R, S
- Norwich H, L
- Sheffield I, P
- Sussex G, H, K
- Waltham B, E
- Windsor E, F, S

Please come into the UCO office and pick up your checks.

Emergency...Vince Salvo reported that we should be prepared for an emergency at any time. Those persons who need oxygen should be prepared with portable tanks.

Property Manager...Pat Blunck reported that we are working on remedying the canals situation. Individual drain problems are being checked out. He is trying to increase the wattage on the existing light poles.

President's Message

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roads but also on side roads where buses travel. Our approach to this problem is the same as to the maintenance of all roads and parking areas.

Let us make sure that I am understood: Lights on your buildings and around them, other than roads used by buses are still the Association's responsibility. All other lighting improvements will be instituted by UCO and paid for out of Transportation, Roads and Security budgets at no additional cost to Associations or members.

We are actively and urgently trying to remedy the lack of adequate lighting either through F P & L or a private electrical contractor.

LKD, our auditing firm has completed the audit of our finances for the year. Their full report is published in this issue. Questions should be directed to our Treasurer, Anne Cohen, or to our Accounting Manager, Ray Coulliard.

Five associations requested to have their Bi-Lateral Agreements returned to them. Of those, two then brought them back. Additional eleven Associations signed the agreement since the February Delegate Assembly meeting.

Bar Code Rules

Bar Codes, the program initiated several years ago, allow easy access to Century Village. Bar Codes are sold at \$5.00 each only on the second Friday (or the Friday one week after UCO meeting) at the Hastings Clubhouse between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. You will need the following in order to obtain a Bar Code:

Bar Code Rules and Regulations:

1. A valid Century Village ID card
2. A valid Driver's License from the state in which your car is registered.
3. A valid Auto Registration. If a Florida resident, the registration must show a CV address.
4. If you rent the unit, bring a copy of the yearly lease showing at least 6 months until expiration.
5. If you lease your car, the car registration and lease agreement must show your name, and lease agreement must be for 2 years or more.
6. If your spouse has a car, the rules above apply.
7. If you trade, sell, or if your car is destroyed, your car replacement Bar Code will be \$25.00 if your old Bar Code is not returned (even if in shreds). No excuses are accepted. A police report of accident will be honored if your car is totaled.
8. No more than two Bar Codes per unit will be issued.

If you have any questions, write and leave them at the UCO office for the Bar Code Chairman, Sid Schuman.

Notice regarding Insurance

Your Association is entitled to an Insurance Summary available at UCO office (Stratford) during regular hours. You are advised to have a copy of this summary in your files to refer to.... For any info on your insurance or claims, call Lori at 630-4955, Plastridge Agency.

MEETING DATES 2000-2001

OFFICERS **EXECUTIVE BOARD** **DELEGATES**

Thurs. 10:00 AM **Wed. 1:00 PM** **Fri. 9:30 AM**

March 30	April 5	April 7
April 27	May 3	May 5
May 25	May 31	June 2
June 29	July 5	July 7
July 27	August 2	Aug. 4
Aug. 24	Aug. 30	Sept. 1
Sept. 28	Oct. 4	Oct. 6
Oct. 26	Nov. 1	Nov. 3
Nov. 22 (Wed.)	Nov. 29	Dec. 1
Dec. 28	Jan. 3 (2001)	Jan. 5
Jan. 25 (2001)	Jan. 31	Feb. 2
Feb. 22	Feb. 28	Mar. 2

Quadrant Report - Southwest Area

By Bob Fogelman



Berkshire, Camden, Northampton, Somerset, Wellington, Windsor.

The time has come for all good association officers in my quadrant to meet with me, together, in a general meeting to discuss methods for the strong formation of area organizations. Please call me at 686-7010 to arrange for a date for a meeting.

While some areas may have an active area organization, others have a wishy-washy, somewhat dormant area set up. Once we have strong, vibrant, active area organizations, we can challenge the other 23 areas to try to outdo our accomplishments in the fields of: beautification; building signs; lighting; bushes, flowers; shrubbery; walkways, catwalk styling; roofing; painting; documents; waterproofing; sewer maintenance; security; our garbage disposal and perhaps many other areas of concern to our residents.

Now hold on a minute - this is not to say that the area organization will, of its own self, become directly involved in the association's business of running their own individual condominium. The area organization will have officers elected by the area residents -- through nominations. Each unit owner will pay a nominal (minimum) amount of dues to the area organization. While the area organization will function only in an advisory capacity, their funds, when needed, will help the entire area in the above noted fields of interest whenever it will benefit the entire area. This system is now being done in other areas and has been in place for many years.

Of course, no system is written in stone. Our discussion at the meeting will cover many various approaches to successfully run an area organization. Just imagine you were a

Security

David Bernstein



Good news folks. The architect's plans for the East and West gatehouses are finally complete and we can now move forward to the sending of the request for bids to contractors. By the end of March we hope to be able to let you know when construction will begin.

Bad news folks. We had another car-pedestrian accident not long ago. It was after dark and the driver ran away. Once again, I must plead with you -- not on bended knee 'cause I'll never get up again -- verbally, please, please, please -- **Be careful out there!**

The UCO Executive Board has become very aware of the severe problem of poor lighting in the Village. They are surveying all areas that are dimly lit and have approved looking for funds within our budget to improve all areas and make our Village safer. Our biggest request to you, the residents, is that you do not complain that the light shines in your window. Get darker shades, or curtains. We are trying to make it safer for you

New gates have been installed on Haverhill Road. We hope they will correct the problems with broken parts that we had with the old ones. Beware -- the new gate arms are metal and will damage your car if you hit them. Slow down as you approach the officer or the bar code scanner.

I would like to close with a repeat of something I've said before, many times. **Please do not abuse the guards.** Even I have learned some new four-letter words, some not in English. It would help if you would roll down the windows when a guard approaches, glass does not carry sound well, and sign language is not a requisite for working here -- open the window, speak slowly, give all the required information, and tell your guests to do the same

As I write this column, it is Ash Wednesday, the Lenten Season. Many Christians give something up during this time. Why don't we all give up thinking about ourselves and have regard for one another. Let's help one another to be safe and healthy.

See ya' next month.

Programs & Services

Marilyn Nissensohn



When I have the opportunity to observe the facilities at the main Club House and the pools at the various sites around the Village, I see many improvements. Many of the suggestions submitted by you have been implemented. I want to take this opportunity to thank the hard work and dedication of the members of the Programs and Services committee (members of which are listed elsewhere in this issue.

I sometimes wonder why we do not have more accidents involving pedestrians. Quite apart from people who have the death-defying habit of walking in the middle of the road at night, wearing dark clothing, we have this phenomenon of "ticket merchants." They position themselves along the roads to the Club House -- sometimes dangerously on the road itself -- frantically waving dollar bills or tickets

In order to try keeping these people from becoming an accident statistic we once again are organizing a ticket exchange. Those wishing to sell or buy tickets should come to the downstairs gym in the main Club House two hours prior to the first (or only) show. This is a lot safer than standing in the roads. Additionally, we will have a ticket exchange bulletin board in the lobby where those who wish to sell or purchase tickets can

list their name, phone number and the ticket they wish to buy or sell.

Plans for new seating arrangements in the A and D section's first ten rows of the auditorium have been completed. These plans will be implemented at the end of the current season.

In this next season, (2000-2001) quite a number of excellent shows have been selected. Among them are (as of this writing) Bill Dana, The Four Aces, Leslie Uggams, Lorna Luft, Ed Ames, Rich Little, Pat Cooper, the much loved Shalom, Roberta Peters, Irish River Dance, classical music, swing bands, magic shows, a talk by a well known author, comedians, bands, orchestras, ballet, condensed Broadway shows (as was A Chorus Line), Tony Orlando, The Ink Spots. All in addition to our own Repertory production.

Quality has its cost. A comparison of shows which were featured here during the past 2-3 years indicates a rather steep increase in cost which is reflected in the cost-figures of the shows scheduled for the new season. Reluctantly, we have to take these increases into account and try to cover at least the major part of these expenses by raising the ticket prices.

Because there are so many good shows each month, nine tickets per month will be the norm, rather than the usual seven tickets.

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buyer-to-be in Century Village. Which condominium would you choose - one that was well run with beautiful surroundings or one whose grass was browned out, with no flowers, trees or shrubbery?

Remember, we live in a senior community where "community" is the operative word. We must

increase our cooperation with each other, with our condo board of officers, with other associations and to repeat- with each other. This is our paradise and not only must we work to maintain it but we must endeavor to continue to upgrade our style of living so that this new century will see the birth of a new and up-coming Century Village of West Palm Beach.

Notice to building associations

An updated list from the Secretary of State indicates -- Incorporations that were dissolved for failure to file and pay for their annual reports are

Andover E, Chatham N, Oxford 100, Wellington A
Wellington A and Andover E have indicated that they are being incorporated again by paying their delinquent fees and a penalty of \$175. The value of paying back fees is that incorporation is retroactive and protects the Association on a continuous basis. A new incorporation begins as of the date of reincorporation and the Association is not protected should a legal suit arise.

Associations that have never been incorporated, according to the Secretary of State's records are.

Andover L	Berkshire A, F, H
Canterbury E	Dover Area
Easthampton E	Northampton D

Associations now in the process of being incorporated for

Lift seminar & workshop held

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Morty Grutman, Florence Bickell and Vicki Amter. At this writing, the committee has already served its purpose -- researching and bringing information relative to costs, financing and installation, and is ready to disband

The building association officers, board members and interested residents in the audience learned from Mr. Garlen, that other communities have been installing lifts -- 100 at Kings Point when he was property manager, and others anticipated in the Century Villages in Deerfield and Boca Raton. The first order of business, he advised, is that the building association must decide whether the lift will be a common element (100% participation by unit owners) or a limited common element (participation by only those units desiring to fund the project) and to amend their documents to permit the installation. This is a legal requirement. Permission to install is also a **must** by law. The permission to install a lift cannot be denied by the board. However, participation is **not** mandated and only those willing to share in the cost are involved to the extent that they must pay for and maintain the structure. Only they will have a key to ride. Other residents may not use the lift. Placement of the lift must conform with federal laws and is decided on by an engineer on the project.

Interest at this meeting was focused on the basics of cost, financing and maintenance. The cost for the lift through Access Industries, the manufacturer with whom Mr. Garlen deals, is \$18,995, plus tax, if applicable. At this time, there is still a question as to whether these structures are taxable. Not covered in this cost which varies from building to building, is electrical hookup if electricity is distant from the lift. In these cases, there is an additional cost of \$4 per foot for connection. If concrete rails need to be cut and support posts installed, the additional cost is \$350 and some other concrete extensions could cost another \$1,800. But again, this is not the case in all buildings.

Mr. Dave Batelaan of Action Mobility addressed the group and advised that his company's costs for lifts is competitive with Access

Control They are \$18,000 to \$19,000. He has been with Palm Beach County for 20 years and has been appointed by Commissioner Carol Roberts to be on the Consumer Affairs Advisory Board.

Mr. Dave Balmer is the Vice President of Technical Services for Concord Suppliers, a company that builds lifts and hydraulic elevators for wheelchairs. His company has been in business since 1967 and building lifts since 1974. He was able to supply information regarding materials and operation. The unit is an all aluminum structure and is minimally subject to the environment and rust. It operates with two, 10-amp batteries, using 24 volts of direct current. The cost to replace the batteries is \$40 for the pair which are not replaced very often because they are used in the circuit only 15% of the time, where normal building power supply is used 85% of the time. The lift can carry 750 lbs. and the standard size is 3' x 4' or 3' x 5'. The addition of a telephone is subject to ADA requirements and while it is not mandated, it is strongly recommended.

Mr. Ray Ellis, Vice President & Commercial Loan Officer of Sun Trust Bank, reported that funding for lifts

is available through Sun Trust. The bank is coming out with a package addressing the number of lifts, term of loan and repayment plan. As an example, he approximated a \$20,000 loan for 3 to 6 years to be at a fixed rate of 9-1/2 to 10%, since the current prime rate is 8-3/4%. The greater the number of lifts will reduce the loan rate. Mr. Garlen advised that he can obtain a \$20,000 loan for 10 years at 12%, with no closing costs, at a cost to the building of \$312 per month, or a \$15,000 loan for \$236 per month.

Florence Bickell of Oxford 400, the site of the first lift to be installed in CV, reported that originally only three unit owners were interested in a lift, but that later, 15 of the 20 upper units contributed to the installation. A maintenance contract was purchased at a cost of \$400 per year, with 90 days free maintenance service, plus a \$35 permit fee. Electricity is said to run \$120 to \$150 per year. In Oxford 400, anyone can buy in at a later date for a Non-Charter Member fee of \$500 additional. This option will vary from building to building, since each association can set its own rules. Mr. Garlen added that replacement lifts are

estimated to be needed in 10-15 years and should be anticipated with Reserve Funds.

Everyone on the dais and in the audience agreed that the addition of a lift enhances the value of units in the building. Upper floor abandoned units, because they are not saleable, end in foreclosure with the building association becoming responsible for carrying the burden.

Building associations interested in pursuing the addition of a lift should contact Chairman Phil Shapkin, by leaving a message at the UCO office, for further assistance in obtaining more information and direction in this worthy program and possibly joining other buildings for a volume price.



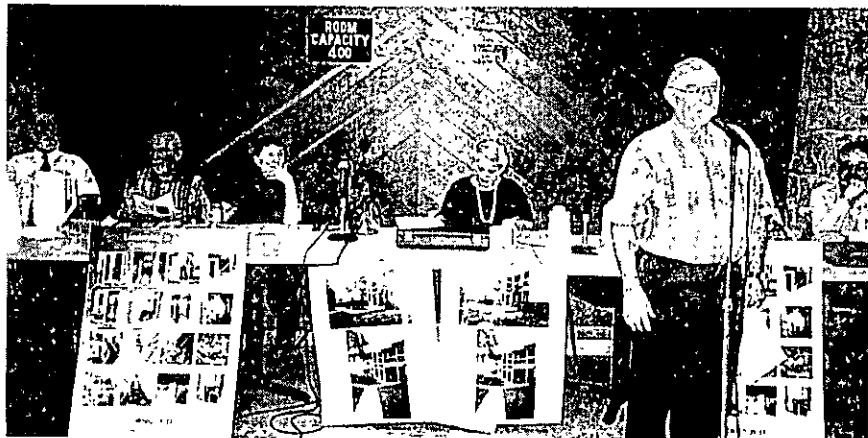
The Oxford 400 Lift



Dick Garlen of Prime Management/Access



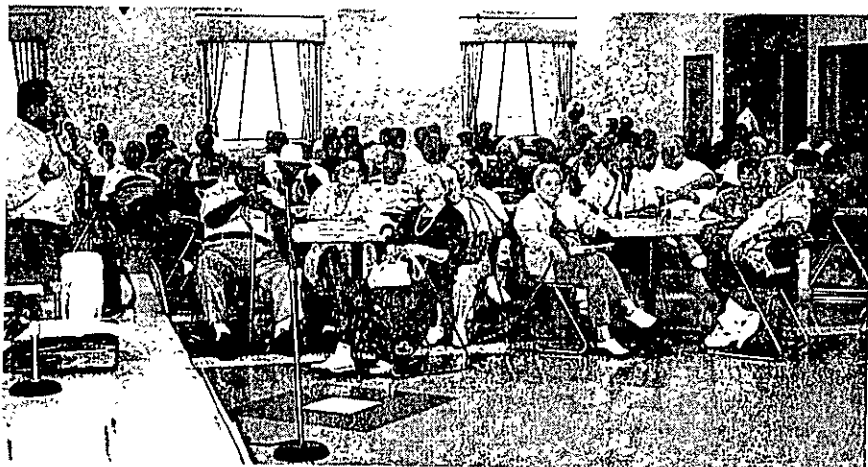
Florence Bickell, guiding light of Oxford 400 Lift Group



Chairman Phil Shapkin addresses meeting



Ray Ellis of Sun Trust Bank tells about financing of lifts



Part of overflow crowd at Hastings meeting



Dave Balmer, Tech answers questions

(Photos by Morry Blank)

Incorporation -- It's the law

Reprinted from April 1999 UCO Reporter

By Rod Tennyson, Esq.

When Century Village was originally planned and built in the early 1970's, the Florida Condominium Act did not require that a condominium Association be incorporated. In fact, all of the 300 or so Associations were created by the Developer as "Unincorporated Associations." In 1976, the Legislature decided to require all Associations be incorporated as a requirement of maintaining standing in Court. At that time, we were in litigation with Management over the recreation rents and the Court ordered approximately 130 Associations to incorporate.

The recreation lease litigation ended in 1980 and several years later the Legislature decided to amend the Condominium Act again, this time repealing the requirement of incorporation for Associations. However, many Associations at Century Village decided to incorporate anyway because. (1) they did not want to have every unit owner as a member of the Board of directors as required under the original Bylaws of the Associations, and (2) Unit owners wanted to limit their liability in the case of accident.

Limitation of liability was the biggest incentive to incorporate Associations. An example will demonstrate the need to limit liability

Let's assume Mr Jones was elected to be Treasurer of the association As part of his duties as Treasurer, Mr. Jones needs to pay certain vendors and contractors who have performed services for the Association's account Mr Jones decides to drive to the bank to get new checks for the Association, but on the way to the bank he has a terrible automobile accident. The accident kills and permanently injures several people. In the ensuing litigation, Mr Jones' insurance company pays the limits of its policy, which only covers a small portion of the claim, leaving Mr Jones subject to approximately \$2,000,000 in liability. Since Mr. Jones has very few assets, the lawyers for the injured and dead parties begin to take depositions and other

discovery to learn the specifics of Mr. Jones' trip to the bank. They soon discover that Mr. Jones in fact was on a trip to the bank exclusively for the benefit of the Association directly related to his duties as Treasurer. The lawyers than check the Associations liability policy, but find that it also is insufficient to cover the \$2,000,000 claim. The lawyers next discover that the Association is unincorporated, which means:

1 Mr. Jones is the agent for every unit owner in the building, making these unit owners personally liable for those portions of the damages not covered by insurance, and

2. The lawyers for the injured and dead parties soon make every unit owner a named party to the litigation Now all the unit owners in the building are named parties to the litigation and subject to the \$2,000,000 claim.

Now let's take this same example and see who is liable if the Association was incorporated. If incorporated, each individual unit owner is not responsible for the acts of its officers and directors unless the individual unit owner is directly involved with the actions of the officer or director In this case, Mr Jones on his own drove to the bank. Therefore, only the Association as a corporate entity is responsible for the acts or negligence of Mr. Jones, but not the individual owners If the Association's general liability insurance policy does not cover the claim, then the Association as a corporate entity either dissolves or discharges the claim in bankruptcy. Individual unit owners are not liable for the claim. Unincorporated Associations may not file for bankruptcy.

From the above example, you can see how incorporation limits the liability of individual unit owners living in the condominium. It is for this very reason businesses in America almost always incorporate. Limitation of liability is a good reason for Associations to incorporate.



Ask Marilyn

By Marilyn Nissensohn

It occurred to me that we could use a column in the Reporter that is written by and for the residents of Century Village. It will be one which addresses the everyday problems which we all face.

As an example. The other day my mother who also lives in the Village asked me how I got rid of the sugar ants which were trying to take over my kitchen and now were assaulting my mothers apartment. I told her about an ant bait which worked but it took patience and the knack to overlook the onslaught of hundreds of additional ants marching to the bait and taking the bait home with them, thereby getting rid of them in the nest. But mom did not want to go that route so I recommended spraying with

a clorox derivative. (This eventually solved that problem.)

After this discussion, it made me think that all of us, especially those who have lived here for a long time, must have tried and true solutions to the myriad problems that are unique and not so unique to Florida.

One such problem immediately occurs to me: "no see 'ems." What are they? If you can't see 'em, how do you know you have 'em, and once you have 'em how do you get rid of 'em? Do any of you have a solution? Drop off a note at the UCO office with your solution. It will be published in the following month's newspaper.

Also, do any of you know how to get rid of tar stains

on carpeting?

A few ground rules: personal, financial or health concerns will not be addressed but problems such as the ones above will be. Unless requested to do so names will be withheld

Remember, this is our column -- without your input, there isn't one. I look forward to hearing from you.

**Bar Codes
will be issued
on March 24
and on Apr. 14
Hastings Clubhouse
9:00 to 11:00 a.m.**



**Letter from the Commissioner
By Commissioner Carol A. Roberts**

Not a day goes by that I don't discuss the latest news with either my constituents or my fellow colleagues on the Board of County Commissioners. One of the most controversial topics is the red light traffic camera debate - everyone I've spoken to seems to have an adamant opinion. The arguments are obvious - either you feel that the cameras would foster a "Big Brother" atmosphere or you are in accord with the opinion that it will undoubtedly save lives.

But just how do the cameras work? The cameras are triggered by radar, which are linked electronically to traffic lights and road sensors. The cameras will log the speed, date, time and elapsed time since the light turned red. Once this data is collected, the owner of the vehicle will be identified and will receive a \$100 ticket.

Motorists who disregard traffic lights cause about one fifth of traffic-related fatalities every year. It is imperative that action be taken to enforce traffic signals. Currently 22 other states and several other countries permit cameras and have benefitted as a result. Palm Beach County recently is experimenting with the cameras at the intersection of Palmetto Park Road and St. Andrews Boulevard in Boca Raton. The results of this test thus far show an average of 50 drivers a day running red lights at this intersection alone. These are staggering statistics when you consider the number of streets with traffic lights in Palm Beach County.


As an elected official, it is my intention to see State Statutes amended to allow traffic cameras to be used as photographic evidence in order to issue tickets to violators.

Another effort the Board of County Commissioners is striving to improve is library funding which has not kept pace with library growth. Several separate initiatives are in the works including the **Regional Multi-type Library Cooperative**, the **Public Library Construction Grant Program** and **State Aid for Public Libraries**.

Palm Beach County's Library System is part of the **Regional Multi-type Library Cooperative** known as Southeast Florida Library Information Network (SEFLIN). SEFLIN is a non-profit membership organization of Southeast Florida libraries that strives to deliver optimum library services to South Florida including public computer access to library circulations. The program has not had a funding increase since its inception in 1993/94. In order for continual improvements to be made to SEFLIN, additional funding is necessary. The recommended increase in funding is from \$200,000 to \$400,000.

The **Public Library Construction Grant Program** was created to aid local communities in providing facilities for Public Library Service. Other than local funding, this state program is the only source of governmental funding - federal funding is no longer available. It is our responsibility to ensure that state money is available for local library construction projects. Just as construction grants are an integral part to providing additional facilities for public library service, it is also important to increase the amount of **State Aid to Public Libraries** to stock books and run library programs. One of the Board of County Commissioners' goals is to rally for additional funding to match local library expenditures, thus returning state aid to the levels authorized by Statute, which is two and a half times the present allocation of \$2.3 million.

These are just some of Palm Beach County's top legislative priorities that I will personally be working hard to realize, along with my colleagues on the Board of County Commissioners, the Legislative Delegation and, regionally, with Broward and Miami-Dade Counties.



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It's a rude audience

On Wednesday, February 23, the outstanding Russian pianist, Oleg Marshev, treated Century Villagers who attended his concert to a masterful display of virtuosity. The audience responded with an equally outstanding display of rudeness.

It began early; the talking and whispering; the irritation caused by people moving from seats into other, closer ones, sometimes in the middle of a row; and the people who just got up and left.

After the 15-minute intermission, many people did not return leaving the rest of us with the feeling that the second half would be free of disruption. It was not to be. A steady trickle of departing people began after only five minutes and continued to the end of the concert. One music lover seated nearby showed his appreciation by falling asleep and snoring his way through most of the evening.

What I find difficult to understand is why these people, knowing what to expect from the printed prospectus they receive, buy tickets in the first place. Is it the attitude, "Look, it's only a buck and a half. If we don't like it, we can leave?"

To end the concert, Mr. Marshev played an encore. While a few brave souls, who recognized his superb talent shouted, "Bravo!" part of the audience responded with a full three seconds of applause. The rest were already moving towards the exits.

Arthur Lerman

Addressing President Weiss

I wish to address several statements that President Kurt Weiss made in the March 2000 issue of your paper and hope he will give this "trouble maker" the same space he gave the other "rabble rousers" without the unethical interpolations he made in Mel Hershman's letter to him. It is unheard in the annals of journalism for such interruptions, as it was unethical for him at the Delegate Assembly to interrupt speakers from the podium. He pooh-bahed Roberts Rules of Order (Parliamentary Procedure), an undemocratic way to conduct a meeting and one which instigated the

The Mail Bag



"spectacle" he describes "There is a cancer in our midst which should not be permitted to grow." May I suggest he turn the mirror on himself!

First, a definition of troublemaker. Mr. Fogelman, a couple of months ago, raged against Mr. Hershman "You are a troublemaker! You ask questions! Nobody ever asked questions before!" That is the cancer Mr. Weiss is referring to? Well, Mr. President, asking questions in a democratic country is usually the way to get answers, but Mr. Hershman received a letter from you stating that you do not have to answer his questions! Are you not accountable to a member of the Executive Board and a member of the Internal Audit Committee? Are you not accountable to anybody?


Century Village is indeed a Paradise, but you cannot claim responsibility for that. Irwin Levy had a wonderful concept, and although the venture has not always run smoothly, it is to his credit that he initiated it and to the credit of former UCO officers like Hy Ruchlis and this successor, a former Commissioner of Welfare in New York City, and other honorable men who must be writhing in their graves to see what you are trying to do to our village--under a mask of avuncular kindness and good P.R. You have mesmerized your cohorts--Kurt's Cohorts--(an alliterative phrase Mr. Frankel missed. I wonder why?) Yes, you have done a good job, but your grasp has exceeded your reach. Stick to serving the village, not ruling it. Mr. Salvo let the cat out of the bag when he simplified the explanation of why one should sign the Bi-Lateral agreement. It would not be necessary for him to get 309 presidents to agree every time an expenditure was to be appropriated. The Board, or our President, would have uni-lateral power to make contracts, allocate money for projects. NO approval needed from the individual associations!

True, many associations have no viable boards, owners are apathetic, but not all. We want to direct our own destinies.

You have distorted and abused the powers you already have by duping people into signing the Bi-Lateral Agreement without apprising them of what they were signing. They placed their trust in you. There was no effort to distribute these agreements so that people could consider them (if they could overcome the legalize!) You disavowed coercion. What do you call telephone calls urging people to hurry to the office and sign the documents and your representatives slyly insinuating they might be deprived of privileges, such as Bar Code, and the right of their guests to gain entry to the village. No, you did not use the word "punish," but the implication is there. Unit owners can testify to this. Statements made by your Vice-President, Mrs. Ruth-Bernhard Dreiss, are on tape. The tape. You requested a copy. It was duly made. Your secretary-aide, Ms. Nissensohn, was heard to say she would not deliver it. When it was offered to her at your office, she refused to take it. You were conferring with some others and when another time, it was offered to you by Mr. Augenblick, you refused it again, and you have the effrontery to say you received it only fifteen minutes before the meeting! Distortion and calumny and slander are all your tactics to discredit those who do not agree with you.

There was never any "whispering campaign" against the agreement. You were asked to abandon it and to continue in the limits of the office you undertook. Who is it that wants POWER and GLORY? Mr. Hershman who advised you that several million dollars lying in thirty-one bank accounts at paltry interest could better be placed in a CMA account at Merrill Lynch, insured and at double or more interest? Mr. Hershman, who asked how much insurance coverage the village had? Nobody knew, nobody had a policy. He tracked it down and discovered we were vastly under-insured. He procured copies of the policy. He and others like the Chairperson, Marvin

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Condo Questions and Answers

By UCO Advisory Committee

(These questions and answers are not legal opinions prepared by lawyers. If your questions on this material goes beyond these simple answers, you must seek legal advice from licensed attorneys.)

This month's subjects are **Chemical Treatment of Vacant Apartments; Division of Florida Land Sales Fees, How Used; Homestead Exemption; Listing Contract, Condo Sales.**

Chemical Treatment of Vacant Apartments

Question: Are there any cautions which should be exercised by unit owners who leave pesticides and mildewcides in their units when they leave them vacant for any period of time?

Answer: We are reminded by the pest control operators that some over-the-counter mildewcides and pesticides placed in the vacant units contain deadly poisons and should not be allowed to remain there. The effect is adverse both to themselves, those neighbors who remain in the building, and to any outside personnel who may be called upon to enter the unit during an emergency, creating serious health problems.

Condominium Associations should be aware of any units under their control where dangerous poisons are present. Unit owners that use dangerous poisons should be cautioned that they may be held accountable for the use of such chemicals. The voluntary posting of signs by the unit owner, warning of the presence of dangerous poisons, should be encouraged.

Seacrest Pest Control recommends the use of Kitty Litter in open containers instead of a strong mildewcide. It absorbs moisture very well, and it is a safer way to achieve the desired effect.

Division of Florida Land Sales Fees, How Used

Question: How are the annual \$4.00 per unit fees collected by the Division used?

Answer: As provided in Section 718.501(2)(b), F.S., these fees are deposited into the Division's trust fund. The Division of Florida Land Sales,

Condominiums, and Mobile Homes is comprised of four Bureaus and two Sections. See the Division's home page on the Internet for further information.

Within the Bureau of Condominiums, the fees support a variety of functions. For example, the Education Section honors requests for educational materials, including copies of the Condominium Act and the corresponding administrative rules. Other educational materials mailed upon request consist of brochures, a periodic newsletter and pamphlets. Most recently, the Condominium Association Manual has been revised and is being distributed free of charge to all Associations current in the payment of their annual fees. The Education Section provides materials to educate unit owners and Board members about the fundamentals of the Condominium Act and administrative rules. Consequently, part of the fees paid are used in the development of these training materials. Fees also support the Enforcement Section's investigations of alleged violations of the Condominium Act and to staff the Examination Section, which reviews developer filings. The Division also offers a mandatory nonbinding arbitration program for unit owners and Associations.

Homestead Exemption

Question: What is Homestead Exemption and how can I get it?

Answer: Many questions have been asked by new residents of Century Village about the \$25,000 Real Estate Exemption on the assessed value of their home.

This exemption is offered to home owners who must present the following documents:

1. Deed to the property or the latest tax bill
2. Voter Registration Card
3. Automobile Registration
4. Florida Driver's license

Applicants may apply at any time during the year at the Property Appraiser's Office.

If you are a widow or widower, bring a copy of the death certificate. This will entitle you to an additional \$500 exemption.

If you have any further

questions, you may call Vivian Walsh at 683-9189 during UCO office hours.

Homestead Exemption applied for and approved during a current tax year is valid for the following and subsequent tax years.

Listing Contract, Condo Sales

Question: After living in South Florida for many happy years, I have decided it's time that I move back up north to be near the rest of my family. I live in a condominium which I will now have to sell. I have talked about this with a few real estate companies and each time, the sales person immediately whips out a form for me to sign. The forms seem long and complicated and list a lot of services the real estate company will have to do for me besides finding me a buyer. There are extra charges for these services which are in addition to their commissions. I want to get my property on the market soon so I can get it sold and move, but I am really concerned about finding a good agent. Do I have to pay these extra fees to do so?

Answer: Many listing contracts do have extra fees and charges which you need to be aware of. These fees can have various names for differently stated purposes, such as a transaction coordinator fee, a regulatory compliance fee, or a document storage fee. Also,

in the event you terminate your listing before the expiration date, there can be provisions for a cancellation fee and a reimbursement fee to the broker for marketing expenses incurred.

Some real estate firms consider that these charges are necessary in today's business world, and they say they are now included as part of their "standard contract", which everyone is using. But not all real estate brokers charge such extra fees in addition to their stated sales commission.

As a property owner, you are the customer of the listing broker. You are free to change these terms as you see fit. You do not have to accept them as "standard contract" provisions.

When you discuss your potential listing with a real estate firm, be candid about your concerns and ask them to justify their need to include these extra charges. If your concerns are reasonable and they do not want to proceed with your terms, then your option remains to take your business to someone who will.

There are many real property attorneys available to review listing agreements and sales contracts for relatively small fees. Unfortunately, most people do not call in an attorney before they sign the controlling agreement. In the usual sequence of events, it's after that when

Golf's Edge Women's Club installs officers

By Mona Klemm

At a recent luncheon held at the Bohemian Gardens Restaurant in Lake Worth, officers of the Golf's Edge Women's Club were installed. Mary Patrick, President of Golf's Edge Condominium Association installed Harriet Bluming as co-president with Karen Silverman. The following officers were then installed by Harriet Membership Vice President Ruth Dressel, Program Vice President Yvonne Messina, Recording Secretary Rose Novick, Corresponding Secretary Laura Green, Hospitality Chair Florence Koenig, Publicity Chair Mona Klemm, Treasurer Pearl Hartenstein and Past President Marion Wolfson.

After a wonderful lunch, we were entertained by Naomi and her electronic keyboard.

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By Sol Osur

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Quadrant Report - Southeast Area



by Vice President
Ruth Bernhard-Dreiss
Andover, Bedford, Dover,
Golf's Edge, Greenbrier,
Kingswood, Sheffield,
Southampton, Stratford

Those residents who knew Katy Subbert in the Clubhouse Staff Office, cannot help but remember a smiling face and an eagerness to help with their recreation needs. I never knew that Kathy was ill because you certainly couldn't detect it in her sense of humor nor her ever sweet and kind personality. Sadly, Kathy passed away on February 19. Published elsewhere in this issue of the Reporter, you can read a very lovely tribute to her in the form of a poem that was distributed at her memorial service. Here is yet another dear individual that will be missing in our community.

This will be my final column as a Vice President of UCO, since I have chosen not to run for office this year and will be an outgoing officer at the UCO Installation Luncheon on March 19. At this time, I wish to thank all of the area presidents in my quadrant for their support and cooperation during the last three years that I held office. Outstanding in my mind will be the nine area presidents in the Southeast Quadrant who were always ready to pull their areas together when the need arose, relieving me of the burden of contacting 69 building associations to disseminate information, request pickup of material, etc -- Frances Schectel, Andover, Betty Lapidus, Bedford; Lou Augenblick, Dover, Mary Patrick, Golf's Edge; Larry Kerner, Greenbrier, Esther Gellis, Kingswood; Bernie Ross, Sheffield, Phil Shapkin, Southampton and Pearl Shneyer, Stratford

I hope that Dave Bernstein, my successor, will enjoy working with the Southeast quadrant as much as I have and that the quadrant will work as diligently with him as it did with me. During the years that I have been

acquainted with Dave, working with him in Security and on the Executive Board, I have found him to be a pleasure to work with and a truly fine gentleman. I trust that you will enjoy your relationship with him. I know he will be anxious to be of assistance should questions and problems arise in your areas. He will be in the UCO office on Mondays.

As promised by UCO, all monies left from the Negotiating Legal Fund were refunded to each building association at the rate of \$15.42 per unit. The buildings in the Southeast Quadrant that have not yet picked up their checks at the UCO office, as of the time this paper went to press, are: Kingswood A, and Sheffield I and P. If you have not yet done so, pick up your check at the UCO office during regular business hours.

Last month a list of buildings that had not incorporated or failed to pay their incorporation fees included some that were in error, due to the search mechanism used. An updated, corrected list shows that the only building associations in this quadrant that have never incorporated are Andover L and Dover

The only association still listed that was dissolved due to failure to pay incorporation fees is Andover E. A complete listing of dissolutions in the Village can be found elsewhere in this issue of the newspaper. If your incorporation has been dissolved, you will need to pay all unpaid fees, plus a penalty to become incorporated again. Contact UCO for assistance if you need guidance in becoming

incorporated again, or if your building association is not incorporated and you wish to incorporate at this time

The Lift Seminar/Workshop, held on Feb. 29 by Chairman Phil Shapkin, was very successful with a turnout of over 400 interested residents. Please read the coverage of that meeting elsewhere in this issue of the newspaper. If you did not attend, I believe you will find the article informative and it may answer the questions you had about lifts

Continue to read the UCO Reporter for your best up-to-the-minute data about what is happening in the Village. It is your most complete and best source of information. This year, I chose not to run for a fourth term as vice president, but I did run for the Executive Board and have been elected. In addition to serving on the Board, I will continue to serve on the Reporter Committee to assist in bringing you your monthly publication, as well as on the Security, Operations, Advisory and Workshop Committees

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04/05	Wed	2PM	Pierce Brosnan, Denise Richards	
04/07	Fri	2PM	PG-13 128 Mins	
04/07	Fri	8PM	"The Bachelor,"	
04/09	Sun	8PM	Chris O'Donnell, Brooke Shields	
04/11	Tue	8PM	PG-13 101 Mins.	
04/12	Wed	2PM	"The Insider,"	
04/14	Fri	2PM	Russell Crowe, Al Pacino, Chris Plummer	
04/14	Fri	7PM	R	
04/16	Sun	7PM	158 Mins.	
04/17	Mon	7PM	"Random Hearts,"	
04/19	Wed	2PM	Harrison Ford, Kristin Scott Thomas	
04/21	Fri	8PM	R 131 Mins.	
04/23	Sun	8PM	"Anna and the King,"	
04/24	Mon	8PM	Jodi Foster, Chow Yun-Fat	
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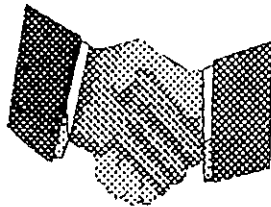
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Words for the wise

Philip Dreiss



Writing this column is a fun activity for me, and I am pleased to receive kind words from people in the Village who stop and tell me that they enjoy it

Where do I get my inspiration? I get material from a variety of sources, some strange and others as I bump into situations which interest me

For instance, the other morning, as I was awakening, the word **obfuscate** jumped into my mind I have no idea why, nor was I able to readily define the word with my mind's resources After my round of golf, I took the time to look up the definition and thus became aware of the reason for the word jumping into my mind when it did, since it accurately forecast my golf efforts that day The dictionary defines the word "to confuse or stupefy, to darken or obscure." My round of golf that day was certainly one to confuse and stupefy the members of my foursome, and it certainly darkened the early part of my day

On a subsequent morning, waiting for a brief shower to blow through so my foursome could tee off, I was treated to a short dissertation on religion and politics by a person who describes himself as an atheist, but his views on politics did not seem to follow clearly from his self-professed atheism, particularly as they applied to the fact that he is an avowed anti-Republican because he believes that the Republican "right" is tied to religious interests

Back I went to the dictionary, and my memory (gained from 16 years of parochial education) was refreshed as to references to persons not inclined toward religious belief An **atheist** is one who **denies the existence** of a Deity or divine beings An **agnostic** is one who believes it is **impossible to know anything about God** or about the creation of the

universe An **infidel** means an **unbeliever**, especially a nonbeliever in Mohammedism or Christianity A **skeptic** is **critical of all accepted doctrines and creeds** I rather think that my friend, at this time of his life, is closer to being a skeptic rather than an atheist, but I am sure to hear further on the subject from him, and he will probably not wait for a rain delay to bring up the subject after he reads this column

Under the category of "No

Wonder the English Language is so very Difficult to Learn," please consider the following sentences

- A farm can **produce produce**
- The insurance for the **invalid** was **invalid**
- The **present** is a good time to **present the present**
- I had to **subject the subject** to a series of tests on various **subjects**, some sentences of which contained the same **subject** but different predicates and objects

My buddy Herb Forman (AKA The Tandem/Phantom Biker) sent me a bunch of interesting questions, and I will "sprinkle" a few in here and there in my future columns. Examples: Why is it called "after dark" when it is really "after light?" If Webster wrote the first dictionary, where did he find the

words?" Why is bra singular and panties plural?"

- Before closing, here are some employee evaluations and efficiency reports which I wish I had the guts to write when I was a manager
- When she opens her mouth, it seems that it is only to change which ever foot was previously in there
 - This employee sets low personal standards, and then fails to achieve them
 - Got a full 6-pack, but lacks the plastic thingy to hold it all together
 - This supervisor's people would follow him anywhere, but only out of morbid curiosity

In closing, let me tell you an interesting thing I have learned regarding the use of the term "**original copy**", which appears to me to be an oxymoron I went to the court house and purchased 4 of these at \$2/per, and watched as the clerk printed

out four copies of my document from her computer, signed each in red ink and then handed them to me to be used as original copies, where an institution required same. Social Security and Driver Licenses had informed me that they required the presentation of an "original copy" to change a name on their records, but the person behind the window merely looks at the document offered and hands it back One banking institution requires an original copy, but then photos it, keeps the photo for their records and returns the "original copy" When I inquired as to why I could not just furnish a copy that I had made of one of my "original" copies, I was told that they require submission of an original copy and not a photo. **What a Country!**

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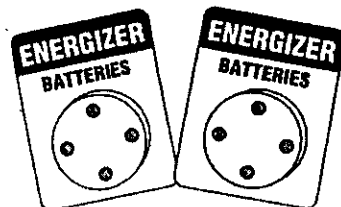


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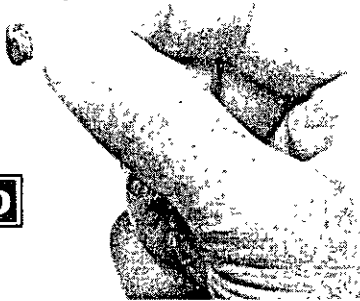
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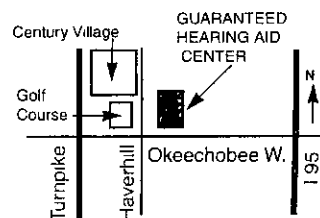
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In memoriam --

Kathy Subbert

By W.P.R.F. Staff

There are not that many people in this world who are always pleasant, always with a smile on their face and always ready to go out of their way to help

Kathy was one of those few Everybody loved her Her sudden death shocked us all.

N B Kathy served our residents in the Staff Office for the last 20 years

She will be remembered fondly by all who had the good fortune to know her

The following poem, "God's Garden Must Be Beautiful," appeared on the memorial card. Kathy surely now enhances the beauty of God's garden

God's Garden Must Be Beautiful

God looked around the garden, and found an empty space.

He looked down upon the earth, and saw your tired face.

He put his arms around you, and lifted you to rest God's garden must be beautiful for he only takes the best

He knew that you were weary, and he knew you were in pain

He knew that you would never, be well on earth again

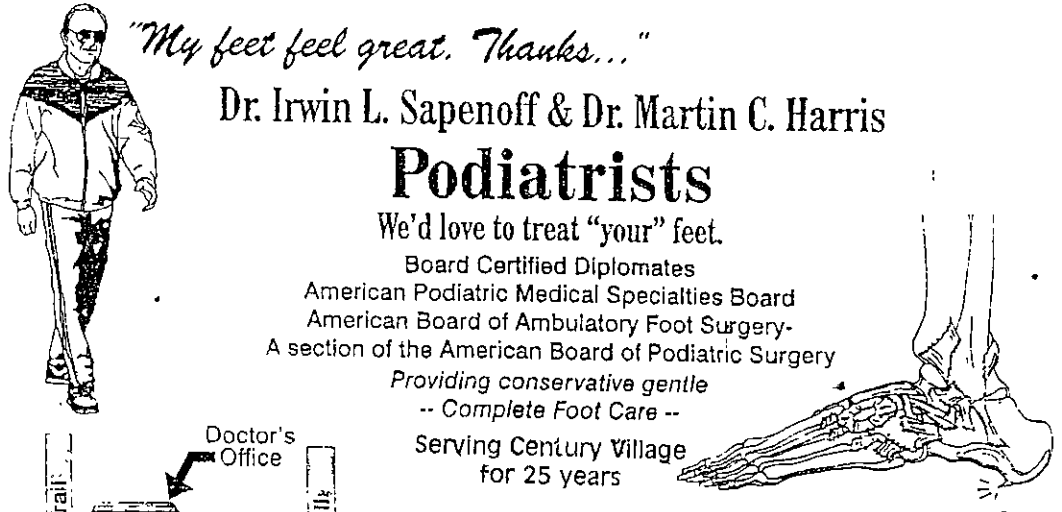
He saw the roads were getting rough, and the hills were hard to climb. So he closed your weary eyelids, and whispered peace be thine

Kathy
Dedicated to Kathy
Her name was Kathy
Now she is gone
Everyone who knew her
Is feeling forlorn

She worked in the Century Village office
She was truly a saint
She was always helpful and friendly
Though she heard many a complaint

All the ladies in the office
Have always been sweet as can be
Kathy was also a "Sweetheart"
And everyone loved her; naturally

We, at Century Village, will miss her
Because we know she really did care
If there is a special place in heaven
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Arts and Entertainment

Irv Rikon



This is my 25th year of writing Arts and Entertainment columns for various local publications. When I began, the area was described as a "Cultural Wasteland." The Auditorium was newly built, the Palm Beach institutions were in place, and the Norton Gallery housed an impressive but small art collection. Theater-lovers could choose among the Royal Poinciana Playhouse or the community playhouses of Lake Worth and Delray. That's virtually all which was available.

Century Villagers played a major role in bringing about change. Appreciative of the cultural norms they had known as Northerners, they fought to bring the same here. It wasn't easy: politicians were indifferent, people who had long lived here objected to what they perceived as threats to their ongoing life-style. Yet "culture" took root and has sporadically thrived. Palm Beachers like to take credit for the changes that occurred, and indeed when big bucks were needed, they largely paid the bills. But it was Century Villagers and those in other condominiums that came later who paid the admissions, filled the seats, ogled the art. You did it! Hold your heads high!

THEATER

Burt Reynolds was a major creative force whose imprint on the local theater scene I sorely miss today. A County native, a motion picture star, he opened two theaters here. Both were special. Mr. Reynolds had fellow stars, his friends, and young apprentices, his students, appear. He loved them, they loved him. That love came across the stage to the audience. The Chamber Theatre of the Palm Beaches performed intellectual works in Tequesta, but during its last days, several players proffered some of the Company's repertory in Century Village, where they were well received. Both

The Actor's Repertory Theatre and The Florida Repertory Theatre presented varieties of plays. The theaters are gone now, but not a few of their stalwarts carry on in places such as Florida Stage.

Louis Tyrrell, Producing Director of the Florida Stage (Manalapan,) worked briefly with Burt Reynolds and for a long while with J. Barry Lewis, who has moved on to the Kravis Center. Mr. Tyrrell has been an outstanding producer of new plays, but I think that

Mr. Lewis' good taste and intellect are now badly needed. "The Clearing" was powerful theater. This season's other offerings seem either too silly or too ethnic. "God's Man in Texas," by David Rambo, runs through April 23. I quote the tail end of the publicist's words: "Dueling Texas televangelists duke it out over the 10 o'clock service, with faith caught in the middle. An irreverent, sidesplitting look at family and religion in the age of the mass media." This is more timely than the producer could have known when scheduling the play for production. But it's a serious topic deserving more than an irreverent, sidesplitting look. "The Puppetmaster of Lodz," by Gilles Segal, a contemporary drama being given its Florida premiere, runs May 5 - June 11. (Phone 585-3433.)

Some years ago I spoke fondly of Jan McArt to my lady editor of the time. "All men love Jan McArt!" she cried. "I don't understand it." Miss McArt gives to her Royal Palm Dinner Theatre audiences in Boca Raton much of that love. I referred to earlier Reciprocating opening night audiences shower her with adoration. It's catching.

Professionally, Miss McArt also can do with a bit of change: Bring in a fresh director to share chores with 20-year veteran Bob Bogdanoff, whose work grows overly familiar, hence predictable. Every local performing arts company has more than one director. It varies the tone. Currently on view (through May 7) is the musical comedy "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas," -- back by popular demand, as they say. Co-starring are Jan

McArt and Garrett States. This is saucy fluff, the kind of show that was written "for the tired businessman." Actually, you don't have to be tired or a man to enjoy it. It's good, not-so-clean, not-so-wholesome fun. The Julie Styne musical "Bells Are Ringing" tolls May 10 - July 16. With a "Just in Time" score and the late Judy Holliday starring, it was a smash hit in its original Broadway incarnation. (1-800-841-6765.)

The Broadway Series brings the hit musical "Titanic" to The Kravis Center (West Palm Beach) March 21 - 26. To the Royal Poinciana Playhouse (Palm Beach) comes "W.T." on April 11. (659-3310.)

The Caldwell Theatre Company (Boca Raton) co-stars three Carbonell

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The Mail Bag

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Myers, and Irving Spevack, got competitive bids, and a policy that covered all of the Village, including Flood Insurance, at a better rate. Does this sound like an enemy of the village? Irving Spevack, with fifty years of Real Estate experience, a person who was instrumental in formulating Real Estate Laws for New York State, has been insulted, ridiculed, and though he quoted chapter and verse of our own Condominium Laws, was disposed of as offering "Baloney!"--an editorial comment by your secretary, who said she did was she was told!

One can go on and on to cite your distortions "Roadblocks" put in your way have only been informed questions and opinions to curb your unbridled power. You control the press, you control the board except for the dissenters. It pains me to have to retort to your calumnies, but the truth must come out. If you choose not to print my letter in its entirety, WITHOUT INTERPOLATIONS, I'm sure that Mr. Frank Cerabino will welcome it to add to his satire of retirement villages. We are trying to keep this disgusting conflict which you have brought upon yourself in the village. Try a little civility for a change. Tell your strong-arm men, one of whom threatened to break Mr. Hershman's fingers, that we are not on the water-front, Jimmy Hoffa is presumably dead, and such reactions to pertinent questions, are inappropriate.

Gertrude V. Friedman

Response to Ms. Friedman's letter

When our elections resulted in an overwhelming victory (4 to 1) for the slate offered by the Nominating Committee, I presumed that we had heard the last from the losers.

Comes now Ms. Friedman's letter.

Lies repeated in that letter, obviously arrived at second-hand, cannot be allowed to stand without a response.

Let me first deal with the veiled threat that should the "UCO Reporter" not publish her letter, Mr. Cerabino of

the Palm Beach Post will welcome it to add his satire, etc. Add it to what? To the articles published by that newspaper once they were called in by Ms. Friedman's cohorts? Not that it helped them.

Now to the lies repeated in the letter once again. Although at many occasions they were branded as such, pointed out to the originators to their face, and not denied by them.

Vice President Fogelman did not say "Nobody asked questions before". The fact is that questions are being asked all the time - and are always answered.

Vice President Salvo did not explain the reason for the Bi-Lateral Agreement by saying that this would make it unnecessary for 309 Presidents to agree on expenses. Ms. Friedman would do well to read UCO's Bylaws which clearly describe how and by whom expenses are decided. We act in accordance with these regulations and nothing in the Bi-Lateral Agreement obviates adherence to the rules contained therein.

To repeat, the silly argument that we duped people into signing the agreement is ludicrous and another lie. I dealt with this issue in my President's Message of last month. I see no reason to change one word of what I stated then.

Ms. Friedman enumerates Mr. Hershman's contributions to UCO. Nobody ever denied that some of his input was good, was accepted by UCO and implemented. It is the more astounding that from a stance of cooperation he became what he became...

Ms. Friedman should ask her friend once more whether he told her the whole story about "the threat to break his finger," or whether he left out some pertinent details which would result in quite a different description of the incident.

The tape: Why does Ms. Friedman not get the story straight? Mr. Augenblick promised me a tape covering the meeting in Dover. That tape was never offered to Ms. Nissensohn nor, indeed, to anyone else, until the Delegate Assembly meeting in February when he came to me shortly before the start of the meeting and offered me a tape -- 15 days after the Dover meeting. I, of course, refused to accept it, seeing it as nothing but a ruse. The description of that incident in Ms. Friedman's letter is

another lie. She conveniently mingles it with "The Case of the Undelivered Letter." If you recall, Mel Hershman read his calumnious letter to the residents at that Dover meeting and stated that he would give Ms. Nissensohn a copy of the letter to take to me. She stated that she was not his delivery person and that he could deliver it himself which you well know he never did.

Let me respond to the part of Ms. Friedman's letter in which she attacks me personally.

I do not need her, and certainly none of her cohorts, to teach me democratic principles, nor do I need them when it comes to Robert's Rules of Order. Since I became President, I opened up the Delegate Assembly meetings to everybody who wished to speak, broadened the base of participation from 102 to 309 delegates and even under the onslaught of that minuscule bunch of dissidents managed to keep a modicum of decorum in the Auditorium.

As to accountability: Really, Ms. Friedman! Did you ever read our Bylaws? (A copy is available to every resident in the UCO office.) The answer to your rhetorical question is in there -- loud and clear.

My "powers" are derived from the authority vested in me by the Executive Board and primarily by the Delegate Assembly. The trouble with that bunch of dissidents for which Ms. Friedman seems to have become the spokesperson is that they think that 35 Officers and Board Members and 80% of the Delegates are dummies who kowtow to me while this bunch consider themselves God's gift to mankind.

I have never, ever taken credit for the improvements which occurred in the Village since I assumed the Presidency. I always maintained that these are the result of team work and the efforts of countless volunteers. To describe it otherwise is another lie.

Ms. Friedman would have done well to try and ascertain facts rather than to rely on second-hand distorted and self-serving representations which have no resemblance to the truth.

The whole episode of organized insurrection was certainly counterproductive. For example, Mel Hershman received 115 votes last year. This election, 66. Lou Augenblick gathered 90 votes

in 1999. This time around he managed to receive 54 votes. Commentary not needed.

I just wonder how much damage was caused to our Village by their bringing the Palm Beach Post into our internal affairs. We are trying to raise the value of our units and now this. This does not exactly invite people to come and live in Century Village.

Kurt Weiss
(N.B. My rank in the I.D.F. was acting Lt. Colonel during war time and Major thereafter, and not as stated in the Palm Beach Post.)

What's it all about?

If you, like I, are confused, annoyed and generally upset about the vitriolic controversy that has roiled the pages of the last UCO Reporter, you might be interested in the clarifications I obtained by questioning some of the parties to the dispute. Despite the finger pointing and heated accusations bandied about in the press, and on the floor of the UCO meetings, it boils down to one question: Do you or don't you want UCO to be the voice of a unified community? Or would you prefer to continue to have Century Village governed by the officers and directors of separate condos who follow separate rules and regulations?

Our country resolved this question when it fought the civil war and decided that a house divided could not stand. That each of the 48 states must defer to the government of the United States when their views are in conflict.

Unfortunately, the dissident group is right when they claim that many condos are approving a plan without reading or understanding it. And the UCO Board and officers are also right when they claim that we will gain from the approval of a unified community. That does not negate the argument that some of the processes used to gain such approval are questionable or that legitimate questions raised, should be answered.

Yes, I believe most Villagers would agree that UCO does a valuable and commendable job in our community. Yes, we would also agree that debate and compromise are a more democratic route to a solution of disagreements than a dictatorial overriding

of objections within the parameters of a UCO-sponsored facility. As I understand the argument, some delegates prefer the continuance of the separate but equal philosophy that now encourages each condo to follow its own rules and regulations. What (in my judgment) they fail to realize, is that many of our condo units are run by incompetents, unqualified officers and directors who are in office mostly because capable unit owners refuse to accept management roles, leaving the posts to some unqualified managers who unilaterally misinterpret condo rules or (worse) set their own rules and enforce them. With no alternative other than an expensive lawsuit, they usually get away with their dictatorial actions.

At least, in UCO we do have capable and intelligent management. Of course, differences of opinions exist, but the route to resolution is in a single representative body open to debate and subject to democratic voting. If a dissident group can focus on the specifics and convince most of us that they are right, we can obtain the changes they desire through democratic means. (In discussion of these comments with Mel Hershman, a leading critic of the UCO proposed Bi-lateral Agreement, he pointed out that it was not the agreement he opposed as much as the fact that the agreement places UCO outside the Florida State Regulations which regulate the actions of condo managers.)

The operative words are "most of us". If most of us do not respond to their arguments, it would be best for the community that they accept the decision of the community and continue to press for changes in future meetings and elections... without resorting to defamation and public denouncements of personalities.

Stick to issues and present them so our larger community can understand them. Incidentally, this debate reinforces the need for an independent ombudsman as a UCO accessory. Not a UCO officer, but a retired judge or similar independent, who could serve to review disputes and make

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Classes in CV

by Judy Roy

The time has come for many of our residents to head back to their families and friends elsewhere. We want to wish them all a safe and very healthy summer. We know that they will be back before we know it.

For those of our residents who are remaining here with us throughout the summer months, please check the bulletin board across the hall from the Staff Office for classes that continue to meet.

Some of the classes that plan on meeting for a few months include Friedland Line and Folk Dance, Ceramics, Dancercise, Tai Chi, Round Dance, Canasta, Ballroom Dance (Tango) and Wire Wrap. Many of these classes will be meeting on a pay-as-you-go basis until many of our instructors also leave us for a few months. See Judy in the Class Office if you have any questions.

Watch next month for a listing of the winners at the Annual Arts and Crafts Show that was held Friday, March 17.

The girls in the offices would like to thank everyone for being so loving and kind about the loss of our dear friend, Kathy.

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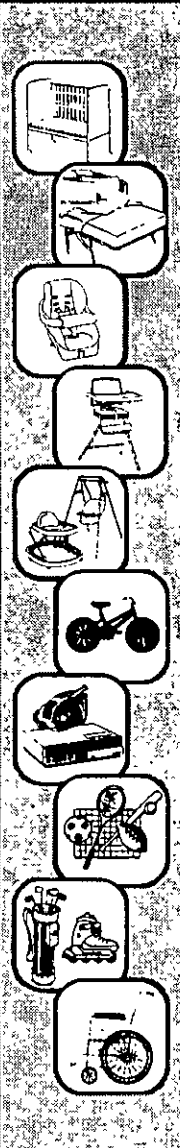


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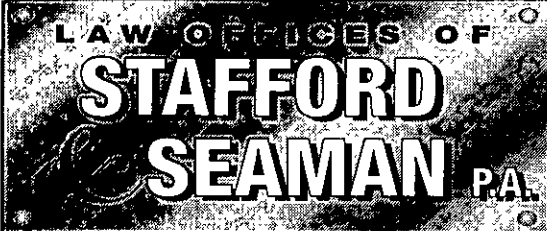
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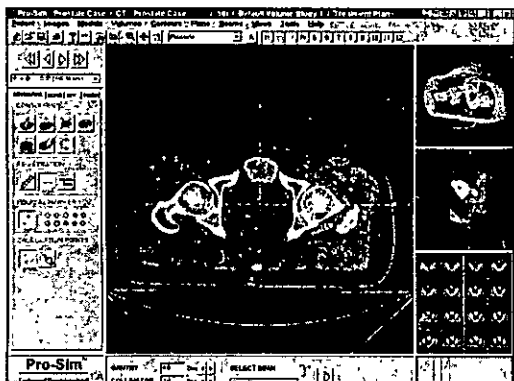
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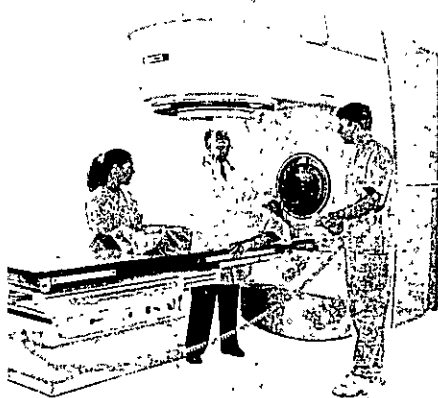
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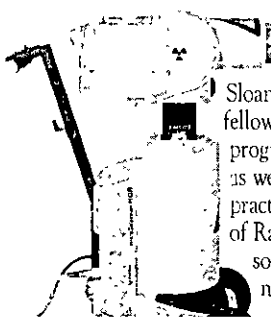
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Organization News

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Amateur Radio Club/CV: Re-org. Ham Radio Club for all Hams and wanna-be's. For info: Shelly Blaustein 684-9987, Marv Kaskawits 683-2930

Amit Rishona Chapter: meets 2nd Tues. of mo., First Union Bank, 12 noon; Apr. 11, collation Call. Sylvia 478-2021, Dottie 686-9015.

B'nai B'rith Century Unit #5367: Gen'l membership breakfast mtgs, 4th Sun. ea mo., Cong. Anshei Sholom, 9:30 a.m.; Board Mtgs. every 2nd Tues. of mo., 3pm, CH, Rm. B; Reg Mtgs, 4th Sun of mo.

Brandeis University Nat'l. Women's Comm./WP Chptr: Village Chptr. meets every Mon., 12:30pm, Anshei Sholom, program varies weekly, re current events, art history, "potpourri" planned; new members invited, no college backgrd req.; Elliot Schwartz, educator/community leader, "Views & Reviews" series incl book discussions; Mar. 20, "American Painting & Sculpture," by Pearl Bregman, Mar. 27, "Music of George Gershwin," program by Dr. David Prenskey, musicologist; Apr. 3, Book review by Jerry Layton; Apr. 10, "The Vital Issues of Our Times," discussion by Ruth Tannenbaum; Apr. 17, closing mtg., Paula Semprini, singer; preview of next season. Call: Pearl, 471-9379.

Bronx Social Club: Mtg 3rd Tues. of mo., 12:30 p.m., First Union Bank, Stage Door Thea, Apr. 1, "La Cage Aux Folles," lunch at Doc's; May 14, Mother's Day, "Hello Muddah, Hello Faddah," Broward Stage Door Thea., lunch/Doc's; June 3, "Bells Are Ringing," Royal Palm Dinner Thea.; Sept. 9, "Of Thee I Sing," Royal Palm Dinner Thea; Nov. 23, Thanksgiving Day, "Anything Goes," Royal Palm Dinner Thea. Transp., meals, tax, grats. incl. in all, shows subj to change. Call Lil 686-0585, Ruth 689-2164.

Brooklyn, U.S.A.: meets 2nd Wed. of mo., 3pm, Party Room, CH, new members & spouses welcome to join for mtgs., trips, dinners. Mar. 22 Casino lunch cruise, transp prov.; Apr. 6, "Best Little Whorehouse in Texas," Royal Palm Dinner Thea., show, lunch, transp. prov. Call: Rose, 683-1564.

Century Village Fishing and Social Club: meets 3rd Thurs monthly, First Union 9.15-11:00 a.m., singles and couples welcome. For info. Gladys 686-6212, Harry 683-1918.

Christian Club: Mtgs every 4th Wed. of mo., First Union

Bank, 1pm Last mtg., May 24. Bowling every Mon, 9:30am, mtg. 8:30am, at Verdi's now accepting new members; Tues., Mar. 28, St. Patrick's Day lunch, Bountiful Buffet, 2.00-4:00, for members only; Sun., May 14, "On Golden Pond," Riverside Thea./Vero Bch, dinner after show at O'Brian's; depart 10am, Washington Mutual Bank, ret 8:30pm For info Marge, 686-8565

Computer Club: meets 1st & 3rd Thurs of ea. mo., 3 p.m., 2nd Fl, Main CH, Party Rm. All computer enthusiasts welcome Special Interest Group mtgs in member's homes. For info John Ford, Pres., 687-0556; Harry Gevercer, 688-9563; Ken Davis, 712-9973, Roberta Boehm, 712-0259.

Cong. Aitz Chaim: Adult Ed Lectures until Mar. 15; Annual Purim Seudah spon. by Sisterhood, Tues., Mar.

21. 1pm, door prizes, spec. entertain. by Pninah, comedienne, donation: \$25 Reservs.: Sarah 686-2564, Florence 683-5898.

Cong. Anshei Sholom: Services, 8pm: Mar. 24, speaker: Troim Handler; Apr. 7, speaker: Rep., Family

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By Phil Dreiss

Marvin Meyer, Chairman of the UCO Insurance Committee, has asked me several times to document my efforts in regard to the recent insurance renewal process. My time, devoted to create and to propose a fair and equitable premium structure for the superior insurance package that the Committee and the Plastridge Agency put together, was minimal. But the resulting premium structure meant that for the first time in over 18 years, each Association in the Village would pay a true pro-rata portion of the overall premium, based on a uniform basis of replacement property values.

As many of you may know, I retired from MetLife about five years ago after an interesting career involving the integration of new products in both the life insurance and annuity lines of business into my company's electronic systems. This background qualified me to offer my services to Kurt Weiss and the UCO Insurance Committee in proposing a fair and equitable manner of spreading the cost of the Century Village insurance package fairly among the 309 Associations. After hours of discussion, involving the Committee and the Plastridge Agency, my proposal was adopted and for the first time in many, many years we have set up our insurance program with all Associations using the same basis for determining replacement values and each Association being charged a premium based on their pro-rata share of the entire premium for the Village.

To come up with the concept was a no-brainer for me, based on my past experience. Selling it, however, was a major problem. Many Associations had been paying too little in premium for the replacement value for which they were insured. They now faced major increases for the year 2000 to bring them into balance with those Associations which had been overcharged in the past and who would now see a decrease in their Year 2000 premium compared with their Year 1999 premium.

Having each Association use the same basis for determining replacement value was a must for my proposal to work. My proposal simply took the full premium for the Village, including finance charges, divided by the total replacement value for the entire Village -- \$909,229.45 divided by 277,111.022 -- to arrive at a factor of 0032811. This factor then represented the premium cost per dollar of replacement value. Calculating the premiums for 309 Associations was a simple task, since only one calculation was necessary to cover multiple Associations having the same replacement value. The calculations took just twenty minutes.

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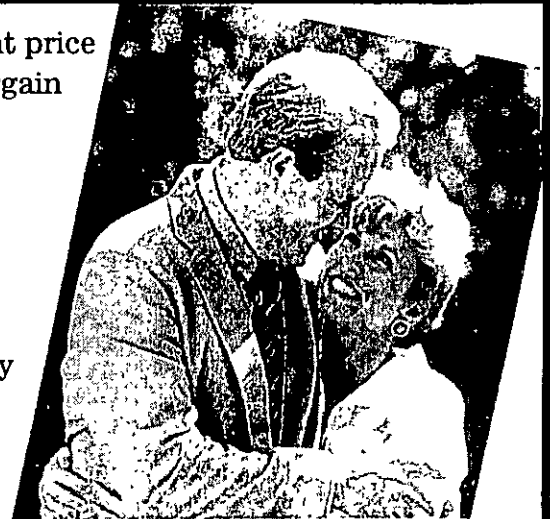
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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of
 United Civic Organization, Inc.
 West Palm Beach, Florida

We have audited the accompanying balance sheet of United Civic Organization, Inc. as of December 31, 1999, and the related statements of revenues, expenses and fund balance, and cash flows for the year the ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of United Civic Organization, Inc. as of December 31, 1999, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants has determined the supplementary information about future major repairs and replacements of common property is required to supplement, but not required to be a part of, the basic financial statements. The United Civic Organization, Inc. has not presented this supplementary information for these financial statements.

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 Certified Public Accountants

January 26, 2000

**United Civic Organization, Inc.
 Balance Sheet
 December 31, 1999**

	Operating Fund	Reporter Fund	Transportation Fund	Security Fund	Restricted Funds	Total
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 76,562	\$ 29,111	\$ 88,190	\$ 169,567	\$ 200,434	\$ 563,864
Investments, net of unamortized discount	148,758	74,754	296,508	485,099	74,754	1,079,873
Due from WPRF	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	16,319	16,319
Prepaid insurance	-0-	1,388	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,388
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	437	1,539	-0-	21,276	-0-	23,252
Utility deposits	60	215	-0-	4,465	-0-	4,740
Due to other funds	-0-	(4,716)	(11,164)	(28,591)	(4,693)	(49,164)
Due from other funds	17,894	17,818	13,452	-0-	-0-	49,164
Total assets	\$ 243,711	\$ 120,109	\$ 386,986	\$ 651,816	\$ 286,814	\$ 1,689,436
Liabilities						
Accounts payable	\$ 2,310	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 41,702	\$ 2,205	\$ 46,217
Income taxes payable	-0-	8,543	-0-	-0-	-0-	8,543
Total liabilities	2,310	8,543	-0-	41,702	2,205	54,760
Fund balance						
Appropriated	166,832	-0-	294,966	230,568	284,609	976,975
Unappropriated	74,569	111,566	92,020	379,546	-0-	657,701
Total fund balance	241,401	111,566	386,986	610,114	284,609	1,634,676
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 243,711	\$ 120,109	\$ 386,986	\$ 651,816	\$ 286,814	\$ 1,689,436

**United Civic Organization, Inc.
 Statement of Cash Flows
 For the year ended December 31, 1999**

	Operating Fund	Reporter Fund	Total
Operating Activities			
Dues/assessments collected from members	\$ 31,416	\$ -0-	\$ 31,416
Cash collected from reporter ads	-0-	55,764	55,764
Interest and dividends collected	10,121	814	10,935
Other income collected	101,043	-0-	101,043
Cash collected from settlement	-0-	-0-	-0-
Cash paid to suppliers of goods and services	(132,642)	(34,406)	(167,048)
Income taxes paid	(12,500)	(1,800)	(14,300)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	(2,562)	20,372	17,810
Investing Activities			
Redemption of certificates of deposits	207,494	-0-	207,494
Redemption of U.S. Treasury Bills	-0-	-0-	-0-
Purchase of certificates of deposits	(194,000)	-0-	(194,000)
Purchase of U S Treasury Bills	(148,130)	(74,600)	(222,730)
Purchase of property and equipment	-0-	-0-	-0-
Net cash used by investing activities	(134,636)	(74,600)	(209,236)
Financing Activities			
Interfund borrowings	(22,665)	71,982	49,317
Net cash provided (used) by financing activities	(22,665)	71,982	49,317
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(159,863)	17,754	(142,109)
Cash and cash equivalents, January 1, 1999	236,425	11,357	247,782
Cash and cash equivalents, December 31, 1999	\$ 76,562	\$ 29,111	\$ 105,673

**United Civic Organization, Inc.
 Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Fund Balance
 For the year ended December 31, 1999**

	Operating Fund
Revenues	
Member dues/assessments	\$ 31,416
Paving assessments	-0-
Interest and dividends	10,749
Investigation	96,431
Advertising	-0-
Guests, lost passes, renters	-0-
Other income	4,612
Gate passes	-0-
Bar codes	-0-
Total revenues	143,208
Expenses	
Administrative	4,729
Bank charges	573
Beautification	17,303
Legal fees	36,356
Depreciation	2,019
Printing, postage, office	6,496
Repairs	5,858
Utilities and telephone	5,962
Transportation	-0-
Paving	-0-
Ambulance contract	-0-
Security contract	-0-
Cable contract	-0-
Security related expense	-0-
Gatehouse replacement	-0-
Accounting	10,782
Pump maintenance	-0-
Professional fees	4,175
Miscellaneous	5,495
Negotiation	-0-
Income taxes	2,634
Investigations	43,635
Insurance	1,118
Total expenses	147,135
Excess revenues over (under) expenses	(3,927)
Fund balance, January 1, 1999	245,328
Fund balance,	241,401

Reconciliation of excess revenues over (under) expenses to net cash provided (used) by operating activities

ation	Security Fund	Restricted Funds	Total
1,225	\$ 620,879	\$ 1,443,323	\$ 3,432,843
-0-	-0-	-0-	55,764
1,172	35,678	19,075	87,860
1,950	30,892	-0-	134,885
1,829	-0-	-0-	8,829
1,167	(640,928)	(1,461,928)	(4,012,071)
-0-	-0-	-0-	(14,300)
1,991	46,521	470	(306,190)
1,813	1,067,000	-0-	1,569,307
-0-	97,000	-0-	97,000
1,000	(582,000)	-0-	(970,000)
1,200	(580,572)	(74,600)	(1,074,102)
-0-	(26,595)	-0-	(26,595)
1,387	(25,167)	(74,600)	(404,390)
1,828	(7,192)	(9,297)	-0-
1,828	(7,192)	(9,297)	-0-
1,206	14,162	(83,427)	(710,580)
7,396	155,405	283,861	1,274,444
8,190	\$ 169,567	\$ 200,434	\$ 563,864

	Operating Fund	Reporter Fund	Transportation Fund	Security Fund	Restricted Funds	Total
Excess revenues over (under) expenses	\$ (3,927)	\$ 8,599	\$ 35,091	\$ 40,591	\$ 128,324	\$ 208,678
Adjustments to reconcile excess revenues over (under) expenses to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:						
Depreciation	2,019	1,027	-0-	5,319	-0-	8,365
Amortized discount on U S Treasury Bills	(628)	(154)	(308)	(1,527)	(154)	(2,771)
(Increase) decrease in:						
Settlement receivable	-0-	-0-	8,829	-0-	-0-	8,829
Due from WPRF	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	(16,319)	(16,319)
Prepaid income taxes	-0-	2,357	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,357
Increase (decrease) in:						
Accounts payable	(26)	-0-	(232,403)	2,138	(7,381)	(237,672)
Deferred revenue	-0-	-0-	(182,200)	-0-	(104,000)	(286,200)
Income taxes payable	-0-	8,543	-0-	-0-	-0-	8,543
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ (2,562)	\$ 20,372	\$ (370,991)	\$ 46,521	\$ 470	\$ (306,190)

United Civic Organization, Inc.
Notes to Financial Statements
As of and for the year ended December 31, 1999

Nature of Operations

United Civic Organization, Inc. (Organization) was incorporated May 19, 1982, as a not-for-profit corporation under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, to manage, maintain, and operate the common areas within the community known as Century Village. The membership consists of the 309 Condominium Associations within the community (which is comprised of 7,854 unit owners), and is located in West Palm Beach, Florida.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

This summary of significant accounting policies of the Organization is presented to assist in understanding of the financial statements. The financial statements and notes are representations of the management, who is responsible for their integrity and objectivity. These accounting policies conform to generally accepted accounting principles and have been applied on a consistent basis.

Method of Accounting

The Organization prepares its financial statements on the accrual basis of accounting and presents them as separate funds based on its different funding policies for that fund's operations.

The Operating Fund reflects the operating assessments paid by the Organization's membership to meet the costs of beautification and other regular costs of operations. Expenses of this fund are limited to those connected with the day-to-day operations not reported by another fund.

The Reporter Fund reflects the operations of the community's internal newspaper production. Revenues of this fund are derived from non-member purchases of advertising space and the expenses of this fund are limited to those directly related to the production of the newspaper.

The Transportation Fund reflects the operating assessments paid by the Organization's membership to meet the costs of transportation provided to the members and the maintenance of the perimeter roads within the community. Expenses of this fund mainly consist of those connected with the contract with the busing company, and those directly related to the maintenance of the roads and walkways.

The Security Fund reflects the operating assessments paid by the Organization's membership to meet the costs of security within the community. Expenses of this fund mainly consist of those connected with the securing of the community, and those directly related to the maintenance of the guardhouses and perimeter fences.

The Restricted Funds are comprised of the Ambulance Fund, the Cable Fund, the Pumps Fund, and the Negotiation Fund. These funds reflect the operating assessments paid by the Organization's membership to meet the costs of the objective for each fund. Expenses of these funds are restricted to those items for which assessments were levied.

Property and Equipment

Real property and other related common areas (roads, bridges, guardhouses, etc.) acquired from the developer and related improvements to such property are not recorded in the Organization's financial statements because those properties are owned by the members in common and not by the Organization. The Organization's members must approve dispositions of any common real

Reporter Fund	Transportation Fund	Security Fund	Restricted Funds	Total
-0-	\$ 1,130,976	\$ 620,879	\$ 1,547,323	\$ 3,330,594
-0-	388,449	-0-	-0-	388,449
968	22,480	37,205	19,229	90,631
-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	96,431
55,764	-0-	-0-	-0-	55,764
-0-	2,950	-0-	-0-	2,950
-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,612
-0-	-0-	24,932	-0-	24,932
-0-	-0-	5,960	-0-	5,960
56,732	1,544,855	688,976	1,566,552	4,000,323
4,729	4,729	4,729	-0-	18,916
170	316	302	580	1,941
-0-	2,618	26,935	-0-	46,856
-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	36,356
1,027	-0-	5,319	-0-	8,365
23,630	-0-	1,687	-0-	31,813
-0-	-0-	17,872	-0-	23,730
1,910	-0-	56,949	-0-	64,821
-0-	818,563	-0-	-0-	818,563
-0-	661,784	-0-	-0-	661,784
-0-	-0-	-0-	91,836	91,836
-0-	-0-	460,186	-0-	460,186
-0-	-0-	-0-	1,137,338	1,137,338
-0-	-0-	30,461	-0-	30,461
-0-	-0-	20,702	-0-	20,702
8,647	8,647	8,647	-0-	36,723
-0-	-0-	-0-	22,894	22,894
4,175	4,175	4,175	-0-	16,700
-0-	2,013	-0-	-0-	7,508
-0-	-0-	-0-	180,887	180,887
2,727	5,801	9,303	4,693	25,158
-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	43,635
1,118	1,118	1,118	-0-	4,472
48,133	1,509,764	648,385	1,438,228	3,791,645
8,599	35,091	40,591	128,324	208,678
02,967	351,895	569,523	156,285	1,425,998

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED):

Expenses incurred for improvements of the common elements of the property are included in fund expenses in the year of expense. Other personal property and equipment acquired by the Organization are capitalized at cost and depreciated over their estimated useful lives by using an accelerated method of depreciation.

Income Taxes

The Organization was taxed as a regular corporation for the year ended December 31, 1999. As a regular corporation, the Organization is taxed only on its non-membership income, such as interest earnings and net profit from the Reporter Fund's activity, at regular federal and state tax rates.

Member Assessments

The Organization's member associations are subject to annual assessments for the Operating and Pump Funds; and are subject to quarterly assessments for the Transportation, Security and Negotiation Funds. Assessments for Ambulance and Cable are voluntary. Members who receive these services are assessed annually for Ambulance and quarterly for Cable. Assessments receivable at the balance sheet date represent fees due from the members. Prepaid assessments represent fees paid by the members in anticipation of the due date. These assessments will be recognized as revenue in the following year. Any excess assessments at year-end are retained by the Organization for use in future years.

Each of the 309 member Associations are required to collect and remit the above assessments for their Association.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Organization considers all liquid debt instruments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Marketable Securities

The Organization's investments in debt securities, which typically mature in one year or less, are held to maturity and valued at cost, which approximates fair market value.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

2. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT:

Property and equipment as of December 31, 1999 consisted of the following:

	Operating Fund	Reporter Fund	Security Fund	Total
Furniture and equipment	\$ 5,399	\$ 4,254	\$ -0-	\$ 9,653
Computers	2,529	6,003	26,596	35,128
	7,928	10,257	26,596	44,781
Less accumulated depreciation	(7,491)	(8,718)	(5,320)	(21,529)
	\$ 437	\$ 1,539	\$ 21,276	\$ 23,252

3. INCOME TAXES:

Under Section 277 of the Internal Revenue Code, a membership, not-for-profit organization can file a regular corporate tax return at normal federal and state rates. Taxable income under this filing consists of only non-member income less corresponding expenses. For the year ended December 31, 1999, the Organization's non-member income consisted of interest and dividend income of \$90,631 and net taxable income in the Reporter Fund of \$9,724. This resulted in federal and state tax provisions of \$20,012 and \$5,146, respectively.

4. APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:

Operating Fund: The Board of Directors allocates a portion of surpluses to be used for unanticipated and unbudgeted legal costs as an appropriated fund balance

The net surplus for the investigation activity for the year ended December 31, 1999 of \$16,440 has been designated for this purpose, and, accordingly, has been reported as an increase to the appropriated fund balance

Transportation Fund In prior years, the Board of Directors appropriated a portion of surpluses to be used in future years for road paving, bridge replacement and restoration, and walkway repairs and replacements. The present Board of Directors has plans to use these appropriated funds within the next three years

American Presidents

Listed below are clues to the last names of American presidents. Some answers have phonetic or trick spellings. Can you name the presidents? For example No 15 is Cleveland

1. A Model T _____
2. A Push or a Jab _____
3. A brand of Vacuum Cleaners _____
4. A Chilly Rim _____
5. Belonging to the First Man _____
6. A Person Who Drives a Truck _____
7. An Angry Male Child _____
8. To Allow or Formerly Give Something _____
9. Two Thousand Pound Laundry _____
10. To Puncture or Perforate _____
11. An Expensive Brand of Car _____
12. A Loyal Male Adult _____
13. A Person Who Makes Floor, Wall, or Roof Coverings _____
14. A Cartoon Cat _____
15. To Split Open the Earth _____
16. Becoming Firm _____
17. A Slight Mist _____
18. Name On a Silver Dollar _____
19. Pour in an Additional Amount _____
20. A Large Plant _____
21. A Person who Alters Clothing _____

Answers: 1 Ford, 2 Polk, 3 Hoover, 4 Coolidge, 5. Adams, 6 Carter, 7 Madison, 8. Grant, 9 Washington, 10. Pierce, 11 Lincoln, 12. Truman, 13 Tyler, 14 Garfield, 15. Cleveland, 16. Harding, 17 Hayes, 18. Kennedy, 19 Fillmore, 20 Bush, 21 Taylor

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Notes to Financial Statements

As of and for the year ended December 31, 1999

4. APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE: (CONTINUED):

Security Fund: In prior years, the Board of Directors appropriated a portion of surpluses to be used for the restoration of the guardhouses within the community. During 1999 the Organization began this restoration project and used \$20,702 of these appropriated funds, and anticipates using the remaining appropriated funds during 2000

Restricted Funds: In prior years, the Board of Directors deemed the ambulance, cable, pumps and negotiation funds as restricted funds as the expenses of these funds are restricted to those items for which assessments were levied. Accordingly, accumulated surpluses of these funds have been designated as appropriated fund balances

5. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES:

The Board of Directors determined that various administrative expenses are to be shared equally by the Operating, Reporter, Transportation, and Security funds, and reflected this decision in the 1999 budget. The expenses are paid by the Reporter fund, and then allocated to the respective funds by recording an amount due to/from other funds

6. CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK:

The Organization maintains a portion of its cash balances at a bank in Palm Beach County. Accounts at the bank are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Company up to \$100,000. Funds on deposit at the bank on December 31, 1999 in excess of insured amounts approximate \$8,400.

The remaining portion of the Organization's cash balances are held in an investment firm located in Palm Beach County. These funds are insured by the Securities Investor Protection Corporation up to \$75,000,000 per account. The Organization had no uninsured balances in these accounts at December 31, 1999.

7. COMMITMENTS:

In December 1998, the Organization entered into a 7-year contract for transportation services effective January 1, 1999. The contract is subject to fuel and insurance costs adjustments and requires annual payments as follows:

2000	\$ 786,000
2001	829,227
2002	858,252
2003	892,572
2004	928,284
2005	<u>965,412</u>
	\$ 5,259,747

In April 1999, the Organization accepted a renewal agreement for bulk cable services that would extend the existing contract for an additional five years. The agreement is subject to annual increases not to exceed the Consumer Price Index or 5% (whichever is less). The agreement became effective May 1, 1999. Anticipated bulk cable costs for the year ended December 31, 2000 approximate \$1,101,000, and have been budgeted for accordingly.

8. NEGOTIATION FUND:

During 1998, the Board of Directors established a temporary "negotiation fund", which has been presented as a part of restricted funds, to cover the anticipated costs associated with the negotiation of the renewal of the existing recreation lease with the developer of Century Village on behalf of the 309 member condominium associations within the community which was to expire on December 31, 1999. The 1998 and 1999 budgets of the Organization assessed the member condominium associations \$2 per unit, per month for the two years ending December 31, 1999 and 1998.

All costs associated with the negotiation of this contract were paid from these assessments. The Organization completed this negotiation process in November 1999, and reached an agreement that became effective January 1, 2000. On January 5, 2000, an internal accounting of this fund was performed and refund checks totalling \$120,866 were written to the 309 member condominium associations

The agreement, which is known as the Millennium UCO Amendment, outlines the rental payments from the 309 member condominium associations to the lessor, WPRF, for the use of the recreation facilities within the community for the period January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2021. The Organization does not bear any responsibility for the collection of these rents from the member condominium associations or payment of these rents to the lessor of the recreation facilities. However, the agreement does outline the Organization's responsibility to maintain, repair, and renovate the South Canal within five years of the date of the agreement. The Organization has engaged outside engineers to estimate the cost of this responsibility and does not anticipate work to begin prior to December 31, 2000.

In addition, the terms of the amendment called for a copy of the agreement to be sent to each unit owner and for the lessor, WPRF, to bear 100% of the cost. The Organization paid \$16,319 for these expenses and has recorded a receivable from WPRF at December 31, 1999 accordingly

9. YEAR 2000:

The Organization has conducted a review of its computer systems to identify those areas that could be affected by the "Year 2000" issue has completed its implementation. The Organization presently believes the Year 2000 issue will not pose significant operational problems and is not anticipated to be material to its financial position or results of operations in 2000.

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Somerset
Wellington
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Northampton

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DAVE BERNSTEIN

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Southeast Quadrant

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Easthampton
Hastings
Norwich
Plymouth
Salisbury
Waltham

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Bedford
Dover
Golf's Edge
Greenbrier
Kingswood
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Census 2000 Announcement

The United States Census Bureau has a booth in the main Century Village Clubhouse on the 2nd floor. Every Monday and Thursday morning from 9:30 to 12:30 p.m. (until April 14th), they are willing to assist those who have difficulties or questions with the Census 2000 forms

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

To the Board of Directors of
United Civic Organization, Inc.
West Palm Beach, Florida

Our report on our audit of the basic financial statements of United Civic Organization, Inc. appears on page one. That audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

The Schedules of Operating Fund Revenues and Expenses - Budget (Unaudited) and Actual, Reporter Fund Revenues and Expenses - Budget (Unaudited) and Actual, Transportation Fund Revenues and Expenses - Budget (Unaudited) and Actual, Security Fund Revenues and Expenses - Budget (Unaudited) and Actual and Restricted Fund Revenues and Expenses - Budget (Unaudited) and Actual on pages 12 - 16 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information, except for the portion marked "unaudited," on which we express no opinion, has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and, in our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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Certified Public Accountants

January 26, 2000

United Civic Organization, Inc.

Schedule of Reporter Fund Revenues and Expenses - Budget (Unaudited) and Actual

For the year ended December 31, 1999

	Reporter Fund Budget (Unaudited)	Reporter Fund Total Actual
Revenues		
Interest and dividends	\$ 1,000	\$ 968
Advertising	60,000	55,764
Total revenues	\$ 61,000	\$ 56,732
Expenses		
Administrative	\$ 6,356	\$ 4,729
Bank charges	-0-	170
Depreciation	-0-	1,027
Printing, postage, office	22,518	23,630
Repairs	750	-0-
Utilities and telephone	713	1,910
Accounting	7,500	8,647
Professional fees	3,500	4,175
Income taxes	4,000	2,727
Insurance	1,500	1,118
Total expenses	\$ 46,837	\$ 48,133

United Civic Organization, Inc.

Schedule of Transportation Fund Revenues and Expenses - Budget (Unaudited) and Actual

For the year ended December 31, 1999

	Transportation Fund Budget (Unaudited)	Transportation Fund Total Actual
Revenues		
Member dues/assessments	\$ 1,130,976	\$ 1,130,976
Paving assessments	424,300	388,449 *
Interest and dividends	4,500	22,480
Guests, lost passes, renters	3,500	2,950
Total revenues	\$ 1,563,276	\$ 1,544,855
Expenses		
Administrative	\$ 6,356	\$ 4,729
Bank charges	-0-	316
Beautification	15,000	2,618
Transportation	815,278	818,563
Paving	848,600	661,784
Repairs	750	-0-
Utilities and telephone	713	-0-
Accounting	7,500	8,647
Professional fees	3,500	4,175
Miscellaneous	1,000	2,013
Income taxes	4,000	5,801
Insurance	1,500	1,118
Total expenses	\$ 1,704,197	\$ 1,509,764

*Includes \$182,000 of assessments that was deferred from 1998

United Civic Organization, Inc.

Schedule of Operating Fund Revenues and Expenses - Budget (Unaudited) and Actual

For the year ended December 31, 1999

	Operating Fund Budget (Unaudited)	Operating Fund Total Actual
Revenues		
Member dues/assessments	\$ 31,416	\$ 31,416
Interest and dividends	10,000	10,749
Investigation	80,000	96,431
Other income	-0-	4,612
Total revenues	\$ 121,416	\$ 143,208
Expenses		
Administrative	\$ 6,356	\$ 4,729
Bank charges	-0-	573
Beautification	15,708	17,303
Legal fees	45,000	36,356
Depreciation	-0-	2,019
Printing, postage, office	7,000	6,496
Repairs	750	5,858
Utilities and telephone	2,713	5,962
Accounting	7,500	10,782
Professional fees	3,500	4,175
Miscellaneous	-0-	5,495
Income taxes	4,000	2,634
Investigations	35,000	43,635
Insurance	1,500	1,118
Total expenses	\$ 129,027	\$ 147,135

United Civic Organization, Inc.

Schedule of Security Fund Revenues and Expenses - Budget (Unaudited) and Actual

For the year ended December 31, 1999

	Security Fund Budget (Unaudited)	Security Fund Total Actual
Revenues		
Member dues/assessments	\$ 618,972	\$ 620,879
Interest and dividends	10,000	37,205
Gate passes	36,000	24,932
Bar codes	3,600	5,960
Total revenues	\$ 668,572	\$ 688,976
Expenses		
Administrative	\$ 6,356	\$ 4,729
Bank charges	-0-	302
Beautification	15,000	26,935
Depreciation	-0-	5,319
Printing, postage, office	-0-	1,687
Repairs	27,450	17,872
Utilities and telephone	11,213	56,949
Security contract	440,000	460,186
Security related expense	50,500	30,461
Gatehouse replacement	90,000	20,702
Accounting	7,500	8,647
Professional fees	3,500	4,175
Income taxes	4,000	9,303
Insurance	1,500	1,118
Total expenses	\$ 657,019	\$ 648,385

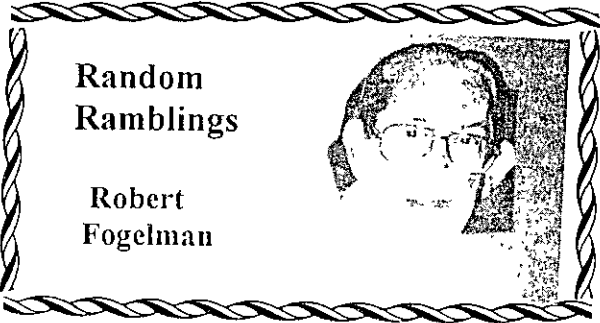
United Civic Organization, Inc.

Schedule of Restricted Fund Revenues and Expenses - Budget (Unaudited) and Actual

For the year ended December 31, 1999

	Restricted Fund Budget (Unaudited)	Restricted Fund Total Actual
Revenues		
Member dues/assessments	\$ 1,516,189	\$ 1,547,323 *
Interest and dividends	-0-	19,229
Total revenues	\$ 1,516,189	\$ 1,566,552
Expenses		
Bank charges	\$ -0-	\$ 580
Ambulance contract	94,248	91,836
Cable contract	1,209,883	1,137,338
Pump maintenance	23,562	22,894
Negotiation	188,496	180,887
Income taxes	-0-	4,693
Total expenses	\$ 1,516,189	\$ 1,438,228

*Includes \$293,480 of negotiation income, which includes \$104,000 that was deferred from 1998. See Note 8



Random Ramblings

Robert Fogelman



I am perturbed, annoyed and bordering on the angry for all the following things that bother me

- You pay your money and you have the right to like or dislike the show But you do not have the privilege of disturbing your neighbors by walking out during the show or even the right to show disrespect for the entertainer On top of that you even carry on a conversation while you are walking out which projects back into the audience

- Your a 'pushy' driver and you let no one get out of the parking lot ahead of you or you do not permit one-into-one as the two lanes merge at the club circle

- You don't signal at all when making turns or do it at the turn instead of 50 feet prior to the turn

- You do not come to a full stop at the stop signs.

- You cross the line to get ahead of a slow driver or ahead of a stopped bus

- You go around the speed bumps which are there to slow you down.

- You come into the Wellington, Greenbrier or Chatham circle against traffic.

- You forget to call in a visitor and then give the security guards a hard time.

- No one in your condominium checks out the catwalk lighting at night for bad bulbs

- No one checks out the emergency exit lights for a possible bad battery

- Your condo does not have direct flood lights on your stairways

- Your condominium has your catwalk lights turned off at 12 00 -2 00 a m

- Your condominium association is not incorporated

- Your condominium association has not had new documents since 1969-70 and is still using the out-moded and out-dated documents which were supplied by the developer of Century Village. The Bureau of Condominiums has promulgated many new rules and regulations during the past 30 years which

should appear in your Declaration of Condominium

- Your officers and board of directors think only they know how to run the condo association because that's the way it was done 15-20 years ago

- You do not have regular Board of Directors meeting nor monthly, quarterly or even semi annual general meetings

- Your association does not have an annual luncheon.

- You did not give an emergency key for your unit to the condo President nor emergency names and telephone numbers

- Because you may be hard of hearing you are playing your radio or television too loudly, especially at night

- You do not attend condo meetings or even Board of Directors meetings

- You do not attend the UCO delegates meeting which is held at the Clubhouse on the first Friday of the month at 9 30 a m. All residents are urged to attend.

- You never call your next door neighbor to see if they are alright.

- You do not permit an exterminator to come into your unit even though we live here in a tropical climate (bugs and termites)

- You resist paying assessments by your Board of Directors which are necessary for them to perform their fiduciary duties.

- You do not become a member of the Board of Directors and take little or no interest in how your condominium is run

- You do not belong to any of the 65 clubs here in Century Village, do not play cards or mah jongg and do not take advantage of the many classes offered at the Clubhouse

- You do not go to the UCO luncheon at the Sheraton Hotel in March

- In an emergency you forget to call 911 before you call anyone else

- You do not say 'good

morning,' to your neighbors or to those you meet while walking around the Village

- People who walk or ride a bike on the perimeter road

-People who walk anywhere at night without wearing white clothing, who do not walk against traffic and who do not carry a flashlight.

- Unit owners who still do not know that here in Florida we do not put empty food cans in the blue recycling bin

- Unit owners who seem

to be against everything that is good for their condominium, such as beautification of their grounds and the mandated reserves

- Drivers who stop on the perimeter road to pick up or discharge passengers

-Drivers who never remember to turn on their lights at night

- Drivers who drive with their bright headlights in the Village

- Drivers who never check to see if their two headlights are on

- Drivers who never have their headlights adjusted so that they do not shine up into the eyes of the approaching driver.

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One way to lower your premium is to take an accredited defensive driving class. Some insurance companies offer discounts of up to ten percent to drivers who successfully complete a driver improvement course. These classes focus on the problems experienced by older drivers. Some of the classes offered include:

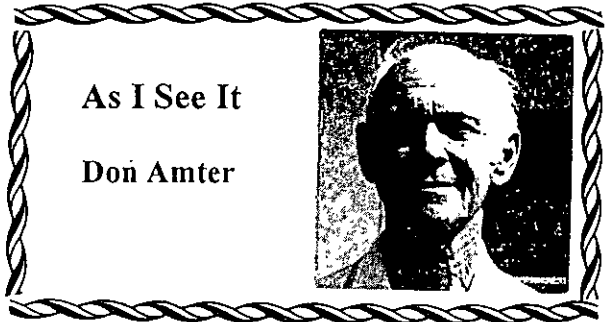
- **The American Automobile Association (AAA)** - "Safe Driving for Mature Operators." For information call your local chapter.
- **The National Safety Council** - "Coaching the Mature Driver." For information call 1-800-621-6244
- **The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)** - "55 Alive/Mature Driving." For information contact your local chapter.

The Insurance Information Institute offers these tips that can also help you save money:

- **Shop Around-** Prices for the same coverage can vary from company to company. Talk to at least three different companies before you choose your insurer.
- **Ask For Higher Deductibles-** Deductibles are the amount of money you pay before you file a claim. Raising your deductible is a surefire way to lower your premium. For example, increasing your deductible from \$200 to \$500 can reduce your cost by 15 to 30 percent.
- **Drop Collision and/or Comprehensive Coverage On Older Cars-** It may not be cost effective to have collision or comprehensive coverages on cars worth less than \$1,000 because any claim you make would not substantially exceed annual cost and deductible amounts. Auto dealers and banks can tell you the worth of your car.

Be sure to ask your insurer if they offer discounts for anti-theft devices, automatic seat belts or airbags and a clean driving record. Remember that seniors don't drive that much. Some companies offer discounts to motorists who drive less than a certain number of miles per year.

Further questions can be addressed through the National Insurance Consumer Helpline at 1-800-942-4242 or the Insurance Information Institute at 1730 Rhode Island Ave., N.W. Suite 710, Washington, DC 20036.



As I See It
Don Amter

Black History Month

Last February I happened to catch a program on TV called "The Life and Times of Muhammad Ali." I don't know whether they aired it because February is Black History Month, but for those of you who are boxing buffs, I don't have to tell you about Ali.

Cassius Clay grew up in the strictly segregated city of Louisville, Kentucky. At the age of twelve he took up boxing in a neighborhood gym. A tall skinny kid he proved to have talent. By seventeen he won a gold medal in the Olympics. But he was a skinny kid and did not create much of a stir, except for his big mouth. He hammed it up into the TV cameras and spouted poetry and boasted how good he was. "I'm young, I'm pretty, I'm fast and can't possibly be beat!"

Some fans did not like his loud brash ways. And he was beaten twice. But he filled out physically and won a string of 17 fights in a row and gained the respect of the fight fans. He finally got the chance to fight the champion, the Philadelphian Sonny Liston. He was a large scowling man. Ali was a seven-to-one underdog. Ali knocked out Liston, whom Ali dubbed the "big ugly bear." Ali became the champion but held the title the shortest time on record because he was stripped of his title by the boxing commission.

Why? Two things happened that led to this. He had met Malcolm X and became influenced to join the Black Muslims. And during the war in Vietnam, citing his religious beliefs, he refused to be inducted into the army, saying that was against his beliefs. Besides, he said "No Vietnamese ever called me nigger!" He noted that while he was in the ring the crowd cheered him on, otherwise, white people turned away from him.

He changed his name from Cassius Clay to Mohammad Ali. He was stripped of his heavyweight title and he lost



the three best years of his boxing life. However, he got the chance to fight against the new heavyweight champion, George Foreman, in the African country of Zaire. No one thought he had a chance against the much bigger and muscular Foreman, but Ali knocked him out. Then the Supreme Court ruled that the boxing commission was wrong to take his title away. Ali came back to a career that made him as he had boasted - "The Greatest." He has become known and respected worldwide.

As Ali's career was winding down, another boxer became prominent. Rubin "Hurricane" Carter. I don't know if it was timed for Black History Month but a movie about him came out in February called "Hurricane," starring Denzel Washington, who is definitely going to be nominated for an Oscar.

According to the movie Carter grew up on the mean streets of Patterson, New Jersey. When he was ten he was attacked sexually by a white man. He stabbed him with a knife and was incarcerated for ten years. While in prison he took up boxing and when he came out went on to become middleweight champion.

It seems there was a mob hit, according to the film, and the get-away car was white. Carter was picked up because he had a white car. In what he insisted was an unfair trial, he was convicted by an all-white jury and sent to prison for life.

After time, he gave up on the outside world and spent his time educating himself, just as Malcolm X had done. Meanwhile some people on the outside, convinced that he was innocent and that he did not have a fair trial, got in touch with Carter's lawyer and dug up the facts in the case. A new trial was held and the judge freed Carter. He had been in prison for over 20 years, and got out in 1982.

Just about the time that Carter was freed there was another case in Philadelphia

An African American man, Mummia Abu Jamal was arrested in the shooting of a policeman. The background of this situation was as follows: Philadelphia (the city of brotherly love) has been a tough place for Blacks and minorities. About twenty years ago the police wanted to arrest some members of a group called MOVE. They used a helicopter to drop a bomb on their headquarters. It started a conflagration which burned down a whole city block.

The chief of police, Rizzo, became mayor of Philadelphia. Mummia was a critic and a thorn in the side of the administration. He was a journalist, author, and radio commentator. He was also the president of the Black Journalists Association. Mummia was tried and convicted in what critics say was an unfair trial and has been on death row for eighteen years. His case has become known all over the country and indeed much of the world.

Unfortunately the big cities have an unhappy record for this kind of thing. Just recall the Rodney King beating by policemen that was captured on video tape. It led to much disruption in Los Angeles. In New York more recently the killing of Amado Diallo (41 bullets) and the Louima case in which police sodomized him with a broken broomstick that sent him to the hospital, and countless other incidents.

It would appear that Black History Month is not just about the past, it is still taking place in the present.

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Drugs are everybody's business

By Samuel Duke,
President
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When are our Congressional representatives going to give our "Great Generation" something to cheer about? All they do is fight among themselves, to obtain the credit for bringing to the floor some inane piece of legislation that they try to pass. According to the Journal of the American Medical Association, ten thousands of people die in hospitals each year from prescription drug complications. The wonder is that hardly anyone questions it. But, we have been conditioned about drugs. For example, we have heard this from our family doctor, "If you experience any strange symptoms, call me." "Side effects, call me." Some antihistamines can cause an irregular heart rhythm and eventually, death. In some cases it took the Food and Drug Administration years before they ordered a drug recall of certain antihistamines from the market. This means that the pharmaceutical company may have made up its cost before the withdrawal order.

Let's look into their gold mine. Drug companies are a force in campaign funding, contributing over \$13,000,000 dollars in the 1998 election cycle to the House and Senate candidates, according to the Center for Responsible Politics, a campaign finance watchdog group. Pfizer Inc. contributed \$1,130,000; Bristol-Myers Squibb \$820,000, while Eli Lilly & Co. contributed \$787,000. This healthy industry contributed \$58,800,000 in soft money (unregulated money) to both parties during the 1998 election. In addition, drug makers spent 71 million dollars to lobby Congress that political year. The Congressional Record Service study shows that this industry used legal credits to reduce its tax bill by almost 4 billion dollars in 1996 - that is 50% less than the industry's tax bill before the legal tax credits were applied to the \$25 billion dollars in taxable income. Meanwhile, after tax profits for the drug industry averaged 17% from 1994 to 1998. Compare this with

other major industries at 5% after tax profits.

Foremost among tax credits is research and development at 20% of qualified research costs. Congress reviewed this and extended it to five more years with an extension to cover Puerto Rico. A lobbyist coup!

In Florida, the battle between the use of brand name drugs and its generic equivalent is taking place in Tallahassee. The issue is the use of some generics banned in Florida. Brand name drugs like Coumadin, plus 10 other brand name drugs which have been protected from competition since 1976, at which time the lawmakers banned the substitutes. If generics win, our "Great Generation" could save millions of dollars because they could lawfully use lower priced generic drugs of equal quality. The other hurdle would be the State Board of Medicine and the Board of Pharmacy to justify retaining the ban on generic drugs. At one end is DuPont (maker of Coumadin) and other manufacturers supported by the Florida Medical Association. Against this glitzy opponent is Barr Laboratories, the maker of generic Wafarin, as well as AARP and the Silver-Haired State Legislature.

A study by the University of Minnesota found that in the five-year period from January 1994 to January 1999, prices for prescription drugs rose almost 26 percent, nearly double the inflation rate which was 12.8.

In rebuttal, the trade group for brand name drug makers, the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, said higher drug spending was due mainly to increased use, not higher prices. The drug industry uses twenty-one (21%) percent of its revenues for research to find new cures and treatments. This group doesn't represent makers of generic drugs. The group's statement also contends that the study is skewed by a few drugs that have seen unusually high markups in recent years. These drug companies pricing policies are under investigation by the Federal Trade Commission! A prescription drug which the above-mentioned study included

whose prices rose most was Lanokin, widely used for congestive heart failure. The wholesale price of a month's supply of pills rose from \$39 in 1994 to \$74 in 1999 - almost double the price! A year's supply of Zocor (for cholesterol) rose from \$657 to \$796.

Older people tend to need drugs more often, but at the same time, are most likely to be without insurance coverage for them. Medicare does not pay for prescription drugs and about 15,000,000 retirees are without drug coverage.

CBS program "60 Minutes," October 17, 1999, featured organized senior citizens travelling by bus to Montreal, Canada and obtaining their drugs at huge discounts vis-a-vis U.S. prices at home. This practice includes states bordering Mexico. It deprives American pharmacies of the business that they normally would get. These pharmacies pay U.S. state as well as other taxes. They employ people and provide a number of services to increase their business. The ramifications of this may force some to go out of business. We know that the drug companies will try to blanket the licensing of the bordering countries with phoney complaints to force them to curtail this added business that the neighboring pharmacies of Canada and Mexico are now doing.

Act as Soon as Possible!!!

Call: your representative at Capitol Switchboard 1 (202) 224-3121 and ask for **Prescription Drug Relief**.

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Recreational Activities



It just goes to show, we still got it! On Feb 23, we were invited to the Tennis Club, across the street. And we won the tournament, both for men and for women. Now, how is that for us oldsters? Congrats to Marilyn Manson, Simone Pepperman (welcome back!), Toos Terol, Peg O'Connell, Jerry Goldberg, Len Selman, Burt Kantrowitz (our VP), Sy Plave, Ed Sohnen and Irv Small.


Also, welcome to our newest members Peg and Ed O'Connell, Terry Barkoff, Toos Terol, Rick Shinkoda, Jack Drucker, Simone Goosens (our second Simone), Morris Hitner, Max Spotnizeed(?) and Sam Lotuff. Also to Lou Buckel, a great gentleman who gives Jerry Goldberg some good competition. All the best! May all your serves be diamonds, I mean aces. And, welcome back to Evvy Foreman, who returned

after losing one to the flu and welcome back to Lovely Simone Pepperman, and Ralph Carfagno.

Our own Mixed Doubles tournament on March 7 was a big success, thanks to our super mentor, Tom Speerin. The winners were Marilyn Manson and Jerry Goldberg, and 2nd place went to Ruth Berman and Murray Kirschner. Good going! The Men's Doubles saw a real lively event. First place was squeaked in by Alex Chwrist & Mike Milstein, with 2nd place won by Irv Small & Jerry Goldberg. Congrats on a good match. Honorable mention went to Murray Kirschner and Ed O'Connell, Sy Plave and Ed Sohnen, Mark Ascher and John Bruno, Rick Shinkoda and Manny Torres, and Jack Drucker and Arnie Rabinowitz. Great going! March 8, Women's Doubles winners: 1st place - Simone Pepperman and Evelyn Forman; 2nd place -- Toos Terol and Peg O'Connell. Winner's plaque is being updated to show newest winners. Congrats to all.

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Special thanks to our secretary, Sy Kawaller for reporting on our club's activities for the UCO Reporter. Also, a big "thank you" to Ed Gold for transcribing our new Membership List. Too bad he pulled a muscle in the process. Hope he gets back to playing again, real soon. And, Ed, please be more careful, when you have to make any updates or corrections (Please see Tom for updates). We miss seeing our past president, Bob Leslie. And a special "welcome back" to Jerry Pleech, who is recovering from a few illnesses that ganged up on him, after the passing of his beloved wife.

Special mention about one of our "regulars", Irv Lazar. Irv is a quiet fellow who believes in giving back to his community. He is on the Executive Board of UCO, is a Co-Editor of the UCO Reporter, as well as being on its Advertising Staff. In between, he is the treasurer of the Plymouth 4 Condominium Board. Thanks, Irv, for trying to help us all.

Heard on the courts at tax time "Are you sure landing in the red is really out?" **Special Notice: Picnic at Loggerhead, Wednesday, 22 March! Come on along!** This is getting to be an annual event, so let us keep it rolling. **Picnic at Loggerhead Park by Sey Kawaller**

Continuing what has become a traditional off-site break, the Tennis Club has once again scheduled a day for sun and fun at one of the area's most inviting parks. Loggerhead Park at Juno is about a 40-minute drive north on A1A and offers fantastic facilities for group gatherings including four tennis courts, an adjacent beach, shelters with tables and benches, grills, etc. Members bring their own eats, and the club provides cold drinks. It's one of the more popular activities the club has sponsored for a number of years and provides opportunities for round robin tennis matches for those who don't want to give up their daily tennis "fix". Some forego tennis for a bit of wave surfing, sunning on the beach, or a strolling thru the dunes. Bridge and Scrabble are other crowd pleasers for those who prefer less

strenuous activities

In addition to the picnic, the Club annually sponsors a breakfast meeting in the party room at the clubhouse where the players who compete at the same time each day, get to meet members who use the courts at other times. President Shelly Blaustein planned the season's social program with the help of a willing group of volunteers. This year there will be a number of new faces on the committees to reflect the growing list of tennis devotees in CV.

Nettie Mulea, Marilyn Manson, Sy Plave, Sandy Moore, Sol Eagle, Sid Miller and Ed Cantor are among those who are helping to make this a standout social season for the Tennis Club.



Running tournaments each Friday means more winners to announce but let me first congratulate the winners of the President's Cup. **Jim Hall** (A-Flight), **Sid Goldstein** (B-Flight) and **Ed Chelm** (C-Flight). They will be honored at our luncheon/dance on March 13th.

Winners of the February 4th Handicap Tournament, sponsored by **The Clothes Connection**, were Henry, Torres and Albano. Winners of the February 11th Handicap Tournament, sponsored by **Seacrest**, were Henry, Dickstein and Pigeon. Winners of the February 18th Captain's Choice Tournament, sponsored by **East Coast Mechanical (ECM)**, were Mathew "Z", Blaustein, Dunetz and Chelm. Winners of the February 25th Match Play Tournament, sponsored by **East Coast Mechanical (ECM)** were Dickstein, McPartland, Young and Milton Brown. Winners of the March 3rd Stableford Tournament, sponsored by **Schumacher Buick/Olds** were LaBelle, Albano and Sohn.

My fellow Club officers and I encourage all members of the Club to support our sponsors, even if only through mentioning a brief "thanks" as the opportunity arises.

We have asked the Palm Beach Post Sports

Department to come out to one of our Tournaments and do an article on our Club with interviews and pictures. All members should "look pretty" in case!

I had the pleasure of playing in my first Guys and Gals Tournament on February 15th, and joined Sylvia Lustig, Mac English and Bill English as we frolicked through the front nine in record time since we were first off the tee for this tournament. Prize winners for this event were Jean Siciliano (Low Net and Closest to the Pin on the Back Nine) and Cecelia Zinnante (Closest to the Pin on the front Nine). The food was really great, thanks to the efforts of George Jasnow, Howie Weber and a host of Gals and Guys who pitched in to help without having to be asked. I look forward to next year's outing already.

Did any of you see the small "color" article on the Benson & Hedges Malaysian Open? It seems that the rain doctor employed by the sponsor to keep rain away lost his fee of 200 ringits (about \$60) when a downpour suspended play for 90 minutes late in the third round.

Speaking of articles, how about the one in Golf World which comments on the fact that some of the inmates in the Palm Beach County Jail have "rooms with a view". They have been ogling female golfers on the third hole of "The Donald's" golf course. Donald's answer is to put in still more trees on the border of the property to make it more difficult for the inmates to watch.

I got the urge to feel sorry for poor Kirk Triplett when I read that he had finally won his first PGA Tour event after 266 tries. Then I went 20 pages back in the same golf magazine and found that he presently stands at Number 7 on the money list, with over \$2 million. Not so "poor" after all, and a look at the "All Around" Statistics leaders for the PGA Tour explains it nicely. He is ranked Number 7 here too!

In case some of you who missed seeing the banners flying and the plane circling over Century Village trailing the "I love George" sign late Thursday, March 2, George Jasnow birdied the second hole by sinking a wedge shot from about 150 feet off the green. I played in the

foursome with George on Friday March 3, and the kindest thing I can say about his performance on that hole on that day was that he birdied the water!



The yearly Shuffleboard Club Tournament is over. The Tuesday draw doubles directed by Jim Catok shows Phil Friedman the leader, Mary Pittman second, followed by Sylvia Goldstein and then Harold Weiss. Wednesday singles, directed by me has the order as follows. 1st Mort Solomon, 2nd Sylvia Goldstein, 3rd Phil Friedman, and 4th Jim Catok. Thursday's event, directed by Charlie Block, was won by Mike Ciaffa, then Jim Catok, Phil Friedman and Wilbur Bolster in that order. The same names keeping popping up but that's due to the luck of the draw and the talent of the players.

Now underway is another tournament sponsored by WPRF (Management). All Century Village residents are welcome to play and those successful will win a trophy. You do not have to be a member of the Club. Come one -- come all Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays at 12:45 p.m.

At our Club meeting on February 29th, Mike Ciaffa, Sylvia Goldstein and Hennis Scharff were appointed by President Larry Pfister as the Nominating Committee for the upcoming election of officers for the next season. Additionally, of course, nominations can come from the floor at our next meeting, Tuesday, March 21st, at 12:15 p.m. at the courts.

Sunshine Report. Joe Zipkis came down to the courts this past week. Al LaPorta is to come home, Evelyn Roberts is on the mend and will be in to play as soon as she is feeling better.

To get back to the WPRF tournament, Thursdays will feature a bowling pin shuffleboard game introduced by Rocky Pasquerelli. Come on down and watch anyway if you don't feel like playing.

Don't forget -- March 29th, 5:00 p.m. at Anthony's

Restaurant (in the former Luria's Mall) our annual dinner will take place. See Barbara Pfister or Mary Pittman for reservations. They worked hard getting this together. Trophies will be awarded for the past Club tournaments.

Our travel team defeated Lakeside last week. We are running second. With perhaps a few breaks, we can make first.



Myriad Club activities are coming up starting with the paid-up members' picnic on Fri., March 17, 2000, at Carlin Park. There are wonderful facilities for picnicking and even snorkeling, weather permitting. You must get your reservation into Gigi at 689-6092, as soon as possible, so that the Shopping Committee will know how much food to purchase. The picnic is in place of a regular meeting, so be at the park between 11 and 11:30 a.m. for a fun day.

Another good time coming up is the Annual Spring Cruise that 67 happy people are eagerly awaiting. There are wonderful ports of call with excellent snorkeling areas and lots of places to explore if you don't snorkel. While snorkeling in Belize, for example, you will find a fascinating underwater landscape crowded with primitive shapes and beautiful colors, such as red and purple rope sponges, yellow tube sponges and stretches of elkhorn coral, and lots of fish -- tiger groupers and red grouper, creole wrasse and bluehead wrasse, many kinds of parrotfish and several kinds of jacks, and you might even see hawksbill and green turtles cruising by. The interior of Belize contains many Mayan sites and a pure tropical rain forest. The other ports will be equally as interesting.

Please remember while snorkeling in that part of the world that removing any marine animal is prohibited and have as little contact with the reefs as possible. Do not sit, stand or even hold onto the coral.

Also coming up is a two

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day trip to Key Largo in April. Please call Pat Izzo (683-1106) for details. The first day is for snorkeling and on the second day we will head to the Everglades. There is an \$11.50 per person entrance to the Park which includes an airboat ride and many other activities. Pat will tell you where to make your reservations. This is an auto trip. Hopefully we can do some carpooling.

On a final note, Snorkel practice and lessons start the 1st Fri in April at 1:00 p.m. Please let Tom Sharp know if you are interested.

Our sincere thanks to our phone committee -- Millie Collins, Patrina Maniaci, Josie Nangano, Mollie Podozer & Eleanor Steinberg, for keeping us informed of all club activities.

See you soon "swimming with the fishes."



Championship races were held with Pembroke Pines Sailing Club at Pembroke Pines on Wednesday, March 1st. Despite our best effort, we were unable to recapture the Championship Cup.

The gallant sailors who participated were Captain Joe Wolfson, Dan Salvo, Theo Martzoukas and Marty Zuckerman, Captain Bjorn Gundersen, Charles Cote, Phil Mintz, Ray Mullen and Marty Schneider. Our ladies were Josie Wayner and Cathy Harney. Alternates were Hiam Ribak, Estelle Stepler and Evelyn Forman. To quote the Brooklyn Dodgers, "Wait till next year."

Once again our Sailing Club breakfast held on Sunday, March 5th, was a huge success. Over 160 people attended. Evelyn Mintz and a large efficient committee insured this affair's success. The breakfast was delicious and the entertainment was a delight. We had a few cheers from our cheerleaders. Fran Augenblick, Betty Duralia, Fran Eisen, Bea Escott, Rose Mazza, Beverly Melendez, Shirley Mindel and Alison Schneiderman.

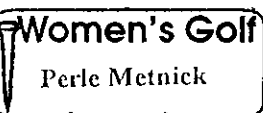
Next on the program was a sing-a-long directed by Bernie Weiss, accompanied by Herb Mass, followed by jokes and stories by Shelley Blaustein. Last but not least, musical selections by Barne Schlang were accompanied by Herb Mass. Entertainment was arranged by Betty Duralia.

Our official racing season will end on Tuesday, March 7th. The deadline for my column is before that date. Results of the following will appear in next month's column.

Participating in the Tuesday Division Finals are Evelyn Forman, Lou Augenblick, Hiam Ribak, and Walter Tanzer. Participants in the Friday Division are: Charles Cote, Bjorn Gundersen, Hy Krull, Josie Wayner, Cathy Harney, Marty Zuckerman, Ray Mullen, Dan Salvo, Phil Mintz and Marty Schneider.

Winning trophies will be awarded at our dinner-dance on March 12th.

We wish Ted Hecker a speedy and full recovery. See you at the dock!



There were about two or three seats available at our last meeting and I must admit this meeting was most enjoyable, informative and quite social. It must have been the "full house" that lent itself to fun and congeniality.

While waiting for the last foursomes to appear, Edie Reiter again stressed the importance of some of our many rules. Please try to remember her words of wisdom, ladies. We'll be getting these words of wisdom at every meeting, if you don't.

President Mac English opened the meeting. Minutes were read by Boots Kyle in the absence of secretary Beverly Sitrin, and Shirley Seidman, treasurer, let us know we're still solvent. Mollie Bruh and Bess Stillwell were warmly greeted after their surgeries and not to be forgotten Retha Hankins, whom we haven't seen since last year, was also a "sight for sore eyes."

Of course, the **Victory Tournament** to be held on 3 consecutive Tuesdays, March 7, 14, and 21 was the topic of the day. Winners in

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all categories will be determined by the best 2 out of 3 tournaments. If players can't for some reason play in all 3, they will be judged on the 2 they do play.

Winners of 9 and 18 holes, in all classes, will be announced at the March 28th meeting and Trophies will be awarded at our Installation Luncheon at the Emerald Dunes Golf Club on Tuesday, December 12, 2000.

At any rate, we'll hear the results at our meeting. Competition is keen and our pulses race and we all hope and pray for good weather and no "rainouts." I'm happy to report that quite a few of our new members have obtained their handicaps and will be eligible for this competition.

Winners of February's Captain's Choice were **1st Place** - Ruth Chayes, Joan Lotuff, Ann Pacilio and Audrey Silverstein. **2nd Place** - Mary Church, Yvonne Pigeon, Dot Rogers and Tanney Schmitt. **3rd Place** - Liz Consièr, Phyllis Kronenberg, Irina Levy and Philomena Nichols.

Enough said! Stand behind the red markers. Keep your head down. swing through the ball.

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Svces; Mar. 21, Sisterhood Gen'l Mtg., mini-lunch, 12:30pm, Fannie Ushkow & Melodears; Mar. 22, Theater Group trip, "Immigrant," Dinner/East Side Deli, Mar. 26, 2pm, Cantor Bell's Concert, "From the Bima to B'way," tickets, \$10pp; Mar. 31, Shabbos Dinner, 5-30pm; 8pm, speaker from Hospice; Apr. 2, Open House for new members, 9:30am, Apr. 9, 9 30am, Men's Club Breakfast, speaker: Dr David Gisser, "How new technology could improve your life," Apr. 12, Sisterhood Board Mtg., 10am, Apr. 19-27, Passover Y2K, Ea Seder, Members: \$43, Non-members \$49, Apr. 21-27, Chol Hamoed & Yiskor, M: \$25, Non-M: \$28, All Chol Hamoed meals, pkg. price M: \$160, Non-M: \$180; May 1, Yom Hashoah; May 7, Men's Club Breakfast, 9:30am, Pre-Mother's Day Party. For regis & info: Cong Ofc., 684-3212.

C.O.P (Citizens on Patrol): meets at Camden pool, 2nd Thurs. ea mo., 10 a.m., new members welcome For info: Capt Phil Shapkin, 686-2086

Deborah Hospital Foundation: Meets 2nd Mon., every other mo., 12 30, First Union Bank; May 14, Mother's Day mat., Radisson, luncheon/show, transp. incl. For info. Bea 688-9478, Esther, 683-3718, Marion 697-8789.

Dixie Club: If you are from NC, SC, Va., Ga., Ala., or Miss., interested in bar-b-que, greens and cornbread, visiting southern landmarks, drinking mint juleps, southern music, camaraderie club is now forming Call: Sid Frank, 471-0123

#1199 Retirees: meet co-workers & friends, mtgs., 1st Wed of ea mo., 10am, First Union Bank, 2nd fl For info. 686-1961.

Fellowship Club: meets 3rd Tues. of mo., 9:00 a.m., 1st Union Bank, new members welcome

Free Sons of Israel/PB Lodge #221: meets 2nd Fri., ea mo., First Union Bank, 12 30 p.m., collation & programs

Friendly Fabriholics Quilting & Sewing Club:

mtg. every Tues., Sewing Rm., 9.30-11am. Get help w/sewing & quilting projects, all welcome.

The Good Timers Club: Mtg. 3rd Wed. of mo., 9 a.m., First Union Bank, collation, 8:30 a.m., speakers, all welcome, singles and couples; Spring get-away, Mon-Thurs., Apr. 3-6, Kosher Saxony Hotel/MB, reserve now Call Reuben 697-3697, Katie 683-9241, Harry 689-5427

Greater Philadelphia Club: Mtg 3rd Tues of mo., 1 p.m., Piccadilly Cafeteria, programs incl magic, music, book reviews.

Havarah Group: Prof snowbird couple seeking to org 5 or 6 couples to meet in homes, to discuss Jewish topics/current events, Reform, Conservative, Reconstructionist, sense of humor a must. Call 689-6663

Hastings Cue Club: welcomes all who want to play pool, will teach you to play Hastings CH, Mon-Sun., 9am-12 noon.

Holocaust Survivors of the Palm Beaches: Gen'l mtgs., 2nd Wed of mo., 9 30 a.m., J C C., breakfast, guest speakers, entertain Mtg Apr 12 For info: 471-9052

Humor Group: Laugh, laugh, laugh; Mtg. every 2nd and 4th Mon. of mo., 3 p.m., CH, Rm A. Everyone is welcome, no chg Laughter is the best medicine Call Edy, 687-4255

Italian-American Culture Club: meets 3rd Wed. of mo., CH Party Rm., 3.30 p.m., all year long, prizes & speaker, ea mtg., shows, Bowling/ Verdes, 10am, every Sat during yr. Mar. 21, Installation of Officers Luncheon, music, Crown Plaza Hotel; Mar. 25, Party/ Orlando, 2-day pkg., Mar. 29-31, AARP 55 Alive Driving Course. Call Jim, 686-5839; Apr. 2-5, Saxony Hotel/MB, 4 days-3 nites, May 14-17, Saxony Hotel/MB, 4 days-3 nites, \$150pp For info: Mickie 684-0089, Paul 640-9855, Angelo 687-1611

Jewish War Veterans Post #520: meets the 4th Sun of every mo., except July and Aug., Piccadilly, Cafeteria, Polo Grds Mall, breakfast, collation 9.00 a.m. Call Walt

Greenwald, Cmdr., 478-6521, Paul Gasn, Junior Vice Cmdr., 684-3394.

Jewish War Veterans Golden Century Post 501: meets at J C C., first Sun of ea. mo., (except July and Aug., unless it falls on a Jewish holiday, it is then moved to the following Sun); Breakfast, collation, 9am Call: Eve Schneider 478-8256, Gene Poser 471-4070.

Jewish Women Internat'l Masada/Menorah Chapter #1560: Mtgs., 4th Thurs., Aitz Chaim, mini lunch, all welcome Call: Emma for membership, 686-8858; Seminole Village Bingo, 1st Fri, Poker, 3rd Mon. Call: Bea 683-0956; For shows & bingo, Ruth 684-3850, Wed, Apr. 5, "The Immigrant," Stage Thea., dinner follows.

Knights of Pythias: welcomes retired Pythians, Duals, Reinstatements and new members For a lodge in your area, please call PDGC Hy Weber, 683-6854

Kismet Temple #66: welcomes all Brother Knights of Pythias in good standing in any lodge to join our D O K K Temple. For more info: D I P Hy Weber 683-6854

Long Beach / Century Village Club will meet May 27, 10 a.m. in Long Beach, NY For more information, call Florence at: (516) 889-3722.

Metropolitan Life Insurance (MetLife) Retirees: Natalie Nadel is considering forming a Club composed of former MetLife employees now living in CV, (of which there are quite a few) Call Natalie, 686-8187

Mind Spa: To do mental sparring w/your peers, a Mind Spa does for your mind what a spa/gym class does for your body Meets Thurs., 3pm Apr. 6, CH, Classrm B. Mar. 23, Classrm A; intervening dates at places to be announced Call: Allan Brooks, 687-3602.

Mix and Mingle Singles Group: newly formed group for singles, meet 2nd Sun of ea mo., Main CH, Party Rm., 3p.m., male membership encouraged Call: Thelma, 688-1795

NA'AMAT USA (Pioneer Women): meets 4th Tues.,

1pm, mini-lunch, guests welcome; Card Party, Apr., date t/b/a; Aug. 22, 10-day cruise, Western Mediterranean For info Marcia 640-4258, Ruth 686-0891

National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Chapter #159: meets 1 p.m., 3rd Fri of mo., Oct thru June, First Union Bank, speakers

National Council/Jewish Women Okeechobee Section: meets every 3rd Thurs. of mo., First Union Bank/Turnpike Brch, 12:30 p.m., program and speakers, guests welcome. For info Charlotte, 686-8154; Mar. 22, "Pippin," Apr. Norton Museum, date & time to be announced. May 21, Installation Luncheon/Omni Hotel. For info Ruth 471-4060, Etta 683-7978.

National Council Senior Citizens/CV WPB Brch.: meets 2nd Wed. of mo., 1:00pm, First Union Bank (CV West Gate), interesting speakers discuss important senior-citizen issues, guests welcome, refresh.

New Jersey Social Club of CV: meets 1st Thurs., ea mo., exc Jan., Community Rm., First Union Bank, 1pm, collation, 12 30pm, former residents of NJ welcome to join. For info Leo Brenner 686-7106, Mtg Dates: Apr. 6, May 4, Following events incl tax, tips & transp: Sat., Sat., Mar. 25, Mat., Musican's Dinner Thea., "Touch of Class." For info: Harriet 471-9247, Ruth 683-7476

Northern Palm Beach County Democratic Club: For info: Elaine Wielins, 575-1768

Palm Beach/Rainbow Lodge #203, Knights of Pythias: Mother's Day 2000, Kosher Saxony Hotel, Sun-Wed, May 14-17 Call. Reuben 697-3697, Leonard 471-9247

Papanicolaou Women's Corps/Cancer Research: on campus of U Of Miami School of Medicine, lovely tribute cards for all occasions Call: Betty, 686-8425.

PFLAG/CV Chapter (Parents, friends & families of lesbians and gays): meets 3rd Thurs., ea mo., Classrm A, CH, all welcome to visit,

question, share, open yo hearts For info 681-9614.

Post Polio Support Group: meets 3rd Sun of mont Rehabilitation Center, 3C Royal Palm Way, Pal Beach, FL, 2pm For info 274-3947 or 735-3835.

Queens N.Y. Club: mee 4th Mon of mo., First Unio Bank, 9 00am, new membe welcome, unnecessary to t from NY to join, Apr. memories of Jewel Bo R e v u e w / f e m a l impersonators; May 2, "South Pacific," Shores Thea All trips incl show, transp dinner, tax, grats. Call: Jo 689-6021

Red Mogen David/Ed Star Chapter: welcomes old & new residents, plans for mtg: & luncheons soon. For info Co-chairs Florence Wechsle 689-5332, Lillian Moskowitz 686-3523 Need replacemen for the late Ed Starr a.s.a.p.

Repertory Theatre Workshop: Oper membership to anyone interested in performing mtgs: 1st Thurs. of mo., CF Party Rm., 1pm. For info Fran Augenblick, 686-3631.

Retired Physicians -Club: functions as Journal Club; retired physicians invited to next mtg For info: 686-4034 or 683-9244

Single Society: singles 55 & up, 2nd & 4th Wed., 7:30pm, Rm. A, CH Call: 686-2791.

Sisterhood Cong. Aitz Chaim: Monthly Lunch/Card Party, 3rd Tues of mo., 12N, at synagogue, door prizes, Donation: \$5. Call. Charlotte, 478-8756; Adult Ed lectures every Tues., 10am-11.30am, bldg raffle tickets available For info, call synagogue Annual Purim Sudah, Tues, Mar. 21, 1pm, entertain by Prinah/comedienne, door prizes, donation \$25 For info. Sarah, 686-2564

Square Club of the Palm Beaches: all former member: & non-members invited to join in celebrating the Millennium, initiation fee & dues for 2000 waived. requirements are "Blue Card" & CV residence For info: Herb Glikin 684-9660, Ed Shatz 471-0488

Tikvah-Shalom & Yovel Chapters/Hadassah: meets 3rd Wed., ea mo., Anshe

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Sholom, 12 30 p m , coffee and cake served

United Democratic Club: meets last Mon. of mo , 1pm.

United Order True Sisters (UOTS) #61 Cancer Care: meets 2nd Mon of mo , Days Inn, 1 p m., collation and speaker Call Marion, 684-5814.

VFW Post 10191/WPB: all veterans seeking to join a friendly VFW post are invited to mtgs., 4th Mon of mo , Westgate Community Ctr , 10 a.m. Make new friends Get involved Refresh. Call Milton 689-8227, Lou 689-5017.

Women's American ORT/Century Chapter: Membership mtgs , 2nd Thurs ea mo , Cong Anshei Sholom, 12 30pm, guests welcome, Apr 4, Trolley, sightseeing tour of historic Jupiter w/tour guides, lunch, Crab House/Jupiter, Apr 27-30, Lido Spa w/Sylvia For reservs Sylvia, 689-2469. Tues , May 16, Card Party & lunch, Kelly's Seafood Rest For all events, exc Spa call Mildred 689-7074, Evelyn 684-9547, Jean 616-9073

Women's American ORT/WPB Chapter: meets 2nd Tues of mo , Oct thru Apr , 12 30 p m., Cong Anshei Sholom, Mar 28, Tues , luncheon/Kelly's, Drexel Plaza, 11:30am, play canasta, bridge, etc until 3 45pm, \$11 Call Arlene, 683-8215, Apr 2, Sun , lunch, Dania Jai Alai, reserved seat, ctr orch , \$25, incl transp.; Apr 6-9, Thur - Sun , Lido Spa/MB, \$180 dbl , \$215 sgl , +\$15 transp ; Apr 30, Sun., lunch, Tropical Acres/Ft. Lauderdale, musical, "South Pacific," Shores Thea , \$45, May 14, Sun , Mother's Day, lunch, Ray's, musical, "Hello Muddah, Hello Faddah," Broward Stage Door Thea , \$45 For info, exc where otherwise noted Elsie, 688-0547, Rose, 686-8899, Anne, 686-0991

Yiddish Culture Group: meets Tues , 10 a m , CV CH, free to CV residents, Mar 21, "Tsu zingen un tsu zogen" (to sing & to tell), program by Cantor Mordecai Spektor; Thurs , Mar 23, 2pm, Jewish Film Festival, "Free Voices of Labor," film

Arts and Entertainment

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Award-winning actresses in Edward Albee's Pulitzer Prize-winning "A Delicate Balance" Pat Nesbit, Kim Cozort and Elizabeth Dimon excel in the verbal jousting that characterizes the playwright's dramas. In this play, old friends overstay their welcome when they pay a visit to a New England home Closing date is April 2 Joe DiPietrols "Over the River and Through the Woods" follows with an April 14 - May 21 run (1-561-241-7432)

Karen Poindexter, once a producer for Burt Reynolds, is now at The Cuillo Centre (West Palm Beach,) where "The Phantom of the Opera" resides through April 16. It's not Lloyd Webber, but if you like the story, this worthy version stays truer to the source, and here you can experience April in Paris without leaving home (835-9226.)

clips from old Yiddish movies & newsreels re ideals of participants; Mar 28, Yiddish Culture 50-member Chorus, conducted by Shelley Tenzer, Apr 4, CV Symphony Orch , w/conductor Dr Bernard Weiss, soloists Rosalind Festa, Florence Wanes & Sheldon Chandler, Apr 13, Jewish Film Festival, "Hester Street," story of Jewish immigrants on NY's Lower East Side.

Yiddish Language Group/Menke Katz Reading Circle: advanced group meets twice a mo , Fri , 10am, in private homes in CV/WPB For info: Troim, 684-8686.

Yiddish Vink: meets every 1st Sun , 3-5pm, CH Party Rm For info Edy, 687-4255

Yovel Hadassah/WPB Chapter: Yovel board meets 2nd Thurs each mo., First Union Bank, 9 a m sharp, members welcome Yovel Study Group meets 1st Thurs each mo , Washington Mutual Bank, 10 a m., topic current events, plus Bring items to share Call Sarah Kenyon, 689-6537

Zipper Heart Club/PB Chapter: meets 2nd Sun of ea mo , Oct-Apr, Columbia Hospital/WPB For info Sam Koppelman, 683-2060

Lake Worth Playhouse goes "Into the Woods" March 31 April 16. At the **Storzek Studio Theatre** "Sylvia" has her way April 28 - May 14 (586-6410.) **Delray Beach Playhouse** dates are April 28 - May 14 for "A Little Family Business" (272-1281)

MUSIC AND DANCE

What's in a name? The **Florida Philharmonic** has scheduled a program it entitles "Roman Carnival" The Violin Concerto of Walton (English) and Scheherazadell by Rimsky-Korsakov (Russian) are featured. no Italians The season's concluding concerts come May 3 and May 13. (930-1812.) Anton Guadagno is Italian His enthusiasm, energy and talent changed not only **Palm Beach Opera**, but the Palm Beaches as well He

gave to the Palm Beach art world the one element it craved prior to his arrival: Class! The Maestro conducts the Opera in Rossini's "The Barber of Seville" April 7 - 11 (833-7888.) "A Night of Jazz" ends **Palm Beach Pops'** season April 9 and 10 (832-POPS) All the above programs are at the Kravis Center **Ballet Florida** kicks up its heels twice more this season, at the Kravis March 31 and April 1 and at The Eissey Campus Theater (Palm Beach Gardens) May 5 - 7. (659-2000) For other Kravis Center programs call 832-7469

MUSEUMS

The **Norton Museum of Art** (West Palm Beach) displays "The Arrested Image: Nineteenth Century Photography" through April 2 and "Sandy Skoglund"

Shimmering Madness and Other Phenomena April 1 - June 11. If one modern artist isn't enough try "My Friend Picasso Photographs by Lucien Clergue" April 8 - June 25 **The Society of the Four arts** exhibits "Empire of the Sultans--Ottoman Art from the Khalifi Collection" through April 5 (802-3377) If you've not personally been exposed to the arts of the Ottoman Empire, this collection 'of carpets, calligraphy, painting and other fine arts serves as a worthy introduction If you've been to Turkey, it will recall to mind some magical moments you experienced there



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The Mail Bag

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recommendations to resolve them

After all the charges and countercharges I have heard, the basic argument to be decided is, "Do we or do we not want UCO to act as the governing body in Century Village." On that point I vote "yes" ... but only if the agreement is revised so that it falls within the purview of State Condo Regulations.

Seymour I. Kawaller

Tribute to volunteers

My name is Philip Friedman I am President of Dorchester D Association I take care of 23 people, of which six are widows Not being a Rhodes Scholar or a college graduate, I depend upon the volunteers of UCO to help me interpret the rules and regulations that Tallahassee constantly send to us. For that I thank these volunteers.

Now, I cannot understand these so called "educated people" with their negative thoughts If they could put their negative thoughts to

positive thinking, and help the volunteers of UCO, I believe that we would and could have a stronger bond in Century Village

Philip Friedman

Kudos to volunteers

Hurrah and kudos to Phil Dreiss, Emil Honig, David Frankel and 97-year-young Murray Keller for their literate and enjoyable letters in the March issue of the Reporter As a 23-year resident of Century Village, I have lived through many crises I have witnessed petty and frivolous law suits brought against us by dissidents of many stripes. Even though we usually beat them in court, it always ended costing us all unnecessary money for lawyers and court costs.

It seems the course of history never runs 100% smoothly As we well know, there was a snake in the Garden of Eden who ruined Paradise for the human residents there So it is not surprising that a handful of people in Century Village would appear to spew their venom at our hard-working UCO volunteers

Under the brilliant leadership of Kurt Weiss, UCO, after years of hard bargaining with Management, has gotten us the best long term lease arrangement anyone could wish for. Century Village in all its 30-year history has never looked as good as it does now -- thanks to UCO So please dissidents, malcontents, leave our Garden of Eden alone! If you are unhappy here, please move far, far away

Jasper Brodsky

Move the fitness center

When the new agreement was signed with WPRF, it included a new fitness center in the Hastings ballroom This should have been a separate issue and discussed at individual condo meetings and voted on by the residents who should have a voice in such decisions Having a fitness center is an excellent idea but it should be located elsewhere, not in the Hastings ballroom.

The Hastings ballroom was built to be a ballroom. It is, has been and can be effectively used for dances,

social parties, meetings by UCO and others, for bridge playing, card playing, canasta and other games. The Hastings ballroom for dances would be a necessity if there weren't two shows Saturday night. There could be numerous social parties in Hastings if caterers were permitted to bring in food

In a community of over 14,000 residents, two ballrooms are a necessity Have your condo protest

converting Hastings ballroom into a fitness center All of you are urged to write your personal letters to UCO and ask for the fitness center to be located elsewhere. Perhaps with a large number of residents expressing themselves which we should on issues that affect us, UCO and management will abide by our wishes.

Phil Rowen

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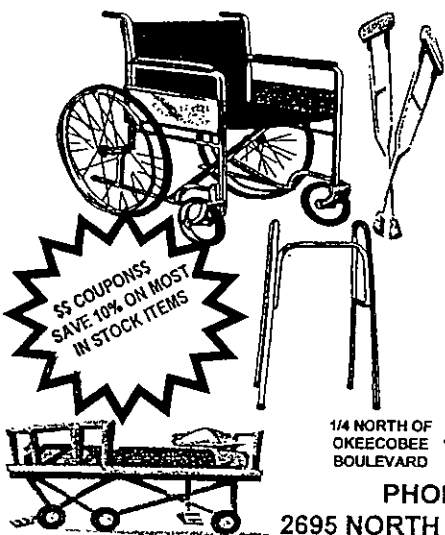
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At the March 4th Annual Luncheon of the West Palm Beach Chapter of the National Council of Senior Citizens (NCSC), honoree Joe Martin was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for his years of service to retirees, to social issues and his dedication to labor union matters. (l-r): Ruth Kushner, president of local club, and Pres. Emeritus Willi Laminsky, who obtained the original charter February, 1974 and who served as president until recently.

(Photo by Herman Tauber)

Table tennis tournament

By Den Amter

On February 3rd, Senior Games took place at Delray Beach in Pomper Park. Three of our seniors participated in the table tennis tournament which was just one of the many events in the games. They were Tony Dios, Nathan Beiner and Sol Osur. In all, there were about 16 players in the tournament. Our Tony was the overall winner, coming home with the gold medal. Sol Osur and Nathan Beiner were also medalled. Our players were in tournaments last year and another will be coming up on the West Coast.

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If you were mine
I would have made your eyes to shine
If you were mine

If you were mine
I would have loved you all the time
If you were mine

I would have made your day so bright
I would have held you oh so tight
I would have loved you every day

I would have scared your cares away
I would have fought with all my might
To see that every thing was right
If you were mine
I would have praised you to the sky
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Lift meeting a huge success

By Don Amter

An intently interested audience of about four hundred showed up for the meeting called by Phil Shapkin, chair of the lift (or elevator) committee. Besides the committee members seated up front were representatives of the companies that build lifts.

We were informed that among the communities that already installed lifts are Kings Point, Deerfield, and Boca -- all Century Villages. In fact, the company representatives told us that they have difficulty keeping up with all the orders coming in.

By now they have had so much experience that they have ironed out practically all the kinks and answered all questions that come up, which is what happened at the meeting. The lift builders reps answered satisfactorily all the technical questions that were raised by the attendees.

The central question that always comes up is why should the residents who live on the first floor and who don't need to use it help pay for the lift for residents on the second floor for whom it is either a convenience or an absolute necessity. It was pointed out that some of those who live on the second floor reach a point where they are prisoners of their apartments because of their disabilities.

That kind of question has been raised about other amenities that are a part of general community service. For instance, some of us who have cars say why should we pay for buses if we don't use them -- or roadwork, lights, shrubbery, etc. One resident, in answer, said that we all pay taxes and some of that money goes for education whether we have children or not. The same goes for many services that every community or city needs, whether a given individual makes use of them or not.

In our case, each building has to pay for some services in common that are directly important to us, such as pest control, building lighting, maintenance, painting, roof repair and insurance.

Without lifts more and more upstairs apartments become vacant, as the classified ads in the UCO Reporter attest. This means that the common building expenses are propor-

tionately greater for each resident as the total number drops. We will have a more vital and thriving community if more of the apartments are occupied.

Still it is recognized that in some cases the upper floor residents will have to pay for the installation of the lifts. The lift company representatives told us that they have worked out various financial arrangements for the work. Overall, the cost for the lift is under twenty thousand dollars and mortgage arrangements can be made (Mortgages run three to six years).

It was suggested that building associations interested in this could arrange meeting of their residents and invite representatives of the builders who would be glad to come and give expert technical advice, discuss costs, and answer many questions that might come up.

One builder is Action Mobility Products and Services phone: 800-432-1459. The other is Prime Management Group, 561-969-5050.

Phil Shapkin says "This is the wave of the future." He feels that the work of the lift committee is done and now it is up to the individual associations to carry it on. Brochures prepared by the lift builders will be available at the UCO office.



Dave Batelaan addressing meeting



(L/r): Ray Ellis, Rep. of Sun Trust Bank; Dave Batelaan, Pres. Action Mobility; Dave Balmer, V.P., Tech Services for Concord Suppliers

(Photos by Morry Blank)

Census 2000 Announcement

The United States Census Bureau has a booth in the main Century Village Clubhouse on the 2nd floor. Every Monday and Thursday morning from 9:30 to 12:30 p.m. (until April 14th), they are willing to assist those who have difficulties or questions with the Census 2000 forms.

Public Service Announcement Identification at the Polls

A recent change in the Florida Law requires voters to bring a **photo I.D. with their signature** to the polls on Election Day. A photo I.D. includes your Florida driver's license or a Florida State issued identification card or any photo I.D. with your signature. However, all registered voters will be permitted to vote, even if they forget to bring identification, but they will be required to complete an affidavit which may delay the voting process. If you need further information, call the Election's Office at 561-355-2650. **Do It Today!**

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Another view of the lift erected in Oxford 400.

A few points on men and women

(Downloaded from the Internet)

The Difference

A successful man is one who makes more money than his wife can spend. A successful woman is one who can find such a man.

The Style

Men wake up as good looking as they went to bed. Women somehow deteriorate during the night.

A man is a person who will pay two dollars for a one dollar item. A woman will pay one dollar for a two dollar item she doesn't want.

To be happy with a man, you must understand him a lot and love him a little. To be happy with a woman, you must love her a lot and try not to understand her at all.

Marriage

A woman marries a man expecting he will change, but he doesn't. A man marries a woman expecting that she won't change and she does.

Men marry because they are tired. Women marry because they are curious. Both are disappointed.

A woman worries about the future until she gets a husband, while a man never worries about the future until he gets a wife.

A woman will always cherish the memory of the man who wanted to marry her, a man of the woman he did not.

There are two times when a man doesn't understand a woman, before marriage and after marriage.

Husbands

Only two things are necessary to keep one's wife happy. One is to let her think she is having her way, the other is to let her have it.

Married men live longer than single men, but married men are a lot more willing to die.

Any married man should forget his mistakes, no use two people remembering the same thing.

The Battle

The woman has the last word in any argument. Anything a man says after that is the beginning of a new argument.

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Spektor's program, *"Tsu zingen un tsu zogen."* ("To sing and to tell") is scheduled for 10 A.M. Tuesday, March 21, at the clubhouse, sponsored by the Yiddish Culture Group and free to all Village residents. He will be accompanied by another Villager, Sid Schuman.

Spektor is known to many Villagers as the cantor at Congregation Anshei Sholom for 16 years. Before that he filled the same position at the Mount Sinai Jewish Center in Washington Heights in New York City.

But it is Spektor's earlier life as a performer on the stage which will illuminate his clubhouse show. To say that he is a "world class" artist is literal truth: he has performed on four continents, wherever Jewish audiences hunger for *mamaloshen* (the mother tongue).

As a child in Poland during the 1920's and 1930's, young Mordecai's mother tongue was indeed Yiddish, but he learned enough Polish, Russian and Ukrainian to

allow him to perform on the stage in those languages.

From his native Bialystok in eastern Poland, he escaped further east into Russia ahead of the Nazis during World War II and became the only member of his family to survive the Holocaust.

Spektor remained in Russia until 1948, performing in Russian and Yiddish and attending a music conservatory for singers in Minsk. Upon returning to Poland he settled in Warsaw and married Miriam Sandler, an opera singer and actress. Together and separately, Spektor and Sandler honed their theatrical skills in Warsaw and toured for 10 years. They performed with the great Yiddish artist Ida Kaminska and her husband, among others.

The couple spent two years touring Israel in the 1950's, where one of their plays, *"Unser Rebenien"* ("Our Rabbi") ran in Tel Aviv for a whole year. "We were so successful that our Israeli manager suggested a tour of Central and South America," Spektor recalls. Their Latin-American repertory included *"Muele Efros," "Der Grosse Gevins"* ("The Big Lottery") by Sholom Aleichem, *"Cholem"* ("Dream") by Abraham Goldfaden and *"Simon Bolivar."*

"We had to produce a new play or opera every six weeks, because the Jewish audiences were not large enough to sustain longer runs," recalled Spektor. He has saved a large album of his playbills and reviews from such places as Montevideo, Uruguay, and Buenos Aires. He and his wife were the stars, and local talent filled out the rest of the cast.

In San Jose, Costa Rica, the American consul asked Spektor and Sandler to come to his home to sing Russian songs. "His wife was Russian," said Spektor. "Then he asked why we didn't go to the United States, where there was so much opportunity." Spektor replied that they lacked visas for the U.S. "Come to my office tomorrow," said the consul. And the visas were waiting the next day.

So it was that Spektor and his wife arrived in New York in 1962, adding a fourth continent to their world tour and also adding rave reviews and numerous bookings to their spectacular theatrical careers.

Spektor settled down in New York and became the cantor for the Orthodox congregation in Washington Heights and later for the Conservative synagogue in the Village.

Spektor's program on March 21 will include folk songs such as *"Hab ich a mantel"* ("Have I a coat") and *"Vie nehmt min a biselle mazel?"* ("Where can you find a little luck?") Also on the bill is a short talk on the history of Yiddish theater.

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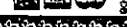


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 pasta, no knishes,
 Fish that's gefillte,
 horseradish that stings,
 These are a few of our
 Passover things

Matzoh and karpas and
 chopped charoses,
 Shankbones and kiddish and
 Yiddish neuroses,
 Tante who kvetches and
 uncle that sings,
 These are a few of our
 Passover things.

Motzi and maror and
 trouble with Pharoahs,
 Famines and locusts and
 slaves with wheelbarrows,
 Matzah balls floating and
 eggshells that cling,
 These are a few of our
 Passover things

When the plagues strike,
 When the lice bite,
 When we're feeling sad,
 We simply remember our
 Passover things,
 And then we don't feel . so
 bad!

Shirley Bessel

Dream

I had a dream I saw you
 last night
 And in that dream, I held
 you so tight.
 I kissed your dear face,
 while in your embrace,
 It was heavenly.
 I could not disguise the
 look in my eyes
 That was meant to be
 All through that dream, my
 heart felt so light
 For every scheme was
 working just right
 We were together, rain or
 fair weather
 As lovers should be
 Our life had started, no
 longer parted,
 By land or the sea
 Then I awoke and found
 you were gone,
 I wish that dream could go
 on and on
 That dream will come true,
 and I'll be with you
 Just you wait and see
 It may take a while, but
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 For it has to be, for you and
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Sidney Weinberg

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Associations honor their volunteers By Ruth Hafter

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Their efforts can easily fall into the category of becoming complacent because some of these officers have held their position for many years. There is a growing need to get the more recent residents to incorporate their knowledge into the pattern that has been started. It has been said, "I retired. I don't need to have a headache." There is a need to become involved after a while, and the best place to do that is within your community.

You may be unaware of the many areas that are run by volunteers, so let us start with the top UCO officers

and its 30 committees. These officers and the committees from the president down are all run by volunteers, as is our newspaper, The Reporter. Then we come closer to home, our individual buildings. There is always a place for a willing worker to assist your president, building officers, board members, and hostesses, whether it is a high rise apartment or a two-story building.

Tickle your imagination as to where your expertise might be needed. The duties are not that complex, from business, to gardening, to construction, to entertaining, to being a good and willing helper. Each person brings with him a little of his former expertise and your involvement also helps you to know your neighbors.

Duties of a President, Vice President and board members include overseeing the ground keepers and maintenance crew, attending UCO meetings and having building meetings during the year. They also handle

individual complaints during the course of events. It is a large job, but fortunately, all the problems do not come up at the same time.

The Vice President is generally a back up for the president, and should attend the UCO meetings, and also assume some of the duties of the president when he is unable to perform them.

The Secretary has a job which includes writing to absentee owners, keeping records of meetings, attending UCO meetings, and acting as a sidekick to the president. She has an invaluable position in the running of the building.

The Treasurer has the responsibility of handling monies that are mailed in for assessments and making deposits. It is her position to make out the checks for expenditures throughout the year and to give a financial report at each meeting.

The hostesses have varied duties, from organizing the parties to buying and serving coffee at the meetings, if the building does this. A sunshine resident may make out a list of birthdays,

anniversaries and post it on the bulletin board. She may also send convalescent cards to the residents in the building. Another resident may assist with telephone calls, or distributing papers which require signatures. This is a shared job and is usually a very pleasant way to get to know your neighbors.

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- 1 **Speak to people.** There is nothing as nice as a cheerful word of greeting.
- 2 **Smile at people.** It takes 72 muscles to frown, only 14 to smile.
- 3 **Call people by name.** The sweetest music to anyone's ears is the sound of his own name.
- 4 **Be friendly and helpful.** If you would have friends, be friendly.
- 5 **Be cordial.** Speak and act as if everything you do is a pleasure.
- 6 **Be genuinely interested in people.** You can like everybody if you try.
- 7 **Be generous with praise.** And cautious with criticism.
- 8 **Be considerate with feelings of other people.** It will be appreciated.
- 9 **Be thoughtful of the opinions of others.** There are three sides to a controversy; yours, the other fellow's and the right one.
- 10 **Be alert to give service.** That which counts most in life is what we do for others.

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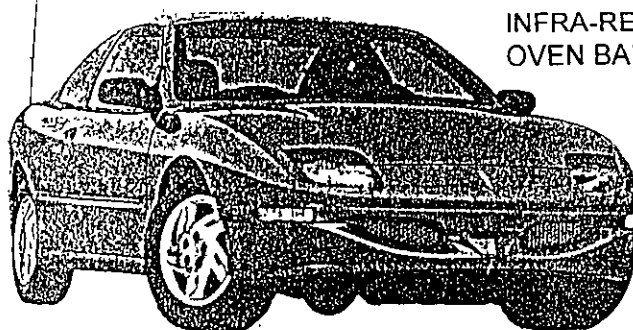
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(MALL BUS)

NEW WINTER BUS SCHEDULE DEC 1, THRU APRIL 31,

SHUTTLE BUS

CLUB HOUSE	K-MART	PHAR-MOR	OKEE SQUA	P.B. MALL	VILLAGE COMM	J.C.C.	CLUB HOUSE
8:45	8:55	9:05	---	9:10	9:20	8:50 / 9:25	9:30
9:45	9:55	10:05	---	10:10	10:20	10:25	10:30
10:45	10:55	11:05	---	11:10	11:20	11:25	11:30
11:45	11:55	12:05	---	12:10	12:20	12:25	12:35
1:15	1:25	1:35	---	1:40	1:50	1:55	2:00
2:15	2:25	2:35	---	2:40	2:50	2:50	3:00
3:15	3:25	---	3:40	3:50	---	3:55	4:00
4:15	4:25	---	4:40	4:50	---	4:55	5:00
5:45	5:55	---	6:10	6:20	---	---	6:30
6:45	6:55	---	7:10	7:20	---	---	7:30
7:45	7:55	---	8:10	8:20	---	---	8:30

PUBLIX - BY REQUEST - DROP-OFF ONLY ON RETURN TO CLUB HOUSE

SPECIAL BUS

WEDNESDAY ONLY

LEAVES CLUB HOUSE	12:15
GARDENS MALL	12:45
LEAVES GARDENS MALL	3:45
CLUB HOUSE	4:15

THURSDAY ONLY

LEAVES CLUB HOUSE	12:15		
TARGET	12:40	1:50	3:00
K-MART	12:45	1:55	3:05
WALL-MART	12:50	2:00	3:10
RETURN TO CLUB HOUSE	3:35		

CLUB HOUSE	DREXEL	OUTLET MALL	ROD'S* REST.	BABY SUPER	CLUB HOUSE
8:50	8:55	8:58	9:01	9:05	9:10
9:20	9:25	9:28	9:31	9:35	9:40
9:50	5:55	5:58	10:01	10:05	10:10
10:20	10:25	10:28	10:31	10:35	10:40
10:50	10:55	10:58	11:01	11:05	11:10
11:20	11:25	11:28	11:31	11:35	11:40
11:50	11:55	11:58	12:01	12:05	12:10
12:50	12:55	12:58	1:01	1:05	1:10
1:20	1:25	1:28	1:31	1:35	1:40
1:50	1:55	1:58	2:01	2:05	2:10
2:20	2:25	2:28	2:31	2:35	2:40

NIGHT SHUTTLE

CLUB HOUSE	DREXEL	OUTLET MALL	RODS REST.	PINE TRAIL	WINN DIXIE	PUBLIX	CLUB HOUSE
2:50	2:55	3:00	3:05	3:10	3:15	3:25	3:30
3:50	3:55	4:00	4:05	4:10	4:15	4:25	4:30
4:50	4:55	5:00	5:05	5:10	5:15	5:25	5:30
6:15	6:20	6:25	6:30	6:35	6:40	6:50	7:00
7:15	2:20	---	7:30	7:35	7:40	7:50	8:00

*ROD'S REST. STOP DEPENDS ON THE TRAFFIC LIGHT BEING RETURNED TO HAVERHILL

INTERNAL BUSES

RT-2	RT- 5	RT. 1/3	RT-4/6
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UCO	WINDSOR	SHEFFIELD	SUSSEX
WALTHAM	LIBRARY	HASTINGS	GOLFS-EDGE
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CLUB HOUSE	PINE TRAIL	WINN DIXIE	PUBLIX	CLUB HOUSE
9:00	9:08	9:15	9:20	9:30
9:20	9:28	9:35	9:40	9:50
9:40	9:48	9:55	10:00	10:10
10:00	10:08	10:15	10:20	10:30
10:20	10:28	10:35	10:40	10:50
10:40	10:48	10:55	11:00	11:10
11:00	11:08	11:15	11:20	11:40
11:20	11:28	11:35	11:40	11:50
12:20	12:28	12:35	12:40	12:50
12:40	12:48	12:55	1:00	1:10
1:00	1:08	1:15	1:20	1:30
1:20	1:28	1:35	1:40	1:50
1:40	1:48	1:55	2:00	2:10
2:00	2:08	2:15	2:20	2:30
2:20	2:28	2:35	2:40	2:50
2:40	2:48	2:55	3:00	3:10
3:00	POST OFFICE - WAIT AND RETURN			

SUNDAY AND HOLIDAY

CLUB HOUSE	DREXEL	OUTLET MALL	RODS REST.	PINE TRAIL	CROSS COUNTY	PHAR MOR	P.B. CHURCH	CLUB HOUSE
8:45	8:50	---	8:55	---	9:00	---	---	9:05
9:30	9:35	---	9:40	9:45	9:50	---	9:55	10:05
10:40	10:45	---	10:50	10:55	11:00	11:05	11:15	11:25
12:30	12:35	12:37	12:42	12:47	12:52	12:57	1:00	1:05
1:25	---	1:30	1:35	1:40	1:45	1:50	---	1:57
2:15	---	2:20	2:25	2:30	2:35	2:40	---	2:50
3:15	---	3:20	3:25	3:30	3:35	3:40	---	3:50
4:15	---	4:20	4:25	4:30	4:35	4:40	---	4:50
5:15	---	5:20	5:25	5:30	5:35	5:40	---	5:50
6:45	---	6:50	6:55	7:00	7:03	---	---	7:08

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