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President's Message

Vivian Walsh



Why the abuse? In one of my previous "President's Messages," I mentioned that some of our residents are abusive to our security guards.

I don't know why since these employees are only following their orders. We are told that we have the best security of any condo in South Florida. The guards are polite and helpful beyond the call of duty. Please let us not lose our tempers. Let's all work together since they are doing their job.

Many residents are asking when we are going to renovate our Clubhouse. It is drab and antiquated. The Vice Presidents, Property Manager Pat Blunck and I went to CV Boca Raton to see what they did to their clubhouse.

Needless to say, we were shocked at the difference. Their clubhouse is breathtaking. The building is about three times the size of ours and they spent over two million dollars on renovations.

When we returned, I asked to meet with Mark Levy to see what we could do. I can hear people saying, "Why fix a building with our money; it does not even belong to us?" Don't forget that we, the residents, are the ones who use the building.

After much discussion with Mr. Levy, the following proposal was offered to us:

If every unit owner would contribute an additional four dollars (\$4.00) per month for the next three years, we could remodel our building to meet our needs. This would make it a building we could be proud of. Again, we must all work together to reach our goals of a more beautiful and modern Clubhouse. Remember, we have a net-net lease until the year 2021 and are responsible for any budget changes needed to meet our requirements.

I am asking all residents to write to me. Give me your ideas as to what you would like to see in a new renovated Clubhouse.

Thank you for your cooperation and your thoughts.

Delegate Meeting

Fri., Oct. 3, 2003, at 9:30 am
in Auditorium
All Welcome!!!

Note: First 10 Rows for Delegates Only

Bar Codes

Will No Longer Be Issued

GATE PASSES FOR

OCT., NOV. & DEC. 2003

will be ISSUED

STARTING SEPT. 24TH

Legal Notice

In accordance with UCO Bylaws, the following proposed amendments were submitted by the Advisory Committee to the Executive Board. Their approval was not recommended by the Executive Board, but must be published before being presented to the Delegate Assembly for their disposition.

Underlined words are additions to the present text. Words stricken out are to be deleted.
Advisory Committee

ARTICLE VI

B. For the elections in March 2004 only, two (2) vice presidents shall be elected to a two (2) year term and two (2) vice presidents to a one (1) year term. In each succeeding year, two (2) vice presidents shall be elected for a two (2) year term.

(NOTE. Passed by Advisory Committee, Officers Committee and the Executive Board)

ARTICLE IV MEMBERS

The membership of UCO shall consist of all condominium unit owners in Century Village whose dues are fully paid for the current calendar year and who subscribe to uphold the principles of UCO as detailed in ARTICLE III, PURPOSES. If a unit is owned by more than one person, the owners of the unit shall designate one of them as the voting member for the purpose of any UCO vote or election. The Designated voting member of each of the 7,854 Condominium Units in Century Village shall have the right to cast one vote at each and every election for the offices of President, Vice Presidents, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and the members of the Executive Board. All elections for the above named Officers and the members of the Executive Board shall be conducted as General Elections, at a time and place to be determined by an Election Committee, selected and designated as such by the President of UCO, as stated in Article VIII, E. Any resident of a condominium unit who is accepted as an owner of a unit by the condominium association for the purpose of serving as director of the association, shall also be considered as an owner of the unit by UCO for the purpose of membership in UCO.

ARTICLE VI OFFICERS

A. The officers of UCO shall be a President, four (4) Vice Presidents, a Treasurer, a Corresponding Secretary, and a Recording Secretary. Other than the President and the four (4) Vice Presidents, they shall be elected ~~by the Delegate Assembly at the March meeting of the Delegate Assembly~~ in each year by the Designated Unit Owners in a General Election as stated in ARTICLE IV and shall be installed in their respective offices at the Annual Luncheon to be held shortly thereafter which shall be in the month of March. The President and the four (4) Vice Presidents shall be elected by the Designated Unit Owners in a General Election as stated in ARTICLE IV for a two (2) year term. All UCO officers must be members of UCO in good standing. The President and all other officers shall be domiciled and in residence in Century Village, West Palm Beach, Florida, for at least nine (9) months of each year in which they serve. In addition, there shall be the office of President Emeritus. Such office shall be held, without election, by each retiring president during the first term of his immediate successor. The President Emeritus shall perform such duties as may be requested by the current President, with the approval of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE X EXECUTIVE BOARD

B. The Executive Board shall consist of all the officers of UCO, and, in addition, twenty (20) members elected ~~by the Delegate Assembly at the March meeting of that body~~ by the Designated Unit Owners in a General Election as stated in ARTICLE IV.

(NOTE. The above three suggested Bylaw changes were rejected in the Advisory Committee, in the Officers Committee and the Executive Board by majority votes. However, since they were submitted together with 25 signatures of UCO residents, they must be brought before the Delegate Assembly for final disposition.)

Make-Up Date: Oct. 21

Transponders will be given to those residents who have not had them affixed to their windshield. Bring your car, application form, current registration, CV ID card and \$15 if you have a bar code, otherwise the cost is \$25. This will be done at the synagogue in the Hastings area.

Transportation

Michael Spilken



I know all of our winter residents are not yet with us, but for those of us who are here, we hope that your hiatus from South Florida was enjoyable.

We are trying to get our system back to what it should be — to conform to the contracts. We need to get within the structure of the contract so that we will be able to cut the massive overages that we are paying out each month.

We do not intend to change the monthly payment by our residents. I want all of our residents to realize that we did not anticipate this problem when we purchased the new



Corrections

In last month's *UCO Reporter*, some editing errors were made.

Photographs credited to a Howard Simon were actually taken by Howard Silver, Chair, Computer Committee.

The article "C.O.P. Honor Guard Promotion" should have been credited to Joan Nordhauser, Bicycle Squad of the C.O.P.



Wish I Said That

By John Saponaro

"This is the duty of our generation as we enter the 21st century — solidarity with the weak, the persecuted, the lonely, the sick, and those in despair. It is expressed by the desire to give a noble and humanizing meaning to a community in which all members will define themselves not by their own identity but by that of others." *Elte Wiesel*

Watch Channel 63 for information about Century Village

New Firehouse

Palm Beach County Fire Rescue will be building a new fire station directly behind their current location at 5471 Okeechobee Boulevard.

Proposed with the new construction will be an access gate for the Fire Rescue personnel to enter directly into the Village. This gate will be controlled by Fire Rescue personnel only. The proposed gate will go from the Fire Department's parking lot into Glencoe Street. **This gate will be used to decrease response times in any emergency.**

buses and the changing of our schedule two years ago. We have three years to go on this contract.

Please, if you hear rumors, call me at the UCO Office during office hours Monday through Friday. We are looking for some people who would like to help our Committee by applying to take the position as bus coordinators.

Please bear with us and we promise to keep this system the best of any community in the South Florida area. Until next time, good riding.

"If you can count your money, you don't have a billion dollars."
J. Paul Getty

Election Guidelines

The UCO Reporter has been neutral in the election of Officers of UCO and will remain so. We will not print any campaign articles by candidates or others pertaining to this election with the following exception:

After the nominations have been made, the Reporter will give each candidate for President and Vice President two columns of space in the March 2004 issue to comment on their background experience, their accomplishments in UCO and CV in the past and what their plans are for the future.

There is to be no mention made of opposing candidates by name or intimation.

This campaign should be conducted in as dignified a manner as possible. *The Editors*

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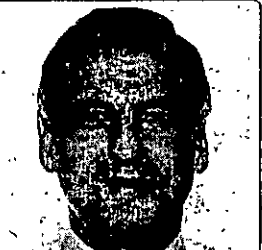
Lifts Committee

Phyllis Richland



Insurance

Dan Gladstone



Know Your Lift Company

It has been brought to my attention by several associations that there is a maverick lift company trying to get a leg up in our Village.

Ladies and gentlemen, I know nothing about this company. I have not been given any information as to its credentials, where it has done installations, and the type of service and maintenance it has offered its customers, if any.

I do know that Associations are being contacted by Altima, which is an electrical contractor that is doing business here in our Village. One of our residents is either a principal of that company or a paid employee.

As Chair of the Lift Committee, I am appalled by the nerve of any lift company trying to do business in our Village without contacting me first so that I may educate myself about the company and pass this on to the Associations who are interested about the laws and rules of installing a lift.

This company is offering to install a lift for \$12,000. You only need to give them \$6,000 as an upfront payment. They will install the lift and use your Association as a test case. They will train their mechanics on your lift, and use your lift as an example for "show and tell" for other Associations. If, after six months, your Association

does not want the lift, the company will remove it and restore the area where it was installed to its original condition. **Nowhere did I hear or see in writing that your \$6,000 will be returned.**

Ladies and gentlemen, I have spent the last three-and-a-half years as Chair of the Lift Committee, educating our Village about the laws, rules and regulations pertaining to the installation of lifts.

I have gotten the thank you calls and the "drop dead, its your fault, my lift is not working calls" in the middle of the night.

I have negotiated with a new lift company that has agreed to fix what ever went wrong with our lifts because of negligence and lack of professionalism of the original lift company.

Please remember that when something sounds too good to be true, it usually is.

I am here to help you and to guide you with whatever knowledge I have. If your Association needs information regarding the installation of a lift, please call me.

Please remember that if it sounds "too good to be true," it probably is! Caveat emptor: Let the buyer beware.

If you need to contact me, my home number is 697-3601, or you can leave a message at the UCO Office and I will return your call as soon as possible.

Thank you very much.

This Is Important; Keep This Information

During the 2003 legislative session, Senate Bill 592 made changes to the statutes (especially 718.111) that address how insurance coverage must be provided under the condominium master policy and the individual owner policies. The change applies to any *new or renewal* insurance policy effective January 1, 2004. Below are the significant highlights of the bill:

- The changes apply to every condominium in the state, regardless of the date of its declarations.
 - In condominiums where there is only one unit in a free standing building, the association is not required to insure that building if the condominium declarations require the unit owner to obtain adequate insurance on the condominium property.
 - The board may satisfy the requirement to obtain "adequate insurance" if the policy contains a reasonable deductible. There is no definition of "reasonable"
- The master policy shall provide primary coverage for the following:**

- All portions of the condominium property located outside the units;
 - The condominium property located inside the units as such property was initially installed, or replacements thereof of like kind and quality and in accordance with the original plans and specifications or, if the original plans and specifications are not available, as they existed at the time the unit was initially conveyed;
- All portions of the condominium property for which the declaration of condominium requires coverage by the association.

The word "building" does not include the following, thus the master policy will not cover these items, even if located inside a unit:

- Floor, wall, and ceiling coverings
- Electrical fixtures
- Appliances

- Air conditioning or heating equipment
- Water heaters
- Water filters
- Built-in cabinets and countertops
- Window treatments, including curtains, drapes, blinds and hardware
- Replacements for any of the above listed property
- Air conditioning compressors that serve only one unit no matter where located

Associations may amend their declarations without regard to mortgagee approval of the amendments affecting insurance requirements.

Unit owners should continue to insure interior additions and upgrades which are not of like kind of quality to the original interior building items.

Any policy issued or renewed to a unit owner on or after January 1, 2004 shall provide that coverage is excess over any other policy covering the same property.

Unit owner policies shall be without rights of subrogation against the condominium association.

The individual unit owner shall insure real or personal property within the unit that is excluded from the association policy.

The association must maintain email addresses of unit owners who consent to receive notices in that manner if the association elects to send notices in that manner.

The most significant aspect of this statute change is that certain items of building property are now clearly the insurance responsibility of the unit owner and are not covered by the association policy. Some unit owners who carry a low limit of building coverage on their unit owner policy will likely need to increase that coverage to be adequately protected. There is nothing that prohibits an association from mandating that unit owners insure *more* than what the statutes dictate. It's not uncommon for associations to require unit owners to insure items such as front doors and screened rooms and this can continue under the revised

statutes.

The January 1, 2004 date is significant because the old statute referred to a 1986 date and a 1992 date. Depending on the dates of the condominium declarations (bylaws) it was possible that the master policy would cover items such as the floor coverings, electrical fixtures, appliances, and water heaters, to name a few. With the statutory change, those 1986 and 1992 dates are eliminated and there is one "common playing field" when it comes to what the master policy will not cover. It's now safe to say that all of the 20,000 or so condominium associations in the state all fall under the new law and the "property not covered list" is the same for all associations. Again though, individual associations can (and likely do) have bylaws which mandate that the unit owner is responsible for the property listed above plus more. That's why it's critical that someone (unit owner!) read the bylaws and see what the unit owner responsibility is.

What this means for the unit owner is that increased coverage may be required under the unit owner policy. When advised of this fact it's likely that the first call will be to the insurance agency with the question of, "How much coverage should I carry?" That answer is the same today as it was when the first condominium policy was written decades ago, "Whatever limit *you* think is appropriate." The agency should not select a limit of insurance. Only after reading the statute and the condominium declarations can a unit owner know what his insurance responsibility is. The amount of coverage should be based on:

- The property not covered by the master policy shown above
- Any property which the association bylaws require unit owners to insure
- Additions and alterations inside the unit which are not of like kind and quality when compared to the original installed property.

With the new statute, it's important for agency staff to understand the scope of the change. Existing unit owners and associations may need to be contacted to make any needed adjustments to policies. Condominium coverage can be confusing and it's important that proper coverage be in place.

**See Page 4 for
Attorney's Letter**

Do You Have Four Free Hours to Spare Per Week?

Volunteers play an important role at Columbia Hospital by helping us to provide high quality, cost-effective health care to the Columbia Hospital community. They do this in a number of ways:

- Augmenting and expanding the services provided by our staff.
- Providing supplemental services which contribute to patient care and satisfaction.
- Assisting non-patient care departments with clerical support.
- Helping to spread the word about the good things happening at Columbia Hospital within the community.

To have an application mailed to your home, simply call Terri McMunn, Volunteer Coordinator, at 561-842-8065. You may stop by the hospital front desk at any time to pick up the volunteer application.

Programs & Services

Avis Blank



Welcome aboard to our three new Committee members, Toby Jacobs, Jeri Koli-kow and Marion Herbach. Thank you for joining us.

Contrary to circulating rumors, please be reminded that food and beverages are not to be consumed at the pools.

Babies and children in diapers may not enter the pools. Toys in the pool are a no-no as well as diving.

I realize that you may not agree with all the rules and be tempted to ignore them, but the rules are there for your health and safety.

I am amazed at how many residents are unaware of Duck Island. Duck Island, which is adjacent to the Main Clubhouse parking lot, is a pleasant place to have a picnic or to entertain guests. There are picnic tables, barbecue grills, a bocce game and two horseshoe pits for your enjoyment, plus a fishing pier. Only Century Village social clubs should inform Peggy Jackson's Office 48 hours in advance the date and time their group will be picnicking on the Island

For your information:

- The tennis courts are repaved on a regular two to three year rotating basis. Courts one and two will be repaved August or September.
- The pools are cleaned once a week.
- The pool decks and rest rooms are cleaned daily at the satellite pools.
- The lobbies are dusted and vacuumed daily and the rest rooms are cleaned daily at the Main Clubhouse and the Hastings Health Center.
- At the Kent pool, there are five tables located under the shade shelter, over 200 chairs and lounge chairs and eight tables and umbrellas on the pool deck. This is more than sufficient for the summer season. WPRF is aware of the repairs to be made to the pool furniture and the shade shelter.
- All the management companies have permission for their people to use the rest room facilities

- The doors to the rest rooms do not close completely because it must be easy for handicapped people to open them.
- There will always be a lot of leaves on the Camden pool deck because there are three huge trees growing on the pool deck.
- The cracks on the Camden, Somerset and Kent pool decks are sealed and are not three inches wide. Structurally, the pool decks are sound.
- Bingo resumed in August. The Bingo game in Century Village is not regulated by the state. If you would like to volunteer at the Bingo game, see Gert in the staff ticket office. She will be happy to talk to you. Bingo is held every Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm.
- Other adult communities feature live entertainment once or twice a month at a cost of \$12-\$25 per ticket. Bingo is once a month. How can we complain?

I hope the information above answered the majority of your questions.

Did you notice as you made your show selections from the seasons ticket flyer how easy on the eyes the flyer was? We do listen to you.

Granted, we do not have as many performances as in previous years and the prices of the tickets are a little higher, but you are guaranteed entertainment of the highest caliber.

I am aware that some people will not purchase tickets for a "to be announced show." You may be missing out on the "talk of the season show." Also, not all the time, but most of the time when an act is cancelled, people want refunds and the "stand-in-act" is better than you ever expected. The following artists have filled in for cancelled acts, (sometimes at a moment's notice): Don Cornell, Roberta Peters, Jack Jones, John Raitt and Constance Towers. These artists entertain at the Kravis Center where the cost of the tickets is much higher than what we charge, and when they do appear on our stage, there is no extra charge for the tickets

you had previously purchased. WPRF and the Programs and Services Committee are pleased to have brought these fine entertainers to our stage and are grateful they agreed to appear to fill in for cancelled acts.

Over the course of the next five months, evenings of entertainment have been booked for your pleasure. There is something to suit every taste. On Wednesday, December 31, 2003, you can ring in the New Year by seeing New York's longest-running musical revue, *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change*, or you can celebrate New Year's Italian Style with Gene Ferrari and Alto and Mantia on Sunday, December 28, 2003. These two events take place in our own Century Village Theatre.

If dancing is more to your liking, you can attend the annual New Years Eve Dance in the Party Room of the Clubhouse. All three of the above choices are a great way to end 2003 and welcome in 2004.

Please sit in your assigned seats in the theatre and come early enough so that you will be seated before the performance begins. No one will be seated for the first act 10 minutes after the performance begins. You will have to wait to be seated until after the first act ends and before the second act comes on stage.

Important dates to remember (*if not sold out*): the lottery for the New Years Eve Dance is on Thursday, December 4; the lottery for the Sweetheart Ball is on Thursday, January 29.

Tax Tips By George Loewenstein, CPA

Estate Planning for Blended Families

It is common in an estate plan to leave everything to one's spouse, who will leave everything to the children after his or her death. However, in second marriages, this plan may lead to unintentional outcomes. The surviving spouse may leave everything to his/her children or even to a subsequent spouse, thereby disinheriting the children of the deceased. If there is a large age difference between the decedent and the surviving spouse, it is even possible that the surviving spouse may outlive the children of the decedent, disinheriting them. Thus, some additional planning is needed when multiple marriages and families are involved.

Some of the questions that need to be answered are:

- Should the entire estate be left to the surviving spouse outright?
- Should only some of the estate be left to the surviving spouse, and the balance to the children of the decedent?
- Should assets be left outright, or in trust?

A common technique is to set up within the will an **Exemption Trust**. This provision will assure that the amount exempt from estate tax (currently \$1,000,000) will not become part of the surviving spouse's estate. Usually, the trust will provide an income to the spouse for life, with the principal paid to the children of the decedent

after the death of the surviving spouse. The provisions of the trust cannot be changed, and thus the decedent is assured that his/her wishes will be carried out. The balance of the estate can pass to the surviving spouse tax free.

The excess over the \$1,000,000 exemption can be set up in a **QTIP Trust**, allowing income to the surviving spouse for life, with the principal going to the decedent's children after the death of the surviving spouse. Using these trusts will assure the decedent that his/her estate will eventually pass on to his/her heirs. It must be pointed out that there will be administrative expenses in maintaining these trusts. The documents must be drawn carefully, to avoid any disagreements during the lives of the trusts.

It is, of course, always possible to leave assets outright to his/her children and to his/her spouse, but depending on the size of the estate, taxes may be incurred not only upon the first death but also upon the second death.

If a trust is used, careful consideration should be given in the selection of a trustee. Because of the broad powers enjoyed by a trustee, conflicts can arise and family relationships can be strained.

There are many other techniques used, and each situation must be evaluated. The above is just one example and may not fit everyone's circumstances

Letter from Rod Tennyson with Reference to Insurance

May 1, 2002

United Civic Organization
President, Vivian Walsh
82 Stratford F - Century Village
West Palm Beach, Florida 33417

Re: Personal Injury Liability and Elevators

Dear Vivian,

Pursuant to your request I would like to respond to your April 24th, 2002 letter concerning liability for personal or bodily injury related to an elevator or lift installed on the Condominium grounds. There are two types of elevator installation for buildings at Century Village. The most common one is simply the common element model where the Association declares the elevator to be a common element and all members of the Association pay their common expense share for the cost of installation and maintenance. Under this example any accident which occurs inside or around the elevator is like any personal-injury on the common elements and the Building's insurance carrier would cover the potential liability.

The second example is more complicated. If an elevator or lift is installed at the cost of just a few unit owners, which may include the need for a handicapped person on the second floor, then the elevator is not a common element even though it is located on the common elements of the condominium. In effect the Association has leased common element space for the installation of an elevator which is then owned by the individuals who use it. Under this example any personal injury caused by the presence of the elevator would be the responsibility of those unit owners who have exclusive control and use of the elevator. These individuals would want to obtain a rider to their homeowner's insurance policy to cover their liabilities.

In summary any injuries caused by a common element elevator is covered by insurance like any other injury. If the elevator is owned and used by an exclusive group then that group would want an addition to their homeowner's policy to cover any injuries.

ROD TENNYSON

A Paradox in UCO — Where and What are the “Voting Rights”?

By Irv Spevak

When UCO was established and incorporated in 1982, the Articles of Incorporation, in ARTICLE V, Members, stated:

“The members of UCO shall consist of all those condominium unit owners in Century Village, West Palm Beach, Florida, who wish to become members and who have qualified in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Bylaws of UCO. Such Bylaws shall also set forth the voting rights of the members.”

If you read this aloud rapidly, it sounds great; and if you read it aloud slowly, it may even sound better. But ask yourself, when were you, as the owner of one of the 7,854 condominium units in Century Village, ever been given a UCO election ballot with something on it for which you had a choice and for which you could exercise this right to vote?

The Bylaws of UCO addressed this mandate in ARTICLE IV, entitled Members, which states:

“The membership of UCO shall consist of all condominium unit owners in Century Village whose dues are fully paid for the current calendar year, and who subscribe to uphold the principles of UCO as detailed in ARTICLE III, Purposes. If a unit is owned by more than one person, the owners of the unit shall designate one of them as the voting member for the purpose of any UCO vote or election. Any resident of a condominium unit who is accepted as an owner of the unit by the condominium Association for the purpose of serving as director of the Association shall also be considered as an owner of the unit by UCO for the purpose of membership in UCO.”

In the early years of UCO, that voting right of the unit owner who became the designated voter was confined to voting for the members of the UCO Delegate Assembly, but never for the UCO Officers of the members of the UCO Executive Board. Then, in a later move, even that voting right was removed when it was decided that the elected President of each Association should be the Association's Delegate. However, the unit owners do not elect the President. They elect the five or seven member Board of Di-

rectors, who then, in their decision, decide who will be the President to represent the unit owners in the Delegate Assembly of UCO.

It was clearly the intent of the founding fathers (and mothers) of UCO that all of the members of UCO should be involved in creating the structure of UCO, and to have some direct role in the creation of the personnel of their governing body.

There are 7,854 condominium units in Century Village, and an Amendment to the Bylaws of UCO to establish a general election of the Officers and Executive Board Members by the 7,854 unit owners has been presented to the Advisory Board, the Officers Committee and to the Executive Board for their recommendations either for or against its adoption. An overwhelming majority of each of these bodies whose members have been elected without any input from the unit owners has recommended against its adoption. The UCO Bylaws require that the proposed Amendment is published in this issue of the *UCO Reporter* prior to the October meeting of the Delegate Assembly, where it will be voted upon by the seated Delegates. If you, the owners of each of the 7,854 units, wish to have a vote in the selection of the Officers and Executive Board Members of UCO for the year 2004 (and for many years thereafter), then you must make your wishes known to your Association Delegates. Your future input into selecting the governing personnel of UCO will require a yes vote of two-thirds of the seated Delegates at the October meeting.

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Your Right to Vote in a UCO Election!

By Louis Augenblick

Did you know that your right to vote is stated in the UCO Constitution and Bylaws under Article IV (Members), and it states that the owners of a unit shall designate one of them as the voting member for the purpose of any UCO vote or election?

UCO has denied you this right all these years. The fact that there are 309 Delegates who are Presidents of their Associations is due to my Bylaw recommendation a few years ago, and the additional Alternates is also due to my insistence on a fair representation of Delegates. Still, I feel I haven't moved the democratic process far enough. My opponents in this matter state that if it isn't broke, why fix it? I say, “What's wrong with making it better?”

I presented to the Advisory Committee a petition of 25 names and my Bylaw Amendment, to have all unit owners have one vote in the forthcoming election of Officers, President, Vice President, Executive Board, and any other elected Officers. My reasons are fairly simple:

Whereas each Association has a prescribed number of Delegate votes and whereas each Delegate can vote his or her preference for the election of Officers, and whereas this selection is made on a personal preference without an Association meeting or consultation with the unit owners, I urge you, the unit owners, to consult with your Delegates or President and make your feelings known. **You want your right to vote!**

In this edition of the *UCO Reporter* is the complete Bylaw change, and Part B of this Amendment takes away from any newly elected President the right to appoint eight members of his or her choice to the Executive Board. This creates a weighted Board and these appointees are beholden to the President.

Should the Delegates make the proper choice and give the unit owners the right to vote in the coming elections? I will give you some simple logistics. Reserve the Party Room on Election Day. UCO has 200 volunteers, and if need be, the unit owners would volunteer. The unit voter would show an ID. The volunteer would check off the name from a printout of each Association's roster, as sup-

Bylaw Changes By Kurt Weiss

The bylaws of an organization are akin in importance to the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Once an organization starts ignoring its bylaws or applies them on a selective basis, it surely becomes a body run at the whim of whoever is in charge or whoever tries to gain advantage at the expense of its members at large.

Changes should not be introduced haphazardly, nor should they be adopted to favor a particular segment rather than the organization in its entirety. There must be compelling reasons to introduce and adopt changes in the bylaws.

UCO's Bylaws have been in existence since its founding. During the years since they have undergone changes that were adopted with at least the two-thirds majority required to improve its functioning.

We are now presented with a number of proposals to change UCO's Bylaws, some of which make sense (staggering the election of the four Vice Presidents).

We are now asked to consider an Amendment which, on the face of it, sounds “democratic” but, if adopted, would result in a nightmare without any tangible benefit to UCO. For an Amendment to be adopted, it must make sense, must be “doable,” taking into account the required wherewithal needed to put it into effect. The idea to have all 7,854 members elect UCO's Officers and Board Members — a “popular vote” — is completely without merit.

Consider that our current Bylaws afford all 309 Asso-

plied by Seacrest, or any other management company. The voter would then receive a ballot with all the candidates' names on it for check off. In December, the new budget figures go out to all unit owners and absentee owners. A notice proclaiming an absentee ballot is available by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to UCO, and UCO will mail them a ballot.

This is but an elementary way of running the election and the Election Committee can refine it in more detail.

The Delegates will be voting on your right to vote at the October UCO Delegates Meeting. Come down and show your support for your right to vote. You won't get another chance.

ciations the representation to which they are entitled by virtue of the number of units within the Association. It makes perfect sense that Presidents of Associations are those who represent their constituents in the Delegate Assembly. After all, they are the best informed and, by and large, the most active. Additional Delegates for which an Association may be entitled should and are named by their respective elected Boards of Administration, usually upon the advice of the Associations' Presidents.

The Delegate Assembly thus constituted to represent all Associations, elects UCO's Officers and Executive Board Members. Changing the system to a direct “popular” vote would result in insurmountable hazards.

UCO does not have the apparatus to carry out a popular vote, has no voters' lists — each Association is a separate legal entity — there is no provision made for absentee ballots, and while a quorum is not required for elections, how many votes out of the 7,854 would be the minimum required to make such an election legal?

Let me remind you that the other three Century Villages all elect their Officers by Delegates to their Delegate Assemblies.

For all these reasons and more, I recommend that this Amendment not be passed.

I would recommend, however, that a duly constituted, impartial body, such as the Advisory Committee, review our Bylaws, with a view towards bringing them up-to-date.

Wedding Plans

Two women met for the first time since graduating from high school. One asked the other, “You were always so organized in school; did you manage to live a well-planned life?”

“Yes,” said her friend. “My first marriage was to a millionaire; my second marriage was to an actor; my third marriage was to a preacher; and now I'm married to an undertaker.”

Her friend asked, “What do those marriages have to do with a well-planned life?”

“One for the money, two for the show, three to get ready, and four to go.”

From the Internet

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The Mail Bag



Thank You, UCO

The Board of Directors of Dorchester A want to take this opportunity to thank the members of UCO, especially Vivian Walsh, Mary Patrick, Phil Shapkin, Bob Fogelman and Ed Black, for going above and beyond the call of duty in helping us reorganize our Condominium Association. Their guidance and input was invaluable with a different difficult situation that we could not have handled on our own. UCO is a definite asset to Century Village and we are fortunate to have them. Once again, thank you.

Sandy Matkivich
 Secretary-Treasurer

Thank You, Committees

I am taking this opportunity to thank the Chairpersons of the Committees for all their hard work. I am very sorry that I am unable to volunteer for anything due to the deterioration of my health.

I can live here in complete trust knowing that the Century Village Committees are working to make this an enviable, safe and well-run community and I can enjoy my privacy and well-being knowing that people I do not even know are looking out for my welfare.

I have not been able to go out to the pool area in a long time and the last time I was there it was exceedingly clean — as long as I took items left and put them in the trash. Visitors from other areas may not want to be bothered with our rules.

I fell on the grass last week and a new resident commented she was told it was not good to sit on the grass. I told her I was not sitting, I had fallen and was waiting for the EMT team to pick me up. She never bothered to ask if I was hurt or needed help. My friend and neighbor had brought me my cordless phone when she heard me calling for help.

I just want to repeat how grateful I am for your concern for those of us who live here.

Marion Friedman

Obey the Rules

All owners and renters know (or should know) that guests under 16 years of age are allowed only in the guest pool at the Main Clubhouse (the one not near the sailing boats). Also, there are signs posted at the entrance of all other pools saying either that the pool is only for owners — or that under 16 years of age not allowed in pool area or in pool.

Owners and renters are responsible for keeping rules made by CV and for obtaining passes for guests using guest pool facilities. Also — children are not allowed in the Clubhouse.

Those of us who live here are allowed to be at our facilities without children running all over. We all moved in knowing the rules — please obey them.

Security should check all pools to check this out — and to maintain the no food rules at the pools.

Those who don't like the "no children" rule shouldn't be living in an adult community.

Paula Brotkin

A Remarkable Experience

My name is Marilyn Figueroa. The first time I heard of Century Village was in April of 2002. I found an ad in the newspaper; I called; and now I am here. So on a cold, wet day at the end of April, I flew out of Chicago for the sunny weather. Upon seeing this paradise, I was very pleasantly surprised, so I bought a unit.

I came back in June, cleaned my unit and explored the Village. I got to meet my neighbors and other people in the Village. I love the grounds and the pools. Overall, my experience for the time I have been here is great, with the exception of some people that

say, "Oh, you live in the Old Section." Well, pardon me — old or new section, we all live in Century Village!

I have been in the Village permanently since August of 2002. So now I will tell you of a very remarkable experience for me, as I came here not knowing one person.

On May 7, 2003, I had both of my knees replaced. My family is back in Chicago with their own families, but my neighbors and friends that I have met such a short time ago were there for me. My neighbors assisted me with whatever I needed. The friends I have made here in the Village and pool people have been fantastic — visiting, calling, or doing whatever I needed to get done. If I had to put all of the names, I would be writing all night. This is a great experience — unbelievable but true. Where else could this happen? Only in Century Village!

Marilyn Figueroa

Preferred Building Color

This is a plea for Associations to keep all our Village buildings painted white. With all the buildings the same color, it provides a soothing, uniform background to our beautiful grass, shrubs, trees and flowers.

I am not alone. Virtually everyone I've asked hates the colored buildings. The colors, which started out muted, such as beige, are now becoming unbearably — raucous, loud, jarring and in atrocious taste.

Any Village resident who wants a preview of what this colorizing trend can lead to has only to look at the Grand Bazaar mall, across Okeechobee from the West Gate. And if you like those colors, please use them only on the inside of your condo — not even on your car.

Rebecca Schlam Lutto

Colors

Well, "so much" for the increased value of our apartments. With the psychedelic colors popping up in the Village, it is beginning to look like the ghettos. I expect to see graffiti at any time. The developers would never believe it.

Charlotte Winters
Patricia Luberto

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Century Village Computer Club

If you have computer experience, we need your expertise. Most of the teachers we have at the present time are winter residents. We would like to keep our classes ongoing for the entire year. If you would like to join the fastest growing organization in the Village and help out your friends and neighbors, call Howie 683-1971 or Len 471-9261.

Schedule for Transponder Distribution September 2003

The following is the schedule to purchase transponders for your vehicles. The transponders will be purchased and installed at the synagogue located in the north section of Century Village in the Hastings area. The process will be exactly the same as when you purchased your bar codes. **You must bring with you the completed Unit Occupant Form (all three parts), your Century Village ID, your vehicle registration, a copy of your lease if you are a renter, and a check or cash to purchase the transponder. Transponders are \$25 each, \$15 if you have a current bar code.**

Hours for all dates are 9:00 to 11:00 am:

- Sept 23, 2003 Tues Dover, Salisbury, Windsor
- Sept 24, 2003 Wed Chatham, Kingswood, Southampton

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STAR RIVER CHICKEN	8.25
<i>Breaded chicken with shrimp, roast pork and Chinese vegetables</i>	
TRIPLE CROWN	8.50
<i>Jumbo shrimp, chicken, roast pork with shredded Chinese vegetables</i>	
FOUR SEASONS	9.75
<i>Lobster, shrimp, chicken, roast pork and vegetables</i>	
FIVE STARS	9.95
<i>Shrimp, crab meat, scallops, chicken, roast pork and Chinese vegetables.</i>	
BUDDHA'S DELIGHT (Vegetable Dish)	6.25

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* * * * * Served with Steamed Rice * * * * *

SZECHUAN BEEF	7.95	MONGOLIAN BEEF	7.50
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KUNG PO SHRIMP	8.50	ORANGE BEEF	8.50
SZECHUAN TRIPLE	8.75	HUNAN SCALLOP in GARLIC SAUCE	8.25
SZECHUAN PORK	7.75	KUNG PO CHICKEN	7.70

LUNCH SPECIALS

MONDAY thru SATURDAY — 11:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M.

Served with Egg Roll or Chicken Wings and Roast Pork Fried Rice

PLEASE ORDER BY "L" NUMBER

L1 CHICKEN CHOW MEIN	3.95	*L11 CHICKEN with GARLIC SAUCE	4.50
L2 ROAST PORK CHOW MEIN	3.95	L12 CASHEW CHICKEN	4.75
L3 SHRIMP CHOW MEIN	4.50	L13 ROAST PORK EGG FOO YOUNG	3.95
L4 SUBGUM CHICKEN CHOW MEIN	4.10	*L14 SZECHUAN BEEF	4.60
L5 SHRIMP with LOBSTER SAUCE	5.25	L15 HONEY GARLIC CHICKEN	4.10
L6 MOO GOO GAI PAN	4.25	L16 SWEET & SOUR PORK	4.10
L7 ROAST PORK with MIXED VEGE.	4.25	L17 BEEF with BROCCOLI	4.60
L8 ROAST PORK with BEAN SPROUTS	3.50	L18 BARBECUED SPARE RIBS (4)	4.95
L9 ROAST PORK LO MEIN	4.10	L19 CHICKEN WINGS (4)	3.95
L10 PEPPER STEAK with ONION	4.25		

* Indicates Hot & Spicy, the degree of spiciness can be altered to your taste

APPETIZERS

Egg Roll (1)	1.20
Curry Beef Roll (1)	1.20
Vegetable Roll (2)	1.20
Crab Rangoon (6)	3.50
B.B.Q. Ribs (6)	6.25
Chicken Wings (6)	3.50
Fantail Shrimp (6)	5.25
Fried Wontons (12)	1.95
Fried Dumplings (6)	3.10
Steak on a Stick (4)	4.15
Roast Pork Slice or Ends	4.25
Pu Pu Platter (Appetizer Sampler)	4.95

Egg Roll, B.B.Q. Rib, Chicken Wing, Fantail Shrimp, Steak on a Stick, Fried Wonton — (1 of each)

CHOW MEIN or CHOP SUEY
Served With Steamed Rice & Noodles

Chicken	3.75	6.00
Roast Pork	3.75	6.00
Shrimp	3.95	6.75
Beef	3.95	6.75
Vegetable	3.00	5.25
Subgum Chicken	3.75	6.25
Subgum Shrimp	3.95	6.75
House Special	4.00	7.00

EGG FOO YOUNG
Served with Steamed Rice

Vegetable	3.15	5.10
Chicken or Roast Pork	3.50	5.25
Shrimp	3.75	5.95
House Special	4.00	6.75

LO MEIN (Soft Noodles)
Served with Steamed Rice

Chicken	3.75	6.15
Roast Pork	3.75	6.15
Shrimp	3.95	6.75
Beef	3.95	6.75
Vegetable	3.25	5.50
House Special	4.00	7.25

FRIED RICE

Chicken or Roast Pork	3.15	5.25
Shrimp	3.60	6.35
Beef	3.60	6.35
Vegetable	3.00	5.00
House Special	3.85	6.75
Plain	2.00	3.50

SWEET & SOUR
Served with Steamed Rice

Chicken	3.75	6.65
Pork	3.50	6.50
Shrimp	6.95	7.25
Combo	7.25	

CHICKEN
Served With Steamed Rice

Cashew Chicken	7.25
Honey Garlic Chicken	7.10
Chicken with Pea Pods	7.15
Moo Goo Gai Pan	6.95
Boneless Chicken	6.75
Lemon Chicken	6.75
Chicken Broccoli	7.10
Curry Chicken	6.75
Almond Chicken	6.75

SOUPS

Wonton	1.20	2.30
Egg Drop	1.10	2.00
Vegetable	1.35	2.50
Hot & Sour	1.85	3.50
Chicken Rice or Noodles	1.50	2.75
Wonton & Egg Drop Mixed	1.35	2.50
House Special (for two)	4.25	

ROAST PORK
Served with Steamed Rice

Roast Pork with Bean Sprouts	3.25	5.75
Roast Pork with Chinese Vegetables	3.95	6.85
Roast Pork with Broccoli	3.95	6.95
Roast Pork with Mushrooms	3.85	6.75
Roast Pork with Pea Pods	4.10	7.00

BEEF
Served with Steamed Rice

Pepper Steak with Onions	4.10	6.95
Beef with Broccoli	4.20	7.25
Beef with Oyster Sauce	3.95	6.85
Beef with Chinese Vegetables	4.10	7.15
Beef with Bean Sprouts	3.50	6.20
Beef with Pea Pods	4.20	7.25

SEAFOOD
Served with Steamed Rice

Shrimp with Lobster Sauce	7.95
Shrimp with Black Bean Sauce	7.95
Shrimp with Chinese Vegetables	8.25
Shrimp with Snow Peas	8.25
Sea Scallop with Shrimp	8.75
Snow White Scallops	8.25
Star River Grouper	9.00

COMBINATION PLATTERS
Served with Wonton or Egg Drop Soup, Egg Roll or Chicken Wings & Pork Fried Rice

PLEASE ORDER BY NUMBER

1 Chicken Chow Mein	5.75
2 Roast Pork Chow Mein	5.75
3 Shrimp Chow Mein	6.10
4 Subgum Chicken Chow Mein	5.95
5 Shrimp with Lobster Sauce	6.50
6 Moo Goo Gai Pan	6.10
7 Roast Pork with Mixed Vegetables	6.10
8 Roast Pork with Bean Sprouts	5.50
9 Roast Pork Lo Mein	6.10
10 Pepper Steak with Onions	6.10
*11 Chicken with Garlic Sauce	6.15
12 Cashew Chicken	6.25
13 Roast Pork Egg Foo Young	5.75
*14 Szechuan Beef	6.25
15 Honey Garlic Chicken	6.10
16 Sweet & Sour Pork	6.10
17 Beef with Broccoli	6.25
18 B.B.Q. Ribs (2), Fantail Shrimp (2)	6.25
19 B.B.Q. Ribs (2), Chicken Wings (2)	5.95

* Indicates Hot & Spicy, the degree of spiciness can be altered to your taste

ROAD RULES AT INTERSECTIONS

To All Residents
 We have found residents putting syringes and needles in recyclable containers.
 This is not allowed and containers, which are found with syringes or needles will not be picked up.
 Residents should call the Health Department at 653-2000 to learn how to dispose of these items.
 Leon Goldenberg
 Solid Waste Authority
 315-2007

1. If you are making a turn you are required to SIGNAL. This is not only the law it is also essential for safety.
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The Mail Bag

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Rumors, Rape, Buses and Pedophiles

The September 12 UCO meeting illustrated how important these sessions are in dispelling rumors and imparting accurate information.

Replying to allegations that rapes had occurred in the Village, Officers emphasized that no rapes have occurred. Details were given about four pedophiles that reside in the Village.

It was unfair to subject the head of the C.O.P organization to questions on this issue since this is a highly complex legal and emotional issue and is outside his jurisdiction. It was appropriate that President Walsh said she would invite UCO's lawyer to address the issue at the next meeting.

A UCO Officer made the incorrect statement that Associations could refuse to approve contracts reached by these individuals. This also is a legal issue. Replying to a request that pedophile information be publicized in the *UCO Reporter*, one Official said, "The *UCO Reporter* is not a newspaper." This statement is ridiculous; the *UCO Reporter* is the most accurate and the major source of information for residents.

On the bus question, the rumor that service would be drastically curtailed was denied, and it was explained that there would be some minor cuts to keep costs within budget. While it would not be feasible to have the Delegate Assembly micromanage the bus system, it is clear that good surveys were needed to show what buses are not used much and which routes are popular.

It was refreshing to see that even residents who drive cars realize that some time in the future they may have to depend on the buses and joined those who favored increased spending on the bus system.

The explanation given by Recording Secretary Betty Lapidus as to why the new UCO Building was bought was compelling. The purchase prevented the county from placing a harmful facility at the Village's door.

The meeting was a breath of fresh air, clearing away the clouds of rumors and misinformation.

Sy Lutto



**Kurt's
 Komments**

Kurt Weiss



Our Shiniest Hour...!

About 80 billion to cover the expense of the war with Iraq. Another 350 billion in additional tax cuts, plus the considerable deficit the administration succeeded in creating as of now.

I have urged my grandchildren to be very frugal so that they will have the means to help this government cover their huge debts.

There was a saying that whenever a Democrat occupied the White House, we got wars: FDR in WWII, HST in Korea, JFK — the beginning of our involvement in the Vietnam adventure.

On the other hand, whenever there is a Republican president, we manage to end up with huge deficits: Reagan, Bush I and now Bush II.

Seems to me that the current administration succeeded on both counts: a war and a worsening economic crisis.

Don't get me wrong: I am one of the few Democrats — other than some of those running for the White House — who firmly believes that monsters like Saddam Hussein should be gotten rid of at the earliest possible time and by whatever means. But then I had the dubious pleasure to live under Hitler's regime for close to two years, when "peace in our time" was nothing but an empty slogan and a hollow promise.

So we went into Iraq, we buried Saddam Hussein's army, achieved a "blitzkrieg" victory and were told by our president: 1) "It's over and we won," and 2) "Bring them on!"

And bring them on they do. It becomes clearer by the day that we are wholly unprepared

to deal with the aftermath of our victory. It gradually becomes so bad that we swallow our pride and ask the United Nations to please help us run Iraq.

It turns out that the price we pay for sloppy or non-existing post-war planning is way beyond what the powers that be ever contemplated, both in blood and in money.

It seems to me that we achieved a pyrrhic victory in Iraq and are losing the peace and that is not even the foremost concern Americans slowly realize.

What bothers me is what the administration is doing to us by their ill-gotten economic policies. When they and Congress fiddle around without coming out with a realistic plan for prescription drugs — it is us, the seniors, who suffer.

When the same, or worse, happens with Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid, it again is us, but also our children, who are the losers

But when we talk about a monstrous deficit in the trillions — that impacts upon our grandchildren and generations to come.

In the meanwhile, the rich get richer, the middle class is suffering, unemployment rises, 35 million are still without any health insurance and countless children go to bed hungry — not in North Korea — but here, in the richest country upon earth.

We are told that in 2002, another one to four million Americans descended below the poverty level, half of them children.

"Privatization" urged upon us as a cure-all gives all of us an equal chance to lose our shirts on the stock market.

Nice going, Mr. Bush.

There is absolutely no parking on the swales along the perimeter road. Areas have been newly seeded and sprinkler systems installed. Broken pipes and sprinkler heads cost all of us money.

MEETING DATES — 2003

OFFICERS	EXEC. BOARD	DELEGATES
Sep 4	Sep 8	Sep 12
Sep 25	Sep 29	Oct 3
Oct 30	Nov 3	Nov 7
Nov 24	Dec 1	Dec 5

*Officers' Committee Meetings start at 10:00 am.
 Executive Board Meetings start at 1:00 pm.
 Delegate Assembly Meetings start at 9:30 am.*

Holocaust Memoirs Wanted

A project that will publish all written memoirs of Jewish Holocaust survivors is being underwritten by Random House. The publisher has donated \$1 million to aid the historic effort, of which Elie Wiesel is honorary chairman.

Survivors are urged to send manuscripts to:
 Holocaust Survivors Memoirs Project
 World Jewish Congress
 501 Madison Avenue
 New York, N.Y. 10022

Mr. Wiesel said: "We want every survivor to know that if a manuscript arrives, it will be received and kept in a special place with great respect. I want eventually to establish a principle that every manuscript should be published."

Manuscripts need not be in English. Translations will be

*From the Desk of
Commissioner*

Jeff Koons.



The Verdict is Funny

These are from a book called Disorder in the Court, and are things people actually said in court, word for word, taken down, and now published:

Q: This myasthenia gravis, does it affect your memory at all?

A: Yes.

Q: And in what way does it affect your memory?

A: I forget.

Q: You forget. Can you give us an example of something that you've forgotten?

Q: How old is your son, the one living with you?

A: 38 or 35, I can't remember which.

Q: How long has he lived with you?

A: 45 years.

Policy of the Reporter

1. All articles submitted must be typed, double-spaced on 8-1/2 x 11 paper
2. We will carry no announcement of religious services.
3. Classified ads are free of charge to CV residents and must show the name and address of the contributor. They are printed on a space-available basis. Personals are printed at a charge of \$6 per inch and, if accepted, are assured of inclusion in the paper.
4. Filler items — original items are preferred over those taken from another source. Items which are not original must show source and permission to reprint.
5. Deadline for submission of articles and ads is the 7th of the month. Camera-ready ads may be accepted until the 10th.
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8. The initial ad from a new customer must be prepaid.
9. Ads for personal and household services must include a license number issued by a government agency.
10. No material from the Internet except jokes and filler will be accepted.
11. No more than two bylined items from any one contributor will be accepted for the same issue.
12. The 10% discount will be allowed with the eighth consecutive insert of an ad.

Making It Safely to School

With a new school year upon us, it's important for drivers to be extra aware of youngsters walking or riding their bikes to class. Thanks to the combined planning efforts of Palm Beach County Traffic Engineering, the Sheriff's Office and the School District, it is now safer than ever for our students to get to school.

A few years ago, the national "Safe to Schools" program was announced. It called for local government agencies to share information about potentially dangerous traffic situations near schools and offer solutions — an excellent idea to be sure, but not a new one here in Palm Beach County.

For many years, our Traffic Engineering staff has met regularly with the School District and the Sheriff's Office to study and improve school crossing zones. Additional input is sought from parents, principals, teachers, elected officials, road maintenance crews, police and fire departments, public meetings and phone calls from our constituents.

After a particular location is checked out, one or more things may be recommended. Perhaps it needs a sidewalk or bike path, a crossing guard, a traffic signal, flashing signs or road striping. Sometimes no corrective action is needed, and that's okay, too. Parents and school administrators usually are relieved to learn their school crossings already meet or exceed all safety requirements.

The County is stepping up its sidewalks and pathways construction program to ensure that every public school has safe walking routes up to two miles away. That's because, according to the School District's transportation policy, children who live within two miles of their school — the so-called two-mile rule — are *not* eligible to ride the bus.

For years, this meant youngsters living in rural areas, as well as some urban areas with dirt roads, were

forced to walk in muddy swales, or worse, out in the middle of the street. The Board of County Commissioners responded by changing its policy to allow transportation funds to be used for sidewalk construction along unpaved roadways.

We also keep close track of where new schools are going to be built so that new sidewalks and bike paths are in place when the doors open.

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Random Ramblings

Robert Fogelman



The summer doldrums are upon us. Things have a tendency to slow down. The mornings are relatively cool, the afternoons are hot, and the evenings are livable with our air conditioners. The traffic has eased up a bit (?) and the stores and restaurants are more accessible. Our pools should be more in use than ever by our hardy full-time residents.

Okeechobee. I wonder how much the traffic up north has increased? Even the waiting time in doctors' offices has eased up. If I were to characterize our summer life here in Century Village, it would be to say that our lifestyle could offer an enhanced way of life that could possibly lead to an extension of our stay here.

When I think of our winter residents coming down in November or December and their repacking and trekking up north in April or May, I am very pleased that I only did this for one year before I saw the light and moved down here on a permanent basis some 18 years ago.

The son of one of our residents visited his parents last week and he commented on how well cared for and how nice our village looked. This was before the new palm trees and their respective lighting were installed.

In the next few years, we can expect even more improvements in CV which will enhance our way of life to unexpected heights.

But that's not the point I wish to make. Some of our residents feel that the temperature elsewhere, during the summer, is cooler than what we have here in Florida. You must equate this with our summer lifestyle. While things appear to have slowed down, our outdoor swimming pools are in greater use, our shows and movies are in full schedule and the card room in the clubhouse is in full attendance. The exercise room and the health club at the Hastings clubhouse are very busy and the new walk-around pool at Hastings is welcomed by all.

The only thing that has not slowed down is traffic on

Born to Perform

By Dot Loewenstein

Her father had a band, her uncle sang a song, and at the age of four, she sat down at the piano and played—flawlessly! Brother George (who auditioned for the famous Major Bowes) played guitar, harmonica and drums, while sister Beryl played piano. The family joked when asked what instrument mother played. Their reply: "Someone has to be the audience!"

By the time she turned 11, Gladys was proficient on clarinet, saxophone, accordion, and drums, as well as her beloved piano. It was finally decided that a few lessons might help her to read notes and arrange music, but basically everything was "by ear." In her father's band, she played clarinet first chair, and performed on boat cruises in Michigan. The band specialized in Sousa marches, and

her favorite is still the "Stars and Stripes Forever."

Although Gladys disliked classical music, she did play on both radio and television and wrote for her son Roy (age ten) and his trumpet trio. The group was in a competition with many students from other schools, and won first place. She also taught in a studio, where 65 students learned how to play piano, accordion, clarinet, and organ.

Music took on a life of its own, with no conscious decision on her part. While Gladys was being caregiver to her mother and assisting her siblings, there was no time for college. She arrived in Florida as a widow in 1984, visited nursing homes, and sang in trios with her children. One played piano, organ and clarinet, the other trumpet and drums.

Songbirds Eva Schneider and Marty Brown enlisted her to accompany their group shortly after Nat Lewis signed her up for the Merry Minstrels. Her hectic schedule includes not only weekly rehearsals for each group, but also traveling with them as they entertain at various assisted living residences in the area. In her spare time, she manages to volunteer at the Morse Geriatric Center.

Truly, Gladys Davison was **born to perform**—there was never really any choice. For this, we in Century Village are quite grateful. Her talent is unbelievable and unique. She has touched the lives of many, not only those who perform, but hundreds of residents in various assisted living facilities in our area. Gladys has **made a difference** in this world.

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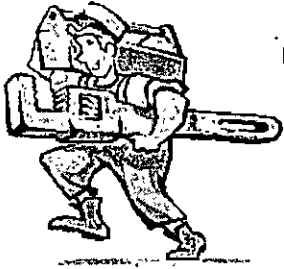
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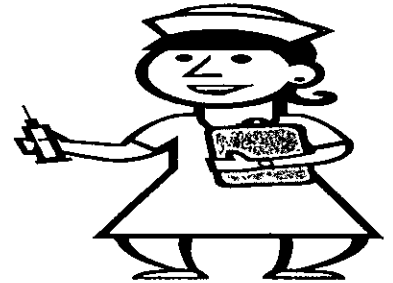
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10/01	Wed 2pm	"DADDY DAY CARE"
10/03	Fri 8pm	Eddie Murphy, Anjelica Huston
10/05	Sun 2pm	PG 92 min
10/05	Sun 8pm	
10/06	Mon 8pm	"THE QUIET AMERICAN"
10/08	Wed 2pm	Michael Caine, Brendan Fraser
10/10	Fri 8pm	R 118 min
10/12	Sun 2pm	
10/12	Sun 8pm	"CONFIDENCE"
10/14	Tue 8pm	Edward Burns, Dustin Hoffman,
10/15	Wed 2pm	Andy Garcia R 98 min
10/17	Fri 8pm	"HOLLYWOOD HOMICIDE"
10/19	Sun 2pm	Harrison Ford, Josh Hartnett
10/19	Sun 8pm	PG-13 111 min
10/20	Mon 8pm	
10/22	Wed 2pm	"AMEN"
10/24	Fri 8pm	Ulrich Tukur, Mathieu Kassovitz
10/26	Sun 2pm	Not rated 130 min
10/26	Sun 8pm	
10/27	Mon 8pm	"THE ITALIAN JOB"
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Unit Owners' Responsibility

By Bob Fogelman

Let's take a moment to recap the responsibilities of a unit owner. For instance — the lighting situation:

All unit owners are obligated to insure that your building, your condominium, has good, sufficient lighting for your safety and welfare. It is something that the fire rescue demands. Why do I say it is your individual obligation? Because none of us live in a vacuum and we all must cooperate in the administration of our Condominium Association. All we have to do is to open our door at night and look at the catwalk lights: the flood light over your stairways, the lights in front of your walkway, the light on your building identification sign and the FPL light pole near your building. If any of these lights are flickering or are out — including the red exit lights — please notify one of your Association's Officers. Remember, no flood lights over your stairways is an accident that is begging to happen.

Always remember to pay your maintenance bills before the 10th of the month.

Give your Association an emergency key to your unit together with emergency names, addresses and telephone numbers.

Have the exterminator come into your unit every month.

It is a very, very good idea to have home insurance in case of fire, water damage or theft.

If your air conditioner, water heater or appliances are over 10 years old, you may want to consider changing them for more efficient, electricity-saving models. In the long run, your savings on your electric bill may be more than the cost of newer up-to-date appliances.

Insist that your Association procure the new easy-to-read condo documents and read the "do's" and "do-not's" on pages 55-58.

All stop signs should be reflective at night. Hand-painted stop signs are against the law and it will go against your Association should an accident occur at night.

Start a "buddy" system so that everyone is contacted each day. This not only for the health and welfare of both parties, it also helps to dispel loneliness. It will give each one a good feeling to remain in touch with one another. No man/woman should be an is-

land unto themselves.

Vote on every issue that is presented to you by your Association Officers by attending every annual meeting, special meetings and even just attend your Board of Directors (Administration) meetings so that you will know how they vote on the items on the agenda.

Lastly, and probably the most important responsibility of a unit owner, is for each one to become actively involved in your Condominium Association. If you back away and only let John, Henry, Sue or Carol do it, then perhaps you are thinking of them as your superintendent when you lived in an apartment up north. No way. In an assisted living manor outside of Century Village, they will be only too happy to act as your superintendent as long as you pay for your stay there. So it behooves you to get involved with your condo administration now.

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My Retirement

By Dot Loewenstein

When I arrived in Century Village five years ago, it was as a result of taking early Social Security, due to a disabling illness. Living here was my excuse for not going to work daily. Talking to neighbors, I learned that many retirees spent their days playing Mah Jongg or Canasta. This was not for me, so I explored my options. Today, I'm still exploring, and continue to learn of more choices. Just this past week, I took the special Monday bus to Wellington Green, planning to eat lunch at TooJays. What a nice surprise to discover that the bus stops almost at the door of that deli — no traipsing thru the entire mall for lunch. On the other hand, visiting the Play Court watching the toddlers was a "must do," and a happy half-hour was spent there first. A few weeks ago we took the Tuesday special bus up to The Gardens mall. Tell me: Are the young people nowadays really wearing those clothes? Taking our internal buses is always interesting. The passengers' conversations can be boring or enlightening, depending on my attitude that day.

Now I've finally created a calendar, listing (I hope) all the choices available in any

month. At a glance, it's quickly obvious that Thursdays can be a real challenge. There is a bowling league; the Merry Minstrels rehearse every Thursday morning; and there are classes at Aitz Chaim every Thursday evening. The New Jersey Club, the Computer Club, and the National Council of Jewish Women all meet on Thursday afternoons.

We have an Irish Club (first and third Sunday afternoons), an Art League (first Monday morning), Drama Club (fourth Monday afternoon), Yiddish Culture (Tuesday mornings), French Club (Tuesday afternoons), Democratic Club (fourth Tuesday afternoon), Brooklyn Club (second Wednesday afternoon), and Italian Club (third Wednesday afternoon). First Fridays are reserved for UCO meetings. Even if you are not a Delegate or building President, you should attend — it is fascinating, and anyone can voice an opinion, even you!

Every Sunday evening, year round, Angelo Amari leads a singalong. He has prepared great songsheets, which are handed out to all, and encourages those who want to sing a solo. He plays violin; another plays harmonica; and

a third plays piano. These evenings are most enjoyable. Even if you have a movie or show that evening, you can do both, since the singalong starts at 6:00 pm.

During season, there are many classes offered, such as Line Dancing, Bridge, Jewelry Making (I keep hoping to fit this one into my schedule).

Sailing lessons are available so you can join the Sailing Club and the Snorkel Club. Choose the woodworking shop or the sewing machine room — both of which require you to be a qualified user.

Thus, my retirement days have become much busier than I ever imagined. Shows several nights, movies, and an occasional evening of TV round out my week's activities. Consider getting involved in more than card games — you'll be glad you did!

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The weather, as expected, has been hot and humid, but as seasoned Floridians, we adjusted our schedules to accommodate the season. Swimming can be done during the morning or during the afternoon hours in order to avoid the strong sun. Shopping and staying in air conditioned places for card games or other indoor activities is advised. Of course keeping medical appointments also fill in the time.

Many of the ongoing activities are curtailed because of residents leaving the area. It is refreshing to see cars returning. It will not be long before we will be getting telephone calls telling us that our organizations are getting ready to resume their activities.

I had the opportunity to observe many neighbors' apartments which had been left to their families. It was sad to see their possessions being disposed of by children who were overwhelmed by items which had been treasured by family, but had no meaning for them. We decided that this would be a great time to distribute our treasure with family and friends while we are still able to do so. Our memories will stay with us forever.

Our four grandchildren visited recently and we were surprised at their choices. One wanted all our old family pictures from year one, with stories about them. They will put the images on disks and mail them to the other members who want them. Another wanted pictures showing our travels around the world, and will do the same as with the family pictures. They all chose souvenirs of our travels to far away lands such as Africa, Egypt, Israel, Mexico, Hawaii, Europe, Alaska and the Caribbean Islands, which are a few of the areas. As we

distributed the souvenirs and pictures to them, we relived our trips and were delighted that we had been to so many places while we were healthy, had the money and the enthusiasm to explore the world. Now we are downsizing and simplifying our home. We do not want to have our family agonize as to what they have to throw out or donate to organizations. One does accumulate much during a lifetime.

Do not think for a minute that we have a storybook picture home. It will take another truck to carry what is left behind, but at least most of the valued possessions will have

Channel 63

By Howie Silver

Channel 63 is your Century Village station for club events and UCO information.

Pick up your forms for any event or club meeting at the UCO Office. Fill the form out completely (print only) and put it in Channel 63's folder, located in the UCO Office. If, for any reason, you find a mistake or any changes to a club page, please fill out the yellow form and it will be taken care of immediately.

Hope you enjoy reading about all the events going on in Century Village for you to attend.



found new homes and will be enjoyed by those whom we love.

I will probably go shopping to replace the clothes with up-to-date items once the closets have a roomy look. Once a pack rat, always a pack rat.

Notice — To All Residents

This notice is to clarify the following rules and regulations to *all residents* so there is no misunderstanding as to what is expected and that said rules and regulations are to be observed and adhered to:

- No vehicle which cannot operate on its own power shall remain on the condominium premises for more than 12 hours.
- No repair, except emergency repair, of vehicles shall be made on the condominium property.

The parking facilities shall be used in accordance with the regulations adopted by the Board. They are:

- Each unit owner is assigned a parking space.
- No cars are to be "backed" into parking spaces.
- Guest spots are to be available for guests only unless the resident owns a second car. (Guest spots are not to be used by a resident on a 24-hour basis.)

When the above-mentioned rules are not complied with, the car may be towed.

On the installation of satellite dishes:

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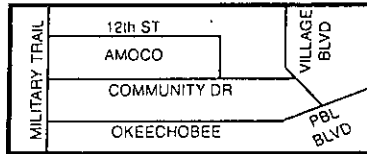
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20 Years Ago This Month

By Marilyn Nissensohn



September-October 1983

Twenty years ago this month, *The UCO Reporter* resumed publishing after a well-earned summer respite. Exciting things happened during the interim in the year 1983:

- The Public Service Commission agreed to have UCO act as the intervener in the water rate increase request filed by Century Utilities Inc. and the PSC denied a request by Century Utilities for an interim rate increase.
- A half million dollar refund was awarded to Century Village from Century Utilities Inc. by the FPSC.
- The new transportation system became a reality on September 1, 1983. Palm Beach Motor Tours, Inc. was awarded a three-year contract which was signed in Rod Tennyson's office by President Phil Sokol. Transportation ID's were handled by a committee composed of Doris Yanowitz, Vivian Walsh, Ruth Bernhard and Ann Wiener.

The question of the month was, "How do you like Century Village life?" All six respondents agreed that life in the Village was all they could ask for. They participated in clubs, sports and enjoyed their new friends.

There was the formal opening of the UCO Office at the building adjoining the Camden pool. The Office was to serve as the center for administration, transportation control and *The UCO Reporter*. Executive Board and Committee meetings will take place there. A request was made for donations of furniture, typewriters, etc.

Both a common element and a limited common element were defined.

A reminder that it was time to organize for the 1984 election of Delegates. I still don't know how that was conducted. If you were here at that time, and remember please contact me.

Manny Kessler was appointed by Governor Bob Graham to serve on the Palm Beach Expressway Authority.

the Palm Beach County Cable Television Task Force and Cable TV Performance Review Commission. Two men who served both their community and county well.

During the month of August, Century Village had a most unwelcome visitor: A tornado touched down in the Greenbrier area and then moved on to Wellington. The Greenbrier pool roof was smashed as were scores of chairs, tables and umbrellas. Windows were broken,

screens ripped, auto windshields and rear windows were shattered. The golf course suffered extensively with trees and bushes torn up by the roots. Wellington was also damaged. The tornado then jumped Haverhill Road and visited the mobile home area across from the Village. County officials declared that it was a miracle that no one was seriously injured.

There were ads from restaurants (French toast for 89¢), banks paying five and a quarter percent for a \$500 balance and seven and three quarters percent for \$2,500 balance, carpet and tile stores, maintenance companies, doctors and tour companies (Epcot, St. Augustine or the West Coast of Florida, three days, two nights for \$99 each).

As is the case today, the *Reporter* was full of interesting and entertaining items.



Howard Silver, producer of the Century Village information station on cable channel 63. If you have an organization and you would like to publicize it on our local channel, come to the UCO Office and pick up the proper form.

Sing Along

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Hurricane Check List

Below is a list of things you should do before, during and after a hurricane. This short list was put together from all the information the Emergency Committee could find.

Things To Do Now

1. Review your insurance policy
2. Call the UCO Office if you must depend on electricity for your life support in any manner. Example, oxygen, refrigeration for insulin, etc
3. If you want to install shutters, speak with your association president. Storm panels are recommended. (Note: Century Village is not an evacuation area. Our buildings and our area are considered very safe in a hurricane.)
4. If you are leaving for the hurricane season, remove or secure all items on your patio. Take them inside. Remember it is not the wind that destroys but the objects the wind throws around that causes destruction
5. Trim all your trees
6. Select a safe room in your apartment away from windows and doors and all flying debris. Example: Use your bathroom if it has no windows, or a hallway.
7. Check stair lights and emergency lights on building
8. Make arrangements to secure awnings.

Things To Do One Or Two Days Before The Storm

1. Remove all patio furniture.
2. Install your shutters — lower awnings.
3. Remove recyclable containers to your laundry room and secure your dumpsters. Tie down lids.
4. Fill your car's gasoline tank.
5. Turn your refrigerator and freezer to its coldest settings and freeze water in plastic jugs. They will keep food colder longer, if electricity goes off, and when thawed out can be used for drinking
6. Wear your Medic Alert tag
7. Clean your bathtub and then fill with water for sanitary purposes. This is not for drinking.
8. Place all your valuables, such as treasured pictures, personal papers, insurance papers, etc., in waterproof containers or plastic garbage bags. Store them on the top shelf of the closet. Also wills, contracts, deeds and bonds, passports, Social Security cards, bank accounts, immunization cards, birth certificates, etc.
9. Secure checkbook, cash, ATM card. Do not leave valuables in a home safe during the hurricane.
10. For those on electric assisted oxygen. Get the necessary portable tanks for their needs (2-hr., 6-hr., or 7-day supplies) in case of prolonged power outages.
11. For those on insulin. Get a small insulated cooler and ice packs so you can keep insulin cool during outages without many trips to the refrigerator
12. For all emergencies: Call 911
13. For further information. Contact the offices of UCO at 683-9189. Ask for Vince Salvo, Dan Salvo, Irv Lazar, Dave Bernstein

Kit Check List

1. Water — the most important! One gallon per person, per day.
2. Packaged foods — canned meats, fruits, vegetables, juices, milk, soup, sugar, salt, pepper, peanut butter, jelly, crackers, granola bars, cookies, hard candy, sweetened cereals, instant coffee, tea bags
3. Manual can opener (not one operated by electricity)
4. Toiletries — toilet paper, soap, feminine supplies, denture needs, extra eyeglasses
5. First aid kit — bandages, gauze pads, tape, scissors, tweezers, needle, antiseptic, safety pins, sunscreen, aspirin.
6. Battery operated radio
7. Extra batteries for flashlights, radio, etc. and charge rechargeable batteries.
8. Candles
9. Eating utensils — paper cups, plates, plastic knives and forks.
10. Extra medicine — prescriptions
11. Flashlights
12. Matches
13. Mosquito repellent.
14. Plastic trash bags — to store many of the items in this section.
15. Portable cooler.
16. Change of clothing
17. Entertainment — games and books

During the Hurricane

1. Stay in your safe room or hallway.
2. Close and stay away from all windows
3. If electricity goes off, use only flashlights during the storm
4. Keep on your person at all times keys to home and car, driver's license, cash
5. Bring into the safe room a pillow or mattress in case you need to cover yourself from flying debris. Also bring in as many items from the hurricane list as you can — especially water.
6. If no electricity, use your battery-operated radio and tune in to FM 100.7 Y-100, 107.9 WIRK; 102.3 WHLG, AM 1290 WBZT, 1450 WSTV. Don't listen to rumors. Get the truth from the radio.

After the Hurricane

1. Stay tuned to the radio for instructions
2. Don't use the telephone unless you have a life-threatening emergency
3. Don't use electrical appliances until they are dry
4. Don't drink tap water unless you are told it is OK. Boil the water for five minutes before using.
5. Do not refreeze thawed out food. If electricity is out, try store foods in freezer compartment
6. Your Security and COP rover cars will be around to make sure all buildings are secure.
7. If you are able-bodied and would like to assist your troubled neighbors, report to the Command Post — the old UCO office by the Camden Pool
8. After the storm, if you have problems, call the UCO office at 683-9336 and speak to the Emergency Committee. Ask for Messrs. Salvo, Lazar or Bernstein

Did You Know That...

By Marilyn Nissensohn

...there is a city called Rome in every continent in the world?

...it takes about 150 days for your nails to grow from your cuticles to your fingertips?

...fortune cookies were actually invented in America in 1918 by Charles Jung?

...bats always turn left when exiting a cave?

...the most used letter in the English alphabet is E and Q is the least used?

...the Statue of Liberty's index finger is eight feet long and has a fingernail measuring 13x10 inches?

...an object weighing 100 pounds on Earth would weigh just 38 pounds on Mars?

...in 1880, there were approximately two billion passenger pigeons in the U.S.? (By 1914, the species was extinct.)

...the Roman Emperor Nero never wore the same clothes twice?

...the New York Yankees was the first baseball club to travel by air, signing a contract with United Airlines in May 1946?

...19-year-old Pablo Picasso was given his first exhibition in Paris in 1900?

...the Brownie camera was introduced by the Eastman Kodak Company in 1900?

...the first Nobel Prizes in chemistry, physics, medicine, literature and peace were awarded in 1901?

...Michigan won the first Rose Bowl game over Stanford by a score of 49 to 0 in 1902?

...the first Model T cars, introduced by Henry Ford in 1908, sold for \$850? (The price actually decreased to \$290 in 1923.)

...the Brooklyn Bridge in New York City was the first bridge to use steel cables?

...the top four sources of caffeine in the American diet are coffee, soft drinks, tea and chocolate?

...the Mona Lisa by Leonardo da Vinci has no eyebrows?

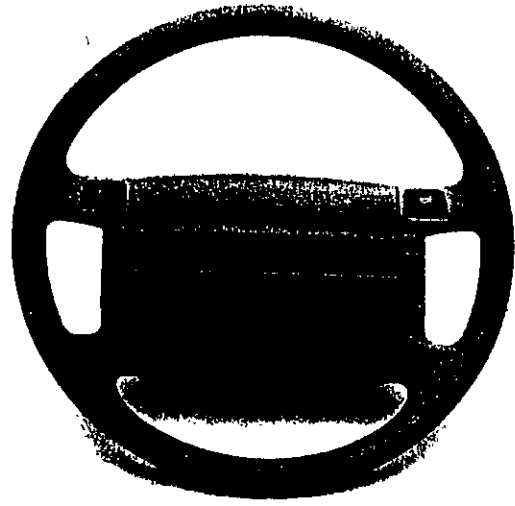
...the bronze razor in King Tut's tomb was still sharp enough to shave with?

...Confederate General Robert E. Lee didn't own any slaves — he didn't believe in slavery?

...the Amazon River is the longest navigable river in the world?

Memo to All Reporters of Recreation News

At the welcome meeting held for new residents last month, several new owners remarked that they were interested in joining in the recreational and organizational activities in CV, but did not know where to go for information. To help these people, we ask all correspondents who report on recreation affairs to the *Reporter* to add the name and phone number of someone who is willing to be of help at the bottom of their reports. All organizations have already published such info.



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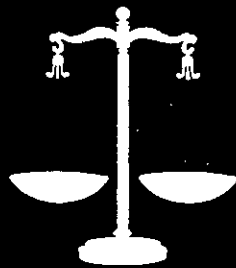


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As I See It

Don Amter

**Blackout**

A few of us from Florida were visiting Lou — also from Florida — in the V.A. hospital in the Bronx. We were sitting with him in a long corridor when suddenly the lights went out and it was pitch dark; there were no windows nearby. We waited for the lights to go on. It did not happen. I could see some light at the end of the long corridor coming in from the entrance. It was a little after four in the afternoon and there was still daylight.

Meanwhile, members of the staff were rushing around with flashlights and we heard that lights were out all over the city. We had to decide what to do. There was no way we could get from the top of the Bronx all the way down to the bottom of Manhattan where we live.

Two of our group happened to live not too far from the hospital and they had a car. Incredible fortune! So we said goodbye to Lou and started out for the house. The street signal lights were out and there were traffic tie-ups at some intersections. We were impressed by the patience and politeness of all the drivers. At some of the worst intersections, civilians took it on themselves to stand in the middle of the street and direct traffic — real heroes!

We spent the night in the Bronx in the dark. Fortunately, they had flashlights and enough food in the fridge which stayed cool. While we were out on the porch of the tree-lined street to escape the heat inside, a neighbor came in. She worked in Manhattan, walked to 23rd Street where she could pick up an express bus that took her all the way up — four hours, she said.

The next day, still knowing there was no electric power downtown, our friends took us to the express bus going down and there was no charge. In fact, because the subways were out, all bus service was free. Now there was relatively little traffic so that it took us less than an hour.

Going through midtown, we could see knots of people in front of big buildings and

hotels. With no electricity and no elevators, they were just out of luck. Many just sprawled out on the sidewalk and went to sleep. The fortunate ones had some kind of bag to rest their heads on. All stores were closed, but some brought out bottles of water. In my neighborhood, all the stores were closed, but the supermarket was selling perishables out on tables in the street. I spied some containers of Häagen-Dazs ice cream and bought one knowing it could be partially melted. It turned out to be just soup!

We live on the seventh floor of a 19-floor building. We had to walk up, but seven floors is nothing compared with the rigors of those who lived higher up. I don't know how some of the older people did it. The stairwells were pitch black. We were fortunate that some of those going up had candles or flashlights. But people were very helpful in this emergency. In tall

buildings, water is pumped up into holding tanks on the roof and it comes down by gravity, so — no electricity, no pumps, and no water!

As it began to get dark, we could see a line of lights across the East River in Brooklyn. A little later looking north, I saw the Empire State building lights lit up, and a little later, buildings on 23rd Street and then 14th Street. We heard that one of the first places to receive power was the New York Stock Exchange.

We had some candles which were burning low and it was almost nine in the evening and getting dark. The whole city had power except us on the Lower East Side. We were cursing Con Edison — our local supplier — when suddenly the lights went on in our neighborhood — the last in the city! A roar and a cheer went up in our area as people yelled all over the East Side.

I had wondered about hospitals, where having power could mean life or death. It turns out that most have generators that are independently powered. But not where Lou was. There were no lights until the next day. The explanation was supposed to be that they were not a full service facility and so had to manage without.

I also worried about the people trapped underground or in elevators of high buildings, but people were all evacuated without incident — thousands in subways and 800 in elevators.

The big question is *why*? Why did this happen? You will hear a lot of answers. First we heard that a lightning bolt hit a power plant at Niagara Falls. Then it was tracked down to a faulty indicator in a plant at Toledo, Ohio but no one did anything about it. However it happened, the resulting power surge tripped switches one after another (like the breakers we all have in our homes to prevent the same thing from occurring) and so power grids fell like a line of dominos, from New York to Canada to the Midwest.

But this begs a larger question. Why wasn't the system more secure from such catastrophic events? Naturally, the politicians get into the blaming game. The Republicans trot their previous agenda: deregulation and drilling for oil in Alaska's nature preserve — also off the coast of Florida.

The Democrats say California showed us that deregulation and privatization doesn't work. In fact, it led to a breakdown of the electrical

system there a few years ago.

David Freeman, chairman of the California Power Authority, said the latest blackout puts this whole deregulation phenomena on trial "What's lacking," he said, "there is no one to take responsibility."

Jack Casazza, a former utility executive, says the whole system is outdated and has to be designed anew for the gigantic increase in power usage in the new electronic age. What's needed is a panel of electrical power experts to design a power grid for the whole nation, which might include some separation of areas. The only reason Florida and some other southern states were not affected is precisely because they were operated by separate power grids.

Florida Senator Bob Graham tied the overburdened grid to President Bush's tax policy, saying, "His \$900 billion tax giveaways to the richest Americans have left us without the resources to rebuild this nation's infrastructure."

A letter to the *New York Times* said, "It is ironic that our national administration is trying to rebuild an electric grid in Iraq while 50 million people in America lose power because of an archaic system."

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Haiku

The door stands ajar.
Are you weary and
 footsore?
Stranger, come and rest.

Window on the street
A child watches cars roll
 by.
Take me to Grandma.

In a bright corner
On the floor in disarray
A child's blocks waiting

Grandfather clock ticks
And counts the minutes and
 hours.
Silent, the cat looks.

Pictures on the walls
History of families
Tell a long story.

Shelves with books and
 dolls
Outworn games, books and
 puzzles
Wait for the next child.

Oak leaves sail the air.
Galleons afloat to the
 ground.
Windblown down to earth.

Acorns from the sky
Fall on earth, softened by
 rain
Grow to great oaks again.

Face turned to heaven,
 open-mouthed, child
 smiled then laughs
 with raindrops on tongue.

A flash of lightning,
Thunder rolls across the air,
Dark clouds bring the rain.

A swift bolt from Zeus;
Roll of thunder fills the air;
Dark clouds toss and turn.

Lightning lights the sky.
Eyes look up in
 wonderment.
A flash — and then thunder.

A piano chord
Lightly ascends heavenward
And is lost in space

Butterfly alights
On pansy's purple petals,
Drinks and flies away.

Boys watch girls go by,
Girls watch boys watch
 girls go by,
Young love bursts like
 buds.

Trout beneath a rock,
Dragon fly falls in water,
Snap — no more insects.

In dawn's early light,
Pearled dew drops on spider
 web
Dry as sun comes up.

As I See It

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It occurs to me that we de-
stroyed Iraq's infrastructures
in the first place. For ten years
we have been bombing Iraq,
destroying, among other things,
their electrical systems and
their water purification plants.
The estimates are that we
killed one million, especially
children and babies who had
no immunity from disease,
and so sickened and died
from waterborne diseases.

Red, brown maple leaf
Rocks side to side to
 ground
Like a ship at sea.

Eagle soars aloft,
Eyes on rabbit — hop, hop,
 hop,
Quick swoop down —
 breakfast.

Grasshopper on leaf,
Hungry robin sees a meal,
Snap — early breakfast.

Cricket on fish hook,
Hungry sunfish sees a meal,
Fisherman has one.

Blizzard, ice, snow
Cover December's
 meadows;
Spring's come, all is green.

Fireflies light the night.
Sparkles flash up, down,
 across,
Child reaches to catch
 Max Hammerman

Wish I Said That

By John Saponaro
"It's the heart afraid of
breaking that never learns to
dance. It's the dream afraid
of waking that never takes the
chance."
from the song "The Rose"

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 Wednesday, Friday,
 Saturday and Sunday
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 Monday
We play hard to win
To lose is no sin
- You just stand there and win
The next time you win
To be playing tennis at this
 stage of our lives
Isn't it better than staying
 home with our wives
So let's all do it again next
 year
Please, just make sure that
 I'm here.

Phil Rowan

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Stamps in the News

Syd Kronish



The Korean War veterans have been called the "almost forgotten heroes" of the 20th century.

But the nation has not forgotten the people who served and sacrificed in this hard fought war half a world away. This year, 2003, marks the 50th anniversary of the armistice that ended hostilities there.

The U.S. Postal Service also has not forgotten. It has issued a new 37-cent stamp on July 27 honoring the Korean War Memorial in Washington, D.C. First day ceremonies were held at the Memorial in the nation's capital.

The Korean War Veterans Memorial was authorized by law in 1986. The Memorial, located on the National Mall, was dedicated by President Bill Clinton and Kim Young Sam. President of South Korea, on July 27, 1995, the 42nd anniversary of the armistice.

The impressive Memorial displays 19 stainless steel statues depicting American troops in the Army, Marines, Navy and Air Force. They are shown marching in a wedge formation as if on patrol.

The new stamp features a photo portraying the statues at the Memorial shrouded in heavy snow. Photographer John W. Alli of Catonsville, MD, took the photo just before dawn during a heavy snowstorm in Washington, D.C. in January 1996. Alli specializes in photographing military aircraft and related military subjects.

Visitors viewing the edifice will note that incorporated into the Memorial is the "Pool of Remembrance" bearing the inscription "Our Nation Honors Her Sons And Daughters Who Answered The Call To Defend A Country They Never Knew And A People They Never Met."

The Korean War began June 25, 1950 when Communist troops from North Korea invaded South Korea. When this invasion occurred, President Harry S Truman committed U.S. forces to lead a United Nations group of military personnel to resist the invaders.

When the armistice was signed in 1953, approximately 34,000 Americans had been killed in battle.

The new U.S. stamp is not the first to recognize the bravery of our Korean veterans. In 1985, the USPS issued a 22-cent stamp labeled "Veterans Korea." A 33-cent stamp honoring the Korean War vets was issued as part of the 1950s "Celebrate The Century" pane released in 1999.

First day cancellations of the new Korean War Memorial stamp will be available from the Stamp Fulfillment Services by phoning 1-800-STAMP-24.

"Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new."
Albert Einstein

How I Spent My Summer Vacation

By Dot Loewenstein

Four days were spent at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C., at a Holocaust survivors' conference. This particular conference focused on hidden children. The definition includes all those who were forced to leave their homes after *Kristallnacht* (November 9, 1938). Thus, not only children hidden in attics, or hiding in forests, but also those placed into Catholic convents, forced to accept Christianity. Those separated from their parents and sent on the *Kindertransport* to England are also part of the hidden children survivors. Among the group is my husband, George, who survived in Manila under Japanese occupation after fleeing Nazi Germany in August, 1939.

Things I learned at the conference: For many, there was a loss of identity. All learned that to speak was dangerous, and silence was safe. It took 40 years for them to assimilate their experiences to the point that they now feel free to speak out about their experiences and nightmares. Many have become valued members of their communities, striving for excellence

and meaning in their lives. The question is, "why did I survive (when so many of my family did not)?"

Participants were encouraged to put their feelings into writing, and a loose-leaf booklet was distributed to all. The most poignant story I read concerned a survivor, hidden in Holland, who returned there last year and was handed three letters from her parents, which the family had saved for 60 years. Why did they save them so long? They had no idea where she was living, nor if she was even alive, yet they couldn't throw them away. Her meeting this family after so many years was purely by accident (a friend of a friend situation). I cannot begin to imagine her feelings as she read her parents' words.

"There is nothing either good or bad, but thinking makes it so."
William Shakespeare

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- Oct. 12, 9:00 am-4:00 pm — Nature Craft Show

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- Oct. 16, 7:00 pm — Lecture: "Creating an Edible Landscape"
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- Oct. 1, 7:00-9:00 pm — Whose Haunt is it Tonight (North Side)
- Oct. 29, 6:00-9:00 pm — Monsters in the Marsh (South Side)

Guided walks along the Boardwalk (South Side) — call for times and dates

Florida Trail Association

- Oct. 4, 7:15 am — Saturday Walk in John Prince Park (about one hour); contact Paul Cummings 963-9906
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"A mother is a person who seeing there are only four pieces of pie for five people, promptly announces she never did care for pie."
Tenneva Jordan

Transponder Requirements

By Sid Schuman

Our new security innovations were initiated because the bar code system had too many flaws and failures. The new transponder system is almost 100% accurate and foolproof. It includes new computer technology, new and faster gate arms which allow for quicker access to the Village.

How to obtain the transponder: A designated date will be announced for each condominium area. If you cannot make that date, there will be another date some time later. In the meantime, the bar code system is still active, and you may still use the bar code lane.

On your designated date, you must have your CV plastic ID card, your driver's license, your car and registration. In

Florida, the registration is the small, shiny white card that the year 03 or 04 is printed on. No insurance card, bill of sale, title or any paper other than the registration will be accepted. Only the registration has both the VIN (vehicle identification number) and the current year license plate number.

If you lease the car, you must present the lease papers designating the expiration date in addition to the above four requirements. If you rent or lease your unit, it must be a yearly lease, not a seasonal lease. Again, proof of lease is required.

If your vehicle currently has a bar code, do not remove it until you verify the transponder is activating the gate. The transponder for your vehicle with a current bar code

will cost \$15. Every time you change cars a new transponder will have to be purchased. Some portion of the old transponder must be returned.

For any vehicle without a bar code or a replacement transponder, the cost will be \$25. There are no exceptions to this rule.

No non-resident of the Village will be eligible for the transponder. The gate pass and call-in system will still be active. No commercial vehicle will be issued a transponder.

Dates and times will be publicized. So far, all this activity will occur at the synagogue, Anshei Sholom, near the Hastings Clubhouse. To date, the only hours that our volunteers work are from 9:00 to 11:00 am on whatever day is designated.

To Bus or Not to Bus

I wonder why we make a fuss

By thinking that we'll miss "the bus"

While in the middle of a show

We stand right up and run to go

The entertainers think we're rude

Miss Manners says it's very crude

There really isn't an excuse

To act with unrefined abuse

So sit and mind your P's and Q's

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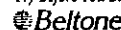
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For Senior Drivers, Self Critique is Critical By Arthur A. Cohen, Esq.,

An elderly man apparently hits the gas pedal instead of the brake and plows into a market place and kills ten individuals and injures scores of others in California; an elderly lady blacks out and her car goes through a storefront here in Florida. The press jumps on these incidents and several others that have occurred nationwide: for a few days the media hype is relentless. The question comes up periodically, are elderly drivers inherently unsafe? Should driving tests for seniors be mandatory? If so, at what age should it be required? Could you pass the test?

their reflexes tend to slow down or diminish with age. Vision and hearing are affected. All of these senses are essential to safe driving. Each individual should reflect on their abilities as they age. Seniors should ask themselves how well they can handle the tasks and what, if any, limitations should they self-impose. Should they be driving at night? Should they be driving during inclement weather? Should they be driving on expressways? Always asking whether they are able to see the road clearly, perceive roadway hazards, and other vehicles approaching their vehicle with the same clarity that they did at a younger age.

with their eye doctor may help sharpen their night vision. If they are unable to hear traffic and other roadway noises that are so very crucial to good driving, the testing of your hearing ability — and possibly — obtaining hearing aids may be warranted. Finally, many communities provide either public education or private training specially designed for seniors to cope with and enhance their driving skills as they age, and promote defensive driving.

don't let impaired drivers drive. If you know someone who you believe is clearly not capable of getting behind a wheel, speak to them about this, offer to drive them. The life that you may be saving may very well be your own or a cherished friend I urge everyone, regardless of age to periodically give themselves a self-critique of their driving ability and evaluate any changes that should be contemplated to enhance their ability to avoid the possibility of a catastrophic outcome.

which is ten minutes from Century Village. I welcome your calls to my office at 954-441-5077, or my pager/beeper at 954-992-1035 at any time to assist you if you have had any type of accident, or, to discuss with you any legal questions or problems. If you have any suggestions for future articles, let me know and your questions can be answered in The Legal Corner. I look forward to hearing from you.

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Clearly, any driver can become distracted, inattentive, fall asleep at the wheel and cause an accident. Thousands of similar accidents occur across the county on a daily basis, to drivers of all ages. Should elderly drivers be singled out for mandatory periodic driving tests?

If one feels that their abilities are beginning to wane, they should look at the specific problems that they are having. If they do not see as well at night, perhaps a visit

Clearly, safe driving is crucial for all of us. Nobody wants to be a hazard on the road, and few of us want our mobility taken away from us. That crucial feeling of independence which we all have. It is critical that we self-evaluate our driving skills periodically. To paraphrase a common expression: good friends

Should there be mandatory driving tests for seniors? What do you think? If there was, could you pass the test? Till next month, I wish you all safety on the road.

I have been a practicing attorney for over 25 years in the South Florida area. My office is located in Pembroke Pines,

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Along these lines, statistically the worst group of drivers on the roads are teenagers; and those in their early 20s primarily because of peer pressure, foolish activity behind the wheel and simply their inexperience in driving. After all, experience in driving means a great deal in perfecting one's skills.

Back to the question, are older drivers inherently unsafe? If so, at what age are they unsafe? A study just recently released by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Age-Lab and The Hartford Financial Services Group found that many older drivers voluntarily take steps to limit where, when and how they drive. Many limit their driving at night when visibility becomes more difficult, or do not go on expressways (I-95 can scare anyone), or curtail driving in inclement weather.

Predictably, healthy individuals who are in their 50s or 60s place few limits on their driving at all. Those who begin to impose self-limitations are those with health problems. The finding of the study is that health, combined with age, becomes a more relevant and important predictor of self-regulation than age alone. The study basically found that the elderly do a good job of self-regulation because it is an issue focused on individuality.

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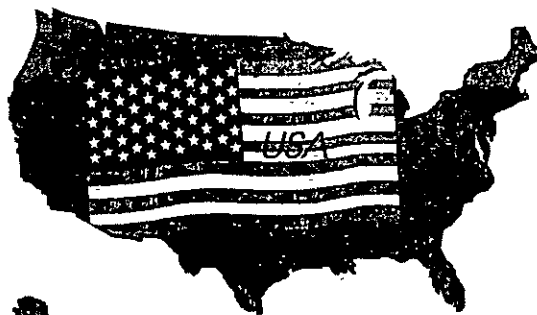
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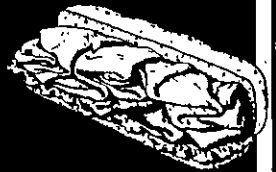
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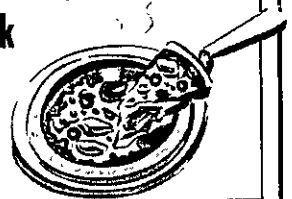
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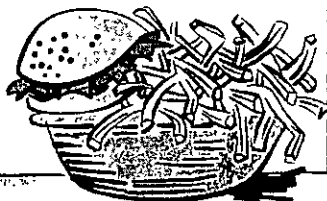
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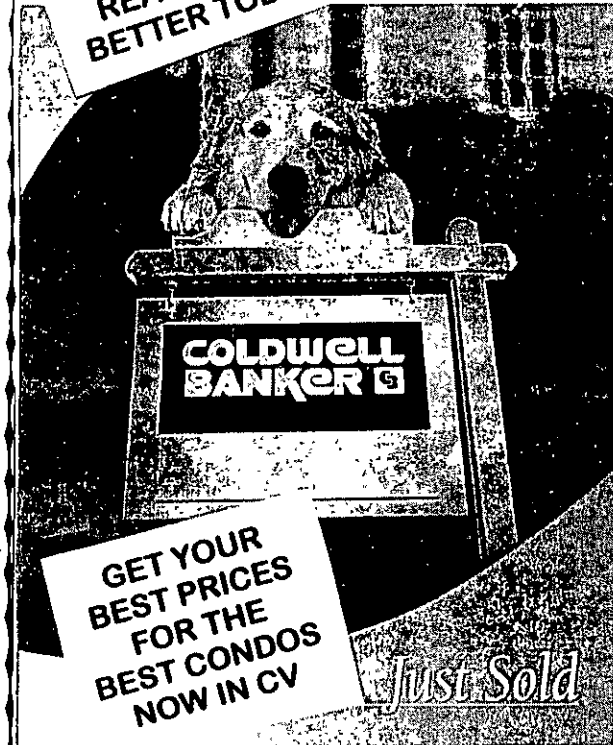
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**Clubhouse Emcee Has
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Howard Freedman may just be the most recognized man in the Village. Yet he is always in disguise. By day, in his handyman's outfit of tee shirt and jeans, he startles theatergoers who know him as the Clubhouse emcee in a tux and cummerbund.

For almost six years, Freedman has been the link of Villagers between their entertainment and the world of show biz. He meets and greets the audience — on stage and off. He "shmoozes" the performers, keeps them happy and manages backstage comings and goings. All this happens after the sun goes down and he dons his other disguise: a tuxedo, frilly shirt and shiny black shoes.

As curtain time approaches, ticket takers near the lobby blink the lights to tell Villagers it is time to enter the theater. From then until the curtain closes, lighting and sound are in the jurisdiction of Christian Hauff. "Chris lowers the lights at 'five minutes,'" Freedman says. "He beeps me and I call to the performers, 'five minutes,' and after Chris has lowered the lights at intervals to indicate, 'stop chatting and take your seats,' I step out in front of the curtain."

It's showtime!

His job as master of ceremonies puts Freedman on the spot. He is widely popular. "Some people tell me that they like me better than the show. When they first said that, I thought they wanted free tickets or something," he said.

The emcee walks through the stage door at the rear of the clubhouse at 6:00 pm for an eight o'clock show. He checks the props needed on the stage — chair, table, water glass. He bustles about backstage making the entertainers comfortable, offering coffee, tea, hot chocolate and ice water. If a performer is late, forgot his pants ("it happened"), needs a safety pin or needle and thread, or if there is an emergency and he needs to stop the show, all those duties of a "suner host" are

part of Freedman's job description.

"After working and living in the Village for decades, managing the tennis courts, being on the night staff at the Clubhouse, my road to advancement was emcee," Freedman recalls. "It was only after I got the job that I realized that I had found my forte. I love to talk, love being a host, and I'm happy."

A native of Atlantic City, NJ, Freedman came to Florida right after college. He has always enjoyed the role of host, and sometimes cooks.

He and his wife Miriam, a teacher at Westgate Elementary, keep kosher and entertain at both secular and religious holidays. "My specialty is salmon kabobs," he said.

Selection of 600 to 700 live shows are planned a year or more in advance. They are coordinated by a Vice-President for Entertainment, who works for all four Century Villages. This vice-president works with a half dozen agencies and travels to New York for theater showcases and to interview performers.

Yet the reactions of Villagers and Freedman's "take" on shows are also influential. "I write a report on each show. I watch audience reaction. I listen to their remarks. Sometimes I change my report after walking through the lobby on my way to the staff office," Freedman said. "It doesn't matter whether I personally like the show or not. It's what

the majority of the audience's responses are. After all, they are the paying customers."

Freedman enjoys being recognized by Villagers "as far away as Mexico," he said, grinning. "After all, I look after many condos while their owners are away."

Freedman's love for his father and empathy for Villagers and their "entertainment" has led him to wear another disguise: volunteer benefactor of the Clubhouse library. Any Villager who has books to donate to the library can call him at 640-9508 and he will pick them up, stamp them "In Loving Memory of Isadore H. Freedman" and place them on the shelves.

"My father was the first to move into Wellington E when it was newly built," he remembers. "He was a condo president and helpful to other residents. And his condo was loaded with books."

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Q: And why did that upset you?

A: My name is Susan.

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Q: Voodoo?

A: We do.

Q: You do?

A: Yes, voodoo.

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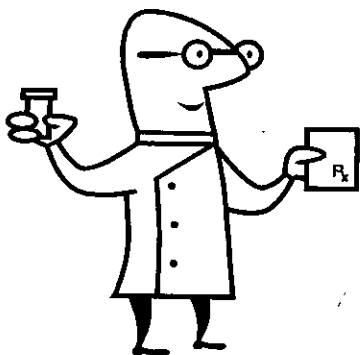
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CENTURY VILLAGE BUS SCHEDULE

INTERNAL RT-1		INTERNAL BUS SCHEDULE										5:30 LUNCH			
CLUBHOUSE	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	
DOVER	8:02	9:02	10:02	11:02	1:02	2:02	3:02	4:02	5:02	6:02	7:02	8:02	9:02	10:02	
SOMERSET	8:04	9:04	10:04	11:04	1:04	2:04	3:04	4:04	5:04	6:04	7:04	8:04	9:04	10:04	
BERKSHIRE	8:07	9:07	10:07	11:07	1:07	2:07	3:07	4:07	5:07	6:07	7:07	8:07	9:07	10:07	
CAMDEN	8:09	9:09	10:09	11:09	1:09	2:09	3:09	4:09	5:09	6:09	7:09	8:09	9:09	10:09	
WINDSOR	8:10	9:10	10:10	11:10	1:10	2:10	3:10	4:10	5:10	6:10	7:10	8:10	9:10	10:10	
WELLINGTON	8:12	9:12	10:12	11:12	1:12	2:12	3:12	4:12	5:12	6:12	7:12	8:12	9:12	10:12	
ANDOVER	8:15	9:15	10:15	11:15	1:15	2:15	3:15	4:15	5:15	6:15	7:15	8:15	9:15	10:15	
KINGSWOOD	8:21	9:21	10:21	11:21	1:21	2:21	3:21	4:21	5:21	6:21	7:21	8:21	9:21	10:21	
HASTINGS C.H.	8:25	9:25	10:25	11:25	1:25	2:25	3:25	4:25	5:25	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	
CLUBHOUSE	8:30	9:30	10:30	11:30	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	5:30	6:25	7:25	8:25	9:25	10:25	
PUBLIX	8:35	9:35	10:35	11:35	1:35	2:35	3:35	4:35	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	
CLUBHOUSE	8:45	9:45	10:45	11:45	1:45	2:45	3:45	4:45	lunch	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	
ROUTE #2															
CLUBHOUSE	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	
PLYMOUTH	8:02	9:02	10:02	11:02	1:02	2:02	3:02	4:02	5:02	6:02	7:02	8:02	9:02	10:02	
STRATFORD	8:04	9:04	10:04	11:04	1:04	2:04	3:04	4:04	5:04	6:04	7:04	8:04	9:04	10:04	
CHATHAM	8:06	9:06	10:06	11:06	1:06	2:06	3:06	4:06	5:06	6:06	7:06	8:06	9:06	10:06	
KENT	8:08	9:08	10:08	11:08	1:08	2:08	3:08	4:08	5:08	6:08	7:08	8:08	9:08	10:08	
NORTHAMPTON	8:11	9:11	10:11	11:11	1:11	2:11	3:11	4:11	5:11	6:11	7:11	8:11	9:11	10:11	
SUSSEX	8:13	9:13	10:13	11:13	1:13	2:13	3:13	4:13	5:13	6:13	7:13	8:13	9:13	10:13	
CAMBRIDGE	8:14	9:14	10:14	11:14	1:14	2:14	3:14	4:14	5:14	6:14	7:14	8:14	9:14	10:14	
CANTERBURY	8:15	9:15	10:15	11:15	1:15	2:15	3:15	4:15	5:15	6:15	7:15	8:15	9:15	10:15	
DORCHESTER	8:18	9:18	10:18	11:18	1:18	2:18	3:18	4:18	5:18	6:18	7:18	8:18	9:18	10:18	
OXFORD	8:21	9:21	10:21	11:21	1:21	2:21	3:21	4:21	5:21	6:21	7:21	8:21	9:21	10:21	
SHEFFIELD	8:23	9:23	10:23	11:23	1:23	2:23	3:23	4:23	5:23	6:23	7:23	8:23	9:23	10:23	
HASTINGS	8:25	9:25	10:25	11:25	1:25	2:25	3:25	4:25	5:25	6:25	7:25	8:25	9:25	10:25	
COVENTRY	8:28	9:28	10:28	11:28	1:28	2:28	3:28	4:28	5:28	6:28	7:28	8:28	9:28	10:28	
CLUBHOUSE	8:30	9:30	10:30	11:30	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	5:30	6:30	7:30	8:30	9:30	10:30	
PUBLIX	8:33	9:33	10:33	11:33	1:33	2:33	3:33	4:33	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	
CLUBHOUSE	8:45	9:45	10:45	11:45	1:45	2:45	3:45	4:45	lunch	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	
ROUTE #3															
CLUBHOUSE	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	
BEDFORD B	8:02	9:02	10:02	11:02	1:02	2:02	3:02	4:02	5:02	6:02	7:02	8:02	9:02	10:02	
GREENBRIAR	8:03	9:03	10:03	11:03	1:03	2:03	3:03	4:03	5:03	6:03	7:03	8:03	9:03	10:03	
SOUTHAMPTON	8:05	9:05	10:05	11:05	1:05	2:05	3:05	4:05	5:05	6:05	7:05	8:05	9:05	10:05	
BEDFORD	8:08	9:08	10:08	11:08	1:08	2:08	3:08	4:08	5:08	6:08	7:08	8:08	9:08	10:08	
GOLF'S EDGE	8:10	9:10	10:10	11:10	1:10	2:10	3:10	4:10	5:10	6:10	7:10	8:10	9:10	10:10	
COVENTRY	8:12	9:12	10:12	11:12	1:12	2:12	3:12	4:12	5:12	6:12	7:12	8:12	9:12	10:12	
NORWICH	8:14	9:14	10:14	11:14	1:14	2:14	3:14	4:14	5:14	6:14	7:14	8:14	9:14	10:14	
SALISBURY	8:17	9:17	10:17	11:17	1:17	2:17	3:17	4:17	5:17	6:17	7:17	8:17	9:17	10:17	
WALTON	8:18	9:18	10:18	11:18	1:18	2:18	3:18	4:18	5:18	6:18	7:18	8:18	9:18	10:18	
EASTHAMPTON	8:20	9:20	10:20	11:20	1:20	2:20	3:20	4:20	5:20	6:20	7:20	8:20	9:20	10:20	
HASTINGS C.H.	8:25	9:25	10:25	11:25	1:25	2:25	3:25	4:25	5:25	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	
CLUBHOUSE	8:30	9:30	10:30	11:30	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	5:30	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	
PUBLIX	8:35	9:35	10:35	11:35	1:35	2:35	3:35	4:35	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	
CLUBHOUSE	8:45	9:45	10:45	11:45	1:45	2:45	3:45	4:45	lunch	6:25	7:25	8:25	9:25	10:25	

This is a schedule that UCO has put into effect to better serve the community, and to expand upon when necessary.

Note: The drivers have nothing to do with the schedule. Please be nice and if you are displeased, write your Transportation Committee.

Note: You will now be able to go from your home directly to Publix and return without changing buses.

The internal buses will run once every hour.

Please be at your bus stop 10 minutes before your scheduled time.

DON'T FORGET... WE DO BUS CHARTERS
Ships, dinner theater, shows, airports, flea markets, bingo, jai alai, etc. We go anywhere in Florida. Prices that can't be beat.

MALL BUS							EXPRESS BUS							
CLUB	W'W'RD	P.B.	PUBLIX	CLUB	LEAVE CLUBHOUSE AT 8:40	DO THE PERIMETER DRIVE	HOUSE	CLUB	PINE	WINN	PERIM	CLUB		
HOUSE	K-MART	MALL	CHURCH	MALL	J.C.C.	COMM DR	HOUSE	CLUB	TRAIL	DIXIE	PUBLIX	DRIVE	HOUSE	
9:00	9:10	9:15	9:20	9:25	9:05/9:35	STOP	9:45	HOUSE	TRAIL	DIXIE	9:13	9:23	9:33	9:48
10:00	10:10	10:15	10:20	10:25	10:05/10:35	ON	10:45	HOUSE	9:00	9:08	9:13	9:23	10:33	10:48
11:00	11:10	11:15	11:20	11:25	11:35	REQUEST	11:45	10:00	10:08	10:13	10:13	10:23	10:33	10:48
1:00	1:10	1:15	1:20	1:25	1:35		1:45	11:00	11:08	11:13	11:23	11:33	11:48	
2:00	2:10	2:15	2:20	2:25	2:35		2:45	1:00	1:08	1:13	1:23	1:33	1:48	
3:00	3:10	3:15	3:20	3:25			3:45	2:00	2:08	2:13	2:23	2:33	2:48	
4:00	4:10	4:15	4:20	4:25			4:45	3:00	3:08	3:13	3:23	3:33	3:48	
5:00	5:10	5:15	5:20	5:25		5:40	5:45							
6:00	6:10	6:15	6:20	6:25		6:40	6:45							

SHUTTLE BUS						
CLUB	POST	BEAUTY	DREXEL	OUTLET	BABY	POST
HOUSE	OFFICE	SHOP	LIBRARY	HUMANA	PLAZA	MALL
9:00	ONLY	9:05	9:09	9:12	9:18	9:23
10:00	ON	10:05	10:09	10:12	10:18	10:23
11:00	TUES	11:05	11:09	11:12	11:18	11:23
1:00	AND	1:05	1:09	1:12	1:18	1:23
2:00	THUR	2:05	2:09	2:12	2:18	2:23
3:00	3:05	3:05	3:09	3:12	3:18	3:23
4:00	XXXX	4:05	4:09	4:12	4:18	4:23
5:00	XXXX	5:05	5:09	5:12	5:18	5:23
6:00	XXXX	6:05	6:09	6:12	6:18	6:23

SPECIAL BUS	
TUES	
C-HOUSE	9:35
CITYPLACE	10:05
GARDENS	10:30
GARDENS	1:30
CITYPLACE	2:00
C-HOUSE	2:30

SUNDAY & HOLIDAYS (COMBO)										
CLUB	BEAUTY	OUTLET	PINE	CROSS	W'W'RD	P.B.	CLUB			
HOUSE	SHOP	DREXEL	MALL	TRAIL	COUNTY	MALL	CHURCH			
9:00	9:05	9:10	9:15	9:20	9:25	9:30	9:35	XXXX	9:40	9:45
10:00	10:05	10:10	10:15	10:20	10:25	10:30	10:35	XXXX	10:40	10:45
11:00	11:05	11:10	11:15	11:20	11:25	11:30	11:35	11:40	11:45	11:50
1:00	1:05	XXXX	1:10	1:20	1:25	1:30	1:35	1:40	1:45	1:50
2:00	2:05	XXXX	2:10	2:20	2:25	2:30	XXXX	2:40	2:45	2:50
3:00	3:05	XXXX	3:10	3:20	3:25	3:30	XXXX	3:40	3:45	3:50
4:00	4:05	XXXX	4:10	4:20	4:25	4:30	XXXX	4:40	4:45	4:50
5:00	5:05	XXXX	5:10	5:20	5:25	5:30	XXXX	5:40	5:45	5:50
6:00	6:05	XXXX	6:10	6:20	6:25	6:30	XXXX	6:40	6:45	6:50

SPECIAL BUS 1st		
MONDAY	PICKUP	
C-HOUS	9:35	
WELLM	10:05	1:15
C-HOUS	10:35	
TARGET	11:00	12:00
K-MART	11:05	12:05
WAL-M	11:10	12:10
C-HOUS		1:45 2:30

PLEASE BE AT YOUR BUS STOP 10 MINUTES BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULE PICK-UP TIME