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From the Desk of
President
George
Loewenstein



Everyone is anxious to know about the status of the theater. I can report to you that the building plans are completed and the required permits have been issued. The only missing part is the written commitment and check from the Insurance Company. I sincerely hope that by the time you read this, we will have received the check and work can begin.

I have been given to understand that it can take four to five months, from the beginning of the work until completion. I have been told that all the shows listed in the brochure, with the exception of *Oklahoma* and *The Nutcracker Suite*, will be performed in the Party Room.

Many of you are wondering why it is taking so long. The only answer that I can give is that when we took office six months ago, we found out that plans had never been prepared for the theater, nor had permits been applied for. Yes, there were sketches, but they lacked the details needed to secure bids from the subcontractors. We cannot explain why these were not done a year ago. Now, it's in everyone's interest to get the theater done without delay and within the budget. That is, the moneys already set aside. There will be no assessments required to complete the task.

We have been trying to meet with the permitting department to find out what's required by them in order to start work on rebuilding the UCO Office Building. What we want to avoid is paying the architect for a set of plans and having the permitting department tell us that they want changes made. Thus, our having to pay an addition fee for each revision. Unfortunately, we still have not been successful in getting this meeting. But we keep trying.

We are currently in the process of training 20 of our residents to be first responders in case of any type of disaster. The program is called CERT (Community Emergency Response Team). It is a 24-hour program. The graduates will be here in the Village.

Having suffered through three hurricanes within the past two years, we have learned valuable lessons, which made us much better prepared for any future ones. We now have generators at both guardhouses. We are coordinated with various private and governmental agencies for any services that would be needed in the Village. "Help" door hangers have been issued to all residents to put on their doors if they need help.

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Delegate Meeting
Fri., Oct. 6, 2006, 9:30 am
Clubhouse Party Room

Water, Water, Everywhere, but This is Not to Drink

By V.P. Phyllis Richland

On August 17, 2006, I attended a meeting with a group of folks from the Palm Beach Water Utilities District.

The topic for discussion was refurbishing the lift stations in Century Village. What, you may ask, is a "lift station"?

It is the machinery and pumps around the Village that removes wastewater. What, you may ask, is wastewater? It's the water from the toilets, dishwashers, washing machines and water other than drinking water.

Our lift stations are over 30 years old and are not working properly. The new ones will be fueled by diesel and the main lift station will have a permanent generator that will have hospital grade soundproofing.

The new ones will be enclosed by a six-foot black vinyl fence, surrounded by landscaping.

This work will begin next spring. The best news is that none of the work will be charged to Century Village or any of our residents. All of the work, including construction and landscaping, will be paid for by the county.

Following is a copy of the email I got from PBUWD and a photo of what the finished product will look like:

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A Lesson Learned

Tropical Storm Ernesto Makes Soft Landing in CV
By Syd Kronish

Tropical Storm Ernesto made its South Florida entrance at the end of August amid willful worries and watchful waiting by our Century Village residents. Thankfully, it failed to produce the dire consequences for this area as originally predicted by the weather forecasters — much to the relief of all.

The rains came and the winds howled, but we withstood the storm. No hurricane, and as the old saying goes, "we bit the bullet."

After previous hurricane disasters of the last few years, there was the ever-constant fear (as in the past) of power outages which darkened our homes, destroyed our food supplies and prevented our contact with the outside world.

Even though the forecasters predicted the lesser force winds, there was the ever-constant fear (as in the past) of power outages which darkened our homes, destroyed our food supplies and prevented our contact with the outside world.

As President George Loewenstein said, "Most Century Villagers were ready this time. In addition, so was the Village Disaster Committee. Villagers purchased food, water and other supplies and watched their TV sets for the latest storm reports. Remember, for future adverse weather situations, if you have any questions, such as bus schedules, Clubhouse openings and meetings, please call our UCO office at 683-9189. Your call will go through, since the office has a land line and is going to operate 24/7."

Here are some suggestions for everybody:

- Notify neighbors, family and friends where you will be.
- Replenish your stock of non-perishable foods, water, ice and batteries.
- In dire distress (accident, sudden illness), you should call 911.
- Check doors, shutters and windows.
- Don't wait until too late for preparedness.

Do not become complacent. Do not let your guard down, remember, Ernesto was really a dry run. So let's not forget Ernesto's lesson. □

Transponders

Regarding the installation or the updating of your transponder, please be advised that you must bring into the UCO office your current...

- Century Village I.D.
- Car Registration
- Driver's License



Speakers: Reps Susan Bucher, Shelley Vana and Priscilla Taylor, and Sen. Ron Klein at the Storming Mad Town Hall Meeting. See page 9
Photos by Howie Silver

At the Delegates Meeting

Betty Lapidus



September 1, 2006

Guest: Sheriff Bradshaw couldn't attend, but sent his aide, Leslie Schreiber, to address us re our safety and their gratitude that we are all well after "Ernesto."

Safety Report: From Capt. Callaway and Lt. Kronsperger, who commended us on our "preparedness." Lt. Kronsperger reported that there had been two larcenies this past month and that traffic rules are being enforced.

Pres. George Loewenstein reported on the emergency meeting with Capt. Callaway and we thanked him for his attendance.

Susan Bucher: Our Representative in the Florida Legislature addressed us and reported that there are insurance meetings all over the state. The voices of Century Village and other condo associations will be heard. We must send our letters to Gov. Bush. She will get many communities involved and the governor will hear us.

Pres. Loewenstein announced that the Maintenance Committee changed their meeting date to Tuesday, September 5.

Treasurer's Report: There was a question asking for an income expense comparison instead of a P&L statement with a clear picture of where we stand on the budget. Pres. Loewenstein responded that this will be available.

Resignation: Pres. Loewenstein announced that he'd received a letter of resignation from Treasurer Gerry Epstein. At next month's meeting, we will have more information re his replacement. We are working on the new budget, and we will have a whole meeting devoted to the budget — same as we did last year.

Theater: Pres. Loewenstein reported that we are getting various bids and we will need a week to check them out. By the end of September, we will be able to start work on this project. We are working with WPRF and staff, they will be supervising.

November shows will be held in the Party Room. also

day in the Art Room. Early voting was a terrific service for CV. We were extremely prepared for "Ernesto." Labor Day weekend coming up, be cautious. Please read Article III of the UCO Bylaws; if you want a copy, please pick one up at the UCO office.

Sal Bummolo reported on the Reclaimed Water Project: We have about four wells to be closed and we cannot do this yet. The City of West Palm Beach water project is not finished and we must wait for that to be done. Sussex area: Palm Beach County Water Utilities Dept. is tearing down the old tank and will be rebuilding this site. This will be completely fenced and should be completed within the year. We are depending on the 45th Street plant.

Pres. Loewenstein reported that many residents have un-

President's Message

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Ernesto was a semi-successful trial run. However, one weakness showed up. All recycle bins must be secured. If they are not and blow over, the contents will plug up the drains and serious flooding will result. It is the responsibility of each Association to make sure that they are secured, along with all patio furniture, barbecues, etc.

I would like to wish all residents of the Jewish faith a very Happy and Healthy New Year. May you be inscribed in the book of life for a year of happiness. □

realistic views of UCO's powers. We can only mediate problems for people. Some people seem to be confused between UCO and WPRF. We must wait for the theater to be finished before we can go to arbitration.

Mandatory changes as per code belong to WPRF; they don't agree with this. We have solicited names of attorneys to act as arbitrators and will start interviewing.

Committees — Transportation: Dot Loewenstein reported re seat belts on the new buses — Rick Capri is seeking to have them installed. She reminded us to use the dinner buses at 6:30 p.m.; they go west to that area's restaurants, and they go east to that area's restaurants, and then they pick you up at 8:00 p.m. There will be a survey in the *UCO Reporter* re a bus

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From the Desk of
Vice President
Phyllis Richland



Bits and Pieces

Bits — I hope everyone is enjoying a healthy, fun summer. The weather has been exceptionally hot and so far, there is nothing brewing in the Atlantic off the coast of Africa that can turn into something we need to worry about. So, keeping our fingers crossed, let's hope we dodge a bullet this season, since the peak of hurricane season is August 15 to September 15. By now you should all have your door hangers. They will be used "after" an emergency. Remember, red side for help, yellow side for OK.

Pieces — To be better prepared to help our neighbors, we have organized a CERT program within Century Village. CERT stands for "Community Emergency Response Team." There will be 20 of us taking the course. By the end of the program, we will be able to help our residents during an emergency.

Bits — We have partnered with the Red Cross, Area Agency on Aging, Kramer Senior Services at Morse Home and other agencies that are going to be on the ground here when and if we need them to help us. They will provide food, ice, water, etc.

We are also partnered with Family Home Health Services and they will be with us, also providing nurses, doctors and hands-on services, distributing the necessary supplies.

Pieces — We had a very successful Town Hall meeting in July. There was standing room only in the Party Room. Residents who had never attended a Delegate Assembly meeting had the opportunity to ask questions and get answers. We will do these regularly so everyone will have a chance to be heard.

Bits — For Associations that are having units sold in their area, the new suggested income has been increased to \$1,750 for a single person and \$2,500 for a couple. This increase was suggested by our attorney at a meeting held in August with our Investigation Chais in order to update the investigation SOP.

Because of the increase in the cost of insurance and the increase in the cost of gas that our maintenance companies use, all of our budgets for 2007 will have to be adjusted accordingly.

Pieces — We had another very successful health fair in July. All the vendors that participated were very generous with their donations for door prizes.

Once again, the bone density testing was a major attraction and a big "thank you" goes out to Thom Taylor and his group from Family Home Health Services.

I also want to send out a great big thank you to Peggy Jackson and her crew for the cooperation in setting up the Party Room for our fair and for her janitorial staff for the cleanup after everyone left.

Bits — We are making arrangements to have self-heated kosher meals brought into the Village for those few who will require kosher food after a storm. According to the needs list that we received from each Association, we have the names and unit numbers of those residents that requested kosher.

Pieces — Village Mutual and Larry Kall have been very generous in giving me space in their office at the Sinai Medical Building. I am seeing residents and Associations by appointment in that office. Call me at the UCO office for an appointment, 683-9189. □

Maintenance Committee

By Jerry Karpf
They're Back

A major problem has come to my attention in the past few days. Some Associations have been inundated with all types of ants. This happens almost every rainy season, when the ants are looking for dry spots, which may happen to be your home.

The best way to treat this problem is to have an exterminator spray your apartment, especially if you are on the second floor or above. Next put down Terro for those very small ants found in your apartment.

To prevent ants from coming back, ask your Building President to have the outside of your building sprayed. The Building President can also have a new product spread over the grounds which kills fire ants and other types all year long.

Contact your property management company or an exterminator. □

The Reader's Corner

By Lenore Velcuff

Sometimes, it's even better the second time around. *The Color of Water* by James McBride is one of those books. After reading *The Secret Life of Bees*, about a white teenager living in a black community, I felt it was time to revisit this story. It is a true story, written by the author as a tribute to his mother, published in 1996.

When one of her African-American children asks their mother, white and Jewish by birth, what color was God, she replied, "God is the color of water — water doesn't have a color."

This book, written in alternating chapters, has the author and his mother telling their stories. She, about being raised in an Orthodox home in the South, abandoning her home, her family and her religion by moving to New York City, marrying two black men, having 12 children and finding Jesus. The author, in a poignant manner, describes his life in the North, his mother, his siblings and their accomplishments.

What a journey this woman takes. Such hardship, so many trials, and yet some joy. Hers is a life some may criticize, some may admire (all 12 of her children are success stories), some may condemn and most would not want to emulate, but her son's tale is one of love.

Ombudsman
Phil Shapkin



On the afternoon of July 19, 2006, I attended a statewide town meeting with my wife Barbara. The subject of this conference was on the termination of condominiums, and Monroe County's Hearing on *Citizens Property Insurance's* increase.

Our attorneys, Becker and Poliakoff, informed us of this upcoming discussion. It was held under the supervision of the division of Florida Land Sales, Condominiums and Mobile Homes, and the Department of Business and Professional Regulation (D.B.P.R.) was charged with conducting these meetings.

They were, and are, being held in the following cities: Miami, Dania Beach, Palm Beach, Jacksonville Beach, St. Petersburg, Ft. Meyers and Cocoa Beach, plus a separate meeting on the subject of *Citizens*.

You can see by the vast area and number of meetings scheduled that this is a very hot issue to a great many people (i.e., condo owners).

To the point, it was held to get public input to Governor Jeb Bush's veto of SB 1556.

I will try not to go into too much detail as to what this is all about, but to say that for the first time, in a long time, I agree with the actions of the Governor.

SB 1556 deals with FL 718.117(1). This is the legislation that dictates the rules of termination of a (i.e., your) condo. At the present time, this section says that in order to dissolve the condo for any given reason (such as in the aftermath of a catastrophic fire or storm that has left a building in the position of being unable to be repaired or reconstructed, with the funds of the treasury and/or payments of insurance, plus any special assessments), you would need to have 100% of the ownership in agreement to dissolve your association.

Now, let's be realistic. When was the last time you were able to get 100% of the ownership to agree on anything, or for that matter, when was the last time you were able to get 100% assembled in one place at a specific time.

For any vote of any kind? SB 1556 asks that the section be amended to read, "A super majority of 80% would be needed to accomplish its aims (the dissolution of the condo association)."

This I believe is a step in the right direction. There are too many loopholes that could be used by a developer in buying out the owners who are in need of funds or by an owner holding hostage the rest of the building for personal gain.

One owner should not get more money than any other based on any form of calculation other than the percentage of ownership of the common area. If a developer is involved, and there are holdouts to the sale, then it is my considered opinion that this would be a tool in the hands of a developer that can be used to take control of the building, and a clause should be inserted, that states "No one buyout can be greater than any other, and if an owner is able to maneuver a higher buyout, then at that point every unit transaction, would be increased to make the final deal equal monetarily."

You would have to read this bill in its entirety to see that there are pitfalls. Remember the old proverb, "Look before you leap."

Speaking shortly after me was our state Representative Susan Bucher. She said basically what I had said, but added what I had forgotten, and that was and is that this problem (not the storms) is the lack of funds that has been caused by the state not holding the insurance industry's feet to the fire. The powers that be in Tallahassee have not done what they were elected to do, and that is to legislate in favor of the electorate. They have allowed the insurance lobby to dictate terms that were so focused in favor of themselves as to be seen as a sweetheart deal.

Witness the fact of *Citizens'* position on the charts as the now biggest insurer in Florida, "State Created" and running amuck and demand-

MEETING DATES — 2006

OFFICERS	EXEC. BOARD	DELEGATES
Thu Sep 28	Tue Oct 3	Fri Oct 6
Thu Oct 26	Mon Oct 30	Fri Nov 3
Wed Nov 22	Mon Nov 27	Fri Dec 1

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

**From the Desk of
Vice President
Howard Silver**



By the time you read this, we will be in office for six months. As you know, we are in the *UCO Reporter* office because of the hurricane, and it is not easy to work out of this office. Just look at your apartment, take your living room, dining room and kitchen, then take away all the walls — that is your UCO office today.

Now Picture this is our room with no walls, no privacy in any department The Finance Department is in the front of the room; to the right is our UCO Secretary and to her right is our President. He has a four by five foot corner with a window; I guess he has the best spot in the room — ha ha! In the other corner, we have our transponder and investigation data entry computer desks. When you open the door and come in to the room, you are asked, "How may we help you?" by our receptionist. At the next desk is our Office Manager, he oversees everything. He has a swivel chair — ha ha! At the next desk is where we give out gate passes. On the other side of the room are our four investigation department desks, transponder volunteer desk and *UCO Reporter* desk.

Now, if we are lucky, there are two more desks and four Vice Presidents and some times four or five volunteers working on the *UCO Reporter* newspaper. Now put in the picture at least six or seven residents, 15 or more volun-

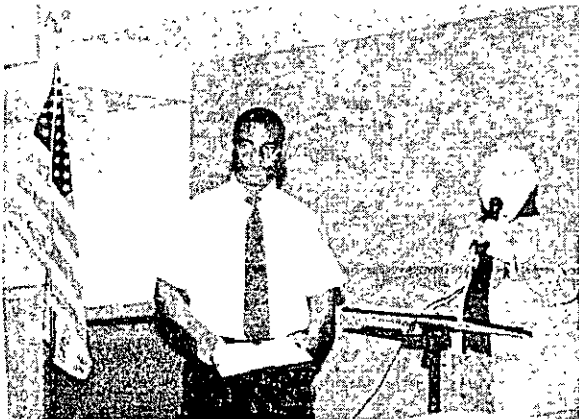
teers asking for this or that, and that's what it looks like every day. You have to give a pat on the back, to our volunteers and paid employees. When you see them, give them your thanks, they deserve it.

There are three places to get information about the Village. one is the *UCO Reporter*; next is Web site centuryvillagewpb.org; and then there is Channel 63.

My other job is to take care of Channel 63 with Toni Barr and Sadie Lovinger. I hope you all like what you see. It now runs 30 minutes long to watch from beginning to end.

Now and then, you will see a misspelled word; Howie did that page — ha ha! It takes time to do Channel 63; by the time you read this, we will be set up at the Clubhouse. Adelphia has just connected us to their systems. It used to take us approximately two and one half hours to post a new page by telephone, now that we will be at the Clubhouse, it will take us only five minutes to put any or all pages on Channel 63.

The other night I went to a show at the Clubhouse, it was great. For five dollars, you see a great show, the same show you would see if you were in the theater, if it was open. You can bring in food and drink; ice is provided as you watch the show. All shows will be in the Party Room until the theater opens, so come and find your favorite spot. See you around the Village; I am the one with the camera. □



Pres George Loewenstein giving an award to Guard Exilhomme Luckner for jumping into the Hastings Pool and rescuing ex-UCO President Bill Snyder, who had collapsed.

Water Everywhere

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Lift Station Upgrades to Start in Spring 2007

In an effort to improve our service, the Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department will refurbish three lift stations in Century Village. Construction is scheduled to start in April of 2007 and run three to four months depending on conditions.

The following lift stations will be upgraded:

- #348: Located on Lincoln Street, between Devon Street and Elgin Street
- #351: Located east of Fairway Street, just south of Kingswood
- #352: Located near the corner of Century Boulevard and East Drive

Lift stations collect and pump wastewater out of the community to a water treatment facility. The lift stations listed above have become antiquated and difficult to maintain. Newer lift station technology is more dependable, and the equipment is safer, and easier to maintain. Most importantly, #348, the largest of the three, will be equipped with a permanent generator. The new pump stations will be located on concrete slabs and dressed with black vinyl fencing and low-maintenance hedging.

For the safety of the residents, the Water Utilities Department asks that we stay clear of the construction areas. Water and wastewater service will not be interrupted during this time. □

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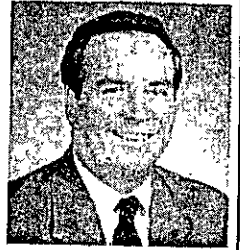
Bus Survey

Are you interested in a bus to Lake Worth?

- a) It would travel just one day a month.
- b) It would replace one of the excursion trips, either Monday (Wellington) or Wednesday (CityPlace/Gardens).

No action will be taken unless you respond (use suggestion box in ticket office)!

**From the Desk of
Commissioner
Jeff Koons**



**Road Construction
Faces a Cash Crunch**

The Board of County Commissioners recently approved revisions to the five-year road program, and I am pleased to see that District 2 is well represented. A total of 14 road projects within the district will be started or completed by the time the current funding period expires in FY-2010. Included are the widening of Australian Avenue (3.5 miles), Belvedere Road (two miles), Haverhill Road (2.8 miles), Melaleuca Lane (1.4 miles), and nearly five miles of Okeechobee Boulevard.

In the next budget year, we will also begin right-of-way acquisition for the extension of Jog Road to 45th Street and the long-awaited extension of Roebuck Road west of Jog Road. These projects, along with the proposed widening of Haverhill Road, will provide much-needed relief to Okeechobee

When figuring out where and how to spend our transportation dollars, my fellow commissioners and I have to look beyond where the traffic tie-ups are right now and try to anticipate where they will be in five, ten and even 20 years. How much and what type of development should be allowed? Are property owners' rights and the need to protect our environment receiving equal consideration? Who pays for widening when a particular roadway inevitably becomes overcrowded? Is it better to collect the moneys up front or on a pay-as-you-go basis? These are some of the reasons why adopting a road plan is not the routine government exercise it may appear to be.

The rising cost of building roads has become a wild card in the planning process. Take Okeechobee Boulevard, for example. Several years ago, the board approved \$22 million to widen it, and construction is slated to begin after October 1.

However, in the past year or so, the cost of road construction materials and land acquisition has nearly tripled. Not only that, we will be required to add some additional temporary lanes, and then re-surface the turnpike lanes under the turnpike overpass that's being widened. These are costs that weren't anticipated when the project was approved; what seemed like adequate funding then is coming up short.

Fortunately, instead of having to take funds from other projects, the new State Growth Management Act is now in effect. It provides matching funds to improve state roads that counties help to construct. We're expecting \$12 to \$15 million from the state for the Okeechobee widening project.

I am less optimistic about the governor's Pay as You Grow plan. It is supposed to ensure that developers pay for road improvement before they build, much like school concurrence. However, it only requires developers to pay a percentage of a road's cost based on the amount of traffic their project will generate. If the rest of the money needed for the road isn't immediately available, they can still go ahead and build. This makes no sense. The only way for us to keep certain County roads from being overwhelmed by development will be to leave them out of our own five-year road plan. Currently, the five-year road program is funded at approximately \$579 million. Of the current year's revenues of \$95 million, \$37 million was acquired through gas tax user fees and \$32 million is from developer impact fees.

Unless other cost-sharing measures and new funding sources are identified, we may have to consider imposing a phased building moratorium to give our Capital Projects Program time to catch up. Let's hope it doesn't come to that. □

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Unit Owners' Right to Vote

Lou Augenblick



To Vote or Not to Vote? That is the Question!

Shakespeare wrote something close to this in the days when nobody had the right to vote.

After a few revolutions, like the French and the American, the citizens were given the right to vote with some limitations. No women, no blacks, no aliens or criminals would be able to vote.

After massive demonstrations by the women's suffragist movement, women won the right to vote.

The blacks were legal citizens, but had to pay a poll tax in order to vote in some of our southern states. This was later abolished by order of the Supreme Court. Criminals and aliens still can't vote.

Here in the good old U.S.A., on May 1, 2006, there was a work stoppage. Thousands of illegal aliens protested in the streets of our big cities for a legal status to remain here and become citizens.

Their slogan was "March today...vote tomorrow!"

Only here in Century Village, the unit owners are not allowed the right to vote for elected officers and the Executive Board of UCO. The Delegates of the Association, who were not duly elected, came about due to my recommendation, a bylaw change was inserted that made every Association President the authorized delegate. It seemed to be a good idea at the time. There were not enough unit owners who wanted to be Delegates. Everything was running smoothly. There was no Millennium Contract to get worried about. There were no major hurricanes. Insurance premiums were bearable. The Village was a picture of contentment.

Then came the big wind that blew in from across the sea. Frances, Gilda, Jeanne, Katrina, Gertie, Sarah, Wilma, and Zelda is coming too. These ladies ripped out our trees. They blew out windows. Roof shingles were flying all over the village. Apartments were flooded and the most bitter pill of all was

the loss of electric power.

The biggest hit was taken by our Main Clubhouse. The roof caved in. The auditorium was completely destroyed, and as of this report, it is still not operational.

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**SECURITY
689-0432**

From the Desk of Vice President Sal Bummolo



Irrigation

I want to inform all those Associations who are thinking of putting in new plants or trees that there is still time to do so. The rainy season is still here with us, so please have the work done as soon as you can. This is important to you because you can take advantage of the extra water we get during this time of year.

Reclaimed Water Project Status — As of September 1, Palm Beach County has not received reclaimed water

from the City of West Palm Beach. This is due to the City of West Palm Beach, which is now experiencing permitting issues with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, so they cannot tell exactly when their Advanced Wastewater Treatment system will be ready to go. They are hoping that their plant will be done by late fall.

Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department has an alternate plan to construct a

Beautification

By Sandy Cohen

At this time, the committee to beautify the Village is working at the four way stop sign in front of the Clubhouse. The Southampton fence and landscaping is almost completed. Our next projects will be additional plantings on the perimeter roads.

We would like to plant some pretty trees and bushes, but will have to wait till after hurricane season.

Thank you all for your kind words about the new landscaping at the two entrances. □

reclaimed water treatment production facility at the former Century Village wastewater treatment plant. This production facility is in progress now and is expected to be online by next summer. □

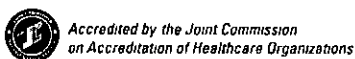


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The Mail Bag



UCO Millennium Agreement

The article by Kurt Weiss on the above subject in the July/August issue of *The UCO Reporter* was long overdue. He stated, actually and factually, the way the entire agreement with WPRF took place and the ratification by every one of our 309 associations. I know, because I was a UCO Vice President during his term of office.

In fact, if any condominium officers had any questions regarding the Millennium Amendment prior to their signing, they were immediately sent to President Kurt Weiss for an explanation. I recall asking each officer that came before me, "Do you understand the Amendment," or "any questions?"

Although I was not involved in the actual negotiations, I was briefed on the various preliminary documents. Each word and/or punctuation was contested and agreed upon by our two law firms and the attorney for WPRF.

For the information of our "newcomers," when this place was built in 1969-72, the state law said the developer could retain certain areas of Century Village as rentable to the unit owners. After 1975, the law changed and the same developer of the other three Century Villages had to turn over all areas to the unit owners.

A subsequent rental agreement, which was signed in the early 1980s, was to end on December 31, 1999. The new UCO Millennium Amendment is in force until 2021. Could it have been a better agreement for our unit owners? Perhaps. But at the time, it was the best we could've gotten, and the crystal ball did not take into consideration the severe damage from our consecutive hurricanes. As I will not be around in 2021, the ball will now be in your court.

Bob Fogelman

As I See It

By Don Amter
My Fair Lady

I was surfing through the channels of my TV looking for something decent to watch. You know there is so much junk on the tube these days — murders, police stories, people with guns... I came upon a station that was showing the film *My Fair Lady*.

I have seen this film a number of times, but it is so great that I just kept watching it through to the end. It is considered a top picture; do you remember the story?

Professor Higgins, played by Rex Harrison, is going into the opera house with a friend when a flower girl trying to make a sale accosts him. The girl, played by actress Audrey Hepburn, talks with such an abominable accent that Professor Higgins, who is a linguist, complains to his friend about it. He bets he could teach her to talk decently in six months and then pass her off at the queen's ball as a "lady," which he proceeds to do. And that is the story. But to get the full impact you have to know more about what is behind the story. It was taken from a play by George Bernard Shaw — an Irish playwright, written in the beginning of the 1900s, titled *Pygmalion*.

What you have to know is that for a thousand years or more, European society was divided into two major classes — the titled aristocrats and landlords who owned just about everything, and the poor — mainly agricultural serfs — who tilled the soil and raised the crops that the rich landlords confiscated to sell for their own wealth. The lords had all the privileges and rights; the poor had none. The lower classes were treated like dirt.

Gradually, a middle class

One Resident, One Vote?

In CV, as in the USA, we live in a representative democracy. We select members to Congress who control finances and laws of the country. In CV, we select members to the Delegate Assembly, which controls finances, the regulations which we live under, and the Board of Directors of UCO.

This successful system took a long time to develop and functions very well. We already have in place: "One resident, one vote." If it ain't broke, don't fix it.

developed, and factories were started. Industry required laborers, and these came from the lowest level of society. However, customs died hard. The uneducated, unclean and underfed lower class was looked down on by all those above them. George Bernard Shaw was very incensed against what he and others felt was a violently unfair attitude and treatment of the lower class. He became part of the Fabian Society, which believed socialism was the solution to these problems. Therefore, this was his aim in writing his play *Pygmalion*.

Shaw got the idea from an old Greek story of a sculptor of the same name, who makes a statue so beautiful that he falls in love with his own creation. That's what happens in Shaw's play, but embedded in this is the idea that the lower classes — just given a chance — would be as good as anyone else. There was an old black and white English film on the *Pygmalion* theme made during World War II starring Leslie Howard.

If you don't know the background, you might not get the impact. I am talking about another film that demonstrates it better. This is the picture *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner*, with Sidney Poitier, Spencer Tracy and Katharine Hepburn. Tracy and his wife live comfortably and they have a daughter who was studying in Europe. She comes home with a man she hopes to marry. It turns out to be a black African-American. The parents are shocked at this turn of events, and the rest of the picture is how they work out their feelings.

The idea underlying these films is not unique; it's actually pretty universal. Our own Samuel Clemens, writing under his well-known pen name of Mark Twain, wrote a story called *The Prince and the Pauper*. In this version, the young prince is out in front of his residence when a street urchin in raggedy clothes happens by. They get to talking and wonder what it would be like if they exchanged clothes. They do so and when the prince is called in, they take the well-dressed kid, not realizing that they have the wrong one. In other words, "clothes make the man."

Alternatively, as stated in our own Declaration of Independence — we are all born equal. □



Ombudsman

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ing untold amounts of money from associations that have always paid, and have tried to keep a good, clean, safe building. We cite the Wellington Federation of CV, given less than one week to raise \$92,000. "Is this caring for our citizens of Florida?" My answer to this rhetorical question is: Shame on our elected officials that allowed this travesty to happen!

At the end of my speaking time, the new Condominium Ombudsman, Ms. Danille R. Carroll, Esq., quizzed me to the end of fact finding, as to what I thought might be an acceptable percentage of condo owners that would be agreeable to all, if not the 80%. I must say that she prefaces her questions by saying, "If you feel that I am putting words in your mouth, then please stop me, so we can proceed with no animosity." She was at all times a good listener and all speakers had the floor for a period of time that was needed to make their statements. It was a well-run meeting, and the chair was always in control.

When the meeting was concluded, I introduced myself to Ms. Carroll as the Ombudsman of CV West Palm Beach and she said that she had been informed of this office because a case had reached her predecessor's desk and it had been turned over to my office for action. I am pleased to state that we (the committee) had taken that action and our recommendations have been transmitted to the proper people.

We are, at the present time, putting together a set of procedures for your use in contacting the Ombudsman's office so that we will be able to take some of the burden from the shoulders of our Vice Presidents. A new form has been produced to make things less difficult for your use. We are here to help. We do not play favorites. We do not kiss and tell. We are very professional in our dealings with you and your problems. But keep in mind that we are not attorneys, and when we feel that you need one, we will tell it like it is. □

SECURITY
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Right to Vote

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Now, why did I give you all this history? I will try to tie it all together. After the storms, the vultures came: The roofers, the restoration companies, the insurance companies, the adjusters! FEMA, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army and the local politicians. The non-profit organizations earned our respect and overwhelming thanks for the humanitarian help they provided. The others? Yech...Allstate still has not paid most of the assessment claims.

Our unit owners had looked to UCO to help in resolving some of the claims for hurricane damage. The Associations had problems with the restoration companies that UCO allowed to solicit on the premises.

After the Main Clubhouse was made unusable, UCO agreed that the non-use of the recreation facilities amounted to 70% of our payments to WPRF. We were ordered to pay the full 100% with an adjustment coming later. Some of our unit owners banded together and even held meetings to protest paying for lack of service. They even accused UCO of selling us out to Mark Levy. There were pros and cons on this. There was even disagreement in the UCO organization.

The disagreement amounted to a challenge for the office of President and two Vice Presidents. There also were nominees for the 20 seats of the Executive Board.

The challenging slate and the incumbents made presentations at the sites of the many Associations. The majority of the attendees at these meetings were unit owners. These candidates were whistling in the dark. The unit owners could not vote. Only the Delegate of each Association could cast a vote for the candidate of his or her choice. In most cases, the Delegates did not hold a meeting to get a consensus of the unit owners' choice. Anyway, the ballot is secret, so the Delegate can make a personal choice.

At the many candidate meetings, which I attended, the unit owners told the candidates that they would like to vote for them, but they can't. Well, candidate George Loewenstein said he would look into it. When he was elected President, he put this burden on me.

It is not difficult. All that is required is a change in the

bylaws and the will of the unit owners to persuade the Association Delegate to vote for this bylaw change.

In the next few months, there will be individuals who will declare themselves as candidates for a UCO office. When they start making promises and long winded speeches, just ask them one question...

"Are you in favor of the unit owners' right to vote?" □

Are You Interested in Volunteering? Do You Like Working With Children?

I am an elementary school teacher at U.B. Kinsey and would like some extra help in the mornings between 8:30 and 10:30 am. U.B. Kinsey is located on the corner of Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard and Tamarind Avenue. If you are interested in working with small groups of children in second through fifth grade, please call me at 802-3419 They are great kids!



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UPPER FLOOR 1/1		
WALTHAM G	unfurnished, near East Gate, Clubhouse	625
SOMERSET G	waterview, furnished, near Fitness Center	850
ANDOVER I	furnished, carpet & linoleum, newer AC, encl patio	575
NORTHAMPTON R	beautiful furniture, near Kent Pool	650
NORTHAMPTON A	furn, ceramic tile, near East Gate, upgrades	800
NORTHAMPTON L	unfurnished, near pool	600
ANDOVER E	furnished, near East Gate	625
COVENTRY G	furnished, near East Gate & Clubhouse	800
NORTHAMPTON L	partially furnished, newer appliances	575
SHEFFIELD G	near East Gate, Hastings Fitness, furn	800
GROUND FLOOR 1/1		
NORTHAMPTON R	furnished, near pool	620
SHEFFIELD F	clean, furnished	625
SHEFFIELD D	fully furnished, near Fitness Center	600
ANDOVER E	brand new kitchen, furnished, lots of upgrades	600
WINDSOR Q	new kitchen, bathroom & enclosed patio, furnished	625
CAMDEN B	new appl, ceiling fans, waterview, near pool, furn	625
NORTHAMPTON H	furnished, waterview, carpet	650
NORTHAMPTON A	great condition, furnished, carpet	800
BERKSHIRE F	carpet, furnished, enclosed patio	600
BERKSHIRE D	waterview, furnished, 2 AC units	650
UPPER FLOOR 1/1.5		
KENT L	near Kent Pool and bus, new paint job, unfurnished	600
SHEFFIELD P	furnished, clean, garden area, small pets OK	650
WINDSOR H	furn, cnr, near West Gate, CAC, storage closet	650
SOUTHAMPTON B	golf course vu, new carpet & CT, renov kit	750
ANDOVER D	fully furnished, screened patio, CAC	650
WINDSOR I	beauty, furnished, near Camden Pool	625
STRATFORD N	close to East Gate, furnished	650
SOUTHAMPTON B	golf course view, new paint	650
EASTHAMPTON I	furnished, near East Gate	575
CAMDEN F	new carpet, furnished, waterview	650
GOLF'S EDGE E	furnished, steps from pool, elevator incl, golf vu	750
GROUND FLOOR 1/1.5		
SUSSEX B	newer carpet & appliances, encl patio, newer 2nd bath, furn	650
UPPER FLOOR 2/1.5		
SHEFFIELD G	corner, lots of light, near Hastings, furnished	850
DORCHESTER B	corner unit, furnished, must see!	775
DORCHESTER I	furnished, gardenview, carpet	750
SHEFFIELD G	furnished, CAC, corner, enclosed patio	875
NORWICH M	furnished, newer countertops & appliances	750
OXFORD 400	furnished, ceramic tile, near pool	850
COVENTRY G	new carpet, corner, nice unit, central AC, furnished	750
NORWICH H	corner, furnished	850
ANDOVER G	corner, furnished, new furniture	900
CAMBRIDGE A	furnished, great location	850
GROUND FLOOR 2/1.5		
NORTHAMPTON H	walk right up to, near the pool, furnished	850
DORCHESTER E	close to pool, furnished, quiet area	800
NORTHAMPTON I	furn, wood floors, new refrig, gardenview	950
HASTINGS I	near East Gate, Clubhouse & Fitness Center, furn	850
COVENTRY G	ceramic tile, furnished, near Hastings	750
GROUND FLOOR 1/1.5 CORNER		
PLYMOUTH V	corner, wraparound porch	800
COVENTRY E	corner unit with lots of light, easy access	700
CAMDEN B	furnished, near Camden Pool, CAC, waterview, carpet	700
SUSSEX A	furnished, corner, gardenview, CAC, southern exp	675
GROUND FLOOR 2/1.5 CORNER		
COVENTRY F	beauty, CT, quiet & serene, furn or unfurn	875
SEASONAL RENTALS IN CENTURY VILLAGE		
NORTHAMPTON H	furn, negotiable, waterview, CT, new appliances	1,050
BERKSHIRE I	gardenview, beauty, near West Gate, furn	1,000
GROUND FLOOR 1/1		
BERKSHIRE D	waterview, dollhouse, near West Gate	1,000
WINDSOR Q	new kitchen, bathroom & encl patio, furnished	1,100
CAMDEN B	new appl, ceiling fans, waterview, near pool, furnished	1,125
UPPER FLOOR 1/1.5		
SOUTHAMPTON B	furnished, golf course view, enclosed patio, renovated kit	1,250
COVENTRY J	beauty, central AC, near East Gate	1,100
GROUND FLOOR 1/1.5		
COVENTRY H	furnished, upgrades galore, lots of light	1,100
SALISBURY G	lovely seasonal rental, fully furnished	1,125
WALTHAM C	corner, carpet, near Clubhouse	1,275
UPPER FLOOR 2/1.5		
CAMBRIDGE A	beauty, near all amenities	1,200
COVENTRY K	furnished, near Clubhouse, carpet	1,100
DORCHESTER B	furnished, corner unit, lovely condo	1,200
ANDOVER G	private corner, nice, new furniture	1,200
SHEFFIELD J	spectacular condo, must see, near Hastings	1,175
DORCHESTER I	outside corner, near pool	1,200
GROUND FLOOR 2/1.5		
NORTHAMPTON H	corner, near pool	1,100
NORTHAMPTON I	wood floors, gardenview	1,800
COVENTRY G	furnished, near Hastings	1,100

Insurance

Dan Gladstone



Ever since June of this year, the insurance market has been in turmoil. The decree from Florida government and its proxy, Citizens Insurance Company, was the opening shot to what was to come. Numerous associations in South Florida have been penalized for being insured over \$10 or \$25 million. This is not a proper insurance approach. Is \$25 million property more risky than \$5 million? Do buildings insured for \$10 million have more exposure than \$2 million? The answer is no. The premiums for the renewals in our case came to 445%, which included special assessment for the previous year losses, which is no other than government taxation.

A big roar started to roll from all the neighboring Associations. Meetings, rallies have started to take place; telephone calls, letters and e-mails have been circulated. Our politicians joined the protest, with Susan Bucher as the leader in our area. Her dismay made Citizens reconsider their decision and cancel the \$25 million penalty, but there are more changes needed.

The rule that Citizens exercises is that any commercial insurance company, that wishes to take over clients, can do so at any time with no penalty. In most such cases, the premiums are cheaper and the coverage is better.

As you recall, Citizens saved our policies when Southern Family went bankrupt. Millions of dollars are still being paid by F.I.G.A. (Florida Insurance Guarantee Association) in an irritating slow pace, but at least the money is coming.

To add insult to injury, Allstate Floridian insured approximately 70% of the homeowners policies in Century Village started to subrogate (the right to reclaim monies that were paid from the source of the damage) from the associations and

UCO. It took some telephone calls and faxes to have Allstate withdraw their subrogation claims.

We were fortunate that the storm Ernesto passed through our area as a minor tropical storm. The Village was adequately prepared and so was the Insurance Committee. We have been preparing to receive numerous claim calls, dealings with adjusters and executing the proof-of-losses.

We remind all the Associations that have not notified UCO of their official and correct name, to do so — A.S.A.P. □

Musing with Myron

Vice President Myron Solomon



I feel that time has stood still the last few months. We have had all kinds of roadblocks thrown into our path while we have tried to finish the theater. It took this administration four months to get a permit to construct the new theater. Why the permit and plans for it was not applied for at least 12 months ago is still a mystery!

Why the claim to the insurance company for the damaged theater was not filed 12-18 months ago is also a mystery! We have been waiting for this money to start the construction. Every week we are told next week. We still don't have the money! We

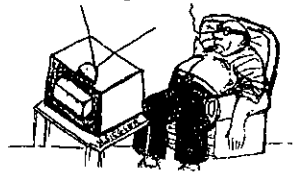
don't want to fall into a situation of spending money for the theater that we don't have. We don't want a replica of the six million dollars that were spent to fix the Clubhouse with practically no one knowing what was spent on all projects.

Most people are not familiar with a contract that was signed with WPRF about the same time as the Millennium Agreement was signed. It is an addendum to the Millennium Contract that is called the water contract. It was signed by the then-President of UCO without the knowledge of most people! It calls for UCO to pay for all repairs and upkeep to the

shoreline in the Village that Mark Levy and WPRF own. Now, we are responsible to pay for the erosion of the shoreline. Chalk another one up for Mark Levy and WPRF!

Now you all realize why we refuse to sign any new contract with Levy and WPRF that is beneficial to them!

UCO will continue to fight for all the residents of Century Village — for all their rights and will not give into any pressure from anybody. The residents have been wonderful, patient, and understanding with all our problems. Just a little more time, my friends, and I promise you will have your paradise back again. □



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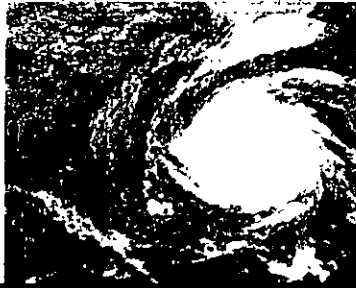
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Storming Mad Town Hall Meeting

By Irv Lazar

A meeting was held in the UCO Clubhouse on August 19 regarding the huge increases in property insurance rates in the State of Florida. The meeting was attended by Rep. Susan Bucher, Sen. Ron Klein, Rep. Priscilla Taylor and Rep. Shelley Vana, and various representatives of surrounding associations in Palm Beach County.

UCO President George Loewenstein opened the meeting by introducing Rep. Susan Bucher. She spoke about how rates for property insurance has increased as much as 400% in our area because many insurance companies have left our area and insurance has fallen to the company of last resort in Florida, Citizens Property Insurance Corp, backed by the State of Florida

She asked the audience to write Governor Bush, the chairman of the Florida House of Representatives and the President of the Florida Senate, or else go online at stormingmad.com and copy or print out the letter to be sent calling for a special session of the Florida Legislature.

She then introduced Sen. Ron Klein. He spoke about how, for many years before Hurricane Andrew, there were no serious storms affecting our area and the insurance companies were collecting premiums without having to pay out large sums of money. As soon as the latest hurricanes of 2004 and 2005 hit us and our area incurred expensive damages, companies ran from the area.

Rep Bucher then introduced Rep. Priscilla Taylor, who is a licensed insurance agent and is on the Insurance Committee in Congress. She said that she had proposed a bill which would establish a Hurricane Fund, but the Tallahassee House of Represent-

they rushed a bill and passed it at the last moments of the final session before the break, which would allow Insurance Companies to raise rates indiscriminately. She also advocated a special session which would contain a Catastrophe Fund to be used to cover future hurricane losses and also to prevent the insurance lobby from writing the laws.

Rep. Shelley Vana was introduced by Rep. Bucher. She also spoke about the insurance bill presented in the last minutes by the Legislative session and she urged the audience to write and press for a special session to reform Florida's hurricane insurance. The regular session of the Legislature is not due to meet until next March (well after the upcoming elections)

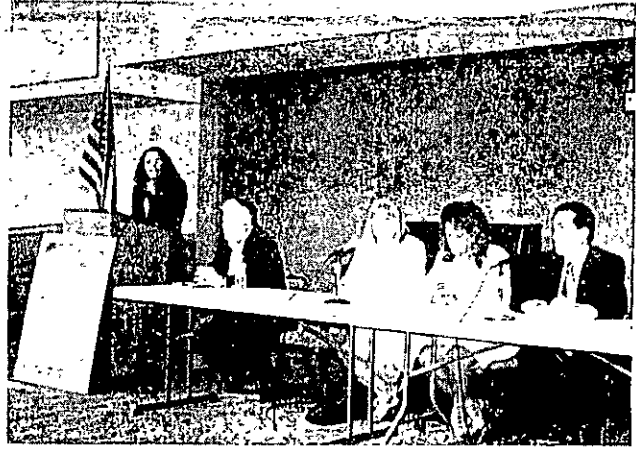
Pres. George Loewenstein then opened the meeting for comments and questions.

In responding to one question, Sen. Klein suggested that we contact our local newspapers and ask why they haven't published the Democratic proposal.

Sec letter, which can be used to contact our heads of Congress in Tallahassee.

Below is the better way offered by the Democratic Caucus of the Florida Legislature:

- Allow homeowners and businesses to purchase basic hurricane insurance coverage through the Hurricane Insurance Fund.
- Encourage insurance companies to sell hurricane insurance beyond the state basic coverage.
- The state fund will produce cost savings as it does not pay taxes, make a profit and has lower administrative costs.
- Floridians will witness a stabilized insurance market that provides affordable hurricane insurance.
- Provide mitigation funding to retrofit homes to better withstand hurricanes.
- Windstorm claims will be processed by your private insurer. □



Rep. Susan Bucher introducing our speakers on the dais with UCO Pres George Loewenstein and Rep. Shelley Vana, Rep. Priscilla Taylor and State Sen. Ron Klein



Sen. Ron Klein asking for questions from the audience.

Photos by Howie Silver

THE CRISIS IN FLORIDA

Citizens Property Insurance,
Palm Beach County (county average)

Insurance Premiums

2006 Premium Cost	\$2,513
Approved Statewide Increase	\$401 (16.1%)

Other Charges

2005 Citizens Deficit Assessment	\$ 490 (19.5%)
2006 CMI Fund Assessment	\$ 70 (2.8%)

Total Premium & Assessments	\$ 3,473 (35.8%)
	\$ 205 (one time gain)
	\$3,272 (net insurance cost average)

THE TIME HAS COME TO REFORM OUR BROKEN SYSTEM!

An example of increasing insurance (county average.)



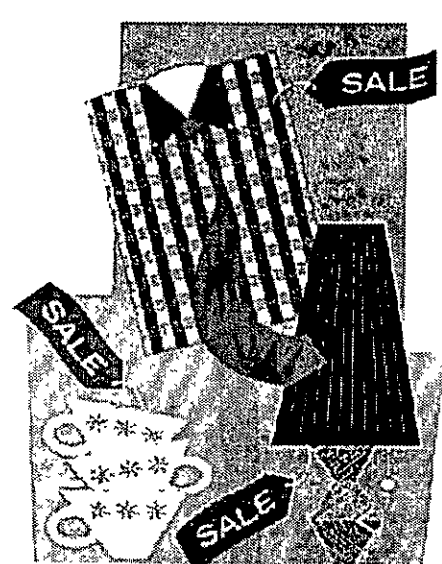
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Arts and Entertainment

By Irv Rikon
Theater

Coming next season at the **Caldwell Theatre** is *Cowgirls* by Betsy Howie and Mary Murfitt. Says the publicist, "This Off-Broadway hit is a riotous, happy musical about a trio of female classical musicians called the Coghill Trio who get booked by mistake in a country and western saloon." That's followed by a revival of Robert Harling's *Steel Magnolias*. Its all-star cast includes Carbonell Award winners Elizabeth Dimon, Pat Nesbit and Laura Turnbull. (For information and reservations, call 1-877-245-7432. Online info@calldwelltheatre.com.)

Florida Stage (Manalapan) also has a comedy about classical musicians from October 20-November 26. Written by Michael Hollinger, whose comedy *Red Herring* was one of the entire last decade's funniest. The new work is entitled *Opus*. Quoting the publicist, "With only a few days to rehearse Beethoven's Opus 131, a world-renowned string quartet prepares for its highest-profile performance ever. The

rehearsal room becomes a pressure cooker as passions rise and personalities clash." (585-3433. Online: www.floridastage.org.)

Rat Pack, Live from Las Vegas comes with Frank, Sammy and Dino November 7-12 to the **Kravis Center**. (1-800-520-2324 or www.broadwayacrossamerica.com.)

The Price, Arthur Miller's comedy drama, is revived by Palm Beach Dramaworks November 3-December 3 (514-4042 or www.palmbeachdramaworks.org.)

The Maltz Jupiter Theatre (Jupiter) brings back the Fats Waller musical *Ain't Misbehavin'* November 28-December 10. (575-2223 or www.jupitertheatre.org.)

Also, **The Lake Worth Playhouse** (Lake Worth) proffers the Stephen Schwartz musical *Pippin* October 6-22. (586-6410 or www.lakeworthplayhouse.org.)

Music and Others

The Kravis Center (West Palm Beach) holds its public ticket sale September 16. **Ballet Florida** dances *Peter and the Wolf* September 27-29. (659-2000. Online: www.balletflorida.org.) Dennis Miller entertains October 7. Kathy Griffin arrives October 14. Bobby Vinton sings Oc-

tober 25. Also notice the S*T*A*R series, which in the Presson Rehearsal Hall is presenting such fare as *Beowulf* October 9-11, *Moliere Than Thou* October 10, *The History and Status of Women in Jazz* October 16-18. These are basically programs for kids, but I see no reason why adults shouldn't have some fun, too!

Bob Lappin and the Palm Beach Pops kick off their season November 2-3 by presenting Ricky Skaggs and Kentucky Thunder in a program of *Americana*. (832-7677. Online: www.palmbeachpops.org.)

The Moscow Chamber Orchestra opens the Regional Arts season November 5. Featured works include piano concertos by Mozart and Shostakovich. (832-7469.) But you might want to plan farther out. For instance, on New Years Eve, Woody Allen appears in person with his New Orleans Jazz Band and on New Year's Day, there's a *Salute to Vienna* that emulates the Viennese scene.

At **The Royal Room of the Colony Hotel** (Palm Beach), there's cabaret to be enjoyed with Charlie Cochran November 9-11 and Marianne Challis November 30-

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Take Stock in Children

By Roz Smoller

Recently I attended a meeting of the Democratic Club. Like many others who were there, after listening to the numerous problems our people and country are experiencing, I felt a great sense of frustration — what can one person do?

Well, most of us have the time, energy and motivation to make a big difference in someone's life. There are many worthwhile volunteer programs. I would like to tell you about one in which I am involved.

The name of it is **Take Stock in Children**. How would you like to be responsible for changing someone's life in a very positive way? To be able to bring hope for a productive, fulfilling future to a child and to be a significant force toward stopping the cycle of poverty in our community is truly important work.

This program helps high potential, low-income children stay in school, earn a high school diploma, graduate from college, and enter into the workforce. Enrolling students as early as the seventh grade, T.S.I.C. offers each child a four-year tuition scholarship for college and a volunteer

mentor to provide motivation and support through the high school years. The student is required to maintain a good grade average, demonstrate positive behavior and remain crime and drug free.

As a volunteer mentor, after a few hours of training, you would meet with a student at a school of your choice for about one hour once a week.

One of the pleasures of the program is an annual party and picnic where fellow volunteers, Mayor Lois Frankel is one, get together for fun, food and an exchange of ideas. Nevertheless, the most pleasure comes from knowing that you have made an important difference in someone's life.

If you are interested, please call me (689-8444) and I will be happy to answer all of your questions and get you started on an important endeavor that will bring you much gratification — each one of us can make a difference! □



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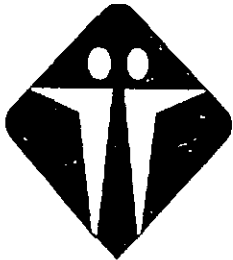
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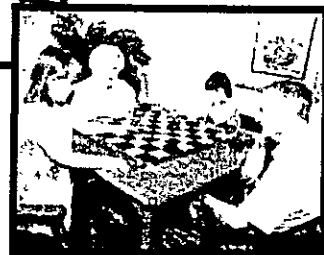
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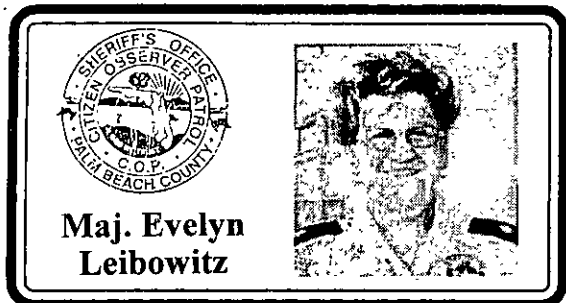
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The Hills Are Alive with the Sounds of People

It's that time of the year. We welcome back many of our neighbors who left for the summer. Many more will be returning after the Jewish holidays, after Thanksgiving, and after Christmas. More cars will be traveling our streets. Parking will be more difficult around the pools and the Clubhouses. We ask you all to be kind and considerate to all. Have patience. Remember that we all came down looking for the peace and tranquility that we did not have when we were in the hustle and bustle of our working years.

Drive carefully. Remember that our Sheriff's Deputies are out there looking for the speeders and those who do not stop at the stop signs. We have all observed individuals who, when leaving the Clubhouse, will not let another car back out and join the line. Is the extra five minutes worth having an accident? I often say to the other passengers in my car that those people are in a hurry to get home to nurse the baby. Why are those people in such a hurry that they cannot wait for one car to pass?

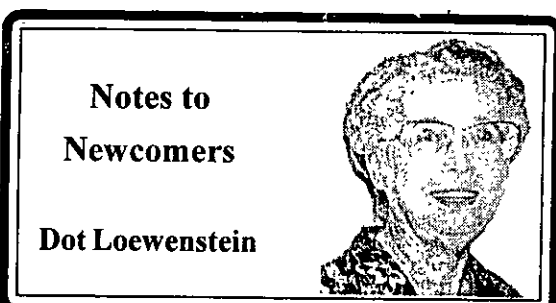
Let us find the tranquility in the many amenities that our Village has to offer. Let's not sit at the pool and complain. Become involved. Bring your concerns to UCO. Attend the Delegates Meeting on the first Friday of the month. Learn about what is happening and express your concerns. Since moving into the Village 16 years ago, I have heard people complain that they have "no say." If you choose not to get involved, then you are causing the "no say." Become involved. Join the many classes and clubs that we are so lucky to have. Do not forget the

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C.O.P. program. We need your help in trying to keep this a safe haven for all our unit owners and renters.

Become part of the solution. Let's make sure we are in a development where neighbor helps neighbor. We may not be able to solve the world's problems but every one of us can join in to make this the best Village that it can be.

Regardless of race or religion, we all need good health and happiness, so to all on behalf of the C.O.P. members and myself, we wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year. □



Notes to Newcomers
Dot Loewenstein

Clubhouse Library Report

There have been some changes lately. You may note that the Biography Section (green dots) is now in order by the **subject** of the book (for example, Katharine Hepburn is filed under "H"). A helpful list for residents is on the wall, indicating the purpose of the colored dots, as well as a set of new rules inviting readers to keep certain items and return/replace others.

New: CDs that play music, not movies, are under lock

and key and can be reserved. There is a list of titles and an opportunity for residents to fill in their names and phone numbers on the form. We will contact you to set up a time and date that is mutually convenient for picking up CDs.

Occasionally, we find it necessary to discard various magazines, books, and paperbacks. When you see these things **outside** the library, please do not bring them back in. They will be replaced with newer issues, or books in better condition. Magazines

should be current; we have a full shelf of children's books, and large print books and magazines are always appreciated. We are now accepting videotapes and encourage residents to spend a few minutes with the current jigsaw puzzle.

Snowbirds may wish to make donations. Please observe our limit of **five** donations in any one day, so our volunteers have the opportunity to shelve them properly before we get inundated. You probably have noticed the calendar indicating the many volunteers who maintain our library in such excellent condition. You are invited to volunteer also. Leave your name and phone number, as well as any suggestions, with Noreen or Marge in the office across the hall. □



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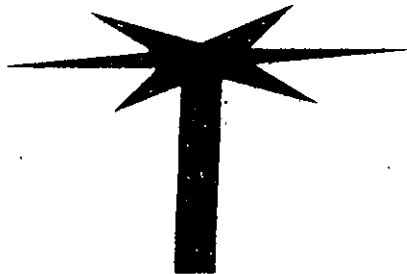
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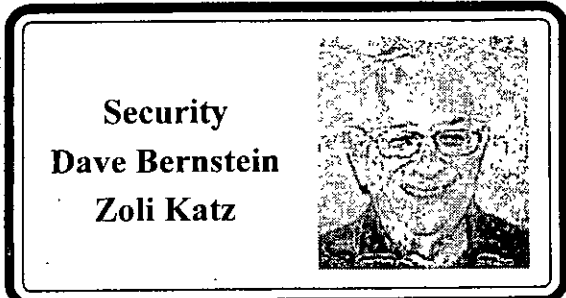
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We were ready.

I am talking about your neighbors on various UCO committees who gathered at a meeting under the direction of Vice President Phyllis Richland, preparing to meet Hurricane Ernesto head-on. These were men and women preparing to help their neighbors in case of any emergency. Thank God they weren't needed, but we are ready for the next one. More details in other articles of the Reporter.

Very often, Security — that is: the Guards, Rovers and Officers; the members of the Security Committee, and the Officers of UCO — are called upon to help residents in various situations. Often, our Officers are able to solve the problems that arise...but sometimes, they just don't have the authority. From time to time, I will bring some of these situations to your attention, and you

can write to me, c/o UCO, and give your opinion.

Someone complained to me, that every time they come in the gate at Okeechobee Boulevard, as soon as they pass the guardhouse, there on the left side on the road is a large box truck, used for someone's business, with the business name on the side, creating an eyesore to residents and visitors. The question I get is, "I thought commercial vehicles are not allowed overnight in the Village?" "I thought it was illegal to run a business out of your apartment?"

My response, sadly, had to be the following: As most of you know, each Association in the Village is a kingdom of its own. Their documents govern their way of life. If an Association's Board, not the President, or an individual, votes at a meeting to allow this

Programs & Services Committee

By Len Lipofsky, Chair

I met with Peggy Jackson to discuss one item that was brought to my attention.

This item refers to the problem of **Ants** at the Club-house pool. They are around

eyesore on their property, Security can not then force that owner to move his or her vehicle. It's on that Association's property. Sure, we want our Village to look pretty, but all it takes is one, then another, then another Association to mar the landscape. It's up to everyone to work **together**. Get after your neighbors to be **good neighbors**.

When someone buys an apartment in your building, go over the rules of the Association and the Village with them. If you are not sure of something, come down to UCO and ask. If they are not sure, they will ask the UCO attorney for you.

As we come into a New Year, and a new season in our Village, Zoli and I, as co-chairs of Security, wish you all a Healthy and Good Year. □

the tables and the under-hang due to the residents bringing food, and eating at the pool.

I asked how often the pool area is sprayed to eliminate the ants. Peggy advised me that the pool areas are sprayed as needed and the table areas are exterminated once monthly.

We have decided that for the months of September, October and November, the areas around the tables and the under-hang will be sprayed by an exterminator twice a month on the days that the pools are closed for cleaning. This is to avoid the smell of the spray lingering while our residents swim or eat. For the months of December, January, February and March, the areas will be treated by an exterminator once a week.

We at the Programs and Services Committee are looking for volunteers to join us. Interested? Please leave your name, address and phone number at the UCO office and I will get back to you. □

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Cable Committee Report

By Larry Kall, Chair

Comcast has officially bought the Adelphia Cable operations in Palm Beach County effective July 31, 2006. You will begin to have your service calls answered by Comcast, and Adelphia trucks will be repainted with the Comcast logo. One of the last changes will be for people who have Adelphia e-mail addresses. It is expected that these addresses will be changed to comcast.net some time in the near future and your web access will be comcast.net. You will be advised in advance of the changes.

Comcast also plans to give you the ability to send a single letter advising of the address change to everyone on your mailing list. You will be getting more information on the changes as the weeks go by.

At this time, there is no information if Comcast is going to offer any other channels that are not presently available to us in our basic package. There have been some personnel changes as a result of the merger and I am pleased to report that most of the people I have worked with at Adelphia are still there and I have been in contact with them. □

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Genealogist Gets Rewarded

Last month, I was given a birthday party by Cindy, a grandniece who had just returned from living in Dubai, which is on the Persian Gulf, where she and her family had lived for the past few years. She reread my genealogy books about our family while packing to return home.

She remembered my upcoming big birthday and decided that the first thing she would do is have a family reunion to celebrate the occasion. It took about two months to gather the "gang."

Everyone invited responded, to our surprise, and made the necessary arrangements to travel to Florida for the party for their Aunt Ruthie. They came from Mexico, New York, New Jersey, North Carolina, Georgia, and the following cities in Florida: Sarasota, Fort Meyers, Long-

They updated the family changes. It was great to see how the children had grown in the five years since we had all been together. Genealogy is a task of love and dedication, and I was now duly rewarded for having written the family history. □



Why Take Chances?

A man and his ever-nagging wife went on vacation to Jerusalem. While they were there, the wife passed away. The undertaker told the husband "You can have her shipped home for \$5,000, or you can bury her here, in the Holy Land, for \$150."

The man thought about it and told him he would just have her shipped home. The undertaker asked, "Why would you spend \$5,000 to ship your wife home, when it would be wonderful to be buried here and you would spend only \$150?"

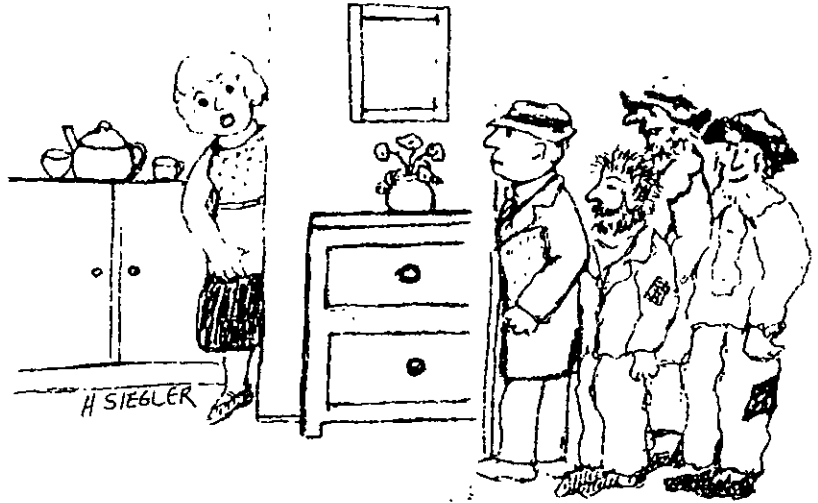
The man replied, "Long ago a man died here, was buried here, and three days later he rose from the dead. I just can't take that chance."

From the Internet
Submitted by Ken Davis

wood, West Palm Beach and Weston. They made their own plans as to where they would stay. My daughter and three grandchildren stayed with me and the others went to visit friends or stay at a hotel.

The speeches were directed at me, first to congratulate me for being the oldest member in the family. I did not like that tribute, but then, I remembered that I was the surprise baby born to parents who were in their 40s. In addition, to thank me for writing my genealogy books and for giving them a record of their heritage as far back as 1720.

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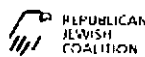
What was once the radical Left - with its antipathy toward Israel, its indifference to anti-Semitism, and its desire to appease terrorists instead of fighting them - is now emerging as part of the mainstream in the Democratic Party.

Right now, Israel needs all the friends it can get. Sadly, the Democratic Party just took away one of Israel's best friends.

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 Alejandro Lane - brand new const home feat open kit w/tons of cab space, 2-car gar, den, double vanity in both baths, sunken tub w/sep shower, shower in master bed, lovely gdn area, W/D 2,300
COVERED BRIDGE
 Master BR comp renov, encl patio, h'cane shutters, unfurn, W/D, new D/W & refrig, 2/2 1st fl corner 139,500
LOXAHATCHEE (SALE OR RENTAL)
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 This 3 BR 2 bath has lots of space/privacy, CT & cpt, appls incl, W/D stays priced @ 355,000; rental @ 1,825
PALM BEACH SOUTH (SALE)
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**The Unsung
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They work behind the glare of publicity. Few people even know their names — but these people are vital to the well being of all Americans.

Our unsung heroes are the U.S. Diplomats who are now receiving their just appreciation and accolades for outstanding and dedicated service to this nation. Six American Diplomats of the past are thus being honored in a new set of U.S. stamps this month.

The honored Diplomats are: Hiram Bingham, Charles E. Bohlen, Phillip C. Habib, Robert D. Murphy, Clifford R. Wharton, Sr., and Frances E. Willis.

Serving as our nation's representatives around the world, these Diplomats promoted foreign policy, resolved disputes and protected our interests abroad. They are featured on postage stamps and are remembered for their contributions as trailblazers, peace-makers, and humanitarians.

Hiram Bingham (1903-1988) served as U.S. diplomat in France during World War II. He is remembered particularly for saving the lives of thousands of refugees during the war. In 1940 and 1941, against the official policies of the U.S., he issued passports to Jews and other refugees, assisting in their escape and sheltering them in his own home.

Among the 2,000 people saved from the Nazis were artist Marc Chagall, and historian Hannah Arendt.

Charles E. Bohlen (1904-1974) was a renowned expert on the Soviet Union. He helped shape U.S. foreign policy during World War II. He was present at key negotiations with the Soviets during that time and served as Ambassador to Moscow during the 1950s.

He served as interpreter for President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1943 at the Teheran Conference and later at the Yalta Conference with Churchill and Stalin.

Phillip C. Habib (1920-1992) was an authority on Southeast Asia, and a peace negotiator in the Middle East.

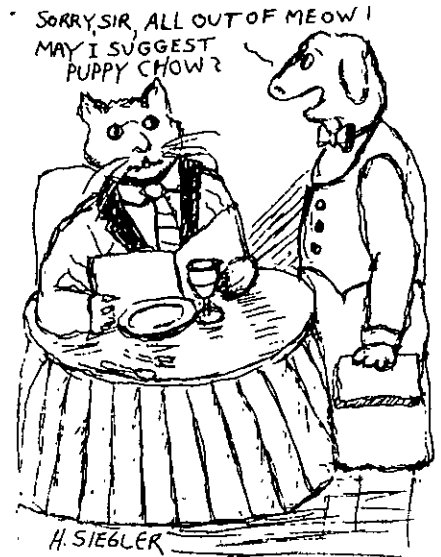
Beginning in 1965, Habib served as a political counselor in Saigon as the Vietnam War escalated. He participated in the Vietnam peace talks in Paris.

Robert D. Murphy (1894-1978) held a series of prestigious posts during a career that spanned nearly four decades. Murphy is especially remembered for his role in planning the invasion of North Africa during World War II. During 1943-1944, he was political adviser to General Dwight D. Eisenhower.

After World War II, Murphy served as the first post-war American Ambassador to Japan, and later, he was an adviser to the cease-fire talks in Korea.

Clifford R. Wharton, Sr. (1899-1990) was the first black Foreign Service Officer in the U.S. State Department. After a series of postings that included Liberia, Spain and Madagascar, Wharton became Consul General in Portugal, and later, in the same position in Marseilles, France. In 1958, he was appointed U.S. Minister to Romania by President Eisenhower, thus being the first black diplomatic delegation to a European country.

Frances E. Willis (1899-1983) was the first female Foreign Service Officer to rise through the ranks as Ambassador to Switzerland. In 1962, she was the first woman designated "Career Ambassa-



dor," a rare title held by only 14 other people at that time.

The sextet of Diplomat stamps are being released this month at your local post offices. For first day covers, phone toll free 1-800-STAMPS-24. □

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for Bus Riders:**

All buses do a perimeter run at 11:45 a.m. One bus (shuttle) does a perimeter run at 12:45 p.m.

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- Berkshire G, 1/1, 2nd fl, newer appls, completely furnished, ultra-clean, screened balcony, close to West Gate \$650/mo ann or \$1,100 sea
- Kingswood E, 1/1, 2nd fl, totally updated, fresh paint, new cptg, new furn, extremely clean & neat, lovely bal overlooks trop gdn \$650/mo ann or \$1,050 sea
- Windsor S, 1/1.5, 1st fl cor, all new tile, freshly painted, updated kit w/new appls, scr patio w/rolldown storm shutters, furn or unfurn \$725/mo ann or \$1,100 sea

SOLD/CLOSED SALES

- 28 Camden B, 1/1, 1st fl, rentable, partially furn, wtrvu \$45,000
- 217 Berkshire K, 1/1, 1st fl, furn, screened balcony overlooks gdn area \$42,000
- 152 Easthampton G, 1/1.5, 1st fl, cor, rentable, unfurn, nu encl patio, newer CAC, updated appls \$63,000
- 208 Sheffield I, 2/1.5, 2nd fl, cor, ultra-clean, stunning unit, nu appls, carpeting, rentable, snowbird's home \$86,500
- 151 Sheffield G, 1/1.5, 1st fl, cor, designer-decor & tot remod, CAC, all nu kit, bas, nu encl patio \$63,000
- 30 Hastings B, 2/1.5, 2nd fl, lift, tot remod, open design kit, tiled, nu berber, lovely furn, next to fit ctr & pool, rentable \$109,000
- 139 Salisbury F, 1/1, 2nd fl, nu berber, brand nu kit & ba, nuer AC units, unfurn, rent \$54,000
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- 197 Berkshire J, 1/1, 1st fl, furn, immac, all tiled, turnkey \$54,000
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July Incident Reports

By Dot Loewenstein

Do you know how the Call-In System works? Yes, you phone 689-1759 with the name of your guest, but it only stays in the computer until midnight. Thus, if your plumber or electrician is scheduled to come on Thursday, it won't do any good to call on Wednesday because it will be removed from the system at midnight. However, if you are having difficulty sleeping, and wish to make the call at 3 a.m. (after midnight Wednesday), then it will be in the system for Thursday.

Instead of abusing the Security guards, please recognize that you should be angry at the Call-In System. Of course, that's just another machine, and it won't help to swear at it. So take a deep breath, think of how lucky we are not shoveling snow or slipping on ice, and then please apologize to our Security officers who are simply doing their job.

During July, there were five cases of friends, neighbors, and/or relatives contacting Security at their emergency number, 689-0432 to check on the welfare of a resident. We're happy to report that in every case, the resident was alive and well. Most simply, they left their phones "off the hook" (do phones still have hooks in this modern age?).

Residents continue to fall — anywhere — at home, at a pool, getting on a bus, and in parking lots. We beg you, please be alert, for yourself, and for others.

Some people claiming to represent BellSouth were knocking on doors and asking residents for personal information. Do not answer them; call Security instead. In addition, three trespassers were arrested and jailed, as well as two others who were shooting guns. Five I.D. cards were confiscated, and one resident was visited by Sheriff's Officers several times during the month due to reports by many neighbors that included the sound of breaking glass. We are very fortunate that residents look out for, and care about, our neighbors. Some of these reports could have involved serious injury, which was avoided by calling Security.

A few motorists managed to bump other cars, with little or no damage. One car

Book Discussion Series at the Okeechobee Branch Library

By Chuck Waugh

This year's book discussion series is entitled "American Yesterdays @ Your Library: A Book Discussion Series." Dr. Carole Policy will lead discussions of the following books dealing with American history:

- 10/06/06 — *The Unvanquished* by William Faulkner
- 11/17/06 — *Rise to Rebellion* by Jeff Shaara
- 12/01/06 — *Jefferson's Secret. Death and Desire at Monticello* by Andrew Burstein
- 01/05/07 — *Thirteen Days: A Memoir of the Cuban Missile Crisis* by Robert F. Kennedy
- 02/02/07 — *Wish You Well* by David Baldacci
- 03/02/07 — *Ten Days that Unexpectedly Changed America* by Steven M. Gillion

Sign up at the reference desk and receive a copy of the book to check out.

The Okeechobee Boulevard Branch Library is located next to Dunkin' Donuts. The hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. All Village residents, including seasonal residents, are eligible for a free library card with proper I.D.

Okeechobee Library Programs for October:

- Oct 3, 10, 17, 24 or 31 — Mousing Around, 8:30 a.m.
- Oct 5 — Lest We Forget: Operation LOVE, 2:00 p.m.
- Oct 6 — American Yesterdays: Book Discussion, 10:30 a.m.
- Oct 13 — Basics of Running a Home-Based Business, 10:30 a.m.
- Oct 13 or 27 — Browser Basics, 8:30 a.m.
- Oct 19 — Introductory Internet, 2:30 p.m.
- Fridays — Movies @ Your Library, 2:00 p.m.

the Haverhill gate, another resident's tires were slashed, and one resident still insists upon parking in another person's designated parking spot.

One resident was spotted, naked, in one of the satellite pools, doing laundry at 6 a.m.!

Finally, we only have six reports of broken gate arms

August Incident Reports

By Dot Loewenstein

The abusive language addressed to our Security guards continually shocks us. Some of these words were bandied about when we were children, thinking it cute, but our residents are way past the childhood stage — or are they?

This month, I will not dignify the many cases of abuse, except to mention that no one seems to be immune to this outbreak. Residents vs. residents, residents vs. guards, visitors vs. guards, workers vs. residents, and on it goes. We can't blame everything on the full moon, and trust that those reading this article will try to influence the others who need to find another way to deal with their frustrations.

Good news: Guards are often asked to check on residents who don't answer their phones, and in no case this

month was anyone found dead. One had fallen and was taken to the hospital; all others were explained by phone off the hook.

There were nine reports of broken gate arms. The gate arms do not just fall onto a car moving too slowly — they fall because cars hit them. Nature still has priority here; alligators and snakes can be seen occasionally as well as sand hill cranes (beautiful!). □

Bus Survey

Are you interested in a bus to Lake Worth?

- a) It would travel just one day a month.
- b) It would replace one of the excursion trips, either Monday (Wellington) or Wednesday (CityPlace/Gardens).

No action will be taken unless you respond (use suggestion box in ticket office)!

CLUBHOUSE MOVIES SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER	
RENT PG-13 - 135 min 9/18 7:00 pm, 9/19 1:45 pm, 9/20 7:00 pm, 9/21 1:45 pm; 9/24 1:45 pm	
MEMOIRS OF A GEISHA PG-13 - 145 min 9/25 7:00 pm, 9/26 1:45 pm, 9/27 7:00 pm, 9/28 1:45 pm; 10/01 1:45 pm	
LOST CITY R - 143 min 10/02 7:00 pm, 10/03 1:45 pm, 10/04 7:00 pm, 10/05 1:45 pm, 10/08 1:45 pm	
RV PG - 98 min 10/08 7:00 pm, 10/10 1:45 pm; 10/11 7:00 pm, 10/12 1:45 pm, 10/15 1:45 pm	
INSIDE MAN R - 128 min 10/16 7:00 pm, 10/17 1:45 pm; 10/18 7:00 pm, 10/19 1:45 pm, 10/22 1:45 pm	
POSEIDON PG-13 - 99 min 10/23 7:00 pm, 10/24 1:45 pm; 10/25 7:00 pm, 10/26 1:45 pm, 10/28 1:45 pm	
CLUBHOUSE ENTERTAINMENT SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER	
SEPTEMBER 21 Opener: Peter Fogel Headliner: Guy Rotundo	
SEPTEMBER 28 The Fabulons	
OCTOBER 5 Opener: David Mann Headliner: Yves Latourneau	
OCTOBER 12 Cavendish Revue	
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Don't let your friends and family wait until next season, or they too will be saying "Last year, when I was here..."



Susan Wolfman

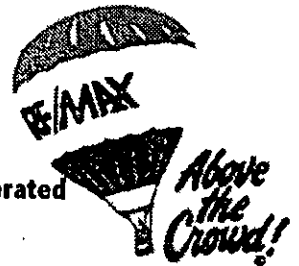
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- Camden B Poolside, rentable, tile, furnished \$56,500
- Sheffield K Near Hastings, newer appliances, garden view \$46,500

UPPER FLOOR 1 BEDROOM/1 BATH

- Windsor C Lift available, next to pool, new shower \$49,900
- Sheffield K Priced for quick sale **UNDER CONTRACT** \$44,900
- Sheffield L Near health club, new furniture, pristine **SOLD** \$49,900
- Coventry B Truly pretty, furnished, near Clubhouse \$49,900
- Sheffield M Complete w/lift, shows nicely \$52,500
- Oxford Rare studio on the waterview, rentable, furnished \$59,900

GROUND FLOOR 1 BEDROOM/1.5 BATH

- Northampton S Corner, new appliances/AC, rentable \$64,500
- Southampton A New lite & brite, finished patio, many upgrades \$61,500
- Sheffield K Stall shower, furnished, very nice **BARGAIN** \$59,900
- Sheffield N Rentable with new stall shower, updated **RENTED** \$59,900
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- Sheffield F Turnkey, rentable, new furniture & appliances \$69,900

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- Coventry F Pet friendly building, renovated corner \$79,900
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- Norwich M Corner, oak kitchen, next to East Gate, nice \$95,900
- Andover I Corner, new CAC, great building \$79,900
- Coventry E Great apartment, new flooring, leather furniture & more \$74,900
- Norwich J New tile & Berber, nice furniture, new appliances \$79,900
- Camden D Corner great location, CAC, lift included \$89,900

2 BEDROOM/2 BATH

- Plymouth V Ground villa, largest fl plan, owner wants offers \$125,000
- Golf's Edge Ground, across from Clubhouse, next to gate, tile, upgraded \$124,500
- Greenbrier B Corner, renovated, panoramic views \$179,900
- Norwich N Corner beauty, next to East Gate, all new \$89,900
- Wellington A Corner, overlooking pool & lake, needs TLC \$119,900
- Greenbrier A Stunning, all new, must see! \$179,900

Raccoons in Century Village

By Morris R. Levy, DVM

There is an upsurge of reports of raccoons frightening residents in Century Village. The sudden appearance of a large raccoon near a resident returning home at night is fraught with danger both physically and mentally.

The raccoon is a potential carrier of rabies and can attack an individual or cause anxiety or stress symptoms. Give them free reign! They are looking for food in open containers near residential areas.

Raccoons are mammals and are unusual for their thumbs, which help them to open closed garbage cans and doors. These animals consume meat, as well as vegetable products, and reputed to be clever and sly. Average weight is between 10 and 35 pounds and 20 and 40 inches in length (including tail). North America and continental Europe are inhabited by the Common Raccoon. Raccoons, generally, in nature, eat berries, insects, eggs and small animals, but feast on human food garbage.

We are most concerned about raccoons involved in rabies reports. Of the 8,000 animal rabies cases reported in the United States in 1996, about 50% came from raccoons. This is a startling figure.

Most states in the U.S.A forbid keeping raccoons as pets. Other states require exotic pet permits.

To my knowledge, at least one resident was bitten or scratched by a raccoon on a second floor catwalk and received anti-rabies treatment in recent years. There may be other unreported cases that have not come to my attention.

People, primarily, can get rabies from the bite of a rabid animal. Scratches, abrasions, open wounds contaminated with saliva from infected animals can cause exposure of the disease for humans.

If anyone is exposed to rabies, it is recommended by public health officials to decrease infection chances, thoroughly wash the wound with soap and water. Medical assistance should be obtained as soon as possible. This is usually followed by post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) consisting of one dose of immune globulin and five doses of rabies vaccine over a 28 day period.

Do not attempt to approach any wild or stray animal you may come upon

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in the Village! Even domesticated animals such as dogs or cats may not have received the required rabies vaccination or have become wild or feral! **Remember, do not feed wild animals, feral cats and ducks! These animals should be left alone! If you feed them, you deprive them of the right of survival in the wild!** □

Nature Centers Activities

By Edythe Pekin

Located nearby are four centers having many varied activities of which everyone can find something interesting:

Grassy Waters Preserve: 8264 Northlake Blvd., WPB, 561-804-4985

Three locations:

West on Northlake off Bee-line, approximately one mile south side, boardwalk and visitors' center, canoe and bike rentals, guided walks, other programs.

West on Northlake off Bee-line, approximately one mile north side, go past fish and wildlife buildings, fishing lake, ground trails, visitors center.

Evening Programs with music, food and lectures

Apoxee Park, take Okechee-lee Blvd. west to Jog Road, go north approximately one mile on west side, trails

through Pineland forest.

Mounts Botanical Garden: 559 North Military Trail, 561-233-1747

On west side of Military Trail between Belvedere and Southern, across from airport. Fourteen-acre garden — the meeting place of many plant and garden societies.

Telephone for master gardener hotline — for answers to gardening questions: 233-1759.

Guided walks: Saturday and Sunday — other programs of interest.

Special program: Four Saturday mornings in October, covering all phases of landscape and gardening — recommended for beautification committees.

Okecheelee Nature Center:

Forest Hill Blvd., 233-1400
One mile west of Jog Road on north side (golf course entrance) or main entrance, Nature Center is one mile inside park with nearly 100 acres of unspoiled

pineland forest and lakes.

Trails are wheelchair accessible. Visitor center has live animals, other exhibits, and many programs.

Of special interest is "Science for Seniors," a once a month morning program each session covering a different topic.

Pine Jog Environmental Education Center (FAU Campus):

6301 Summit Blvd., 686-6600
Woodland trails and Education Center, take Jog Road or Haverhill to Summit.

Center is on north side just east of Jog.

For birders, there will be birding expeditions, starting in the fall.

Please check in at the office before taking walks along trails (not open weekends). □



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	Windsor D	
1/1 Rental - annual preferred - turnkey	-----	\$1,000 monthly
	Windsor F	
1/1 Upgrades - furn - move in ready - wtrvu	-----	\$70,000
	Windsor H	
1/1 - Very nice - furnished - tile thruout - clean	-----	\$65,000
	Windsor R	
1/1 - Furnished Nicely - fresh paint - clean	-----	\$59,000
	Windsor R	
1/1 - Rental - furn - fresh paint - clean	-----	\$900 monthly

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	Barkley	
1/1 Like new & perfect - storm shutters - walk to pool	-----	\$95,774
	Crosley	
1/1 furnished - new hardwood floors - furnished - nice	-----	\$82,000
	Crosley	
2/1 unfurnished - tile throughout - new vanity & sink	-----	\$110,000
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	Crosley	
rental - upgrades galore - tiled & move-in ready	-----	\$950 monthly
	Dudley	
1/1.5 very nice - very clean - new tile - upgrades	-----	\$75,000
	Dudley	
2/2 ceilings redone - new entry door - tile porch	-----	\$110,000
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1/1 all new tile - new paint - well kept - great buy	-----	\$90,000
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2/2 custom extras - laminate floors - seller pay \$5,000 CC	-----	\$160,000
	Gately	
1/1.5 very large - a real bargain - FL rm has AC	-----	\$115,000

Lake Clarke Gardens - Lake Worth - FPL Electricity

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1/1.5 - convertible den + closet - waterview - furn	-----	\$155,000

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Commentary

By Ed Black

The Delegate Assembly of September 1, 2006, was very informative as usual, however, some corrections should be made.

Parking Spaces

The statement made that unit owners' parking spaces belong to them, and were decided to them upon purchase, is of course incorrect. Their use of a "reserved" space is their entitlement, to be certain, but to say they own a specific space was never intended, as no such wording is contained in the deed. More importantly, to own a parking space might very well require the owner to maintain this space at his/her own cost. We all understand that all common areas within a Condominium Association belong to all owners of the Association, and the shared expense is assessed by budget process for the maintenance of these Common Elements. An additional reason this statement was wrong is that any owner experiencing a physical hardship may petition the Association Board for relief, and move their "reserved" parking space to accommodate their handicap, at the Board's discretion, as required by the Fair Housing Act. If owners truly owned their "reserved" spaces rather than an entitlement to their space, each change would require amended deeds, recording of the amended deeds, and the approval of those required to move their space, so the Board could reasonably accommodate the handicapped resident.

Gate Arm Costs

There was a proposed increase in the costs for hitting/damaging gate arms. The reason was to increase the punitive costs for damages incurred. This is just wrong! Most incidents over my term collecting these damages clearly indicate the incidents were accidents. Most occurred because the driver followed the car in front through the gate, without stopping to allow the gate arm a few seconds to come down. There were only two occasions when a driver drove through the gate, intentionally, and both drivers were arrested.

Condominium laws require an administrative hearing so the offender may be present to hear charges against him/her and present a defense before an impartial panel. Attorneys (Poliakoff) wrote this is a very expensive

Crime and Punishment, or Covering Expenses

By Dave Bernstein

My good neighbors: At the last Delegate Assembly meeting, a vote was taken, based on a motion passed by the Security Committee, to raise the amounts paid for broken gate arms to up to \$150.

The question was raised as follows: Are these amounts real costs of replacement, or are they being assessed as punitive amounts to punish an evildoer? I hope that this will help explain how we arrived at these amounts.

When a gate arm is hit by a car, it is caused by a driver who smashes into the gate and runs away.

Costs are based on the following:

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- Electronic parts inside pedestal and labor \$ 35
- Total cost \$150

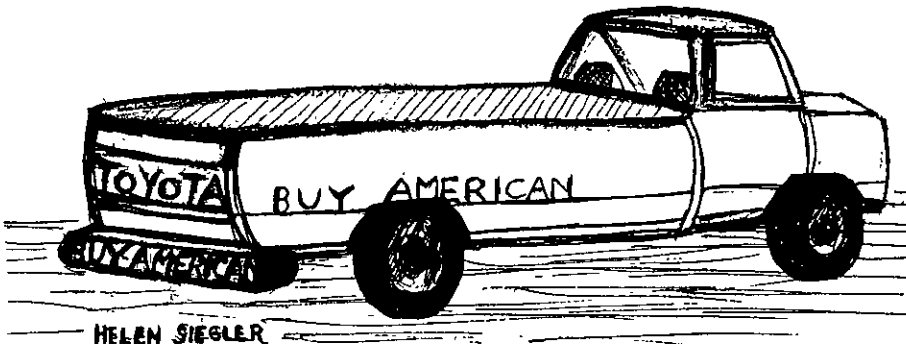
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process and surely offers no clear victory for UCO. It should be only used as a last resort effort to solving problems. We may only collect the actual costs for repair unless we wish to hold administrative hearings, and place ourselves in jeopardy of being unable to collect these charges, as was the case when these charges were \$159 per incident. Those charges were reduced, because the offenders felt they would rather be sued than overpay. Once we reduced the charges to the actual cost, offenders willingly paid to clear their names and make restitution.

Please remember that "community" means we care for our neighbors. Using this penalty approach is dictatorial and an abuse of those offending, since anyone on any day, while briefly daydreaming, could neglect to stop and damage an arm. We deserve understanding, because it is embarrassing enough to become involved in any accident. □



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**Random
Ramblings**

By Bob Fogelman

A test is, defined by a dictionary, as "a critical examination, observation or evaluation." In the school system, there are a variety of tests which are supposed to evaluate the knowledge of the student. Tests are also used to test the loyalty of persons in business and human relations in our every day life.

However, if you are over 80 years of age, have good eyesight and a clean driving record, your driving license can be renewed for another six years without a driving test. Now, let's say the majority of these drivers are good drivers. So, what about the minority of these drivers? If only they would let me know when they expect to drive so I can stay off the road until they pass by the Sheriff's Deputy who will test for driving while under the influence and other infractions of the law. But who tests for proper driving before they get on the road?

We evaluate people in our everyday life, but we, as individuals, do not test the integrity of another person. It is up to the legal authorities to do the job of defining a

Notes

Dear Dad,

School is really great. I am making lots of friends and studying very hard. With all my stuff, I simply can't think of anything I need. So if you would like, you can just send me a card, as I would love to hear from you.

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Dear Son,

I know that astronomy, economics, and oceanography are enough to keep even an honor student busy. Do not forget that the pursuit of knowledge is a noble task, and you can never study enough.

Love, Dad

From the Internet

**CARRY A
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**Transportation
Committee
Report**

By Dot Loewenstein

Did you see the 164-minute movie *Munich*? This was the wake-up call that made us change the movie starting time from 8 p.m. to 7 p.m. An 8 p.m. start would have meant paying three bus drivers for overtime to get everyone home — even if only a few residents used the bus. The 7 p.m. change remains in effect for the balance of August, and will be re-visited in September. Matinees also changed their starting time from 2 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. This earlier starting time should remain in effect

Wednesday and Friday Shuttle Bus to the Morse Home at 1 p.m. is accommodating residents who wish to visit friends and relatives there. Some of us buy lunch there, as well, and occasionally view a travelogue in the library. With

a return at 3:30 p.m. (direct, no stops) the trip home is just the blink of an eye.

Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night Dinner Bus schedule has many people ecstatic — they no longer have to give up evenings out — especially those who do not drive at night. The #2 bus goes to the various restaurants at Jog Road, while the #3 bus goes to Village Commons for others. Each bus leaves the Clubhouse at 6:30 p.m. and returns at 8:30 p.m.

The new buses are in the process of being built to our specifications, which include seat belts in the two front rows (one seat on each side) near the aisle. This was a mandate from the residents at the Delegate Assembly meeting on August 4. If we were ever going to install seat belts, it had to be now, while the buses are being built. Adding them at a later date would be costly — the best time for

such an installation is while the buses are being put together. This procedure is not like going to a car dealer and selecting the color you like. These buses are specially made, not mass-produced.

Delivery of the new buses is expected no later than November 1, and possibly as early as October 1, if there are no complications.

We welcome your suggestions, preferably in writing, addressed to UCO Transportation Committee, 24 Camden A.

This month's Driver of the Month award goes to Jackie Brayman. □

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As of August 3, 2006, the minimum monthly income required for new owners are \$1,750 for a single person and \$2,500 for a couple. This is necessary since the insurance premiums for the buildings is being increased. People will need this minimum to pay their monthly assessments for maintenance, WPRF, reserve funds, electric, phone, water, food, all expenses for a car (insurance, gas, repairs, payments), medical, prescriptions, etc.

Regarding mortgages: A 10% down payment is needed if getting a mortgage from a bank to purchase an apartment in your building. If it is through a mortgage broker, then you will need to have 25% down. If a mortgage broker gives a loan for more than 75%, then you must have a subordination agreement signed by the broker stating that the Association has lien rights before the lender.

Only Officers from Building Associations can sign a Certificate of Approval. If the Officers are up North, then the papers must be FedExed to them for their signatures, and sealed and then returned to the Association. The Association

If you hire a handyman, make sure he is licensed and insured.

New Access to the Synagogue

The Aitz Chaim congregation is now able to use the new gate, installed in our adjacent property fence, which allows automobile entrance directly from the Haverhill exit from Century Village. It has been operated successfully since about the first of the year.

The gate is opened in the morning before Shachris, Sunday to Friday, and can be safely approached using the left exit lane past the Century Village gate house at Haverhill Road.

Remember: Use the left exit lane **only** and go directly to the gate when the light turns **green**.

seal and checkbook should be left at their building with an Officer or Board Member.

UCO has investigation contracts with most buildings. **However, we cannot act as their agents.** Building Officers and Board Members must communicate and sign their own paperwork. They can use the mail or an express service to facilitate matters. Buildings must arrange to conduct their business when their Officers and Board are absent. UCO cannot sign for them (even with Building approval). If you hold an office, you must be responsible. □

From the Listening Post

By Syd Kronish
When is a Myth Not a Myth...

The dictionary defines the word myth as "A story or belief that alleges to express or explain a basic truth."

John Stossel, co-host for TV's *20/20* program on ABC, has raised eyebrows galore in his just published book *Myths, Lies and Downright Stupidity*. He explains that much of what we hear and what we see on TV and other media is what some people call myths — but not truths.

Here are some specific examples, according to Stossel:

Myth — bottle water is better than tap.

Truth — most of you are being conned and gypped. Bottle water costs more than \$5.00 a gallon. Water from the tap is free. Scientific tests find that tap water is as good if not

better for you. The public has been soaked and paying for it through their wallets.

Myth — marrying a cousin is a bad medical idea, especially when having children.

Truth — there is no such thing. Go ahead and procreate. Albert Einstein's parents were cousins and he married his cousin. So did Charles Darwin. Queen Victoria married her cousin, Prince Albert, and had many children — none born with nine heads.

Myth — you know what taxes you pay.

Truth — you don't have a clue. For example, your phone bill is really cheaper than it used to be. A three-minute cross-country call once cost \$2.00, now only 20¢. Add those taxes to your bill, such as federal fees, state relay charges, municipal licenses, state gross receipt tax, energy 911 fee, estate taxes and more local taxes. Moreover, this is the government's

fault, not the phone company's, says Stossel.

Myth — police use psychics to search for bodies, so they must be effective.

Truth — even police are spaced out with this one, says Stossel. Psychics come to the police with numerous information, but the FBI asserts that psychics never helped to solve a single missing persons case.

Myth — a full moon makes people crazy.

Truth — people are crazy to believe that! Medical researchers say that myth is implausible. Studies show that there is no such full moon effect. We remember if something unusual happens when a full moon is glowing, but we forget how many times strange things occur when the moon is not full.

Myth — kids learn to read best in elementary schools.

Truth — many can't even read in high school. The U.S.

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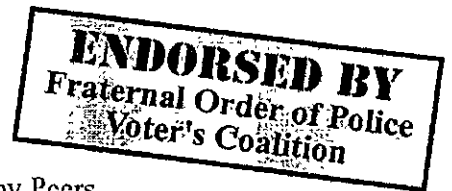
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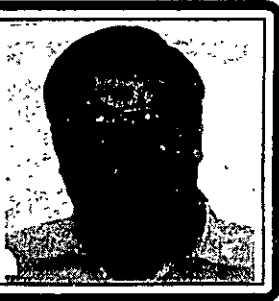
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Helpful Hints

Larry Kall

President, Village Mutual



I had planned a different column for this issue but due to some lessons learned during tropical storm Ernesto, I decided to change the subject matter. During an "act of God," hurricane, tropical storm, etc., most service companies will not send out their technician on service calls when the winds reach a specified speed since it puts the technician in "harm's way" and there will be a period of time that condo residents will be "on their own" in case of a problem.

Past history has shown that air conditioners take a beating from wind, water, power surges and flying debris, whether it is a central air system or window units. During the past three hurricanes, many air conditioners were partially or fully destroyed or rendered inoperable, and required repairs or replacement. Please bear in mind that an "act of God" cancels any service contract, warranty or guarantee you have on an air conditioner and it becomes the unit owner's responsibility to pay for all repairs or replacement, unless you have homeowners insurance, where you can file a claim with your carrier, less any deductible.

Power surges after hurricanes also have a tendency to destroy refrigerator compressors, air handlers and electronic items such as TVs and computers. In this regard, as soon as the power goes off in your unit, turn off the electrical breakers for the air conditioner, range and hot water tank. Some power surges occur when power is restored. Leave some kind of light on so you will know when the power is restored.

At this time, you can turn the breakers back on, one at a time. This also helps FPL to overcome the huge draw necessary to get everybody back on line. Remember: No service calls can be made to your unit if you do not have power.

What other things will you have to contend with for a while? The first will be plumbing problems, as it is amazing how many toilets become stuffed up during a hurricane. The second prob-

lem will be running toilets and the third will be overflowing toilets usually caused by the lack of power to keep the sewage pump stations in the Village running.

In 2004, we were within an hour of having a major catastrophe on our hands due to this. As far as a stuffed-up toilet is concerned, the best solution is to have an old-fashioned toilet plunger on hand and use it. If a toilet is running, turn off the water supply line on the bottom left side of the toilet. If the valve will not turn, take off the lid

and see if you can get the water to stop by lifting up the ballcock, again on the left side of the inside of the toilet tank. When the water stops, hold the ballcock up by putting a ruler, a stick, or some other object under it.

It is suggested that as soon as you read this article, you go and try to shut off your toilet valves to be sure they work. If they do not, have the valve replaced now. There may be a charge to have this "angle stop" replaced, but it is well worth the cost. There's not much you can do about a stuffed toilet during a hurricane, except to stop using the toilet until it can be repaired or the sewer system is working again.

Electrically, history has shown that fluorescent ballasts are sometimes surged as well as electrical breakers, especially some of the older main breakers as well as electrical motors in refrigerators

and air conditioners. Most service companies will try to get the technicians back on the road as soon as it is safe and fuel is available for the trucks. Again, remember, if you do not have electrical power, do not expect anyone to respond.

On another note, we were happy to supply the use of our new office and phone system in the Sinai Medical Center to UCO during tropical storm Ernesto since the Medical Center was to be the staging point for ice, water and many other items. In this regard, we will be working closely with V.P. Phyllis Richland to "tweak" what we learned and to see how we can make the system work even better for our residents.

Village Mutual does have a back-up phone system in the event of a power failure and we are looking at how this system can be integrated with



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Your Community
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Maintenance

Jerry Karpf



To all Area and Association Presidents: On September 5, 2006, you missed a good meeting of the Maintenance Committee. We had two guest speakers, Mr. Herb Vernon of PPG Paints, and Mr. David Israel of Greenbrier C.

Mr. Vernon of the PPG Paint Company had given a detailed lecture on the benefits of using his company's products, including new waterproof paints, and on using paints that last ten or more years. Mr. Vernon also stressed the importance of preparing the areas that are to be painted, by also having surfaces not only power washed, but they should also be scraped, primed, and all cracks should be corked or cemented before being painted.

The most important part of his presentation had to do with Association Boards setting up the specification that all of the paint contractors must follow about what should be included when submitting bids and performing the work. Mr. Vernon also added an additional service, of inspecting all buildings that are painted with his

company's product, if there is any problem.

Mr. David Israel of Greenbrier C was our next speaker. His lecture had to do with a major problem that is affecting most of the four story buildings in Century Village. David had spent a tremendous amount of time and had done a lot of research, and went even as far as to hire an engineer to help find the right solution to repair all of the expansion joints on his building. David gave his presentation with pictures and a written description explaining each stage of the work that was being done in correcting the problem.

David Israel's presentation was one of the most professional lectures I have seen in a long time. Thanks, David, for all the effort and time that you put into your presentation.

Reminder

Our next maintenance meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 3, 2006 at the Clubhouse, Room 103 at 10:00 a.m. We will have another guest speaker from the buildings trade. The meeting should be of interest to all. □



It was observed that the column at each interface with the catwalk was cracked to a greater or lesser degree and that this cracking had been repaired many times over the years. Upon removal of the coverplates, it was noted that this cracking extended across the entire catwalk, due to the fact that the joint was filled in with concrete.

Gate Passes

Gate passes will no longer be issued at the beginning of each quarter. The passes are for a maximum of 90 days from the date issued. They can be issued for a lesser period of time, but no longer than the 90-day period. We are issuing passes for contractors now and the passes for a contractor can be issued for one day, one week, or a maximum of one month. The prices for contractor passes are not the same as a gate pass. Any questions, call Ken Davis at UCO.

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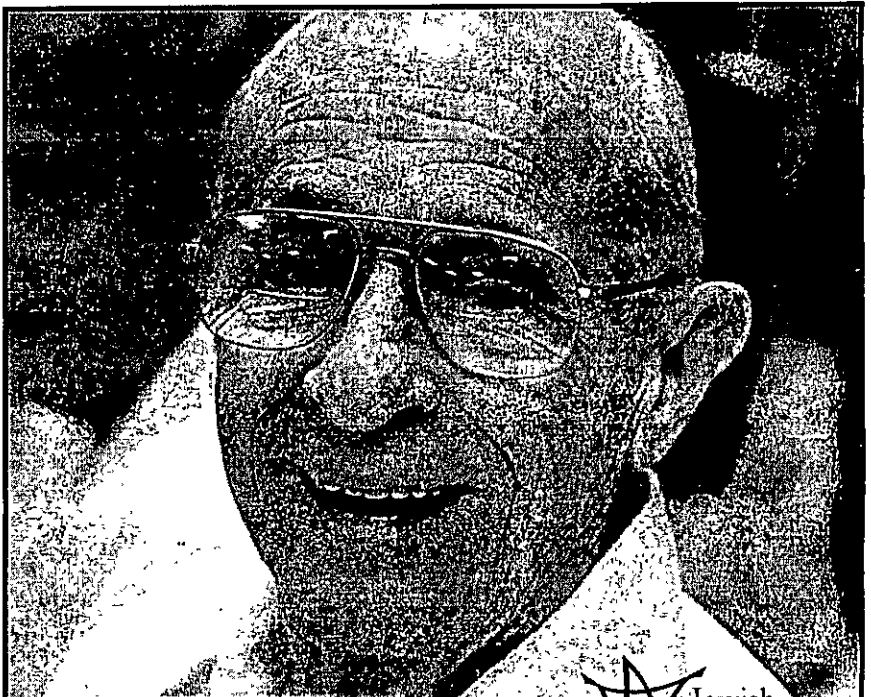
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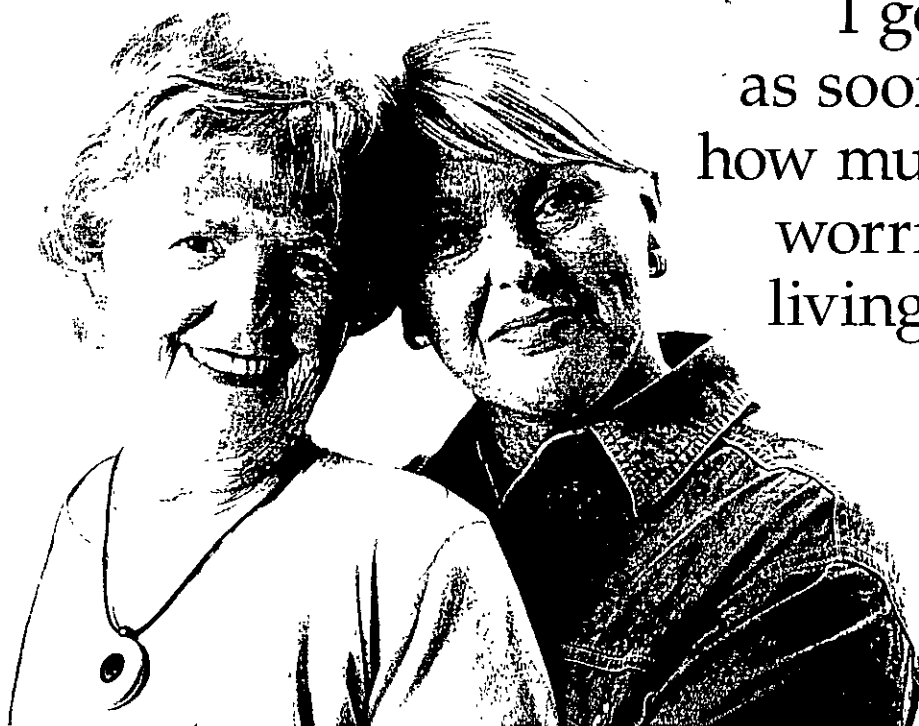
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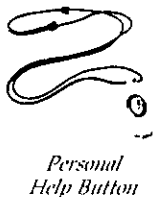
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Wars

The just temporarily discontinued war in the Middle East brought back memories. In my eight decades (plus), I took part in four wars. One of them, of course, was WWII. The others were wars in which the very existence of the country I lived in — Israel — was at stake.

The reason why we all fought in WWII was clear: Eradicate the cancer of Nazism and Fascism, and establish a new order in which decent people would be able to live decent lives. That, however, left unsolved the problem of the Soviet authoritarian regime, but that, too, eventually found an acceptable solution.

It is being said that war is but a result of unsuccessful diplomacy and wars break out when diplomatic efforts either are not properly brought to bear trying to solve problems between states or when one of them is so intransigent that no attempt to find a solution other than war is possible.

Israel has been at war for close to 60 years, even before its founding — pogrom-like murders of Jews in what was then Palestine took place.

There are certain "givens" which cannot be ignored by Israel:

- Israel is surrounded by enemies and that will never change.
- Israel must remain stronger militarily than any combination of armies of Moslem states.
- Israel must remain the only country in the Middle East possessing nuclear arms.
- Other countries can survive defeat in a war — Israel cannot. Any defeat like what almost happened in the Yom Kippur War would be the end of the State of Israel and other countries would disappear, too.
- Israel must be capable of producing a major part of its armaments (tanks, Arrow missiles, etc.), although it always will be dependent on the U.S. for aircraft and other components of modern warfare.

wars Israel was compelled to wage does not give a true picture. Israel had no peace ever, from its very creation to this very day. There were times when hostilities abated, to be followed by renewed attacks.

This, of course, necessitated the taking of unpopular steps by the Israeli government:

- A large portion of the budget must be dedicated to security.
- The Israel Defense Forces must be among the most technically advanced in the world.

- A major part of the population, male and female, must be thoroughly trained and ready for call-up at a moment's notice.
- Maximum security must be maintained everywhere and at all times.

What is true for Israel becomes more and more applicable to us here. Security should be the foremost task of our government. Iran is a very dangerous enemy when in possession of nuclear arms and an impending threat of a showdown with radical Islam.

One can try to talk with reasonable people (Israel has tried this for decades — unsuccessfully), but when the aim of the other side is to rule the world and that attempt is wrapped in a coat of religion, then persuasion, accommodations and even threats will not work.

The sooner we realize that this will be a war, we dare not

lose or underestimate its ultimate peril, the sooner we shall be able to find a way to overcome what is no less dangerous than what we encountered in fighting the Nazis and Japan.

In the recent war, Israel made the mistake of hesitating and not bringing their might to bear upon the enemy and they paid a heavy price, not just in public relations (Hezbollah won?), but also internally and in the evaluation of the IDF as the best army in the Middle East and second only to the U.S. worldwide.

We should learn from their mistakes. □

Maintenance Meeting

To all Area Presidents and Association Presidents: Come to Maintenance Meeting on 10/3/06 at Clubhouse Room C.

Driving While Idiotic

A guy gets into a taxi after a boozy night out and halfway through the journey wants to stop and buy cigarettes. He taps the driver on the shoulder and suddenly the driver screams, swerves across the road and mounts the sidewalk stopping just short of a brick wall.

All was quiet for a few moments and then the driver turns around and says "Don't ever tap me on the shoulder whilst I'm driving ever again!"

The guy says, "I'm sorry, I didn't know it would scare you so much."

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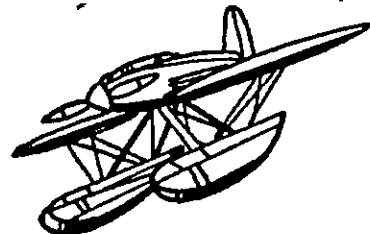
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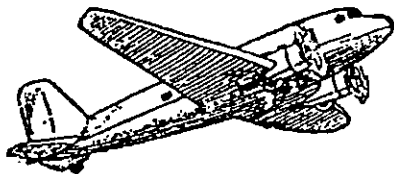


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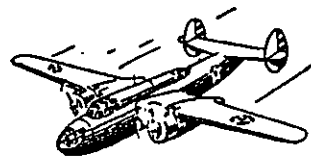
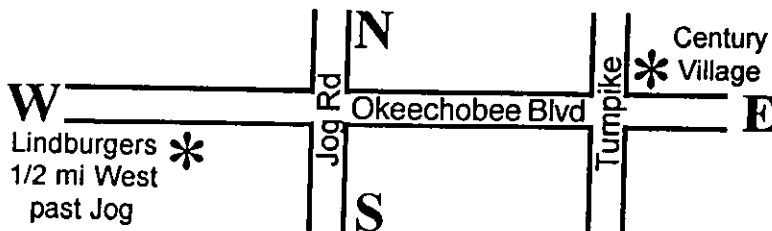
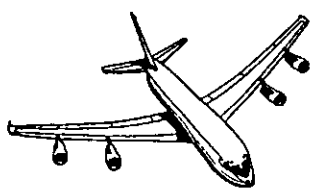
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Transponders

Larry Kall



We had some anxious days previous to the scheduled August 29, 2006 date to install transponders on 65 vehicles before Tropical Storm Ernesto.

Should we cancel the scheduled date in advance and try for another date? When would that date be? Would we have enough time to call all the people with appointments and advise them of the change? Could we get enough volunteers for a changed date? Could the 65 people come on another date? Could the storm change direction and make things better or a lot worse? All these things plus the safety of our volunteers was considered. In the end, we decided to "tough it out," go ahead with the scheduled date and time, and hope for the best. Fortunately, the storm held off long enough for us to do all the cars that showed up. I say "that showed up" since we normally have several cars which do not show up. Sometimes we hear from these people regarding some emergency or they tell us they just forgot. Some we never hear from again.

As it will take a while before the UCO office building is rebuilt, we have been looking for some location within the Village to do transponders, perhaps on a weekly basis. We are planning to install a special transponder gate arm at that site, when it is established. In this regard, if you are going to get a transponder for the first time, you will have to come to the UCO office at the Camden Pool for an appointment date and time. When you come, please bring your current Century Village I.D., a valid driver's license and a valid and up to date registration for your car. (If you have a New York State registered car, bring your "registration receipt.") The charge for a new first time transponder is \$26.75, tax included. If you are changing cars, the charge is \$16, tax included,

for a replacement transponder. Again, you will have to come to the UCO office, with your current I.D., registration and driver's license, and an appointment will be scheduled for you. Please remember that if you do not have the required information when you come in, no appointment can be scheduled. Two transponders will only be issued if you have two cars and two drivers within a residential unit and each has a valid Century Village I.D., a valid driver's license and a valid registration. □

Listening Post

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Department of Education says that a one quarter of American high school seniors, unfortunately, can't read at a basic level.

Myth —you can't fake happiness

Truth — fake it until you make it, says Stossel. People feel happier when they put on a happy face.

These are some examples discussed in Stossel's book. A Princeton grad, Stossel deserves credit for using his education and effort to publicize a myriad of myths accepted in our modern society. Whether or not you agree with the information in his book, you certainly have cause for intelligent discussion.

Myth — many retirees from all parts of the country and Canada relocate to Florida in order to enjoy the delights of the weather and

Arts & Entertainment

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December 2 and the following weekend. (659-8100 or www.thecolonypalmbeach.com.)

Art and Museums

The Norton Museum of Art (West Palm Beach) has *Mary Cassatt: Pastels and Drawings* through October 29. A photographic exhibition, *Before the Camera: Remaking Reality and the Make-Believe* is on display October 14-January 7. (832-5196.)

relax while sitting on their porches — nothing more.

Truth — not in Century Village. Check out the new Clubhouse with all its activities, dances, movies, cabarets, classes and clubs. Play golf, tennis, go sailing and enjoy many other sports. Go to the gym for exercise and fitness. Then you can relax in the pool or on your porches and enjoy life. □

The Boca Raton Museum of Art (Boca Raton) has two impressive exhibitions running concurrently September 6-November 26.

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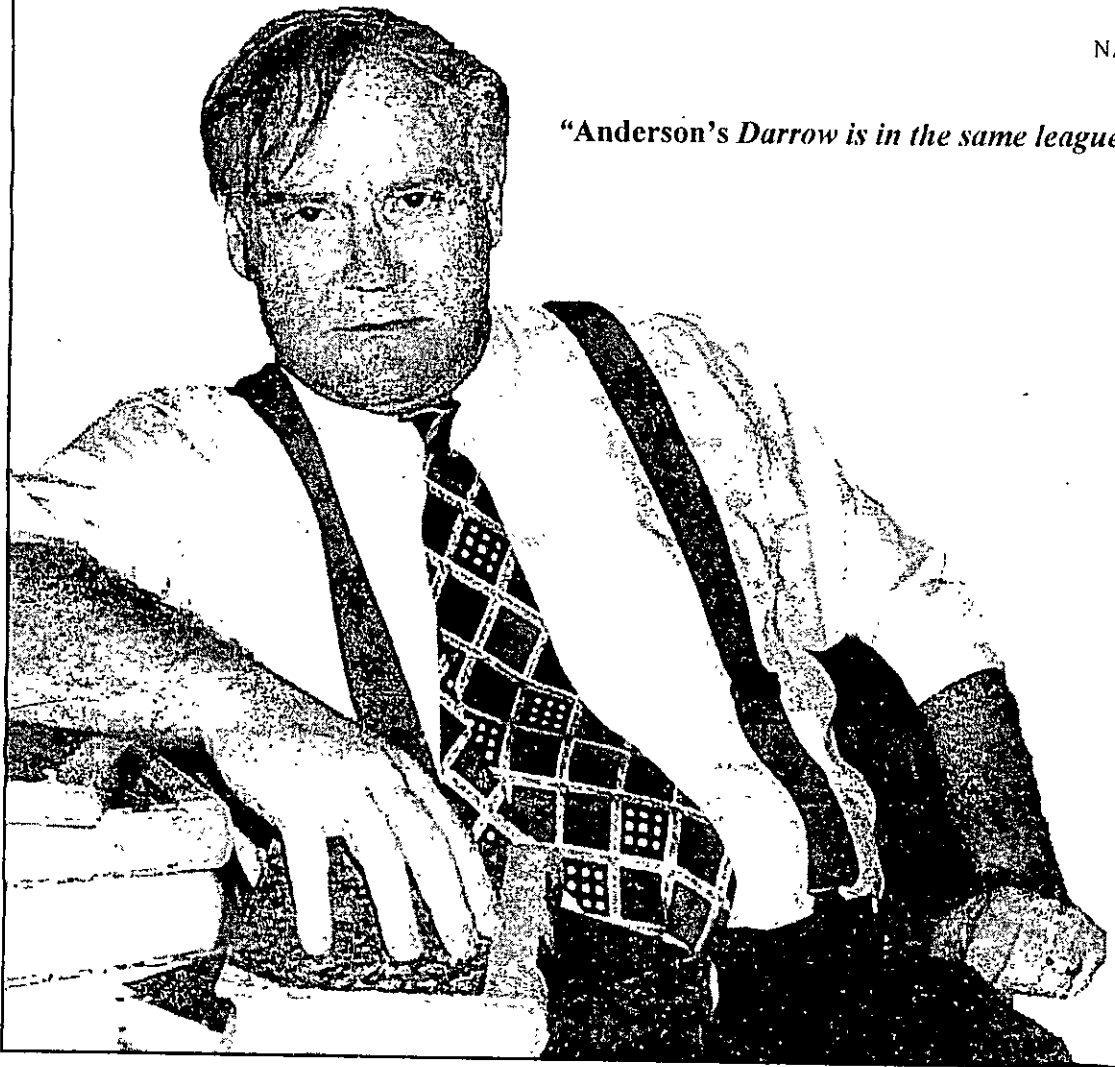
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Delegate Assembly

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to the Lake Worth beach.

Bus Shelters: Pat Blunck reported that they are checking into this; they are expensive, about \$5,000 each, and will be done piecemeal.

Bingo: Isabel Scherel, co-chair of this committee, reported that we are buying new equipment, and as soon as we receive it, we will let you know.

Pres. Loewenstein reported that projected real estate bills have risen and he will invite someone from the Tax Assessments Office for a meeting here in the Party Room. Look for an announcement on Channel 63. There are discounts for seniors, handicapped, etc. We will be kept informed.

Beautification: Sandy Cohen reported that the garbage at the Haverhill Gate has been removed. The Southampton fence area is beautiful. We paid for the fence and irrigation and the state paid for the plants. Our next project is the Four Corners at Dover.

Insurance: Dan Gladstone thanked Susan Bucher for all the help she gave to CV. FIGA (Florida Insurance Guarantee Association) is sending us the approved money; it comes in very slowly. Now there is a new item — subrogation letters — bring them into the UCO office and we'll fight them. Please note that we need the exact correct name of each Building Association; please check your corporation seal for the correct spelling, etc., and let us know.

Maintenance: Jerry Karpf reported that problems are being solved. For ants at the swimming pools, call WPRF. Call your maintenance company to take care of ants in your building. There will be a guest speaker at the Tuesday meeting, 10:00 a.m., in Classroom C.

Programs & Services: Len Lipofsky reported regarding ants at the pools. During September, October and November, pest control will be there twice a month. During December, January, February and March, pest control will be there weekly, when the pools are closed for cleaning purposes. This problem is due to residents eating at the pools. The Operations Com-

mittee will revisit the subject of eating at the pools. Len asked for volunteers for his committee.

UCO Reporter: Next year, we will go to 12 issues for the 12 month period.

Cell Phones: There is a question of cell phones to be used for the guest call-in system. David Israel will chair this committee, which will look into this idea.

Channel 63: Howie Silver and the Computer Committee did a terrific job on Channel 63.

Security: Dave Bernstein reported that if a Building Association's Board of Directors allows a commercial vehicle to park on their premises, UCO could do nothing about that. With regard to voluntarily changing parking spots: That is not allowed. You must get permission from your Association Board.

Motion 1: Change fee for broken gate arms from \$30 to \$50. Change hit-and-run charge from \$50 to \$150. This had been approved at the Executive Board meeting. Please note that unit owners are responsible for the acts of their guests. This was moved by Dave Bernstein, seconded by Len Lipofsky. Discussion, vote taken, overwhelming yeas — passed. This will go into effect November 1, 2006.

Motion 2: Allocate \$15,000 to purchase a gate arm system — location of installation to be determined. Larry Kall reported on the dangerous situation re installation of the transponders. We need a safer location than the one at the Okeechobee gatehouse — it is for the safety of the volunteers who do this work. Location: Probably at the Temple, because we need the actual equipment, which will be usable and movable. Moved by Larry Kall, seconded by George Franklin. Discussion: We are considering two spots, one behind the Medical Center and we are negotiating for one at the Temple. Voted, counting one place — 51 yeas and 47 nays — motion was carried.

Pres. Loewenstein announced that hours of operation at the Plymouth Laundry have been changed from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. This is to avoid vandalism, etc.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m. □

Century Village CERT Class Begins Training

By Beverly Hoff, CERT Instructor

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My Experience as a Transponder Applier

By Irv Lazar

When Larry Kall, chairman of the Transponder Committee, asked at the UCO Executive Board Meeting for community. When an emergency occurs, which overwhelms professional first responders, CERT program graduates can provide immediate assistance and potentially save lives and property.

On September 7, the first Century Village CERT class began their training in the Clubhouse Art Room turned classroom. They will graduate after completing the 24 hours of classroom instruction on September 28. This is a caring, selfless group of individuals who are looking for likeminded residents to become part of the Century Village Team.

If not me, who? If not now, when? □

volunteers to affix transponders, I decided to volunteer.

The next morning at 8:30, I arrived at the Okeechobee gate and offered my services. I was given a red emergency vest and assigned to ride with several of our volunteers who are experts at applying the transponders in the proper location on the applicants' windshields.

After riding as an observer in three cars, I was then considered to be vetted and became a professional transponder affixer. I found out that different makes of autos would take the transponder in different areas of the windshield before the scanner would respond and the gate arm was raised.

Then, after two hours in the morning sun, the transponder committee was finished.

I am told that we will do this once a month and the next date for applying transponders will be September 26. I plan to be there and do my part. □

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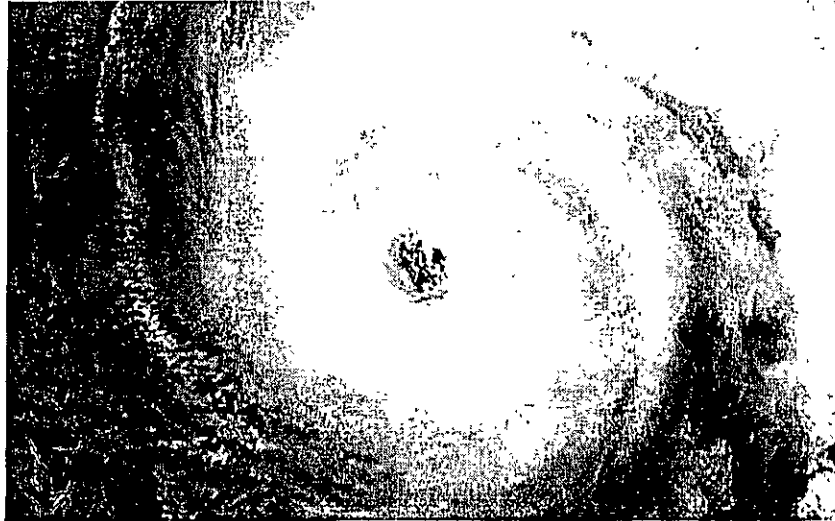
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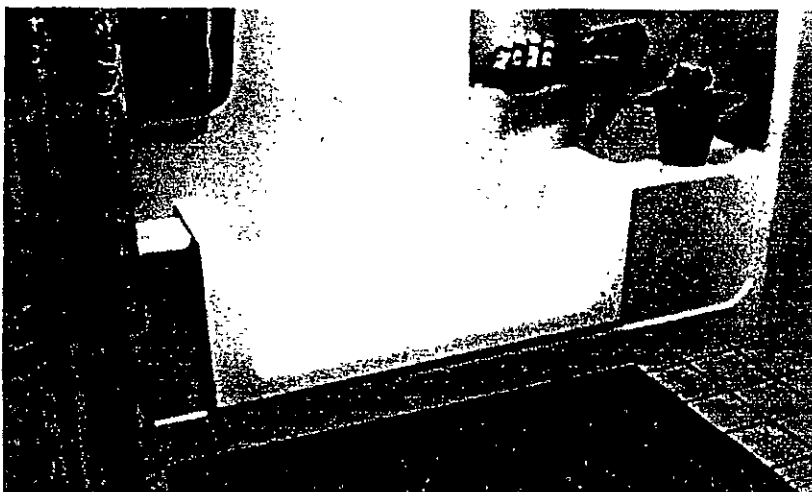
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CV BUS SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE: August 1, 2006

Internal Bus Route #1					CV BUS SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE: August 1, 2006										
Clubhouse	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	D r i v e r s . L u n c h	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
Humana-Wachovia Bank	8:11	9:11	10:11	11:11		1:11	2:11	3:11	4:11	5:11	Except Saturday and Sunday				
Wellington L & M	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
Wellington Circle	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
Andover	8:16	9:16	10:16	11:16		1:16	2:16	3:16	4:16	5:16	6:16	7:16	8:16	9:16	10:16
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 Fitness Center	8:25	9:25	10:25	11:25		1:25	2:25	3:25	4:25						
Medical Building	8:28	9:28	10:28	11:28		1:28	2:28	3:28	4:28	5:28					
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	8:35	9:35	10:35	11:35		1:35	2:35	3:35	4:35	Drivers' Dinner	6:35	7:35	8:35		
Clubhouse	8:45	9:45	10:45	11:45		1:45	2:45	3:45	4:45		6:45	7:45	8:45		

Internal Bus Route #2					CV BUS SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE: August 1, 2006										
Clubhouse	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	D r i v e r s . L u n c h	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
Sheffield E	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
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
Cambridge	8:16	9:16	10:16	11:16		1:16	2:16	3:16	4:16	5:16	6:16	7:16	8:16	9:16	10:16
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
Stratford	8:22	9:22	10:22	11:22		1:22	2:22	3:22	4:22	5:22	6:22	7:22	8:22	9:22	10:22
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 Fitness Center	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	8:27	9:27	10:27	11:27		1:27	2:27	3:27	4:27	5:27	6:27	7:27	8:27	9:27	10:27
Medical Building	8:29	9:29	10:29	11:29		1:29	2:29	3:29	4:29	5:29					
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	8:35	9:35	10:35	11:35	1:35	2:35	3:35	4:35	Drivers' Dinner						
Clubhouse	8:45	9:45	10:45	11:45	1:45	2:45	3:45	4:45							

Please Note: On Sundays Only the #2 Bus will do a loop around the perimeter drive after going through Coventry.

Internal Bus Route #3					CV BUS SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE: August 1, 2006										
Clubhouse	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	D r i v e r s . L u n c h	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
Greenbrier	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 C	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
Waltham	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 Fitness Center	8:25	9:25	10:25	11:25		1:25	2:25	3:25	4:25						
Medical Building	8:28	9:28	10:28	11:28		1:28	2:28	3:28	4:28	5:28					
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	8:35	9:35	10:35	11:35		1:35	2:35	3:35	4:35	Drivers' Dinner					
Clubhouse	8:45	9:45	10:45	11:45		1:45	2:45	3:45	4:45						

Please Note: All Buses will go around the perimeter drive at 11:45 am prior to the bus drivers taking their lunch breaks.

Shuttle Bus Route					CV BUS SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE: August 1, 2006				
Perimeter Drive					12:45				
Clubhouse	9:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00
Morse Home Drop-off	Wednesday & Friday				1:05				
Post Office Drop-off	Tuesday & Thursday						3:04		
Salon 27	9:05	10:05	11:05		1:07	2:07	3:07	4:07	5:07
Library	9:09	10:09	11:09		1:09	2:09	3:09	4:09	5:09
Humana	9:12	10:12	11:12		1:12	2:12	3:12	4:12	5:12
Century Plaza	9:19	10:19	11:19		1:19	2:19	3:19	4:19	5:19
Walgreens (Palm Tran Stop)	9:21	10:21	11:21		1:21	2:21	3:21	4:21	5:21
Emporium Shoppes	9:26	10:26	11:26		1:26	2:26	3:26	4:26	5:26
Baby Supermarket	9:29	10:29	11:29		1:29	2:29	3:29	4:29	5:29
Morse Home Pickup	Wednesday & Friday						3:30		
Post Office Pickup	Tuesday & Thursday						3:30		
Perimeter Drive	9:35	10:35	11:35		1:35	2:35	3:35	4:35	5:35
Clubhouse	9:45	10:45	11:45		1:45	2:45	3:45	4:45	5:45

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

Mall Bus Route					CV BUS SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE: August 1, 2006				
Clubhouse	9:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00
Jewish Comm. Center	9:05	10:05							
Pine Trail Square							3:07	4:07	5:07
K-Mart	9:13	10:13	11:10		1:10	2:10	3:13	4:13	5:13
Church	9:20	10:20	11:17		1:17	2:17	3:20	4:20	5:20
Palm Beach Mall	9:24	10:24	11:21		1:21	2:21	3:24	4:24	5:24
Village Commons	9:29	10:29	11:29		1:29	2:29	3:29	4:29	5:29
Jewish Comm. Center	9:40	10:40	11:40		1:40	2:40			
Clubhouse	9:45	10:45	11:45		1:45	2:45	3:45	4:45	5:45

5 PM MALL BUS RUNS ON SATURDAY ONLY

The Holiday bus will run on New Year's Day, July 4th, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

Express Bus Route					CV BUS SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE: August 1, 2006				
Perimeter Drive	8:45			12:00	1:00	2:00			
Clubhouse	9:00	10:00	11:00		1:08	2:08			
Pine Trail Square	9:08	10:08	11:08		1:09	2:09			
Albertson's	9:09	10:09	11:09		1:13	2:13			
Winn Dixie	9:13	10:13	11:13		1:23	2:23			
Publix	9:23	10:23	11:23						
Washington Mutual	On Request								
Perimeter Drive	9:33	10:33	11:33		1:33	2:33			
Clubhouse	9:48	10:48	11:48		1:48	2:48			

Please be Prepared to Show the Bus Driver Your Century Village ID When Boarding ALL External Buses

Sundays & Holidays Bus Route (Combo)					CV BUS SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE: August 1, 2006				
Clubhouse	9:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00
Walgreen's	9:04	10:04	11:04		1:04	2:04	3:04	4:04	5:04
Albertson's	9:07	10:07	11:07		1:07	2:07	3:07	4:07	5:07
Pine Trail	9:09	10:09	11:09		1:09	2:09	3:09	4:09	5:09
99 Cent Store	9:12	10:12	11:12		1:12	2:12	3:12	4:12	5:12
IHOP	9:15	10:15	11:15		1:15	2:15	3:15	4:15	5:15
Cross County	9:16	10:16	11:16		1:16	2:16	3:16	4:16	5:16
Church	9:22	10:22	11:22		1:22	2:22	3:22	4:22	5:22
Palm Beach Mall			11:28		1:28	2:28	3:28	4:28	5:28
Village Commons	9:34	10:34	11:34		1:34	2:34	3:34	4:34	5:34
Emporium Shoppes	9:40	10:40	11:40		1:40	2:40	3:40	4:40	5:40
Clubhouse	9:48	10:48	11:48		1:48	2:48	3:48	4:48	5:48

Special Bus Route "Monday"		
Clubhouse	9:35 AM	Pick Up Times
Washington Mutual		On Request
Wellington Mall	10:05 AM	1:15 PM