

Memorial Day Concert, Songs of War and Remembrance, Presented by Act II Community Theater,

Sunday May 27, 7 pm, Clubhouse - See Page 5A

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REMINDER

DELEGATE MEETING Friday 5/4/18 9:30AM in the Theater

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When your association (or you as a homeowner) has an unlicensed or uninsured contractor/handyman doing work on your property, *you put yourself at tremendous financial risk*. You run the risk of being subject to any one, or even all of the following if the contractor is injured while working on your property:

- Medical bills for injured contractor/handyman
- Lawsuit by contractor/handyman
- Increase in insurance policy cost or cancellation of policy by insurance company

Regardless of whether the contractor/handyman is installing a new roof on your building or just repairing a light on your catwalk, you open your association up to significant liability as a board member if you fail to do your due diligence.

HAZARDS OF HIRING THE UNLICENSED

While licensing isn't necessarily a measure of competence, it does imply a certain level of professionalism and suggests that the contractor is committed to his or her trade. More significantly, licensing can protect you from a number of potential problems, such as the following:

1. Unlicensed usually means also uninsured. If you use a contractor who is uninsured, it may well mean the contractor has no way of reimbursing you for any property damage he or she causes. This means you end up paying the cost. Likewise, if contractor carelessness leads to injury or damage to someone else's property, the problem is likely to become yours. The following website will allow you to see if your contractor is insured: 2. No coverage under association policy. Some boards may believe it is safe to use an uninsured contractor, assuming that any damages incurred would be covered under their association policy. However, this isn't the case. Most policies require that any work to the property be done by licensed contractors; coverage is often specifically excluded for damages caused by "bootleg" contractors.

3. Most building projects, even minor ones, usually require permits inspections. Unlicensed and contractors are often unfamiliar with the applicable building codes and are unable to obtain permits. If your project isn't permitted or doesn't comply with building and zoning codes, you may-and probably will-be ordered to remove or repair the job. Even if a building inspector doesn't "catch" your code violation right away, you will almost certainly have to correct it if and when you try to sell your house.

4. Not all unlicensed contractors do poor-quality work. And not all poor-quality work is done by unlicensed contractors. However, as a rule, if there's shoddy work done, it's usually done by unlicensed contractors. Because unlicensed contractors aren't subject to meeting specific standards, they are often untrained, less experienced, and unqualified to do certain types of work.

5. Con artists. Scams in the construction industry, especially in the home-improvement business, have become almost legendary in the last few decades. Con artists posing as qualified contractors, and often targeting the elderly, have made national news any number of times. Even so, unwary homeowners continue to be taken in by these pseudo-contractors, who often promise unrealistically low prices or use scare tactics to close the deal. In these cases, the homeowner typically ends up with either an incomplete or a low-quality improvement projectat a loss of several hundred or even thousands of dollars.

6. Limited recourse for broken contracts. If you have a dispute with a licensed contractor, you can call his or her licensing agency. Some licensing agencies offer mediation services or maintain a guaranty fund to help consumers recover their losses. At the very least, the licensing agency has the authority to suspend or revoke a dishonest contractor's license. While this doesn't necessarily ensure a contractor will play fair, it gives him or her considerably more incentive to do so.

WARNING SIGNS

Even when a license is required, there is no guarantee that every contractor you encounter will actually have a license. While there are certainly honest and competent contractors out there, the industry is unfortunately plagued with incompetence and con artists. It is essentially up to you to protect yourself. Therefore, when evaluating potential contractors, you should be diligent in your screening process. There are a number of "red flags" you should watch for:

- Unsolicited phone calls or visits. Although some reputable contractors market their services in this way, it is a tactic more often used by remodeling con artists. Be especially wary of a contractor who offers you a bargain price, claiming that he or she is doing a job in the neighborhood and has leftover materials.
- High-pressure sales pitches or scare tactics. Don't be pushed into hiring a contractor by forceful sales techniques, special "today only" deals, or the threat that some defect in your house

about to collapse, or some similar catastrophe is about to occur.

- **Unwillingness to give you a price** (or demanding a large down payment). A reputable contractor should be able to provide you with a bid before beginning work on your project. If the contractor says he or she can't do so, or skirts the issue of cost, you are at great risk of being taken advantage of. It goes without saying that two or three bids on the work should be obtained.
- Unwillingness to sign a written contract. Always get the terms of the construction agreement in writing. A complete contract should include: a description of the work done, materials used, labor cost, timetable, payment schedule, completion date, names of subcontractors, warranty agreements, clean-up, and financing arrangements. It should also include the contractor's license number, and should address the issues of project cancellation and how overruns on time and cost will be handled.

When the board of directors is shopping for contractors, be sure to verify that both the license and insurance information you get is correct. Using the insurance policy number, call the contractor's insurance carrier to make sure the policy is still in effect and that it covers projects such as yours. Also, call your state or local licensing board to verify the contractor's licensing information. The licensing agency should also be able to tell you if there have been any complaints registered against that contractor. A good place to see if your contractor is licensed is the following website:

https://www.myfloridalicense.com/ wl11.asp?mode=0&SID=

https://apps8.fldfs.com/ proofofcoverage/Search.aspx is a safety hazard. Dishonest and disreputable contractors often prey on their victims' fears by warning them that their furnace is about to blow up, their roof is

Protect your association and yourself, do your due diligence, and if you have any doubts, consult your association attorney.





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EDITORIAL **A Busy Village**

BY JOY VESTAL AND MYRON SILVERMAN

The month of May is here and wow is this Village busy.

We have Atlantic Broadband working on the grounds preparing for our new communications system. In this edition of our paper you will find a map outlining their progress. We will be continuing to print this information on a monthly basis as it becomes available to us.

New Occupants in the Medical Building

A new group of doctors will be occupying the top floor of the Medical Building here in the Village. The UCO Reporter is gathering all the information on this group and what specialities they will be providing to our residents. We will have have much more information in future editions. We have been assured that Walgreens and the beauty shop will remain in the building. A new real estate office is in the process of relocating to the front half of this building and should be in their new space by the time this edition is published. Right now they are occupying space in the rear part of this building.

stops at this building and there is also a delivery service available from the pharmacy.

UCO Reporter Advertising

Once again, we feel it's necessary to make residents aware of merchants who advertise their services to our residents. The long standing policy of the UCO Reporter is, and has always been, "Show us your license". We want residents to feel assured that when they use a person or company they contacted after seeing their ad in our paper that they are speaking to a professional, properly licensed company or individual. We question companies that advertise services that might cause multiple problems for residents whether it be construction or collecting garbage from your door for a fee. Just a thought regarding garbage collecting services. How long do you think it will be before the raccoon population discovers the cache of tasty food at your doorstep? Never mind that garbage bags are provided by these companies. Racoons and other varmints are very smart - they've already figured out how to dine from our covered garbage bins. Not an easy feat but a lot more difficult than dining at your front door!

EDITORIAL POLICY

The UCO Reporter promises to continue its long held beliefs that this publication will print articles to inform our residents of the important issues concerning our Village. We promise to seek the truth and to print both sides of an issue, to open dialogue to inform our readers, not to create controversy.

We promise to listen to your concerns and to treat all our residents with courtesy and respect. Your opinion is valuable to us and will be considered in our decision for publication. These are the criteria for publication:

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TOWN HALL MEETING

WHEN: Wednesday May 9th from 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

WHERE: CLUBHOUSE PARTY ROOM

Ed Black

Corresponding Secretary

Sandra Cooper

Recording Secretary John Hess

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Along with these new occupants, there is the recent opening of a new physical therapy group as well as CSI and Vitas who all have been here to service and help our residents. Our buses make regular

Our Florida State Representative Matt Wilhite will be sponsoring this event. State Senator Bobby Powell is also expected to be in attendance.

Rep Wilhite will give a Legislative Update on what happened during the last legislative session in Tallahassee and the effects on our residents.

Please join Representative Wilhite and Senator Powell for this most important meeting. A question/answer period will follow their remarks..

Refreshments will be served.

UCO Delegate Assembly Minutes

APRIL 6, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM by President David Israel.

PBSO Capt. Palenzuela led the Delegate Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance

Quorum not met. Only 132 Delegates signed in.

David Israel - President Ed Black - Vice President Barbara Cornish - Vice President John Hess - Recording Sec.

This meeting is being videotaped by UCO.

Minutes:

Quorum not met-No business is being transacted.

Guests in Attendance

PBSO -Capt. Palenzuela, Lt. Hill; Paulette Burdick, County Commissioner District 2; LLloyd Comiter for Group 4 Judge; Emanuel Morel, for Judge #4; Peyton McArthur, Port Commissioner; and Sylvia Shars Candidate for District 2 Commissioner; Allen Ambrosino for County Court Judge; Allegra Jung for Judge; Maxine Cheesman for Judge; Greg Weiss Commissioner Dist. #2; Alex Rodriquez for Dist. #2 Commissioner; Marybel Coleman for Judge; Greg Langowskirepresentative of Marco Rubio; and Henry Quinn Johnson for Judge.

PBSO Report

Capt. Palenzuela introduced an Officer from Sheriff Bradshaw's office. He reported on the relief efforts and the assistance provided to the police officers in Puerto Rico and thanked all for their support and especially the help from Carmen Watson.

Treasurer's Report

CPA Sebastian Yeend reported on the enclosed Treasurer's report. Inquiries were made into reserve accounts and investing in CD's with the possibility of \$50k to \$70k in interest earnings.

Anyone with needing further or a more explicit explanation, please make an appointment to come into the office to see Sebastian or the treasurer.

Lt. Hill's Report:

- 132 incident reports were made last month. There were 3 burglaries reported. There were cases of fraud reported, scams are being conducted continuously.
- Traffic violations info was not available this month.
- Solutions to Golf course problems are being sought.
- · Be aware of surroundings and vagrants when parking is store parking lots while shopping.
- Hurricane season is rapidly approaching-now is the time to start preparations.

A scam related to Medicare cards was made known-charging a fee for a new Medicare card -don't pay!

New Business

Without a quorum, no business was conducted.

Committee Reports

Reports and announcements are included in the packet.

Good of the Order

- o Atlantic Broadband is paying for any damage to water lines and electric caused by installation of conduit for cable TV. .
- o PKK engineering working on fence/sidewalk replacement.
- o Water breaks and electric outage damages caused by conduit installation paid for by Atlantic Broadband.
- o Safety-email suggestions to ucomaintenance@gmail.com.

All guests were given the opportunity to address the residents.

A motion was made to adjourn by Roy Roberts. The motion was seconded by George Franklin. Meeting adjourned 11:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Hess, UCO Recording Secretary

Letters to the Editor

Dom Guarnagia, a UCO board member, has written a most interesting and informative article for our UCO Reporter entitled, "Visible Evidence of Construction and A Review of Obligation." This proved to be a learning experience for me and made me more aware of important facts.

Anyone contemplating the remodeling of their unit will find the information in this article very enlightening and it will save money and unnecessary stress on the part of the owner. Dom is a former builder, supervisor and designer, denied Florida's, "Right to Turn providing excellent points regarding on Red" law when there are no dog. the responsibility of contractors pedestrians in sight at the Haverhill and unit owners. It is important entrance heading south. to be aware of permits needed and upgrading requirements according to Code Enforcement.

There is a chronic traffic backup leaving Century Village (CV) via the Haverhill exit caused by a "No Turn on Right" sign in the right lane heading south.

However, there is NO "No Turn on Right" sign at the Okeechobee exit of CV heading west. Thus, no traffic backup from CV.

So what is the difference?

Both exits from CV have pedestrian crosswalks with signals to alert pedestrians when it is safe to walk.

Yet, the residents of CV are being Can this be resolved?

Hello Residents,

I have just adopted a rescue dog from Peggy Adams Animal Rescue. After receiving permission from my HOA. In walking my small dog in common areas I have been admonished because of unpicked up poop. I always pick up after my dog and have noticed quite a bit of poop left on the ground. After speaking with several of the residents who admonished me I discovered why. It seems like quite a few dog owners are not picking up after their dogs. I understand my neighbors anger that is being misdirected at me and my

Update on the Century Village **Medical Building**

The UCO Reporter has received reliable information about the construction taking place on the second floor of the CV Medical Building. Sometime this month, when construction is completed, a group called Primary Care Physicians, plus an audiologist will be moving in. Walgreen's, the Beauty Shop and all other occupants on the first floor will remain.

IF YOU HAVE A DOG PLEASE BE RESPONSIBLE AND PICK UP YOUR DOG'S POOP!!

A Century Village dog owner.

Diana Larose

Ruth Bernhard-Dreiss

Ron Wagner, Northampton

NEW OFFICE HOURS FOR THE UCO REPORTER:

MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, 9:00AM TO 12:00 NOON

UCO REPORTER STAFF MAY BE CONTACTED ANY TIME AT THE

FOLLOWING EMAIL ADDRESS: UCOREPORTERWPB@GMAIL.COM

More information is expected to be forthcoming later.

ACT 2 COMMUNITY THEATER

PRESENTS

THE 2ND ANNUAL

NGS OF WAR AND REMEMBR

A MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND SHOW TO BENEFIT

THE HONOR FLIGHT PROGRAM



SUNDAY, MAY 27TH, 7:00 PM, CLASSROOM C

\$3.00 DONATION

THE FIRST 100 GUESTS RECEIVE A GIFT BAG GENEROUSLY DONATED BY CSI

100 PERCENT OF YOUR ADMISSION DONATION WILL BE GIVEN TO THE HONOR FLIGHT PROGRAM



UCO OFFICER'S REPORTS



Joy Vestal

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Hello everyone, here we are again volunteering and enjoying it. Due to an illness I was unable to be in the office last month, however, I did work from home and I'm happy to say I'm BACK! So let's catch up and go forward.

Atlantic Broadband is here on the property and working on preliminary installation of their equipment. There is a meeting of the Broadband Committee the third Wednesday of the month, 11 am at the UCO office. The schedule for all UCO meetings is published each month in the UCO Reporter. Everyone is welcome to attend as is the standard for all UCO meetings. Bring your questions and yes complaints too. We will listen and try our best to respond. Just a reminder and I will keep harping about this -- please residents, especially board members, try to make sure you have a key to all units in your building. This will be most important when the actual building installation begins.

By the time the May edition of the UCO Reporter has been delivered the first Honor Flight for 2018 departed for Washington, D.C. Century Village had a WWII veteran on this flight. We here in the Village are very proud of our generous contribution to this worthy cause and hope to continue to do so for a very long time. Remember, the way to show your gratitude to our vets by saying, "Thank You For Your Service."

For the residents in my quadrant please call before coming into the office to meet with me. It's much better to make an appointment if it's convenient when I can spend more time trying to be of assistance.



Barbara Cornish

Berkshire • Camden Hastings • Salisbury Somerset • Wellington Windsor

I am glad to say that Seacrest Landscaping has been awarded the landscaping contract for the Village. They worked with Arlene Kretz, Chair of Beautification, and Heather Wilkos, of Seacrest, on the Haverhill entrance. Thank you, Arlene and Heather.

There will be a BALANCING CLASS given by Lilliana Herrera, of the Office of the Aging, starting from May 1 to June 19, 2018. To register, please call UCO (561-683-9189) and tell them you want to register. We will also be taking a waiting list. This is an 8-week commitment.

I went on the trip to the sugar cane and juice plants. It was a very enjoyable and informative trip with a lovely lunch provided for us. This trip is totally free for our Village, and we hope we will be able to offer more.

I have been appointed to run the front office of UCO. I will be looking for volunteers, permanent or seasonal, who are owners who may like to work one day a week or more as a receptionist or doing passes. If you are interested, call UCO and ask for me. This is a good way to learn about the working of UCO and helping your Village.

If any of my quadrant residents have a question, PLEASE don't hesitate to call me at the office or, if needed, at home at 561-640-9789; not after 10, please.

To our seasonal residents: Have a safe trip home and a healthy summer.



Stew Richland

Andover • Bedford Golf's Edge • Greenbrier Kingswood • Oxford, Southampton • Dover

I am sure that most people have heard the phrase, "No Man Is an Many residents in the Island." Village feel that when they enter their private space, their unit, that they are sheltered and immune from all the issues that must be addressed as a Unit owner. In our Village residents depend on each other. You cannot manage what you have to do as a resident and as a unit owner by your self. The John Donne's quotation, "No man is an island entire of its self, every man (woman) is a piece of the Village and you cannot shirk your responsibilities.

Unit owners must support their legally elected board of directors. Unit owners must be educated about condo living. Unit owners must read their Association by-laws and the special Amendments that were adopted by your Association. Unit owners have the opportunity to attend classes so that they can become certified on the rules of Condo living. Board members have a fiduciary responsibility to ensure that any work that is contracted must be done by a licensed and bonded company and that permits must be issued for all repairs.

Every Association must have proper insurance coverage for their building. We have an outstanding insurance person, Toni Salometo, working at UCO who does wonders in keeping your insurance premiums down. However, each Association has a shared responsibility in this process. Have you had your building inspected recently? The hurricane season is just around the corner. Is your roof in good repair and concrete walkways free from cracks that could contribute to "slip and fall" insurance claims against your Association?

We at UCO are here to help. Please take advantage of our expertise in resolving your issues. June is rapidly approaching and each Association must be prepared for any eventuality. Your UCO VP's can assist you.



David Boas

Coventry • Easthampton Norwich • Plymouth Sheffield • Stratford Waltham

As the season changes, and we say good-bye to our seasonal friends and neighbors, the business of the village continues. The monthly meetings are listed in this issue of the UCO Reporter. Most all meetings are open to attend. Stop in and see what these committees do and what goes on in our village.

There are so many things to do in Century Village all year long. Join club, go the the movies,m See a Saturday night show, go the the fitness center at Hastings or just go to the pool. We really do have a wonderful place to live.

If you have a question or suggestion, please stop by the UCO office, even if it's just to say Hell-o, I look forward to meeting you. Stay well.



DO YOU OWN AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE?

ARE YOU CONSIDERING PURCHASE OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE? IF SO, UCO WANTS TO KNOW ABOUT IT! THIS INFORMATION IS BEING COLLECTED TO DETERMINE FUTURE NEED FOR PUBLIC CHARGING STATIONS AT CENTURY VILLAGE.

FOR CURRENT ELECTRIC VEHICLE OWNERS (GOLF CARTS INCLUDED), UCO NEEDS TO KNOW HOW YOU ARE CURRENTLY CHARGING YOUR VEHICLE, AND HOW YOUR VEHICLE IS USED (ON PROPERTY ONLY, PUBLIC ROADS). PICTURE OF YOUR VEHICLE WILL BE VERY HELPFUL.

PLEASE SEND YOUR INFORMATION TO: UCOMAINTENANCE@GMAIL.COM SURVEY IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY- DATA WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL. THANK YOU.

What is LIS?

BY CHIAMAKA CHUKWURAH

Beneficiaries with Medicare who have limited income and assets may qualify for Extra Help with the costs of their prescription drugs. This program is also known as LIS, or the Part D Low Income Subsidy. The Social Security Administration (SSA) and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) work together to provide the benefit.

Who qualifies for Extra Help?

Some people get Extra Help automatically. These include people who are enrolled in both Medicaid and Medicare (often called dual eligible), those receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI), and those who qualify for a Medicare Savings Program. These individuals do not need to apply for the program, though they may still wish to consult a licensed, certified Medicare Advantage Plan Agent to determine the best Part D plan to suit their situation.

Anyone else who is not already enrolled in the benefits noted above must apply to receive Extra Help. The income and asset requirements are as follows:

Individuals: \$1,518 monthly income, \$14,100 in assets

Couples: \$2,058 in monthly income, \$28,150 in assets

Benefits of Extra Help

The amount of Extra Help a beneficiary receives depends on their income and resources. Beneficiaries

will receive either a full-subsidy or a partial-subsidy. Most people who qualify for Extra Help will pay:

- No premiums,
- No deductibles (unless receiving the partial subsidy), and
- No more than \$8.35 in 2018 for each drug their plan covers.

In addition to lower out-of-pocket costs, beneficiaries with Extra Help have the following protections:

- A Continuous Special Enrollment Period to join or switch a Medicare Part D drug plan any time of year. People who get Extra Help do not need to wait for the Annual Open Enrollment Period (Oct. 15 -Dec. 7) to change plans. Any plan changes will become valid for the following month. This is especially helpful to seniors/adults with disabilities who may need to begin medications that are not on their current plan's formulary (approved drug list).
- No Part D late enrollment penalty, even if the beneficiary enrolls late (that is, after they were first eligible to join a Part D plan and if they did not have other drug coverage).

Ways to apply for Extra Help

Contact your local Medicare Advantage Plan Representative Chiamaka Chukwurah Licensed & Certified Insurance Agent 561 800 4536

MAY 2018 UCO Monthly Meetings

TUESDAY 1	TRANSPORTATIONS	UCO	9:00AM
TUESDAY 1	COMMUNICATIONS	UCO	10:30AM
WEDNESDAY 2	PROGRAM & SERVICES	UCO	11:00AM
FRIDAY 4	DELEGATE ASSEMBLY	THEATER	9:30AM
FRIDAY 4	SECURITY	UCO	1:00PM
TUESDAY 8	ADVISORY	UCO	10:00AM
WEDNESDAY 9	BROADBAND	UCO	11:00AM
THURSDAY 10	СОР	ROOM B	9:30AM
FRIDAY 11	CERT	UCO	1:00PM
TUESDAY 15	INSURANCE	UCO	10:00AM
WEDNESDAY 16	BEAUTIFICATION	UCO	9:30AM
THURSDAY 17	BIDS/INFRASTRUCTURE	UCO	10:00AM
TUESDAY 22	OPERATIONS	UCO	10:00AM
THURSDAY 24	OFFICERS	UCO	10:00AM
MONDAY 28	MEMORIAL DAY-CLOSED		
TUESDAY 29	EXECUTIVE BOARD	ROOM B	1:30PM

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SALES	
<u>1 BEDROOM – 1 BATH</u>	
Northampton Q 1st Floor - Renovated Kitchen	\$45,000
Canterbury E 1st Floor - Laminate Floors	\$34,900
Andover C 1st Floor - New Kitchen - Tile Walk In Shower	
Coventry D 2nd Floor - Tile - Walk In Shower	\$44,900
Windsor F 2nd Floor -New A/C- New Tile	
Waltham F 2nd Floor - Newer Kitchen -Granite	\$31,000
Sheffield K 1st Floor - All Tile - Newer Cabinets in Kitchen & Bath - Ceiling Fans	\$38,500
Camden O 2nd Floor - Laminate & Tile Floors - Garden Views - Enclosed Porch	\$31,000

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Cypress Trail 202 Gated - Water View - W/D	\$124,900
Golfs Edge B 1st Floor - Close to East Gate - Partially Furn	\$105,000
Stratford B 1st Floor - Furnished - Walk to East Gate	\$145,000
Golfs Edge B 1st Floor - Furnished - Walk to Pool	\$ 66,000
RENTALS	
Kingswood C 1 BR - 1 BATH - 1st Floor - Tile	\$900
Norwich C 1 BR - 1 BATH - 1st Floor - Walk In Shower	\$800
Coventry L 1 BR – 1 ½ BATH -2nd Floor - Sep. Shower	\$900
Cypress Trail 203 2 BR -2 BATH 2nd Floor - Furnished	
Cypress Trail 103 2 BR - 2 BATH - 1st Floor	

I BEDKOOM – I ½ BATH

Northampton C 2nd Floor - Furnished - SS Appliances Newer Kitchen - Water View - A GEM!	\$37,900
Northampton F 1st Floor - Furnished - Renovated	
Easthampton I 2nd Floor - Newer Appliances	
Stratford H 1st Floor - Furnished - Newer Kitchen Tile - W/D - Walk In Shower	
Dover C 3rd Floor - FURNITURE NEGOTIABLE - LAMINATE FLOORS -	¢02 500
A/C /SERVICE CONTRACT - SUPER VIEWS! - ** BEST PRICE IN DOVER !! **	\$83,500
Camden N 2nd Floor - Furnished- Corner Unit Needs a Little TLC	\$37,000
Stratford I 2nd Floor - Lake View - New Windows- Laminate Floors - New Windows	\$64,500
<u>2 BEDROOM – 1 ½ BATH</u>	
Canterbury B 2nd Floor - Corner - Partially Furnished	\$58,900
Waltham E 1st Floor - Corner	
Camden E 2nd Floor - Water View - Walk In Shower	\$58,800
Sheffield E 1st Floor - Corner - Central A/C	\$56,900
Norwich H 1st Floor - CORNER - ALL NEW - MUST SEE! WILL NOT LAST !!!!	\$77,500
Dorchester C 2nd Floor - Corner - Furnished	\$55,000
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41 Chatham B		402 Lakeview Dr	\$137,000
53 Salisbury C	\$49,000	91 Chatham D	\$39,000
1 Cambridge A	\$1,100	155 Salisbury G	\$900
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43 Bedford B	\$68,000	105 Canterbury E	\$900
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373 Lanier Dr		130 Andover E	
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Palm Beach Post on the Verge of Being Sold

BY LANNY HOWE

The Palm Beach Post will likely be sold by Cox Enterprises, owner since 1969, with another Cox newspaper of about equal value, to Gatehouse Media (formally New Media Investment Group) sometime in May.

The sale to Gatehouse comes as somewhat of a surprise, but that the Post was up for sale was no surprise. Newspaper operations have been downsizing since the advent of television after World War II, taking further hits when TV became 24-7 and computers and the *Internet* took hold. Not everyone has known that the Post's printing press was closed down almost ten years ago, with the paper being printed since then by Broward County's Florida Sun Sentinel, and then shipped north for distribution from here. The Sun Sentinel has the largest newspaper distribution in the big-three southern Florida counties.

We have been aware, however, that the Post has gone way up in cost, shrunk dramatically in size, and gone top-heavy with ads.

Changes in the Palm Beach Post:

The Post has been around a long time. It began as a weekly paper called The Palm Beach County in 1908. Eight years later it became a daily morning publication under its present name, the Palm Beach Post. Ownership of the paper changed in 1934, and again in 1969, when James Cox, a former Ohio governor and 1922 Democratic presidential candidate, bought it for Cox Enterprises, of Atlanta.

Cox Enterprises, which owns the Postas well as the Palm Beach Daily News (known locally as the "Shiny Sheet"), is expected to sell BOTH newspapers and the Austin-Statesman newspaper, along with some other related Texas publications, to Gatehouse in a single sale, which, it is claimed, will save the company considerable money. Interestingly, the Post and the Austin-Statesman have similar circulations and are each being sold for about \$49 million. This does not include the Post's building at Dixie Highway and Belvedere Road, which will continue to be owned by Cox.

About Gatehouse:

Just who and what is Gatehouse? Not that long ago, Gatehouse was reportedly in bankruptcy. Now the conglomerate owns about ten percent of the daily newspapers in the United States, including several newspapers in central and northern Florida. Ownership of the Palm Beach Post will extend their coverage into southern Florida. Gatehouse has been buying up small- to medium-sized papers at a rapid rate. By centralizing some functions, it is claimed they run a lean operation. Company executives have reportedly told *Post* employees that everyone will initially be retained at current pay, although "they could not address future staff levels." That sounds like what any new ownership would say, effectively promising almost nothing. The big question is what Gatehouse will ultimately do. Will they rescue the newspapers they have bought out? Can they rescue them, given the condition of the industry? Or will they bleed them dry with an eye only to making money?

It's a sad thing to see the era of the newspaper fade away and especially sad to see a city's virtually only newspaper slowly fail. Many of our major cities once had three newspapers with morning, evening and extra editions. At least with two different papers, you could often get the Democrat and Republican slant on the news. With some exceptions, on TV today you get what amount to only sound bites with commentators and interviewees loudly talking over each other. I wonder if what the Christian Science Monitor did several years wasn't a smart move. The Monitor was a highly respected,

reputable news source, especially for international news. A Mondaythrough-Friday publication for many years, it became a weekly. I think a reputable weekly makes some sense. By then the dust has settled and many of the facts are in. Not everything can wait, but a lot would be better served by waiting.

Let's hope the purchase of the Palm Beach Post by Gatehouse works out well for the newspaper, its workers and its readers.

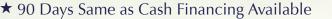
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Hero and Afterward

COMMENTARY BY IRVING RIKON

Congressman Brian Mast, who represents Century Village (and the 18th District) in Washington, came to the Village on April 4, where he spoke in the Party Room. Attendance was surprisingly sparse, with perhaps four or five dozen people there to hear him. Since this is a monthly publication, I didn't take copious notes on his hour-length talk, but what he said and omitted stayed with me, so I write about it now.

He is a Republican, which might account for the light turnout in this predominantly Democratic Village, but like it or not, he does represent us. He has a lot of ideas, some good, some less so, yet he will listen. He takes questions after his talk. He invites what he calls "conversation," and his aide gave out cards to anyone who wished to contact him or his local office, it being located in the Veterans Administration Hospital on North Military Trail. He'd be back anytime people wanted him, he said. (For the record, I am a registered Independent voter).

Mr. Mast is a good speaker and a bona fide war hero. Born and raised in Michigan, he holds a degree from Harvard University. Later, he enlisted in the Army and served in Afghanistan, becoming an explosive ordnance disposal technician and rising to the rank of Staff Sergeant. While on duty eight years ago, trying to clear a path for others, he stepped on a land mine that ripped off both his legs and a finger. His legs amputated, today he has metal feet and walks with a cane. He rightly won five medals and, apparently while still recovering in the hospital, first thought about running for Congress. He's quite a young man, 38 years old, but high on his agenda is "Defending Seniors, Protecting Medicare and Social Security". Also, "Making health care affordable".

He's an unabashed supporter of President Trump, the Second Amendment to the Constitution and The National Rifle Association, which contributed financially to his election campaign. On these issues, we parted company. In my last column prior to this one, I wrote in opposition to the Second Amendment as the NRA and its members interpret it. But what lingered in my mind was the Army and Afghanistan.

I asked myself, Why would a young man, intelligent enough to earn a Harvard degree, volunteer to fight in a country as geographically remote as Afghanistan is to the United States? Mr. Mast says he grew up in an area where gun ownership and carrying rifles was common. In essence, firearms was part of his way of life. Fighting in Afghanistan was billed by the military as "Operation Enduring Freedom". Was that, for him, an incentive to fight?

I didn't ask these questions, not wanting to embarrass the speaker. Yet I can't help wondering.

I served in the Army, albeit not in combat. In the early 1970s, I was in then-peacetime Afghanistan. I got there several years after the Soviet Union and the United States were both trying to court favor with the Afghan people. Among other things, they built different sections of hard-surfaced highways linking the country's major cities and allowing modern vehicles to pass easily from one to the other. But although there was a good University in the capital city of Kabul, the country's historical background was more tribal than "free". One's primary allegiance was still to a "strong man" or "warlord"

rather than to the concept of an individual openly expressing his or her rights as an individual.

Nor was that thinking likely soon to change. I was politely received everywhere I went in Afghanistan, yet I remember breakfast at one hotel stop that gave me pause. My waiter pointed to a brand-new refrigerator (which had come from Sweden). Knowing I am an American, he sneeringly asked, "Does your country have one of these?" I assured him that we did, but to this day I still remember his exact words. How isolated these people were from the world at large! Some Afghan politicians and others speak of "freedom," but what does "freedom" mean in a place like Afghanistan?

Historically Afghanistan is a place of fighters. Great Britain, at the height of its empirical powers, fought two wars with the Afghan people, but there and there alone the British lost. Russia, which shares a border with Afghanistan, in the lifetime of American "senior citizens" fought a war with the Afghan people and withdrew, a loser. So what is America doing there? I did not put that question to Congressman Mast, feeling it was inappropriate at the time.

Yet that question begs more: Do we fight abroad because we, Americans, have guns and are accustomed to fighting? Mr. Mast says he believes in diplomacy before battle. Is President Trump, whom Mr. Mast heartily supports, diplomatic when he picks fights with the Chinese and Russian leaders? I myself have argued in these pages that if there is to be peace on earth, the world's largest nations must band together, despite many differences, to act against international terrorists who

would destroy all nations as we know them.

Mr. Mast says that under Republican leadership the United States is economically prospering. Yes, but Mr. Trump has been in office for only a little more than a year, and the roots of American economic prosperity were born even before the end of World War Two and were greatly enhanced as the world recovered from conflict. New conflicts are not needed now.

Does that mean we give up on the Near and Middle East? No, of course not. But we are a free nation which once was a beacon of light and hope to "the huddled masses yearning to be free." In other words, the United States was an inspiration to the world's peoples. If we, as a nation, do good and help to better people's lives at home and then abroad, we might inspire them to be free. But freedom cannot be won under the influence of guns and battles that have no end in sight. That's dictatorship, not freedom. The United States has been at war in Afghanistan for 15 years now. That conflict may soon become the longest war ever fought in history anywhere.

Is this the kind of thing which makes Americans proud, a war without end, without purpose? America would become a hero to itself if it righted itself and helped to make of itself a peaceful, prosperous nation, once again to inspire the world's peoples, who then might seek to emulate it. Let's truly unite under our core values of liberty and justice for all with the implications of kindness, love and empathy towards ourselves and generations yet to come.



BY EVA RACHESKY



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Though Ι touched have on the topic of how to exit the main Clubhouse

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parking lot correctly in a previous article, I continue to see many vehicles still exiting out the entrance. Having added the yellow delineators, I do see a reduction in the number of vehicles exiting the wrong way. To further stem the flow, I will be adding additional signage and larger arrows. I do believe many drivers are confused by the island in front of the Clubhouse and do not recognize the island as a "traffic circle" or "rounda-bout". As everyone knows, the rule of thumb is that you navigate around the circle to exit. Please keep that in mind when on property and make

At a Saturday night dance in April, as the D.J.'s husband was stepping up on the stage, he caught his toe on the edge of the stage and fell face first into his wife's equipment. Though he suffered a laceration on his nose and two black eyes, luckily there were no broken bones. The point I am making is that no resident should be accessing the stage to make a song request. Please approach the DJ from the dance floor and make your request. The accident described above could happen to anyone and the injury could be greater. Please use common sense and do NOT step up on the stage to talk to the DJ. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Recently on a Saturday night in April, a large number of residents showed up minutes before the show

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to purchase their tickets. Though there were two employees selling tickets, there were some residents who did not make it into the theater before the show started. Sadly, some residents took their anger out over this situation on the Ushers. The Ushers have nothing to do with the fact that you chose to purchase your tickets (along with many others) at the last minute. The Ushers are volunteers whom, by the very

act of volunteering, are saving the residents upwards of \$85,000 a year on the WPRF budget. This is just an "estimated" cost if WPRF had to hire extra employees to do what your volunteer Ushers are doing. Please keep this in mind and let's all treat the Ushers with the respect and appreciation they deserve for their services. Thanks to all of my theater goers for you cooperation.

Raisin' Cane Tours

BY RUTH BERNHARD-DREISS

A tour bus filled with 50 Century Village residents, departed early on March 29 for an hour and a half ride to Clewiston's sugar cane fields, the mill and refinery. The excursion was arranged by Transportation Chair Lori Torres and the bus was provided by the Florida Sugar Cane League. A guided tour and lunch at the Country Club was provided at no cost to the residents. Our host, the sugar cane industry, requested that after learning about the importance of Florida's farmlands, that we vote in favor of bills beneficial to them and vote against anything that would be harmful. Their motto: Keep Food Local. Protect Farmland.

A bit of history: U.S. Sugar is a farming company that grows sugarcane, citrus and sweet corn. The company was founded in 1931 by a visionary leader who hailed from a long line of farmers. Since the beginning, the company's success has been rooted in traditional farming values and respect for the land. U.S. Sugar has been feeding families, providing local jobs and protecting our environment since 1931. Local farmers provide 10% of all sugar produced in the U.S., up to 90 million gallons a year of premium Florida orange juice and half of Florida's sweet corn crop.

Sugar Cane

Florida's backbone is the farming industry and sugar cane is the staple with a \$3.2 billion impact on our economy, providing 12,500 jobs which is 20% of the local economy and brings \$100 billion each year to the Florida economy. The Clewiston Sugar Festival, held each year in celebration of a successful sugar cane harvest, was held this year on March 17 and brought out 30,000 people. How sweet it is!

We began seeing sugarcane fields on the way through Belle Glade and learned that sugar plants must be burned to remove the dead leaves from the bottom in order to produce healthy plants. Burning a field of cane takes 15 to 20 minutes. These are the smoke stacks seen on days when conditions are favorable and it is safe to burn. Mature canet is then harvested and brought to the mill. Additionally, there are 27,000 acres of cornfields harvested by machinery which cost over \$300,000 per harvester. U.S. Sugar reports that over 50% of the sweet corn crop is grown on our farmland. It takes 65 to 92 days from planting to harvest and one acre of sweet corn produces 19,200 ears of corn.

peppers for coleslaw. Rice is grown in Palm Beach County and 20% of the celery crop is produced, as well.

Ralph, our bus tour guide, told us that Clewiston is known as "America's Sweetest Town," for the sugar it has produced for the past 87 years via US Sugar Corp. In addition, many vegetables -- corn, peas, green beans, beets, rice and more -- are grown. This year, for the first time, 800 acres of eggplant will be planted and join the other vegetables in production. The very even rows of plants seen are made with a GPS on the farm machinery, a very modern innovation.

Along the way, a palm tree site was pointed out where Royal Palms are grown and sold from \$10,000 to \$20,000 per tree! WOW! Another WOW was the sighting of a huge alligator frequently seen in the bushes and in the water. This guy appeared to be much larger than those seen in Century Village.

Orange Juice

Ninety million gallons per year of orange juice are produced in Clewiston's Hendry County, but citrus production has dropped due to greening (bacteria). A guava-type tree is being planted to combat this. Oranges are cleaned and processed at the rate of 20,000 per minutes and trucks hold 100,000 oranges each, an awesome sight. Up to 1 million gallons of OJ are stored in tanks during the months when juice is not produced.

Orange juice is classified as green, sweet and sweet-sweet. Tropicana is the #1 buyer of OJ with the only mixing facility in South Florida. Many day-to-day products use some part of the orange. They produce oils and enzymes used in citrus smelling products, such as cosmetics, liquors (Blue Moon beer served with a slice of orange atop the glass), perfumes, shampoos and orange peel for body wash. Dry peel and seed make pellets thrown out in the cow pastures to fatten up the cows. Only Florida Natural is 100% orange juice. Others

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concentrate to which water is added. The state tree is the sabal palm, also known as the cabbage palm. Eucalyptus is used because bugs hate the smell and is very useful in keeping bugs away from the trees.

More about sugar

It is a misconception that various sugars are different. Sugar is sugar no matter which brand or color. White sugar, brown sugar, confectioner's sugar, powdered sugar -- the same. When you see sugar brands such as Domino, Dixie Crystals, Gold Medal, or store brands, they are the same. Only the brand name will make it more expensive because you are paying for the name. As to the number of "X"s on the package, this is the number of times the sugar has been pounded to make it smoother or powdered --2X, 8X, 10X, 16X..... same sugar, but with an indication as to how many times it has been pounded.

The most extraordinary sight on this trip was Sugar Mountain. We drove into a warehouse filled with a mountain of sugar 3 stories tall. Our bus was able to enter the site partially, but if the mountain keeps growing it will have to be observed from a distance.

U.S. Sugar in Hendry County is a local company that employs over 2,500 American farmers, engineers, scientists, sugar technologists, skilled tradesmen, office workers and others who provide 10% of all sugar produced in the U.S., up to 90 million gallons a year of premium Florida orange juice and half of its sweet corn crop. Since its inception, U.S. Sugar expanded to be able to produce over 800,000 tons of sugar each year. Small wonder why Clewiston calls itself "The Sweetest

Town." Where does sugar come from? It is grown and/or refined in 17

states across the US. Sugar beets are grown best where the temperatures are generally cooler. At sugar beet factories across the country, sugar is purified into the sugar delivered to groceries and food manufacturers. Sugar cane is grown in warmer tropical climates like Florida. Sugar beet factories are located near farms to shorter distances farmers need to travel with their beets. Some raw sugar cane is also imported to the US for refining.

Materials left over from sugar processing are recycled and reused. Plant matter from extracted sugar is reused. The sugar cane residue called bagasse is often used as fuel to run the cane factory. While the accent is on the second syllable in "bagasse," pronunciation around sugar production is "bag-ass." An average stick of sugarcane provides 6 oz. of solid biofuel called bagasse, 30 teaspoons of sugar, 1 quart of water and 6 teaspoons of molasses.

Birds and Animals

Some Everglades Wildlife Facts are that the agricultural area (EAA) supports a large and diverse wildlife community where there are 16 species of birds, 13 species of amphibians, 22 species of fish, 24 species of reptiles (the huge alligator we saw was one of them), and 19 species of mammals.

Whether year-round residents, migratory, wintering birds or wading birds from surrounding natural habitat, the EAA provides lifesustaining resources during at least a portion of their life cycle. The same is true for animals such as large cats or local bobcats, otters and snakes.

There is no end to the information about our farmlands and sugar industry. Tour guide, Ralph Barnes gave us all of this pertinent data.

Many thanks are extended to bus tour guide, Stacy -- and to Pablo, our bus driver. Further thanks to Lori Torres, UCO Transportation Chair for arranging the trip and for signing up passengers. Thank you, VP David Boas who was out bright and early to check off the passenger list and to VP Barbara Cornish for taking photos. You all made this fabulous day possible. We look forward to further invitations from the Florida Sugar Cane League and their affiliates, so that more of our residents may take advantage of this enjoyable and informative trip. Watch the UCO Reporter for further announcements of upcoming trips.

Vegetables

Another tremendous crop is the 4.8 million lbs. of lettuce grown and shipped from Florida.. Cabbage is produced, along with red and green



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Visible Evidence of Construction and a Review of Obligations

Maintenance

By Dom Guarnagia



Driving throughout the Village, I have noticed huge amounts of inorganic debris, i.e., metal studs, panels of painted

drywall,

Kitchen and Bathroom cabinetry around the Trash Dumpsters which would indicate that remodeling is being performed, mostly with disregard for the consequences of work performed without permission from the Association or the Palm Beach County Permitting process. A responsible Contractor will haul away removed material as a phase of the Contract.

There are several impacts, all bad, when changes are made indiscriminately.

- The wallboard and the framing members that form the intended belong the alteration to Association and not the condo owner, i.e., in the event of flooding, it is the responsibility of the Association to replace the drywall at their expense. WHY! You own everything from the 'coat of paint' on the walls outward. If you see it you "OWN" it with one exception. The utility service from the provider, in this case, Electricity and Water, though concealed within the walls, belongs to you the owner, since the 'Bill' or payment is yours alone, known as a "Limited Element"... nobody but you has the use of those utilities.
- Changes in a room's configuration require change in the number of electric outlets that must be extended to satisfy the 'new use'. Changes in the Bathroom and Kitchen require an upgrade in the type of electric outlet(s)

Interrupters (AFCU's) are required throughout. GFCI's stop the flow of current instantly to prevent a life threatening shock near sinks and throughout kitchens and Bathrooms. AFCI's are required to prevent a fire in the event that something metallic can slip across the two blades of curtains, blinds or drapes.

- In buildings with reinforced ٠ concrete floors and ceilings (the 1st Floor of Two Story structures), the walls are non-load bearing and the upper floor, the walls are supporting the wallboard on the wood-trusses forming the ceiling. A load bearing partition is one that carries the weight (Load) of the floor above. Removal, as has occurred, creates a Second Floor load that imposes stress on the unit below resulting in floor/ ceiling sag that can easily result in failure due to an unusual unintended force. Collapse can result in injury and sometimes death to both parties.
- Contractors and Builders sometimes cut corners and hope to get away with ignoring the unsafe practices without the knowledge or revelation of the Owner.

Having been involved in construction as the Builder, Supervisor and lastly a Designer, it was my responsibility to know and apply the State Building Code that was examined by the municipal Zoning, Engineering and Building Inspectors to affirm that the rules and materials satisfied a unified Code for the various types of construction. Occasionally, the Designer and/ or the Contractor were unaware of Code changes and the "Inspector" noted the requirement and returned to confirm that the corrections met the Code.

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Why do Mexicans celebrate Cinco de Mayo?

BY BOBBI LEVIN

Cinco de Mayo, or the fifth of May, is a holiday that celebrates the date of the Mexican army's 1862 victory over France at the Battle of Puebla during the Franco-Mexican War. A relatively minor holiday in Mexico, in the United States Cinco de Mayo has evolved into a commemoration of Mexican culture and heritage, particularly in areas with large Mexican-American populations.

In 1861, Benito Juárez—a lawyer and member of the Zapotec tribe was elected president of Mexico. At the time, the country was in financial ruin after years of internal strife, and the new president was forced to default on debt payments to European governments.

In response, France, Britain and Spain sent naval forces to Veracruz, Mexico, demanding repayment. Britain and Spain negotiated with Mexico and withdrew their forces. France, however, ruled by Napoleon III, decided to use the opportunity to carve an empire out of Mexican territory. A French fleet stormed Veracruz and drove President Juárez and his government into retreat.

The Battle of Puebla: 6,000 French troops under General Charles Latrille de Lorencez set out to attack Puebla de Los Angeles, a small town in east-central Mexico. From his new headquarters in the north, Juárez rounded up a ragtag force of 2,000 loyal men-many of them either indigenous Mexicans or of mixed ancestry-and sent them to Puebla. The outnumbered and poorly supplied Mexicans fortified the town and prepared for the French assault. The battle on May 5, 1862 lasted a full day and evening and when the French finally retreated they had lost nearly 500 soldiers. Fewer than 100 Mexicans had been killed in the clash.

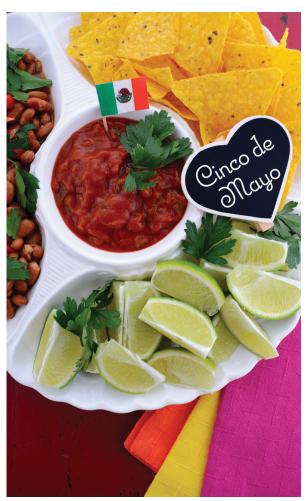
Although not a major win in the overall war against the French, the Battle of Puebla was a great symbolic victory for the Mexican government and the resistance movement. In 1867—thanks in part to military support and political pressure from the United States, which was finally in a position to aid its besieged neighbor after the end of the Civil War—France finally withdrew.

Cinco de Mayo is primarily observed in the state of Puebla where this unlikely victory occurred. In the United States, Cinco de Mayo is widely interpreted as a celebration of Mexican culture and heritage, particularly in areas with substantial Mexican-American populations. Chicano activists raised awareness of the holiday in the 1960s, in part because they identified with the victory of indigenous Mexicans (such as Juárez)

over European invaders during the Battle of Puebla. Today, the occasion is marked with parades, parties, mariachi music, Mexican folk dancing and traditional foods such as tacos and mole poblano.

Confusion with Mexican Independence Day:

Many people outside Mexico mistakenly believe that Cinco de Mayo is a celebration of Mexican independence, which was declared



more than 50 years before the Battle of Puebla. Independence Day in Mexico (Día de la Independencia) is commemorated on September 16, the anniversary of the revolutionary priest Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla's famous "Grito de Dolores" ("Cry of Dolores"), a call to arms that amounted to a declaration of war against the Spanish colonial government in 1810.









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Armed Forces Day in the United States

BY JODY LEBEL

Armed Forces Day is a holiday observed in most areas of the United States, and interestingly, in many other countries around the world. This day honors all branches of the armed forces. It is traditionally celebrated on the third Saturday of May, and this year will be held on May 19th. On August 31, 1949, the Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson announced the creation of Armed Forces Day to replace the current and separate Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force holidays. Many events across the United States take place on this day which honor our men and women in uniform who served their country in times of war and peace. It is celebrated with military exercises on land, sea, and in the air to display state-of-the art equipment and technology to the civilian population that the military protects.

Military installations are generally

open on that day as it is not a federal holiday. Some other ways to celebrate the special occasion might include wearing our colors of red, white and blue; displaying the American Flag, talking with or writing to military members, donating to militarybased organizations, or sending care packages for those serving overseas. The Act 2 Community Theater is performing a military themed show on May 27th and has pledged all of the proceeds to the Honor Flight fund, which pays for veterans from Century Village to fly to Washington DC for the day to visit the memorials that are dedicated to honor the service and sacrifices of themselves and their friends.

The importance of this day should always be evident. It is a day that our military members rightly deserve and it is essential that we celebrate it accordingly.



The most solemn American holiday, Memorial Day, is observed on the last Monday of May, and honors the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military.

Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971. Americans observe Memorial Day by visiting cemeteries or memorials, holding family gatherings and participating in parades. Unofficially, it marks the beginning of the summer season.

Did you know that each year on Memorial Day a national moment of remembrance takes place at 3:00 p.m. local time? In 1966 the federal government declared Waterloo, New York, the official birthplace of Memorial Day. Waterloo—which first celebrated the day on May 5, 1866 - was chosen because it hosted an annual, community-wide event,

during which businesses closed and residents decorated the graves of soldiers with flowers and flags. In 1868, General John A. Logan, leader of an organization for Northern Civil War veterans, called for a nationwide day of remembrance later that month. "The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village and hamlet churchyard in the land," he proclaimed.

Memorial Day continued to be observed on May 30, the date Logan had selected for the first Decoration Day. But in 1968 Congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act, which established Memorial Day as the last Monday in May in order to create a three-day weekend for federal employees.



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Nutrition and Health Dealing with Constipation

BY JEANIE W. FRIEDMAN, MS RD LD/N

Many of us take our health for granted, never giving the normal day-to-day functioning of our bodies a second thought until something stops working. Constipation is something that really makes itself known. It is estimated about 42 million Americans have been or are affected by constipation.

Constipation is defined as fewer than three bowel movements a week, or hard, small and dry stools that are difficult or painful to pass. Constipation is found across all ages and populations. There are some situations or circumstances that would increase likelihood of constipation:

Age

Just as our eyes do not see as well or our ears do not hear as well when we age, the body's natural rhythms slow down as we get older and constipation can be a big problem. Food moves through the gastrointestinal tract slower. With aging, the taste of our food can change and affect our appetite. Consuming a lot of low fiber foods can also slow down our system.

Medications

Certain medications like pain relievers or anti-depressants can slow down the bowels, leading to constipation. Some medicines cause you to urinate more frequently, leading to the need to drink a little more water to stay hydrated. Dehydration can result in constipation.

Surgery

Anesthesia used during surgery can also affect the bowels; limiting the movement of large muscles like arms and legs. Diet restrictions before and after surgery also break up the normal routine or your diet may not include high fiber foods.

Hopefully, your body will right itself in no time and find its own natural rhythm once again. It's important to stay regular, not just for your own comfort but also to reduce risk of other health issues. Long-lasting constipation can lead to further gastrointestinal problems like: anal fissures, hemorrhoids, fecal impaction and rectal prolapse.

Fiber Can Help with Constipation

Whole Grains

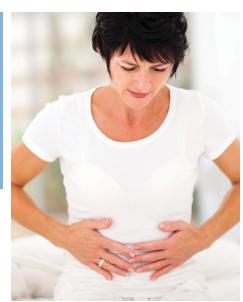
Fiber-rich foods like whole wheat bread and cereals, oat bran muffins, and whole grain pastas or rye bread can help encourage the natural movement of the bowels. Remember to drink enough water to keep everything moving along smoothly.

Fruit

Many types of fruit contain good amounts of fiber and water. Berries, oranges are an example. Other fruit like prunes, apples and pears with the skin have lots of fiber.

Vegetables

Vegetables have a great amount of fiber. Raw vegetables like in salads as well as cooked green peas, broccoli, and sweet and white potatoes with the skin can contribute to our regularity. Greens like kale or collards are also beneficial.



Beans

Beans and other legumes are loaded with fiber. Just a ½ cup can have anywhere from 6 to over 9 grams of fiber! Beans, which are relatively inexpensive, are very versatile and you can use them in just about anything.

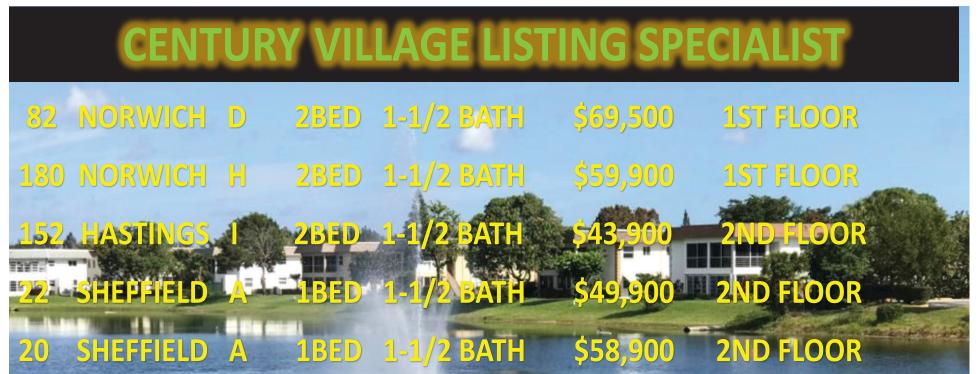
Physical Activity

Regular exercise can stimulate bowels to move. Walking, swimming, tennis, even tai chi can help to keep you regular. Not to mention, physical activity is wonderful for relieving stress and it can be fun! Remember to check with your doctor first before participating in physical activity.

Jeanie W. Friedman is a Registered Dietitian and nutritionist licensed in the State of Florida. This article is intended for educational purposes only and is not intended as a substitute for consultation with your health care professional.

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70th Anniversary of Statehood for Israel Celebration

BY LEONARD WAGHELSTEIN

On Sunday April 15, 2018, **Congregation Anshei Sholom**, located in Century Village, sponsored a grand celebration to honor the 70th anniversary of Statehood for Israel.

A large crowd of 114 people enjoyed the festivities with an elaborate authentic Israeli brunch. Additionally, a reenactment of

Resolution 181 by the United Nations on November 29, 1947 was presented where 33 people representing the countries that approved the resolution held up their country's flag when called upon for their vote. Mary Silverman led the roll call. The resolution recommended the creation of independent Arab and Jewish



States and a special International Regime for the city of Jerusalem.

The social hall was decorated with pictures of landmarks in Israel as well as Israeli and United States flags adorning each table. We danced and sang while music was played throughout the brunch. There were door prizes given as well as a raffle drawing for Israeli Bonds and a lovely piece of Judaica art. Entertainment was provided by the five women singing group called "Les Dames".

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BY RUTH BERNHARD-DREISS

May 23 is World Turtle Day.

Celebrate the ultimate slow and steady land reptile with these fun facts about tortoises.

A tortoise is a turtle, but a turtle isn't a tortoise.

A turtle is any shelled reptile belonging to the order Chelonii. The term "tortoise" is more specific, referring to terrestrial turtles. (Of course, there's always an exception. In this case, the land-dwelling box turtle.) Tortoises are usually herbivorous and can't swim.

One easy way to tell 'em apart: look at their feet and shells. Water turtles have flippers or webbed feet with long claws, and their shells are flatter and more streamlined. Tortoises have stubby, elephant-like feet and heavier, domed shells.

A group of tortoises is called a creep.

But you won't see a creep very often. (Not that kind, anyway.) Tortoises are solitary roamers. Some mother tortoises are protective of their nests, but they don't care for their young after they hatch.

Tortoises inspired the ancient Roman military.

During sieges, soldiers would get in testudo formation, named after the Latin word for tortoise. The men formed rows and held shields in front or above them to completely shelter the unit.

"Testudinal" means "pertaining to or resembling a tortoise or tortoise shell."

Go ahead. Compliment your friend's testudinal sunglasses.

Tortoises have an exoskeleton AND an endoskeleton.

The shell has three main parts: the top carapace, the bottom plastron, and the bridge that fuses these pieces together. You can't see them, but every tortoise has ribs, a collar bone, and a spine inside its shell.

The scales on the carapace are called scutes.

Made of the same keratin found in fingernails and hooves, scutes protect the bony plates of the shell from injury and infection. The growth rings around scutes can be counted to determine the approximate age of wild tortoises.

The lighter the shell, the warmer the origin.

Tortoises from hot places tend to have lighter-colored shells than tortoises from cooler areas. The light tan sulcata originates from the southern part of the Sahara Desert.

They can't swim, but tortoises can hold their breath for a long time.

They're extremely tolerant of carbon dioxide. It's a good thing tortoises have to empty their lungs before they can go into their shells. You'll often hear them exhale when they're startled and decide to hide.

And yes, their shells are sensitive to touch.

Shells have nerve endings, so tortoises can feel every rub, pet, or scratch ... and sometimes they love it. Note: This delightful creature is a turtle, not a tortoise.

Sulcatas are one of the most popular pet tortoises—and one of the biggest.

Get ready to move to the suburbs and amend your will. Sulcatas are the third largest tortoise species in the world, behind the Galapagos and Aldabra giant tortoise. They can live more than 100 years and weigh up to 200 pounds.

Charles Darwin and Steve Irwin cared for the same tortoise, a Galapagos gal named Harriet.

Darwin is said to have collected and named Harriet back in 1835. She was sent to England and eventually wound up at Australia Zoo, founded by Steve Irwin's parents. She finally passed on in 2006, the same year as the Crocodile Hunter's fatal encounter with a stingray.

Tortoises reach sexual maturity with size, not age.

It's a boy, err, uhh... You won't be able to tell a tortoise's sex until it reaches a certain size, which varies by breed. The most obvious tell is the plastron—for mating purposes, it's flatter on females and curved on males. Males also tend to be larger and have longer tails.

If you're a tortoise owner who prefers surprises, just wait for your pet to come out of his or her shell. Males will eventually display their private parts while soaking. And it's not uncommon for females to lay eggs, even without a mate to fertilize them.

They're the ultimate conservationists.

Tortoises can extract water and nutrients from even the most paltry bites. Their hindgut system works like a double digestive tract, separating water from their waste. When water's scarce, they'll hang on to water waste and simply excrete the urates, which look like white toothpaste.

They can smell with their throats.

Like other reptiles, tortoises detect the faintest of smells with the vomeronasal organ, or Jacobson's Organ, on the roof of their mouths. Instead of flicking their tongues, they pump their throats to circulate air through the nose and around the mouth.

Tortoises won the space race.

In 1968, the Soviet Union's Zond 5 spacecraft was the first to circle the moon and return safely to Earth. The tortoises on board lost about 10 percent of their body weight, but were still ready for a meal when they touched down. That's one giant step for tortoisekind.

They might be smarter than we thought.

Slow and steady won the race in 2006 when scientist Anna Wilkinson placed a tortoise and rat in the same maze. The reptile was better at navigating the maze to find food, making sure it didn't revisit the same areatwice. When cognitive landmarks were removed for a second trial, the tortoise systematically visited each section of the maze to find food. The rat wasn't as methodical. Previous research hasn't shown tortoises to be so clever, though: Wilkinson suspects cold lab temperatures are to blame. Later research found that tortoises use gaze-following to learn from the behavior of other animals.

I love my back patio overlooking a wide water pipe on Lake Chatham where turtles/tortoises sit for hours sometimes, just sunning themselves. They will slide into the water if they hear people passing above, or a loud sound such as my back door opening.

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WE WERE THE LUCKY ONES by Georgia Hunter

Just recently, I complained that most of the books I read were all right, but not memorable. Though today's choice is fiction, it is based

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a novel

on the lives of the author's family. It atrocities of WWII is an amazing true tells the tale of a Polish Jewish family under Nazi occupation. It is told through different members of the

> family alternating throughout the book.

The Kurc family consists of mother, father and their five adult children. We follow them through the years just prior to, and during World War One of them 11. is sent to Siberia, and others were fleeing to different locations in Europe. The book spans eight years as we follow the Kurc family members to several countries and continents including Austria, Argentina, Italy, South America, and Siberia and Russia as the war continues and finally ends.

How the Kurc family survived the

story of courage and determination. The thing that stood out to me about this novel was that the experiences of the members of this one family were so diverse. My only complaint was that being a large family it was difficult to keep track of who, when and where everyone was. I did notice, however, that the print version includes a character chart.

This is a story about resilience in the face of adversity but it is also a family saga. I am glad Georgia Hunter decided to write this as historical fiction instead of a memoir. It had much more impact. Prior to reading the book, I did not get the title but as soon as I turned the last page, it clicked. It is truly a beautiful story.

Grab a copy. It will be a roller coaster ride you will not forget. This story of three generations of the Kurc family is beautifully written and is heart-rending. Every time I encounter a story of the Holocaust, I am taken by the strength of the human spirit. The author traveled the world researching this amazing story and her hard work is evident. I learned so much reading this, yet you can feel the authors love for her ancestors spilling from the pages. What a very, very special book indeed.

Okeechobee Branch LIBRARY NEWS

BY CHARLES WAUGH

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Code Enforcement: Help or Hindrance? *Part Two: The Technology behind Code Enforcement*

BY LANNY HOWE (ACTUALLY MOSTLY BY DOM GUARNAGIA)

In the October 2017 issue of the Reporter, we described at length, from an interview Dom Guarnagia and I had with Doug Wise, how building rules and regulations come into being. Doug is the Building Director of the Palm Beach County Planning, Zoning and Building Department.

In this issue Dom explains the technology behind Code Enforcement. I think you will find it very interesting. A lot of the Code has to do with load factors and roof design. Dom writes:

There is a lot of science behind the components—wood, steel, and concrete, as well as pipes, wires and the other ingredients—that comprise a safe, code-compliant structure. Its "fit" within a community—location, relation to abutters and orientation must also be considered.

Plans provided to a Planning, Zoning and Building Departmentlike ours are scrutinized for size, species of wood and strength of concrete as tested by engineers using tables compiled through observations and model tests to produce a structure that will withstand the following stresses and loads.

• DEAD LOAD: The vertical force

created by all materials that have created the structure, without furnishings and appurtenances.

- LIVE LOAD: Those furnishings, movable or fixed, and occupants that increase permanently or temporarily downward forces on floor levels.
- WIND LOAD: Directional forces caused by common breezes as well as hurricane forces upon the exterior walls and roof.
- SNOW AND RAIN LOAD (ACCORDING TO LOCALE): The effect on the roof and materials, e.g., the slope of the roof as created by the angle of the rafters required to withstand the imposed forces of nature. A steeper roof is required to support a snow load; a shallower roof drains rain water slowly without the rain cascading off the roof and damaging nearby landscaping.
- SEISMIC LOAD: In California, where the "Big One" is anticipated, extreme measures have been included in their building code to stiffen the structure with diagonal bracing to provide extra stability when the earth

moves and rigid structures sway on their foundations. Some very tall buildings include rolling foundations to allow the building to move sideways with the force and not absorb the entire shock. We are not in an earthquake zone.

Foundations:

In New England, for example, the winter frost affects soil mechanics as it freezes down to four feet below the surface surrounding a structure. Any foundation shallower than 4 feet, 6 inches will be subject to frost heaves that upset the foundation by applying uneven upward forces that jeopardize the plumb and levelness of the structure above.

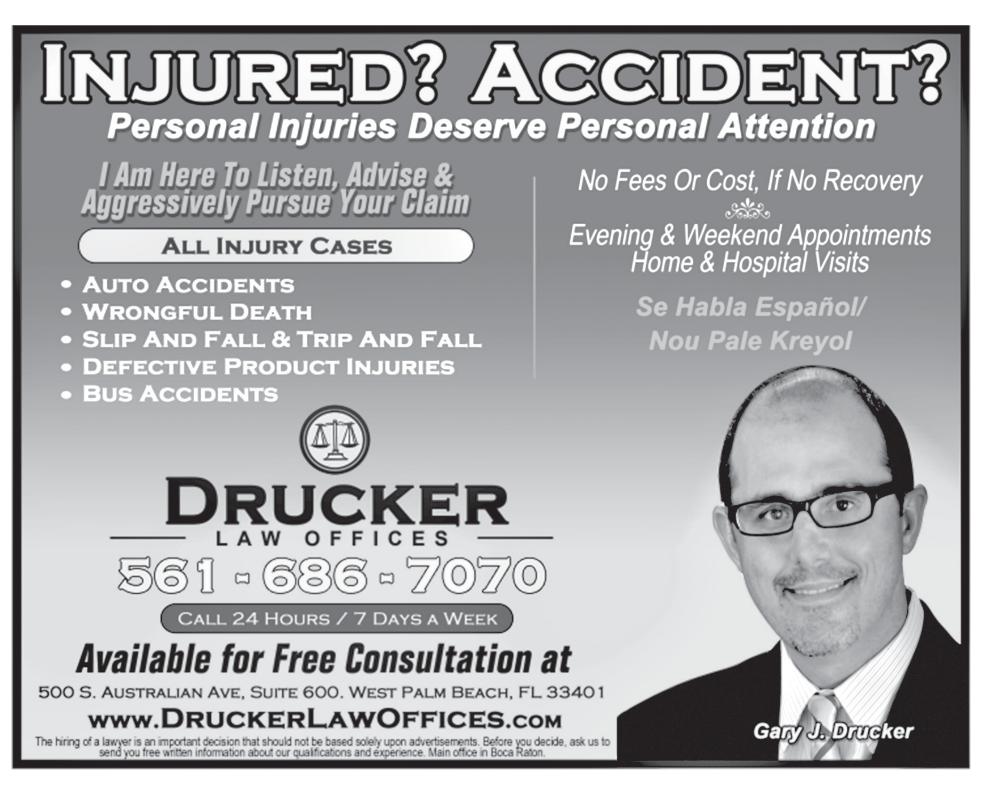
Here in South Florida, where frost is nonexistent, a shallow "stem wall" and slab, or a "floating slab," is an acceptable foundation. Also, with the water table only three feet below grade, a full foundation would create an unplanned indoor swimming pool!

Configuration of roofs:

Again, in Boston, the average pitch of residential roofing is **9 in 12**. This means that a roof rises 9 inches

for every foot measured toward the ridge. This is steep in order to shed heavy snow loads. In Florida the slope of the average roof is approximately 5 in 12. This shallower pitch allows deluges of water from a storm to flow more slowly to the gutter and downspouts, as well as for heavy winds to have a lesser effect upon the integrity of the roof and roofing materials. Wind loads and roof shapes have changed during the past decade. Seldom is a roof in a hurricane zone now designed with gable ends-like our two-story condos in Century Village-unless the gable is built from poured concrete atop concrete block. Most roofs in Florida today are known as "hip roofs." They have four distinct sloping surfaces and a shortened ridge. The hip roof can be embellished with dormers and small gables to create a complex roof.

In an upcoming issue of the *Reporter* we hope to explain the permitting process and have a little more to say about how the number, depth and type of nails used to secure the wooden components of a structure are important.



LEGAL



New Laws and their implications for your Association / Part 1

Term Limits

Two years ago, there were no term limits. Last year, the statute limited Board members from serving more than 4 two-year terms. Beginning on July 1, 2018, Board members may not serve more than 8 consecutive years (regardless of the length of the term).

Official Records

Generally, the understanding has been that all official records are retained for 7 years, with the following two exceptions: ballots, sign-in sheets, voting proxies, and all other papers relating to voting by unit owners are retained for at least 1 year from the date of the election, vote, or meeting to which the document relates; and the certificates from Board Certification classes retained for 5 years after a director's election or the duration of the director's uninterrupted tenure. The statute has been clarified to add that copies of the plans, permits, warranties, and other items provided by the

BY MARK FRIEDMAN, ESQ.

developer pursuant to s. 718.301(4) must be permanently maintained. Section 718.301(4) includes, in part (the entire list is too long for this article): recorded declaration of condominium, articles, and bylaws and all amendments thereto, rules and regulations, minute books, financial records and financial statements, insurance policies, and several other items. If you are planning to purge your files, please contact your attorney for the complete list of items that must be kept perpetually.

Association websites

Associations that manage condominiums with 150 or more units must create a website. The date for compliance has been changed from July 1, 2018 to January 1, 2019. Anyone who wants the complete list of all the requirements for the website, please email me at the address below. If you do have a website, in addition to the regular means of providing notice the Board may create a rule to provide notice via the website and any emails that are sent to unit owners (who have opted in) regarding such meeting must include a hyperlink to the notice on the website. Unit owners are responsible for adjusting their email security filters and firewalls to allow the e-mail server to accept the Association's email notifications.

Material Alterations

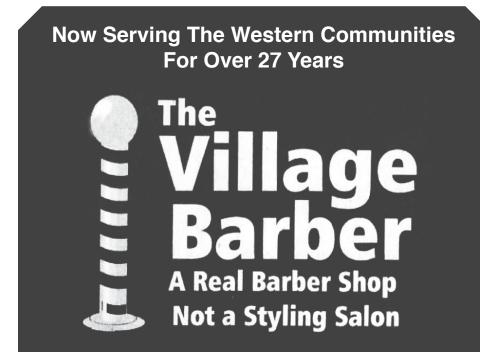
The vote on material alterations or substantial additions to the condominium property must occur prior to the action being taken. This has always been the law. However, some associations have not done this incorrectly and have gone back to ratify the decision. It is not clear if such ratification would be permissible after July 1, 2018. Before altering the common elements (all portions of the condominium property outside of the units) consult with your attorney in advance of that action being taken to avoid being the test case interpreting this law.

Fining committee

The fining committee used to be able to consist of persons who are not board members nor persons residing in a board members household. After July 1, 2018 that changes to a group of three persons who are not officers, directors or employees of the association or the spouse, parent, child, brother, or sister of an officer, director or employee.

To be continued next month.

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Transportation

By Lori Torres



Monthly meetings continue to be filled with complaints and criticisms about the bus system without any

viable suggestions or solutions from the riders. They are of the opinion that they are entitled to have bus stops on request to satisfy their personal needs. This should not be an expectation because routes are designed so that bus schedules can be met on time avoiding the complaints that buses are late. Buses will not stop anywhere, except at designated bus stops to provide riders with the utmost safety.

A complaint arose at our meeting about the inconvenience about getting to the Hastings gym. There is a bus only at 8:00 AM and 1:00 PM to this facility. Returns from the gym can be made with the Route 2 bus to the clubhouse for change to your bus home. No requests for stops that aren't at stop signs will be honored at any time. The drivers are abiding by this rule to be timely and safe on their routes.

There is no question that bus drivers are doing a proper job by not veering off the perimeter road to accommodate individuals. They are bound to their rules and regulations for your safety and to get to their destinations on time. This is Jose's primary interest and that of UCO. It should be that of the riders, as well.

We previously announced and published in the UCO Reporter that full bus schedules would not appear monthly in the newspaper. Publishing this monthly is costly and the only time that the entire schedule needs to be published is when there are changes. The monthly excursion schedule will continue to appear. Full schedules are available in the clubhouse and on all buses.

The Sunday combo bus to the church (Mary Immaculate) and Walmart was reported to be too full for both stops. Therefore, Jose will research the number of people riding and the advantage of a stop at the church only on the 9:00 AM run on Sunday. Phyllis Zeidman, a committee member, offered to check out the combo bus for the number of riders.

All residents are not aware that their excursion trips which are enjoyed each month were not part of the original transportation contract. Judge Timothy Poulton, back in 1983, ruled that Century Village will have transportation and that it will be paid by all residents, but it was designed for necessities. Originally transportation was meant to accommodate residents for grocery shopping, doctor appointments and local needs. The buses did make trips to the then Palm Beach Mall



for department store shopping and to Clematis St. when Burdine's Dept. Store was located there. These stops were made on regular scheduled runs. It was never meant to include excursions to malls, to the beach and to other points of interest which are a costly addition to our transportation contract. This is an extravagant bonus.

A careful watch continues on regular ridership to determine which runs are necessary and how many buses are needed at various times. We are now preparing for summer scheduling -- July and August when ridership is extremely slow. Because of the lack of adequate parking at the clubhouse on sellout show nights during season, rearrangement of the bus schedule will be looked into to alleviate this problem. Now is the time of year to look into scaling down for the utmost benefits.

We continue to ask for new members who ride the buses to join the Transportation Committee. They are informed as riders how the company is performing and what is in the best interest of all who ride. We have welcomed a new member, Bobbi Levin, a former UCO Corresponding Secretary. Although Bobbi does not ride the buses, she has volunteered to look into different excursion trips at minimal or no cost to the riders, such as the Holocaust Museum. She has suggested that it is possible they, or others, may offer a deep discount when they know that 55 people are coming.

There has been confusion about signing up for Wednesday bus excursion trips. This procedure has not changed. When you have chosen the trip you wish to go on, you must sign up the Thursday before the Wednesday when the excursion is scheduled. Sign up at the Security Desk in the clubhouse on the proper Thursday. Do not look for a sign-up sheet when there will be no trip scheduled for the following Wednesday. If Security does not have a sign-up sheet, there is no trip.

MAY EXCURSION TRIPS

WEDNESDAY 2	Boca Town Center Mall
WEDNESDAY 9	Festival Flea Market
WEDNESDAY 16	Palm Beach Gardens
	Mall(PGA)
WEDNESDAY 23	Mario The Baker and
	Stein Mart

EXCURSIONS DEPART CLUBHOUSE AT 10:00A.M AND RETURN ABOUT 3:00P.M

You will be told the time to come back to the bus by the driver and also when you sign in before leaving.

If you are NOT returning with our bus please notify the driver.

STARTING IN MAY, MALL BUS WILL ONLY OPERATE ON MONDAYS-WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS. SHUTTLE BUS WILL OPERATE ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS ONLY.



In The Merry Month of May

BY RUTH BERNHARD-DREISS

This year, we celebrate Mother's Day on May 11th. We honor all moms and April showers should bring May flowers.

Birthstone:

Emerald which means success or love.

Zodiac sign: Taurus (Apr. 20 - May 20) and Gemini (May 21 - June 20). **Birth flower**: Lily of the Valley

- Memorial Day: celebrated the last Monday in May.
- Cinco de Mayo: May 5 celebrated in Mexico in remembrance of the Battle of Puebla in 1862 when Mexico defeated the French forces of Napoleon III.
- Armed Forces Day: celebrated the 3rd Saturday in May
- WW II General Mark Clark (1896-1984) was born in May. He was commander of the US Fifth Army which invaded Italy, fighting a long and brutal campaign against stubborn German opposition. Also born in May were Pope Leo XIII (1810-1903); Golda Meir (1898-1978, founder of the modern State of Israel who served as Prime Minister from 1969-1974
- On May 2, 2011, US Special Operations killed Osama bin

Laden.

- May 5, 1865 Decoration Day was first observed in the US with the tradition of decorating soldiers' graves from the Civil War with flowers. The observance day was later moved to May 30 and included American graves from WW I and WW II. It became better known as Memorial Day. In 1971, Congress moved Memorial Day to the last Monday in May, thus creating a 3-day holiday weekend.
- May 5, 1893 The Wall Street Crash began with stock prices falling dramatically. By the end of the year 600 banks closed and several big railroads were in receivership. Another 15,000 businesses were bankrupt amid 20% unemployment.
- May 5, 1961 Alan Shepard became the first American in space.
- Communism founder Karl Marx (1818-1893) was born in Germany, co-authored "Das Kapital" and "The Communist Manifesto," advocating the abolition of all private property and a system in which workers owned all the means of production, land, factories and machinery.
- May 7, 1945 WW II ended in Europe. Harry S. Truman,



nicknamed "Give 'em hell, Harry," the 33rd president of the US. born 1884 and died in1972, took office upon the death of FDR. WW II in Japan ended in 1945, in August.

More birthdays include Songwriter Irving Berlin (1888); Modern dance pioneer, Martha Graham (1893); British nurse and public health activist, Florence Nightingale (1820); Pope John Paul II (1920), 264th Pope of the Roman Catholic Church; Sir Laurence Olivier (1907) considered one of the most influential actors of the 20th Century; Actor/singer Al Jolson (1886) one of the premier American vaudeville entertainers; John F. Kennedy (1917) a.k.a. JFK, the 35th president of the US, was assassinated in Dallas in 1963.

ALL BUS RIDERS NEED TO HAND ID PASS TO DRIVER

With the new scanner system now in place it is necessary to hand your Century Village ID to the driver so he can scan it into computer. We know that many of our riders have found it convenient with packages and walking aides to wear the ID around their neck, pinned to their clothing or in their wallets. However, with this new system in place the driver needs to hold your ID. This new system is designed to give us an accurate count of the number of riders and what bus routes can be improved.



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- General Counsel at one of the nation's largest privately held companies (2012-2016) – Supervised the legal, environmental/regulatory, compliance, health & safety, government relations and communications functions at the company.
- **State Attorney, Fifteenth Judicial Circuit** (Palm Beach County) (2008-2012) - Led and managed approximately 125 attorneys across five offices. Spearheaded the efforts to adopt and implement ethics reforms in the County resulting in the definitive grand jury report recommending the establishment of an independent inspector general and an ethics commission.

- Partner at the boutique law firm Rosenberg & McAuliffe, PL (2002-2008) -Handled numerous cases involving employment and labor law, commercial disputes and selected white-collar defense matters.
- Litigation partner at Holland & Knight LLP (**1999-2002**) – Managed internal investigations for corporate clients and handled numerous employment law litigation cases on behalf of clients in federal trial and appellate courts.
- Supervisory Assistant U.S. Attorney and chief of the Civil Rights Section of the U.S.Attorney's Office (1997-1999) – Among other cases, supervised the prosecution in U.S. v. Cadena, et al, one of the most significant modern slavery/trafficking cases in the United States.
- Assistant U.S. Attorney in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Florida(1994-1999) – Handled an array of federal statutory crimes including bank robberies, fraud schemes, public corruption and drug offenses.
- CEP Fellow and Visiting Professor of Law at the University of West Bohemia in the Czech **Republic (1993-1994)** – Helped establish the reform law faculty as the Czech Republic was reemerging as a democratic country after decades under communist control. Provided counsel to the Office of the Czech President Václav Havel.
- United States Department of Justice, Honors **Program (1989-1993)** – Worked as a federal civil rights prosecutor in the Criminal Section of the Civil Rights Division, where he investigated and prosecuted criminal civil rights cases including hate crimes, law enforcement misconduct and involuntary servitude/ human trafficking cases.

Throughout my legal career, I have made it my central mission to serve the public and ensure that justice is served. I wish to continue to serve you, the residents of Palm Beach County, and that is why I have decided to run for Circuit Judge, Group 25. I am committed to serving in our judiciary with impartiality, fairness



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MAY 2018 ENTERTAINMENT



Saturday, May 5, 8 pm ACROSS THE UNIVERSE THE ULTIMATE BEATLES TRIBUTE

Experience the music of the Beatles like never before when Across The Universe's four superb musicians recreate the music of Lennon, Mc-Cartney, Harrison and Starr in a high energy show playing all your Beatles favorites.



Saturday, May 12, 8 pm WILLIE CINTRON A TRIBUTE TO THE LEGENDS

With a voice that can hit just about any vocal range and with astonishing accuracy to the artists he pays tribute to, Willie Cintron performs with energy and passion.



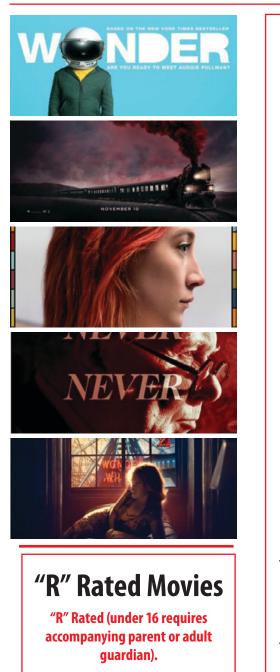
Saturday, May 19, 8 pm CELEBRATING THE GREAT CROONERS OF THE 20TH CENTURY WITH DON STANSFIELD

Wonderful musical theater entertainer Don Stansfield performs classic melodies from artists such as Perry Como, Johnny Mathis, Bing Crosby, Dean Martin and many more.



Saturday, May 26, 8 pm ANN ANELLO

Ann is one of the most sought after creative singers, performers and songwriters working in the entertainment industry today. She dazzles her audiences with her powerful and dynamic voice and boundless energy. Opening for Ann is the extraordinary pianist, Francisco Paz.



Additional ratings for this movie are: V for Violence

MOVIE SCHEDULE

Afternoon showings are at 1:45PM — Tuesday & Sunday. Evening Showings are at 6:45 PM. The 1st Monday Evening & Tuesday Afternoon showings of each new movie (some movies are shown two Mondays and Tuesdays) will have "Closed Caption" (for the hearing impaired) when available. *No charge for residents.*

MAY 2018 MOVIES

05/01 Thu. 1:45PM 05/03 Sun. 6:45PM	 WONDER – Julia Roberts, Owen Wilson, Jacob Tremblay, Izabela Vidovic and Mandy Patinkin PG 113 MIN. Based on a New York Times Bestseller, this heartwarming and inspirational drama tells the story of Auggie Pullman, a boy with facial deformities who starts out 5th grade by mainstreaming into a public school. Told with great compassion, the film demonstrates how his classmates and the greater community find the compassion to accept him.
05/06 Sun. 1:45PM	MURDER ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS — Kenneth Branagh, Penélope Cruz, Willem Dafoe, Johnny Depp,
05/07 Mon. 6:45PM	Judi Dench, Michelle Pfeiffer and Josh Gad
05/08 Tue. 1:45PM	PG-13, 114 MIN.
05/10 Thu. 6:45PM	This suspenseful murder mystery with an all-star cast is based on the famous Agatha Christie novel. The film takes
05/13 Sun. 1:45PM	place on the luxurious Orient Express as it travels from Istanbul to London. On board is famed detective Hercule
	Poirot who must solve the murder of one of the passengers. The fun begins when everyone on board becomes a suspect.
05/14 Mon. 6:45PM	LADY BIRD — Saoirse Ronan, Laurie Metcalf and Tracy Letts
05/15 Tue. 1:45PM	R, 94 MIN. (RATED R FOR LANGUAGE, SEXUAL CONDUCT, BRIEF NUDITY).
05/17 Thu. 6:45PM	Nominated for an Academy Award, Lady Bird is a comedy/drama taking place in Sacramento, California depicting
05/20 Sun. 1:45PM	the humor, pathos and turmoil of adolescence and the bond between a mother and daughter.
05/21 Mon. 6:45PM	

L for Language (strong language and drug content) N for Nudity (graphic nudity) SC for Sexual Content (pervasive language including sexual references and situations)

An "R" rated motion picture, in the view of the Rating Board, contains some adult Imaterial. An "R" rated motion picture may include adult themes, adult activity, hard language, intense or persistent violence, sexually-oriented nudity, drug abuse or other elements. Due to a wide viewing audience, WPRF will not censure "R" rated movies. Therefore, if you find any of the above offensive, WPRF suggest you "OPT OUT" of seeing this movie. 05/22 Tue. 1:45PM **DARKEST HOUR** – Gary Oldman, Kristin Scott Thomas and Lily James,

05/24 Thu. 6:45PM **PG-13 125 MIN.**

05/27 Sun.1:45PMTaking place during the early days of World War II when the fate of Europe and especially Britain hangs in the05/28 Mon.6:45PMbalance, this Academy Award-nominated film focuses on Winston Churchill's struggle on whether Britain will fight or05/29 Tue.1:45PMnegotiate with Hitler.

05/31 Thu. 6:45PM **WONDER WHEEL** – Jim Belushi, Kate Winslet, Justin Timberlake and Juno Temple. **PG-13 101 MIN.**

Woody Allen wrote and directed this drama that takes place in Coney Island in the 1950s. The film tells the story of a middle-aged carousel operator, his long-suffering wife and the visitor who turns their lives upside-down. (Continued in June)

Entertainment information is provided by W.P.R.F. Any questions regarding Clubhouse entertainment should be directed to W.P.R.F. at 640-3120.

This showing will be in Room C

Century Village Super Women The Ladies of WPRF

Monica Wells

BY BOBBI LEVIN

In Century Village, we often hear and its affiliates for people speaking with distinct accents reminiscent of neighborhoods in Brooklyn, NY. Montreal, Canada, Chicago, Illinois, and London, England. No one in Century Village speaks with a lovelier accent than Monica Wells, the Chief Financial Officer for Cenvill Recreation.

Born in Rome, Georgia and brought up in Carrollton, a suburb of Atlanta, Monica quickly recognized that she enjoyed working with numbers. After high school, she obtained a real estate license and worked with her father in his business. Her mom, who managed a local dress boutique, encouraged her to do the shop's bookkeeping so while she was catching up on the latest styles, Monica was also practicing her accounting skills.

She enrolled at Berry College and graduated with a degree in Accounting. Her first job was with a Georgia bank as an Internal Bank Auditor in Rome, GA.

In 1988, Monica joined Cenvill Development, a public company,

thirty years. She now supervises the entire accounting staff of 7 people who do all the accounting/ bookkeeping for the three Century Villages that Cenvill manages.

Monica, who has one daughter, Amanda, and two granddaughters, Olivia and Kelli, says she is "not domesticated." She admits that she likes reading a good book but does not like gardening, does not like housework, and does not like to cook. Luckily, in 1990 she married a

man who is now a gourmet chef and they always eat well. Andy, a banker, was born in Pakistan and raised in Tripoli,Libya. He understands her professional responsibilities and is happy to assist in running their household.

It is evident that Monica loves and she has been with the company her job and loves Century Village. peach has become a Cenvill plum!



She is proud to represent a company that has offered so much to so many people for so many years. She enjoys meeting monthly with the residents at UCO Operations meetings and says she never underestimates the suggestions made by committee members.

We are fortunate that this Georgia

FOR A GOOD **UNDERSTANDING** OF HOW AND WHEN **VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE ATLANTIC** BROADBAND **PROJECT WILL BE IMPLEMENTED**, WATCH THE MARCH **14 VIDEO OF THE** BROADBAND COMMITTEE **MEETING.**

I can't think of a better way to learn about how the different parts of this project are going to take place, some of which are underway Representatives now. from Atlantic Broadband and CSI answer question after question from the Committee members and residents of the Village at this meeting. These very keen "back and forths" are understandable, especially as some questions are repeated in order to clarify certain points.

There are two main aspects to the project, at times some parts taking place simultaneously: getting the fiber-optic cable installed throughout the Village (this is in progress now) and the cable installation within each condo unit, which comes later. Unit owners: Pay special attention to what Charlie Roberts, the project foreman, explains about arranging for the work inside your unit, especially those of you who are snowbirds. Don't be left behind by failing to do your part.

Eva Rachesky

BY RUTH BERNHARD-DREISS

Eva began employment with WPRF in October, 1987 in the Accounts Receivable Department. At that time, the office staff consisted of four women, three of whom were responsible to her. She oversaw the other Villages and processed all WPRF payments and had charge of cable and water payments as part of her routine.

After Hurricane Frances, Eva was offered the position of Vice President in Deerfield where she was employed

Dept. Store in Paramus, NJ, a place very well known to those of us who came from that area. From there, it was on to Florida where she worked for the Pennysaver and the Palm Beach Post, before employment in Century Village.

As a single mom, Eva raised two sons. Her older son is employed by United Health Care and the younger boy (who I remember as a tot in a stroller when she brought him to the office) has a Masters degree in



for seven years. When the owners of the Deerfield property did not renew with the Levys, Anita Cruz who had Eva's present position here, moved to Boca Raton. Eva then came back to West Palm Beach in 2011 as Vice President and Administrator of Recreational Operations of W.P.R.F., Inc. She will celebrate her 7th year in that position in October of this year and celebrated 30 years with Century Village in October, 2017.

As a Bronx girl, Eva grew up around the Botanical Gardens and the Bronx Zoo. She then moved to New Rochelle, NY and then Bergen County, NJ. She attended Jersey City State College majoring in Special Education and Psychology. Her management career began in the Furniture Dept. of Bamberger's

Writing. Eva was a skier years ago, likes to go antiquing and to auctions. Many of our clubhouse accessories are products of her shopping sprees. Eva has a collection of Barbie dolls with clothes, including Couture Barbie with Bob Mackie designed outfits.

As a child, Eva's mom sewed all of her clothes and party costumes. Eva does not sew, but she is always elegantly dressed. Her mom is very talented in sewing, embroidery, crocheting and knitting to this day. Eva loves to cook, but doesn't at this time. She is looking forward to resuming her cooking skills at some future time and has a very large recipe file and improvises with various recipes to create her own dishes.

Eva is passionate about the

lifestyle here in Century Village. Her commitment to the Village is 100% and she attends all club functions to which she is invited. She joined the Robert Sharon Chorale in 2012, singing in the choir, and for the past several years the residents of Century Village have been treated to a wonderful holiday concert under the direction of Dr Sharon.

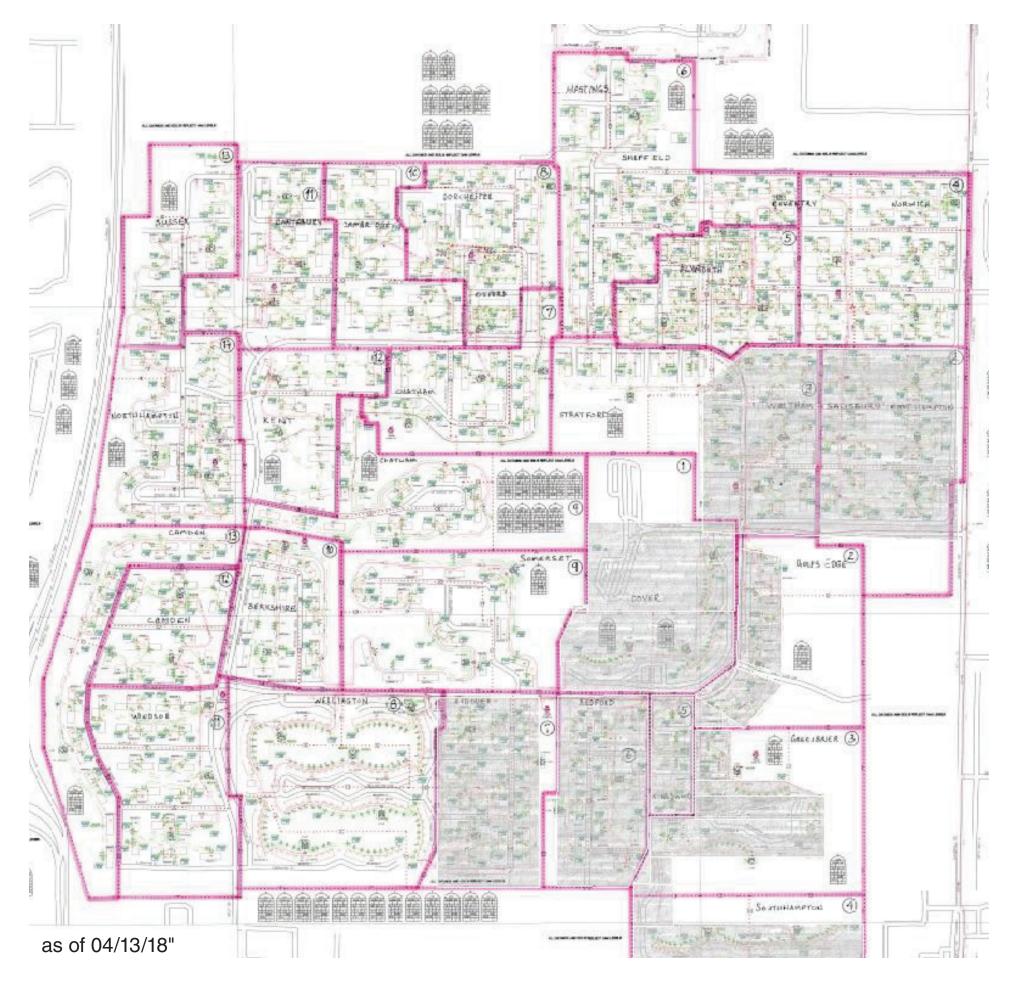
Eva will tell you that her greatest accomplishment is her two sons of whom she is very proud each Mother's Day -- and every day.

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ATLANTIC BROADBAND PROGRESS MAP



LEGEND:

- White no work performed or a lagoon (water) area.
- Grey shading shows a construction area with conduit installations
- Yellow will indicate fiber installed within the conduit, cabinets, nodes and coax cable installed up to the pedestals around the buildings.
- Green will indicate areas completed.



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Berkshire B 1 BR / 1.5 BA	\$800
Andover A 1 BR / 1 BA	
Camden L 1 BR / 1 BA	
Easthampton H 1 BR / 1 BA	\$850
Sussex I	\$890
Kent N 1 BR / 1.5 BA	\$900
Camden P 1 BR / 1 BA	\$900
Cambridge H 1 BR / 1 BA	\$900
Sussex H 1 BR / 1.5 BA	\$925
Canterbury G 1 BR / 1.5 BA	\$1,400
Northampton L 1 BR / 1 BA	\$1,400
Sheffield J 1 BR / 1.5 BA	\$1,500
Andover H 2 BR / 1.5 BA	\$925
Dorchester C	\$950
Norwich C 2 BR / 1.5 BA	\$950
Sheffield C 2 BR / 1.5 BA Waterfront	\$1,000
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Our Two Grandmothers

As different as could be . . .

BY LANNY HOWE

Our dad's mother was as different from our mom's mother as could be, and vice versa. They both had an English background, but Dad's mother came over to the States from England when she was in her late teens, while Mom's mother was Bermudian, the youngest of twelve children. Nana Howe (Dad's mother) was pretty strait-laced and proper, while Nana Jordie (for Jordan, her married surname) was more of a scamp and fun-loving.

Both visited us frequently and we often visited them. Nana Howe read us stories and recited many poems she had learned by heart. A widow, she worked as a housekeeper in West Roxbury, MA, for an elderly man, Mr. Cruff, who owned a big, old house with a circular staircase and many rooms, some of which we never saw. The staircase went up to the upstairs bedrooms. When we visited her, she had always baked something for us. It was often biscuits, and oh, were they good. Mr. Cruff had a huge yard, which included a grape arbor. He was a sportsman and did a lot of hunting. More about that in a moment.

Nana Jordie had been separated from her husband and lived in an apartment. She worked as a telephone switchboard operator and later for Raytheon Company. She was more "fun" than Nana Howe, although we liked both. Nana Jordie smoked, which neither of our parents did, and, we found out later, drank as well, which neither Mom nor Dad did. She would go out on the porch or in the backyard to smoke. It was only an occasional thing and it seemed relaxing and kind of nice to me. People suspected it wasn't good for you then, but weren't aware of how injurious it could be. She called my youngest brother Arthur her "little pigeon." Both grandmothers lived with us for spells.

Nana Jordie told us about a time in Bermuda when she nearly drowned. She was three years old and was playing near some water. She saw an orange peel in the water and thinking it was a whole orange, went to grab it, and fell in. As she describes it, she sank in the water twice, came up twice, and then was rescued before she went down for the third (and supposedly last, she said) time. She came with our mother, who

was then four, to the U.S. during World War I, because the climate in Bermuda was dangerous to our mother's health. They braved the German U-boats to do that. If either event had turned out differently, we kids realized we wouldn't be here.

Nana Howe told us about the mice in Mr. Cruff's house. She would catch them in traps set in the backs of old cupboard drawers and in the basement. She had a rat trap too and caught one in the basement, which I saw. She wasn't at all squeamish about them.

Nana Jordie remarried and began living on Cape Cod in a big old house on a hill overlooking Nauset Beach. We had many a good time there, and I learned to ride a bike on their small circular driveway. Soon I was riding into Orleans and all over



the place. Mayo's Duck Farm was a favorite place to visit. I saw them kill a duck there by chopping off its head. The disconnected body ran around in circles for a while. We had a dog with us at this time—named Winkie because someone swore she had winked once. I seriously doubt Winkie really did wink. She got loaded with ticks one time when we visited Nana Jordie on the Cape. When they get bloated up with blood, they take on a grayish color and are really ugly.

We got Winkie from the Animal Rescue League when she was 1-1/2 years old, and soon found out she had been trained to run after a thrown ball and catch it in the air. We had been throwing a tennis ball back and forth when it got away from us and Winkie leaped up, seized it in the air, and deposited it as nicely as could be at our feet, obviously awaiting its being thrown again. Of course we kids soon had the neighborhood kids over to see our new talented dog. A graycolored mongrel of some sort, she was "half horse and half mouse," said Dad.

When we visited Nana Howe, if it was an informal visit, we would pull up on a side street and go in through the back door to the kitchen. If it was a "formal visit," as for a holiday meal with Mr. Cruff, we would enter by the front door, which meant passing through a vestibule with Mr. Cruff's hunting trophies and mementos. These included a

ceramic owl, electrically hooked up so it had blinking red eyes, and a deer head mounted on the wall. The deer head scared me, and I always held onto our mother's hand when going in. On one occasion, though, our dad thought it was time for me at age three to show a little courage, and insisted I walk through the vestibule without holding onto Mom. There was no arguing with Dad, I realized, so I summoned up my courage, gritted my teeth, said in a loud voice, "DEER, YOU SHUT UP!" and raced across the room. The deer of course never said a word—and, to my knowledge, never had and never has since then.

Those were our grandmothers. They were different and we enjoyed them both. Happy Mother's Day, all you grandmothers!







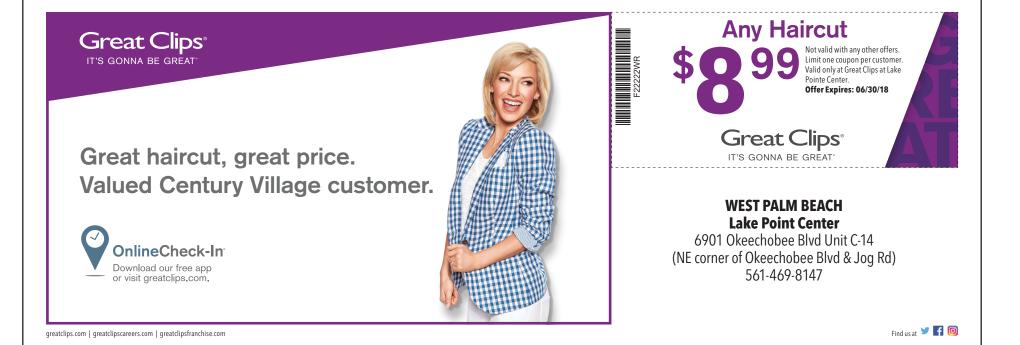


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Memorial Day, one of our Nation's solemn most holidays, takes place this month. On this day, we honor who veterans lost their lives

while serving our country. Please note that our offices are closed on Monday, May 28 in observance of Memorial Day.

May also marks the start of a busy summer season in our offices. Schools begin summer vacations this month. Our offices get crowded. Continue reading for tips to ensure a speedy transaction with us.

Finally, I want to wish a Happy Mother's Day to all mothers, grandmothers and guardians... thank you for all you do, you are appreciated.

Don't Wait Until the Last Minute!

Did you know about thirty percent of clients in our service centers wouldn't need to be there if they had

not waited until the last minute to complete their transaction? Here are some tips to help you plan ahead and avoid a long wait:

• Check wait times. Our service centers are usually busiest at the beginning and end of the week and month. Text "waitpbc" to 41411 before your visit for updated wait times.

• Renew vehicle registrations ahead of time. Did you know you can renew your vehicle registration up to three months prior to its expiration? Renew your registration online before it expires and renew it for two years!

• Make a driver license appointment. We ALWAYS recommend clients make an appointment for driver license service. But don't wait! Appointments book quickly. Book your appointment at least three months in advance. Inform the receptionist of your appointment upon arrival.

• Renew your driver license before it expires. Did you know you can renew your driver license up to 18 months before it expires? Don't take a chance of being caught with an expired license. Check the expiration date and if you can renew it online. If you cannot renew it online, remember to schedule an appointment.

Prepare for Hurricane Season with our Handy Guide

Hurricane season is around the corner. Some of us are still recovering after Hurricane Irma lashed our County in September causing widespread damage. Preparation is key to keeping our neighborhoods, communities and families safe. Our handy, pocket-sized guide contains practical information to help you plan, prepare and protect yourself,

others and your property. Use this tool to get started on preparing for the unexpected.

To request your copy email, ClientAdvocate@taxcollectorpbc. com.

In the Community

Tax Collector Gannon and and her Civic Engagement team regularly attend events throughout the county to educate the public about tax collector services. In the last month alone, Civic Engagement Liaisons have logged hundreds of miles attending various homeowner association and civic club meetings.

We would love to come speak at your next group meeting or special event. Email us at ClientAdvocate@ taxcollectorpbc.com to arrange for someone from our office to visit your community!

Pick up our Annual Report

If you're like most taxpayers, you want to know how your tax dollars are spent. Do you ever wonder who is the single largest taxpayer in Palm Beach County? Did you know we collected and distributed nearly \$3.5 billion in 2016 property taxes? This is just some of the information we present in our 2017 Annual Report to Our Citizens. I also share agency accomplishments and a look ahead at our plans for fiscal year 2018.

To request free copies of the Annual Report to Our Citizens, please contact us at ClientAdvocate@ taxcollectorpbc.com. The report is an excellent resource to share with your community, civic or faith group.

Clerk Bock Speaks at Aging in America Conference

CLERK SHARON R. BOCK, ESQ. PB COUNTY CLERK & COMPTROLLER



Clerk & Comptroller Sharon R. Bock, Esq. and her Deputy Inspector General Anthony Palmieri presented at the 2018 Aging in America Conference in San Francisco on March 27. They spoke on independently auditing and investigating guardianships using professional standards.

The Aging in America Conference is one of the premier aging conferences in the nation, attracting the country's foremost experts.



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COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER MAY 2018								
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OFFICE HOURS: 9:00AM-11:59AM 1:00PM-4:00PM Office Closed: 12pm-1pm		10:00am-10:45am Balance, Strength, & Flexibility	10:00am-11:30am Reveal your inner poet Poetry day!	2	10:00am-11:30am Bereavement Support Group	4 2:00pm-3:00pm Chair Yoga		
2:00pm-3:00pm Memorial Pre-Planning With Dignity Memorial	7	10:00am-10:45am 8 Balance, Strength, & Flexibility	FREE AUDIOLOGIST hearing checks/screenings hearing aid cleanings, etc.	9	10:00am-11:30am 10 Bereavement Support Group	10:00am-12:00pm 13 Mother's Day Breakfast 2:00pm-3:00pm Chair Yoga		
10:00am-11:45am MASSAGE THERAPY *Limited Appointments*	14	15 10:00am-10:45am Balance, Strength, & Flexibility	Call for appoint. 10:00am-11:30am Arts & Crafts with Bonnie 1:00pm-3:00pm	6	10:00am-11:30am 17 Bereavement 2:00PM-3:00PM Protecting yourself against scams with HUMANA Light	18 2:00pm-3:00pm Chair Yoga		
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ORGANIZATIONAL NEWS

DO NOT resubmit dates for events already appearing unless there is a correction. There is no charge for listings. ALL SUBMISSIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO: ucoreporterwpb@gmail.com.

Submissions for Organizational News may be submitted in person at the UCO Reporter office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:00AM to 12:00PM.

(All meetings are in the main Clubhouse unless stated otherwise.)

ACT II COMMUNITY THEATRE - Meets every Wednesday at 7:00 PM at the Clubhouse. New members welcome!

ACTORS STUDIO OF CENTURY VILLAGE: Join the fun! We have minor parts, leading roles, and a need for writers, stage hands and props people. We read scripts and practice acting every week, and put on two performances a year. No prior acting experience needed. We meet every Monday night at 7:00 PM in Classroom B. Stop in or call Shari @ 415 385-9925.

AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURE CLUB (AACC) - Meetings are held on first Wednesday of every month at 6 p.m. in Clubhouse Art Room. New members are welcome.

Card Night: Play Hand and Foot in the Clubhouse Card Room every Wednesday at 6 p.m. All skill levels are invited and we will teach new players. For details, contact Terry 249-7262, Eula 561-718-7478 or Sadie (845)541-7167.

AITZ CHAIM: Daily services 8:00 AM. Mincha and Maariv at Sundown, Sisterhood 3rd Monday of month 10:00 AM. Charlotte 917-815-7711; Charlotte 478-8756; Anita 686-9083.

AL'ANON MEETING We invite you to join us every Thursday in the Clubhouse Craft Room at 1:30 pm. All 12 steppers are welcome.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION: Free community workshops every 2nd and 4th Tuesday starting on August 21, 2018.. 10:30 a.m. - Noon in Card Room B or C. Join us to explore how communication can take place when someone has Alzheimer's. Learn how to decode the verbal and behavioral messages delivered by someone with with dementia. This is your learning time. Please do not bring along the person you are trying to help.. For more information, call Sandy 561-689-3540 or Carmen 561-469-1220.

BEST SHORT STORY DISCUSSION GROUP: Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. Craft Room 1:30 PM. Contact Julie at 249-6565

BIBLE STUDY GROUP - "Taste & See": Non-denominational group. All residents welcome. Sunday at 5pm, Classroom B, 2nd floor. For information, call Leonore 478-9459.

B'NAI B'RITH CENTURY UNIT #5367: Annual membership fee \$25. Breakfast meetings fourth Sunday of the month at Congregation Anshei Sholom with entertainment and speakers.

BROOKLYN QUEENS CLUB: Clubhouse Party Room October to April on the second Wednesday of the month at 2:00PM. Doors open at 1:30. For further information, call club president Harriet Levine @ 684-9712.

CENTURY VILLAGE ARTISTS: We welcome all Century Village residents to view our artwork on 1st and 2nd floor of main Clubhouse. Info about purchase or display -- Beth Baker @ 684-3166.

CENTURY VILLAGE BOOK CLUB-We are already working on books for next season. For more information, call 640-6944 or email arzj@Hotmail.com

CENTURY VILLAGE CAMERA CLUB: Any questions, e-mail Ken Graff at cameraclubcv@gmail.com.

CENTURY VILLAGE COMPUTER CLUB: May through October meetings are first Thursday of the month at 1 .m. November through April meetings are 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 1 p.m. Sign up in Clubhouse Room 103.. Annual Dues are \$15. Call Kathy @ 252-8495 or visit our website at: http://www.cvcomputerclub-wpb.com

CENTURY VILLAGE CRAFT CRE-ATIONS - KNITTING-CROCHETING CLUB: Meets every Tues. 9:30 AM -12 p.m. Craft Room (104). We create items to donate to the Teacup Preemie Program, veterans, and other agencies that provide services to chil**CENTURY VILLAGE NORTH AMER-ICAN EDUCATORS CLUB:** First Tuesday of every month at 10:30 AM in the Art Room. School-related retirees and in-service personnel meet on a regular basis to socialize, share ideas, and learn about issues that affect them presently and possibly in the future. Contact Bob Zuckerberg at zuckie15@aol.com or 917-796-1317 for information.

CENTURY VILLAGE ORCHESTRA: Mondays in Classroom C at 1:15 to 3:35 p.m. For information, call Rickie @ 683-0869 or Joel @ 688-9455. We need trombone players, string players and percussion players.

CENTURY VILLAGE (OA) OVEREAT-ERS ANONYMOUS - Everyone welcome !!

Every Sunday 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. In the Craft Room. For information call: 242-0189 or 347-469-2929 or 308-6444.

CENTURY VILLAGE REPUBLICAN CLUB - For information, contact Geoff 291-1940 or Barbara 689-9275

CENTURY VILLAGE WOODWORK-ING CLUB: Meets 6 days a week from 8:30 AM to 11:30 a.m.. Please come and join us in our hobby shop.

CENWEST FISHING CLUB: First Wednesday of each month 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. Classroom B. For more Information, call Al at 561- 242-0351 or Mike at 802-479-4184. New and experienced anglers are welcome. Events range from drift boat fishing, pier and beach fishing to fresh water activities. Classroom discussions held on fishing on Century Village property, techniques, equipment, bait, sustainable fisheries and a host of other topics.

CHRISTIAN CLUB: Will meet again on October 3, 2018. Everyone is welcome. For club information, call Rae 561-254-2290.. For upcoming events, call Figgy 561-707-6548 or figgy039@ yahoo.com or www.grouptrips.com/ figgy.

• May 7 - Calder Casino

• May 20 - Motor coach day trip to Miami \$84/person. Cut-off date -May 3. CONGREGATION ANSHEI SHO-LOM, 5348 Grove St. in Century Village. We are happy to welcome you to our Synagogue. Meet our synagogue family and learn about our wonderful services, programs and activities. Planning a party? Rent our Social Hall which is strictly kosher. Weekday minyans will be held on Monday and Thursday mornings at 8:45 AM. Shabbat Services Friday evening at 5:00 PM and Saturday morning at 9:00 AM. If you need to say Kaddish please call ahead so we can get a minyan together. Rabbi Kavon's class will resume in the Fall every Thursday after minyan approximately at 10:00 AM. See office for details.

Following are the activities and events scheduled for the month of May 2018:

- May 13, 2018 Sisterhood Mother's Day Brunch at 10:00 AM
- May 15, 2018 Sisterhood monthly meeting with Mini Lunch at 12:00 noon.
- May 20, 2018 Shavuot Day 1 Services at 8:45 AM
- May 21, 2018 Shavuot Day 2 -Services at 8:45 AM - Yizkor at approx.. 10:30 AM

For further information on any of these events, please call the Synagogue office 684-3212.

COUNTRY LINE DANCING: Country and Regular, Monday and Friday 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in Art Room or Party room. . For information, contact Frankie 561-777-5712

DANCE PARTY/NIGHT CLUB: During the summer, the Dance Party will meet on Tuesdays 7 - 9 p.m. in the Party Room. For more information, call Lou 398-8785. In November, the Night Club will start at 6:30 p.m. We play every genre of music from ballroom to disco. Requests taken. Come to dance, listen, watch.. Call for more info: Erwin 917-915-2174

FRIENDS OF BILL WILSON: Meets every Thursday 6:30: to 7:30 PM in the Clubhouse, Craft Room.

'FRIENDS OF P.O.S.T." (Pediatric Oncology Support Team). Meetings will be held the second Monday of the month - Clubhouse Party Room - 11:30a.m.- For further information, please contact Shirley at 478-2391 or Marion 684-5814.

BABY BOOMERS CLUB: 3rd Wednesday each month at 3:30 PM, December through April. Contact Lynn at Lynnsevan@aol.com for further information.

BALLROOM DANCE GROUP: Mondays 2 - 4 PM. Party Room, except 2nd Monday occasionally in Art Room. No charge. Info: Irwin @ 917-915-2174.

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CENTURY VILLAGE MEN'S CLUB: We meet September through May on first Sunday of the month at 9:30 AM at the Clubhouse Craft Room. Activities include dinners, dinner dances, fishing trips, football games, baseball games, basketball games, casino trips, cruises and other fun activities. Coffee, bagels, cream cheese served at every meeting. This is a warm and supportive group and we are planning an exciting season of new activities. For more information, contact Ruben Ramos at 561-459-7176 or docruben1@gmail.com

• July 8-9 - Motor coach trip to Ft. Myers \$139/person. Cut-off date May 29

• July 28-Aug 5 - Motor coach trip to Niagara Falls and Toronto, Canada \$744/person Insurance available. Cut-off date May 9.



HASTINGS CUE CLUB: We welcome new members Mon. - Sat. 9:30 AM - 12 noon.

HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS OF THE PALM BEACHES: First Wednesday of month 9:30 a.m., Golden Lakes Temple. Bus provided from Century Village Clubhouse. Information: call Kathy @ 689-0393

IRISH AMERICAN CULTURAL CLUB OF CENTURY VILLAGE - Wishes everyone a happy and healthy summer. Next meeting will be in November. Details to follow. Contact Carole 1-914-343-5547 for more information..

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ITALIAN AMERICAN CULTURE
CLUB: (IACC) OF CENTURY VIL-
LAGE: Meets the 3rd Wednesday
of each month in Clubhouse Party
Room at 1:00 pm. For club informa-
tion, call Fausto 478-1821. Check out
our blog at: http://cvitalianclubwpb.
blogspot.com.EL CLUB LATINO AMERICANO:
El Primer Jueves de cada mes habrá
una reunión de La Junta Directiva
a las 7:00 PM en el Clubhouse en el
Salón de Clases B. Esta reunión está
abierta a todos los miembros. Alenta-
mos a todos los miembros que asis-
tan. Necesitamos su opinión sobre

Bowling - Saturdays at Verdes Lanes, 9:00 A.M. For information call Lenny 471- 2603.

JUDITH EPSTEIN CHAPTER of **HADASSAH:** Third Wednesday of month at Congregation Anshei Sholom.

KARAOKE:

• November through April - Friday 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. in Party Room. Hosted by Janisse

• November through April - Tuesdays 6:30 - 9:30 p.m Room C. Hosted by .Marshall Eads..

• May through October Friday evenings in Party Room. Hosted by Marshall Eads..

KATHY'S KITCHEN. CAN WE DISH?

Third Friday - from November - April at 1 p.m. Come join us for a nibble? Olddiva@aol.com Call: 561-252-8495 after 12pm.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS: Palm Beach Rainbow Lodge #203 meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays in Century Village Walgreens/Medical Building (separate ground floor entrance), 100 Century Blvd., CSI Caregiver Services, at 1:00pm. We are an international fraternal organization, non-sectarian. The Lodge welcomes new members, dual members, transferees, and Pythian reinstatements regardless of inactive years of service. WE WEL-COME ALL MEN! Participate in social and charitable events. Collation after each meeting. For further info, call Irv 683-4049. Check out our blog at: http://knight203.blogspot.com.

LATIN AMERICAN CLUB: First Thursday of every month - Staff Meeting at 7:00 PM in Clubhouse Classroom B. All members are urged to attend to give your input on future plans.

• The Latin Dance is the third Sunday of every month from 5 – 9 PM. Everyone is welcome. New members

El Primer Jueves de cada mes habrá una reunión de La Junta Directiva a las 7:00 PM en el Clubhouse en el Salón de Clases B. Esta reunión está abierta a todos los miembros. Alentamos a todos los miembros que asistan. Necesitamos su opinión sobre nuestros planes futuros. Discutiremos los planes para nuestro próximo baile. El Baile Latino es el Tercer Domingo de cada mes de 5 a 9 PM. Todos son Bienvenidos. Nosotros invitamos a nuevos miembros. El 20 de Mayo a las 5 p.m. será nuestra Baile Latino. El Tema será el "Día de las Madres". Tendremos muchas sorpresas, bizcocho y entretenimiento. Venga como invitado y regrésese a su casa como miembro. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con Rubén Ramos al 561-459-7176 o docruben1@gmail.com.

LINE DANCE WORKSHOP - Learn the most used line dance steps Have fun while stimulating your brain and working your muscles. For information contact Jerri Adams 731-439-0730

MERRY MINSTRELS: Looking for women and men who enjoy singing. Interested? Please contact Louis Ahwee at 561-531-3188.

NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT RETIR-EES: N.Y.C. Transit Retirees. Anyone interested in attending a meeting of the New York City Transit Retirees of Florida, West Palm Beach Chapter, please call Kathy - 689-0393.

NORTHERN STARS: Will resume in November on second Monday of every month. 6:30 to 9:30 PM - Clubhouse Party Room - Singing, Dancing - Prizes & a 50/50. For further info, call Janisse @ 586-291-8286 or email: northernstarsbo@hotmail. com

PET CLUB: Everyone is welcome whether or not you have a pet. All you need is a love for animals. Topics under discussion so far have been the need for pet sitters and arranging animal play dates. If you would like to join our group, or if you have ideas to share, please contact me at hmalloy2000@yahoo.com.

POLISH AMERICAN SOCIAL CLUB OF CENTURY VILLAGE- Polish American Social Club promotes and preserves the traditions and customs of Polish ancestry. Meetings 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM at the Art Room . For info. call Krystyna Teller at 561-674-4887, www.facebook.com/polishsocialclubflorida2x

PROACTIVE RESIDENTS PROJECTS COMMITTEE: We are a non-profit group of CV resident owners concerned with Village issues. For information and meeting schedule check our Blog at http://proactive-comitteeblogspot.com/

SAILING CLUB: Meets every 2nd Fri. 10 AM, Classroom C. Sailing instructions given at boat dock. For information, contact Commodore Ray Cook at 561-603-9326.

SCRABBLE CLUB OF CENTURY VIL-LAGE: Every Tues .6:00 PM - 2nd Floor Card Room. For information call Lucy @ 729-0705.

SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB: May 1 -Summer schedule will begin. Play will begin at 9 a.m. on Tuesdays and will continue through October. In November , the winter schedule will begin. Equipment is always provided. We welcome members with a wide level of playing ability. Get outside and exercise and meet new people. For more information, leave a message with Jack at 640-3373.

SNORKEL CLUB: For summer snorkeling and hiking information, contact Christine at cmsmithfl@yahoo. com, Club meetings will begin in October on the 3rd Friday of the month.

SPANISH CONVERSATION CLUB: Weekly meetings in Clubhouse, Classroom B, Wednesday 10 a.m. If you speak a little Spanish, or if you are fluent, it doesn't matter. Come and join our informal group which is designed to be a fun experience. No fee. Contact: Thomas Kansas, 864-504-8285 or wizzrad30@hotmail. com

UNITED DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF

VILLAGE SONGBIRDS: We are a fun loving, singing group that performs in Memory Care Nursing Homes in Palm Beach County two or three times a month. We NEED a piano player - music director that can transpose music for the group. Rehearsals and auditions for men and women for the 2018 season will begin on August 21, 2108. Call Carmen for more information 561-469-1220.

YIDDISH CULTURE GROUP: The Yiddish Culture Club presents programs that perpetuate our Jewish heritage. All programs are translated into English and are held in the Auditorium on Tuesday morning at 10:00 A.M. Everyone is welcome.

HAMS WANTED! Actors Studio Invites New Members						
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For more information please call Shari @ 415 385-9925						
Actors Studio meets Monday Nights From 7 to 9 pm at the Clubhouse.						
Check with the security desk for our room location.						

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Century Village residents by volunteers working with the Palm Beach County Sheriff's office, announces new hours at the UCO Office, 2102 West Drive.

are welcome.

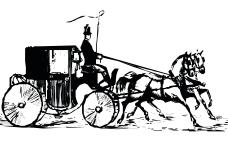
• May 20 at 5 PM will be our Latin Dance. The Theme will be "Mother's Day". We will have lots of surprises, cake and entertainment. Come as a guest and leave as a member.

For more information contact Ruben Ramos at 561-459-7176 or docruben1@gmail.com.



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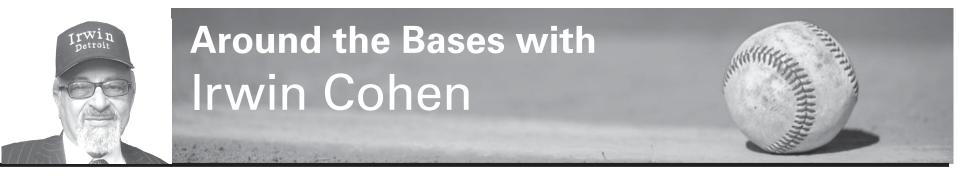
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Some familiar baseball card faces and names have departed this life recently.

Roy Sievers was one of baseball's biggest stars and nicest guys. He was also poorly paid in his time in the era before free agency. He had the bad luck of playing for teams who had the poorest owners, and in that era, a player was stuck with the team he was on. They were like baseball cards -- they could only be traded, sold or released. Most players of Sievers' caliber were paid much more.

Sievers slammed 318 career home runs and batted a lifetime .267 from 1949 through 1965. He was the American League Rookie of the Year in 1949 with the St. Louis Browns and had his greatest years with Clark Griffith's Washington Senators (1954-1959), spending the next decade with the Chicago White Sox and the National League's Philadelphia Phillies (1962-1964), before returning to Washington's Griffith Stadium, where he closed out his career with the Senators in 1965.

During his tenure in Washington, Sievers lunched with President John F. Kennedy and schmoozed with presidents Eisenhower, Nixon, and Johnson, and met Russia's Nikita Khrushchev.

Sievers, an outfielder, hit 42 home runs with Washington in 1957 and for nine consecutive seasons hit 21 or more home runs. He can be seen in distant shots hitting long balls in the movie "Damn Yankees." The 1958 musical comedy is about a midlifer who sells his soul to the devil to come back as a young superstar named Joe Hardy to lead the lastplace Washington Senators to the top of the standings over the Yankees. Starring Tab Hunter as Hardy, Jean Stapleton as the mid-lifer's wife, Ray Walston ("My Favorite Martian") as the devil, and Gwen Verdon as his assistant, the movie has some great baseball scenes and music.

One of the tunes, "Ya Gotta Have Heart," plays often in the television of my mind -- especially the words: "Ya gotta have hope / Just can't sit around and mope." See if you can get the DVD from the Okeechobee library. They just don't make movies like that anymore.

When you watch the distant scenes of the runner going around the bases, that's Sievers, and he would go on to a good life as he returned to St. Louis and lived to almost 92.

Oscar Gamble died at 68 in

Birmingham, Alabama. Gamble, an outfielder who sported the biggest Afro hairstyle in the major leagues, spent 17 seasons in the big leagues. From 1969 to 1985, with the Chicago Cubs, Philadelphia Phillies, Cleveland Indians, New York Yankees, Chicago White Sox, San Diego Padres and Texas Rangers, he compiled 208 home runs while batting .265 for the aforementioned seven teams.

Wally Moon was most famous for hitting pop-ups that sailed over the 42-foot high fence erected only 250 feet down the left field line at the football home of the Los Angeles Rams. The cheap home runs were known as "Moon Shots." Sixty years ago in 1958 the former Brooklyn Dodgers became the Los Angeles Dodgers and used the Los Angeles Coliseum as their home while Dodger Stadium in Chavez Ravine was under construction.

Moon, an infielder-outfielder, became one of the most popular Dodger players as he was able to undercut the ball and pop it over the screen more often than anyone else. The fence stopped line drives from going farther and becoming legitimate home runs, while high fly balls to the left fielder in any other major league ballpark would go over the screen for homers. Moon broke in with the St. Louis Cardinals in 1954 and became the National League Rookie of the Year. During his career, which spanned from 1954 to 1965, Moon compiled a .289 career average with 142 home runs and was a teammate of Sandy Koufax with the Dodgers. Moon appeared in the 1959, 1963 and 1965 World Series. He died in Texas at 87.

Rusty Staub was one of my favorite baseball people. Maybe even number one. He was a gentle man and gentleman. And a refined one. I have a lot to say about him as we talked often as our paths crossed on the baseball beat. He was only 73 when he died around Opening Day. He deserves a lot more space and I'll relate some experiences in a future column.

Author, columnist, public speaker Irwin Cohen headed a national baseball monthly for five years and earned a World Series ring by working for a major league team. He may be reached in his dugout at irdav@sbcglobal.net.



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Sports of the Century–Village

BY SAM MILHAM

BASEBALL:

It looks as if the California Angels will get their \$\$ worth with Shohei Ohtanis. With eight games completed, he has two pitching victories and three home runs, and is the first player to be both designated hitter and pitcher in my memory. Shohei is putting a bad spring training behind him, and at this point is off to a good start at both his positions, pitching and DH. The question is, can he keep it up? I wonder if he likes hot dogs and beer -- like the Babe?

BRONX BOOS:

Giancarlo Stanton has been to bat 33 times with 7 hits and 3 home runs, but has a league high 15 strikeouts, and that stat has the Yankee fans in the Bronx giving him the Bronx cheer (boos). Hang in there, Giancarlo, New York takes some time to get used to! Just play your game and the boos will turn into cheers. It looks like it's a great baseball season with at least 10 teams capable of winning the World Series. My picks to meet in the Fall Classic are the Stros and the Nationals. Yes, our two spring training clubs in West Palm. Must be the water!

Look for the Dodgers, Rockies, Diamondbacks and San Francisco Giants to contend, as well as Cleveland, the California Angels, Minnesota, the Red Sox and Yankees. Speaking of the Yankees, even I get excited watching them bang out those 400-plus feet home runs. Just how many do you expect them to hit? My guess is between 210 and 240. Look for the Mets to be an over-500 club this year, if their pitchers stay healthy.

BASKETBALL:

As in baseball, this sport has at least 10 teams capable of winning the playoffs with my pick for the finals to be Cleveland and Houston. The Golden State Warriors will be shorthanded for the first round with Stephen Curry on the disabled list for at least the first round. If they are to win, Kevin Durant needs to carry his and Stephen's load. They must get past the Houston Rockets. James Harden is having a career year



with a 30.6 points-per-game average, 8.7 assists per game and 1.8 steal per game. He is going to be tough to beat this year. It looks to be a great playoff later this month.

The Knicks fired head coach Jeff Hornacek. His two-year record was 59 and 104. They have now closed the Phil Jackson era -- not a good one. Jeff never had much of a chance to put his signature on this Knick team. He was stuck running Jackson's triangle offense till Phil got fired. Let's hope the next Knicks' coach can put his stamp on who plays for the Knicks, as well as how they play the game. Let's hope they also look at ex-Knick coaches Jeff Van Gundy and Mike Woodson, plus Mark Jackson. Mike's 109-79 was the best record since Van Gundy's in the early 2000s.

HOCKEY:

The Las Vegas Golden Knights have proven to be sports' greatest

expansion team. They won their division and look to be a contender for Lord Stanley's Cup.

FOOTBALL:

With the draft coming up April 27 to 29, as a Giants fan I hope they pick their running back from Penn State -- Saqon Bradley, if he is available. This kid is the real deal. I don't know the last time they had a runner with his talent and ability. A runner like Saqon can add to Eli's pass blocking. It looks like the new G.M. is going all out with Eli, and Bradley is the guy to get!

Till then, take "2" and hit to right!

Sam Milham hosts a Computer Radio Show Monday nights at 5:00 p.m. on the WEI network.

Howard Silver 1935-2018

Howard Silver, longtime resident of Century Village, West Palm Beach, passed away on January 25, 2018. Mr. Silver is survived by his beloved wife Catherine, two children, three step-children, one grandson, five step-grandchildren, two great grandchildren, and two brothers.

Howie, as he was called, led an amazing, full life. Born August 20, 1935, and brought up in Brooklyn, he became a licensed ham radio operator at a very young age. He served in the US Navy during the Korean War. On return from duty he became a butcher, his main occupation throughout life.

His other interests and the organizations he belonged to were so many it is impossible to list them all. He became interested in photography and, self-taught, he helped found the Century Village Computer Club twenty years ago, which his longtime friend Ken Graff now heads up.

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Howie served as president of Stratford K, later as president of the Stratford "umbrella" association, and was a vice president of UCO.

He was a Red Cross volunteer for 26 years, assisting with food distribution during the 2004 hurricanes. He was a member of Ansei Sholom Synagogue and was particularly active in the Village Italian Club.

Howie and Catherine traveled to many parts of the world and especially enjoyed cruises. "I had a wonderful life with Howie, with a man who was so caring," Catherine says. One of the most loved and popular persons in the Village, whose warmth and smile made you feel good about yourself, Howie Silver will be long remembered.

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Gene Autry, Singing Movie Cowboy Who Rode Champion to Fame-America's first singing cowboy of the movies is **BACK IN THE SADDLE AGAIN.**



BY STEW RICHLAND

The lure of the West began soon after the Louisiana Purchase, which changed Americans' idea of the West. As they ventured beyond the Appalachian Mountains, explorers sent back dispatches about their discoveries and helped write a new chapter in America's story. Stirred by these words and by images of the pristine wilderness, many settlers turned westward.

By the end of the Civil War the west contained several growing cities. San Francisco, Denver, Salt Lake and San Antonio. The West was predominantly agricultural and extractive but also commercial and entering the early stages of industrial development. Chinese immigration was encouraged because the railroads needed cheap labor to complete the building of a trans-continental railway system. When the rail system was completed there was no need for Chinese labor and there was a great deal of resentment towards them on the West Coast. The Chinese Exclusion Act was passed when the Chinese population reached 40,000 in California. It later was extended permanently. Prejudice and pressure by the labor union movement pushed Congress to pass this law/

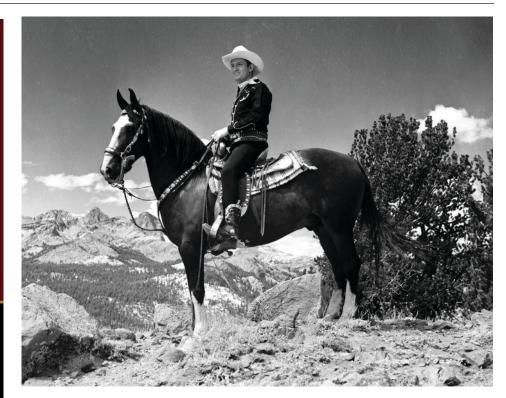
The West was populated mostly by

foreign born persons looking to start a new life. Americans of Mexican origins populated the Southwest, Germans, and Scandinavians and other Europeans were numerous on the High Plains.

Throughout the West lived many different tribes of Indians. The Plains Indians were introduced to the horse by the Spanish and became part of the Plains culture from the 18th century on. Horses were used for hunting in wars and travelling. The Plains Indians soon adopted modern weapons and wars with the newly arrived European immigrants became very bloody. Unfortunately the Native population was no match for the U.S. Army and eventually they were rounded up and placed on reservations. The government decided that the answer to the Indian problems was to "civilize" them.

Gold and silver discoveries led to "rushes" by thousands of immigrants with dreams of striking it rich. Boom towns sprung up over night. Then high prices, low yields, hardship, violence, and deception, led to an end of the boom and the death of the towns with only a very few finding wealth.

Law and order were hard to come by and vigilante law was enforced



with a rope tied to the nearest tree.

The Federal government passed the Homestead Act which gave settlers free land to establish farms and bring a semblance of civilization to the western frontier. Farming on the Great Plains was difficult. Lack of rain, floods, grasshoppers and prairie fires made life very hard for the settlers.

After the Civil War the Texas cattle industry grew by leaps and bounds. To get the cattle to the eastern railroad centers, ranchers resorted to "cattle drives, across the open plains of Texas and on to Chicago where the cattle were processed.

The "open range" came to an end when cattle associations began to fence off their lands. Fences became possible when Joseph F. Glidden in 1874 invented "barbed wire." The barbed wire was strung up along the plains. This resulted in "range wars" between competing interests and "sod busters" who purchased farming land from the government and railroad companies.

All of these events provided a wealth of material for newspaper reporters and background for some of the great western story tellers such as Zane Gray, Louis L'Amour and Max Band. The first commercial film with a western theme was the "Great Train Robbery." A silent film produced in 1903 and was inspired by the history of the settlement of the west. The Great Train Robbery was the first American action film and the first Western film with a "recognizable format." Most historians agree that the western genre reflects many accepted American values and virtues. Western stories usually take place in the rural sections of the western portion of the U.S and primarily in the Southwest and takes place during the mid to late 1800s.

The "frontier" forms the basis for most of the western stories in which there is conflict between various forces of civilization overcoming the wilderness and lawlessness. Western heroes were bound by a code similar to the Knights of Medieval Europe code of honor. Most western heroes reflect the code of conduct such as the Marshall upholding the rule of law or a code that understands the difference between "right and wrong." A good example of this is the Lone Ranger who uses his remarkable marksmanship and shoots the gun out of a "sidewinders" hand. The antagonist in most western stories are the forces that oppose the advancement of civilization, usually in the form of a bad guy who seeks to take advantage of those in weaker positions. These may be "Dirt Farmers," Settlers, or even "Friendly Indians" whose cause the hero has taken up. There are several typical villains in the westerns. They may be a marauding gun-slinger who bullies the settlers, a band of bloodthirsty Indians, a con-man that cheats honest cowboys out of their hard earned wages, or a merciless landgrabbing rancher who doesn't want farmers encroaching on the water he needs for his cattle. Some of the

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most famous radio Western stories that reflected the spirit of the West a slow time at the railroad station were Gunsmoke, Have Gun Will Travel, Tales of the Texas Rangers, the Six Shooter and the Lone Ranger.

who was the greatest fictional western hero. I will leave that up to my readers to choose. However, in recognition of the "Country Music biographer, George Warren, spent Awards" show that was televised years trying to verify this incident, recently, and the huge number of but never could.) people watching the show, I decided to not write about a cowboy with a time singer for KVOO in Tulsa about "six shooter" and write about a 1928. By 1930 he had recorded a cowboy with a guitar.

picture star Gene Autry was heard he was billed as "The Oklahoma each Sunday evening on radios across America via CBS. Gene's Melody biographer, Autry was not paid much Ranch radio show aired for 16 years, for his gigs so he had to perform featuring songs, comedy and action in nearby towns to supplement his filled drama. Throughout the run, the income. Autry met his wife while show's sponsor was cool, refreshing touring for the radio station and was Doublemint Gum.

Autry was born in in Texas in 1907. He was an industrious young man, and was working part time trying Autry and his partner Lester "Smiley" to help support his mother as his Burnet headed for Hollywood where father was usually in jail. Autry quit they obtain small roles in his first high school because he had many different jobs to occupy his time. must have lived under a lucky star His childhood issues to earn money to support his mother, according to known cowboy personality backed his biographer, became a "lifelong out of a planned chapter serial, "The obsession that eventually propelled Phantom Empire" and Autry was put him into multi-millionaire status."

One of the most popular myths was being groomed to become estate and the communications about Autry, is how his singing Hollywood's career was jump-started by Will

Rogers. According to Gene's tale, he However, two things stood in was strumming his guitar during where he worked in 1928, when Will Rogers passed by. Hearing Autry's singing, Rogers supposedly advised There has always been debate over the young man that he was so good he should be singing on the radio. According to Autry, he took Rodger's advice and the rest is history. (Autry's

Autry started his career as a part few songs and became a regular on Hard-riding, sweet singing, cowboy Chicago's radio station WLS where Yodeling Cowboy." According to his married in 1932 and when she passed away they had been together for over 60 years.

> With his popularity growing, picture, "In Old Santa Fe." Autry because Ken Maynard, also a well into the leading role.

According to Warren, Autry singing cowboy.

his way. First, he could not ride a horse and secondly he could not act. Eventually Autry learned to ride a horse but he never learned to act. This did not deter Autry. His singing ability and his personality were sufficient in those dozens of B pictures that made him famous.

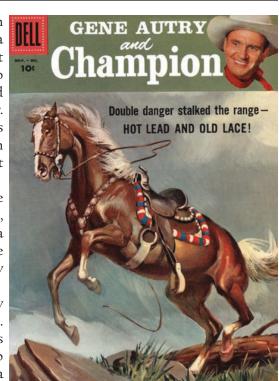
When World War II broke out, Autry patriotic to the core, enlisted and volunteered to be a pilot in the Army Air Corps. He was 40 years old and flew many missions in the Burma region.

All those who knew Autry agreed that he was an alcoholic. His contract with Wrigley's Gum stated that he show up for a live performance once a week. When Autry showed up

too drunk to perform, he was told that if this happened again his show would be cancelled. Sadly he did not heed the warning and the show was cancelled.

In the course of his career, Autry released 635 recordings. His first hit was "That Silver Haired Daddy of Mine," winning the first ever gold record, but his trademark tunes were "Back in the Saddle Again" as well as his eternally popular version of "Rudolph the Red -nosed Reindeer". Autry was a Hollywood creation but he brought his music to the rest of the world.

Autry had the "Midas Touch." He made millions, investing in real industry and eventually was the



owner of the Los Angeles Angels baseball team. With all his drinking and womanizing he lived to be 91 years of age. He died in 1998.

Gene Autry's horse Champion, a stocking footed chestnut stallion appeared regularly in the sketch portion of Autry's Melody Ranch radio program. In the "Adventures of Champion" Autry's horse is the "King of the Wild Horses." In the show the only person who was allowed to ride Champion was a young boy, Ricky West. Ricky and his dog Rebel, live on the Flying A Ranch, with his adopted Uncle Smokey. Ricky, Smokey, and Rebel have a number of adventures and run-ins with bad guys, but because this is a kid's show, even the Bad Guys have a hard time killing anyone.

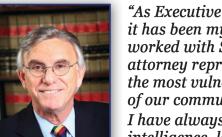


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How do we learn history? **Can Movies Teach History?**

BY STEW RICHLAND

In 1989, Richard Bernstein, writing in the New York Times, commented that something strange, not new, "but more conspicuous, haunts the cultural landscape." He refers to the fact that movie makers and television producers have become our most powerful, though perhaps not our most careful historians. Bernstein laments that far more people are getting their history, or what they think is history, from the movies than from standard history books. He feels that most history that is presented by the medium of movies "turns out to be a muddy blur of fantasy and fact." He concludes that the consequences for Americans cannot be good. He quotes Francis Bacon as saying, "that history makes men wise." Bernstein concludes, "that bad history, trivialized history, history distorted and sensationalized can make them (Americans) foolish."

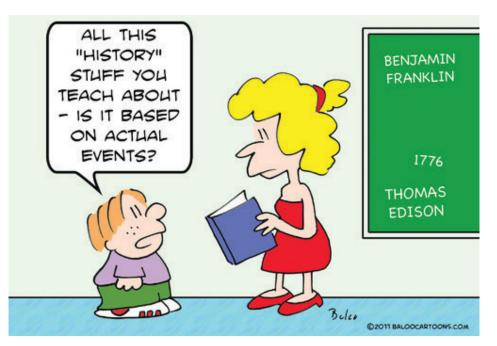
McCullough, one of David America's famous living historians has gone on record to bemoan the younger generation's limited understanding and appreciation of history, emphasizing that this includes American history.

McCullough tells the story of a

"bright young woman" who confided she'd never realized that the thirteen original American colonies were all on the East Coast. Jay Leno, in his TV segments, Jaywalking Citizenship test illustrated this phenomenon every week on his show.

Ultimately the fault lies with the parents, McCullough observes. He feels that parents do not talk about history with their children around the dinner table any more. He reflects on the fact that most families do not even dine together. The lack of quality time and good old fashioned conversation is non-existent. Technology and how we use it seems to dominate the conversation. He states that lovers of history must, in its purest form, must love the printed word. Young people don't have to read books to get the information they need they just have to open up their computer and navigate the internet. Images are more important, and the rewards of studying history will suffer.

McCullough concludes that part of the problem lies in our educational system. We need to teach our teachers better, "that no one should simply be



able to major in education, but rather in specific areas of learning which promote passion and expertise in some particular area. However, he said the ultimate responsibility for young people's "historical literacy" lies with the parents.

In the film "Network (1976)" Peter Finch, as a TV commentator rants to his audience that no one reads books anymore. They don't read newspapers. They get their information from TV.

Do the listeners get the truth? He yells no! just propaganda, it's like a circus, a traveling side show, telling any lies you want to hear, it's an illusion and the audience is mesmerized. At the end of the movie Howard Beal, Peter Finch's character is murdered, killed off, because his ratings has dropped. This was 40 years ago and nothing has changed.

John F. Kennedy remarked, "To

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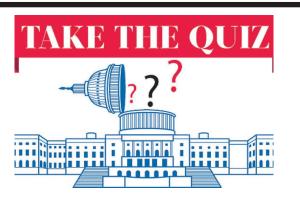
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1. Which of the following are the unalienable rights referred to in the Declaration of Independence?

a) life, liberty and property

b) honor, liberty and peace

c) liberty, health and community

- d) life, respect, and equal protection
- e) life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness

2. In 1933, Roosevelt proposed a series of governmental programs that became known as:

- a) the Great Society
- b) the Square Deal
- c) the New Deal
- d) the New Frontier
- e) supply-side economics
- 3. The Bill of Rights explicitly prohibits:
 - a) prayer in schools
 - b) discrimination based on race, sex, or religion
 - c) the ownership of guns by private individuals
 - d) establishing an official religion for the United States
 - e) the President from vetoing a line item in a spending bill

4. Under our Constitution, some powers belong exclusively to the federal government.

- What is one power of the Federal Government?
- a) make treaties
- b) make zoning laws
- c) maintain prisons
- d) establish standards for doctors and lawyers

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see our future, we must understand our past." History deals with human behavior, live flesh and blood people. Their achievements or failures have shaped who we are but also they had much to teach us.

If, as I have said, our children's parents have as little historical literacy as their kids, who then should take up the task to remedy this equation. The onus falls to the teacher to effect some sort of change. The teacher has to be interesting, imaginative and he/she should have an educational credential.

Most people find history boring. Young people often respond when history is being taught, "What's so interesting about learning the lives of a bunch of dead guys?" Their experiences with history is laced with tests in which you had to memorize names of people, dates, and places. No wonder they would find history boring.

One of the more conventional strategies that many teachers use to create interest in the study of history is the use of movies. While not all movies portray history accurately, there a lots of films out there that do a fairly good job depicting the events that happened in the past. For example, if you wanted to learn more about the holocaust you would watch Schindler's List, The Boy in Striped Pajamas, or The Pianist. However, you must be cautioned about watching films like these because producers and directors have the tendency to construct technicolored and sound tracked productions on a slender foundations of what appears to be actual events or, at the least, to

mingle fact with fancy, history with imagination, in such a way that the average viewer has no way of sorting out one from the other. There are websites that are like "fact checkers" that examine films for content accuracy and provide the moviegoer with some direction in interpreting fact from the movie directors artistic license.

Some films that historians recommend for viewing because of their historical accuracy are: Young Mr. Lincoln (1939), All The King's Men (1949), Judgment At Nuremberg (1961), The Longest Day (1962) Malcolm X (1992). Most teachers recognize that when you teach with movies, you offer your class a welcome break to traditional teaching methods. Students can sit back and enjoy learning history through the entertaining medium of cinema. However, teachers are cautioned not to substitute films for teacher student interaction.

In my next column, I will list additional movies that do a better than average job in teaching history along with some books that help students can read that would stimulate their interest in history.

The Smithsonian Institute developed a quiz to determine how much civics and history recent high school graduates know. I have selected a few topics to challenge the grey cells of my readers. Good Luck. (The answers to the questions will be found at the end of the article.)

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Back to the 50'S Dances Score Big

BY CHRISTINE MOHANTY

On campus, we had two fabulous retro dances, the first sponsored by the Doo Wop Club on February 26 and the other by the Sailing Club March 4. It seems that Century Village residents can't get enough of that "old time rock and roll."

Michael Pierno's Doo Wop dance attended by over 200 enthusiasts were regaled by the music of DJ Janisse Laho. Bop and cha-cha contests were judged by professional dancer, Natalia Bragarnik, and ballroom competitor, Lynda Davenport. Ruby Botto and Paul Gold placed first for bop though they had never partnered before; Vera and Dale Bell came in second. Olivier Maltais and Colette Parent wowed everyone with their cha-cha routine. Charlie San Filippo, a doo wop aficionado, selected Joan Dahmer and Libby Ranelli for best costumes, matching hot-pink skirts with 45 record motif. Proceeds from the 50-50 run by Marsha San Fillipo in addition to separate donations went to Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League. Mr. Pierno hopes to rejuvenate the club next season with

the support of 50 people who signed up to make that happen.

On Sunday, March 4, Ryan and the Rockers had a crowd of 220 hopping and bopping to their superb sound. Seventeen cheerleaders decorated the party room to the hilt in preparation for the big night and during intermission performed routines to "Old Time Rock and Roll" and "All Shook Up" directed by Gail Fei and choreographed by mate Nancy Reser. Next up, Ron Helms, Joe Verfenstein, Tony Caruso, and Theo Martzoukos traded in their sailors' caps for tutus to dance their version of a piece from "The Nutcracker." They brought the house down with their hilarious routine. Let's just say that New York City Ballet has nothing to worry about in the competitive arena. The evening concluded with arms stretched upward and frenetic gyrations to "Shout"-AND DID WE EVER!

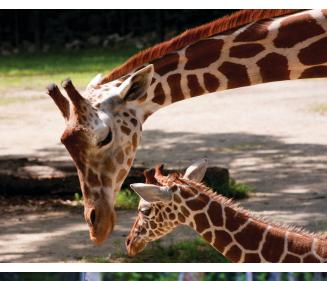
It's clear that our residents are still moving and grooving to nostalgic music that **makes** them feel like teenagers once again.







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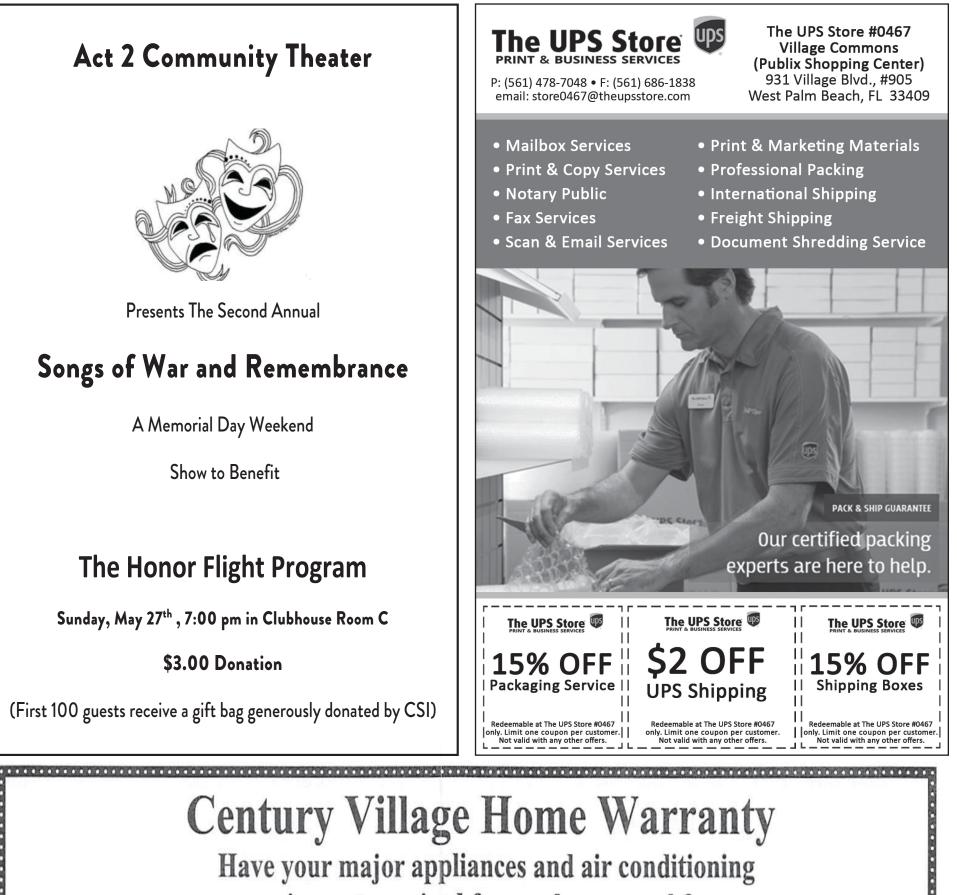




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SHEFFIELD L Knock down wall in kitchen, beautiful ceramic tile flooring, partly furnished lots of light, enclosed patio,	
upgrades in kitchen and baths, near Hastings fitness center and pool.	\$49,500
ANDOVER A Ceramic tile flooring thru out. Lots of light, central air conditioning, unfurnished, tenant in place,	
plenty of upgrades, well taken care of!!!	\$47,900
COVENTRY D Ceramic tile thru out, lots of light, fully furnished, cul-de-sac, ready to move into asap.	
Near the clubhouse and fitness center and the east gate.	\$45,000
WALTHAM B Beautiful arch in the bedroom opening up to the patio with a lovely garden view, kitchen and bathrooms	
beautifully updated, pet friendly, rentable and ready for occupancy, move in ready! Near the Haverhill gate and clubhouse.	
24 Hour security, fabulous clubhouse and active fitness center. Inside mineral pool	\$48,500
CHATHAM P Unfurnished, carpet, central air conditioning, this condo has lots of light and nice and serene feeling,	
heart of the community, cats ok	\$38,000
GOLFS EDGE E Great floor plan, central air conditioning, washer and dryers allowed. Galley kitchen, near the clubhouse	
and east gate. Development has its own pool.	\$42,000
DORCHESTER I Ceramic till flooring, near Hasting fitness center, well taken care of lot of upgrades and close to pool	
and the Hastings fitness center. Rent able!	\$46,000
SUSSEX K Ceramic tile, outside corner unit, tenant in place, sunny, garden view, steps to parking, quiet area	\$45,000
WINDSOR A Outside corner unit, furnished nea, waterview, two year restriction on rental, steps to condo,	
renovated kitchen, lots of light, and total serenity. Near the west gate. Camden pool is walking distance.	\$52,000
DORCHESTER H Spectacular waterview, newer kitchen, 2 full baths, lift in building, beautifully furnished, patio, upgrades	\$49,000
NORWICH C This unit is near the east gate, and the Hastings fitness center, well taken care of, central air, furnished	\$39,900
CANTERBURY C Corner unit very nice, clean beautiful view, spacious closet space, great lighting, updated kitchen and bath	\$45,000
	343,000
GROUND FLOOR CORNER 1 BED 1.5 BATH	
EASTHAMPTON H Fully furnished, ceramic tile, extra storage, enclosed patio, steps to parking, beautiful community pa	
Near the east gate and clubhouse. Rent able!	\$55,000
NORWICH O Very quiet and serene, this condo is furnished, newer kitchen, ceramic tile flooring, near the east gate	420.000
and clubhouse. 24 Hour gated community. Active clubhouse and fitness center.	\$39,900
SHEFFIELD B Fully renovated, water view, ceramic tile flooring, move in ready, beautiful!	\$55,000
CANTERBURY D This is a spectacular condo, ceramic tile floors thru out, beautiful mexican tile back splash, cul-de-sac,	
tenant in place, this is a 55 plus community. Unfurnished, corner unit with central air, lots of upgrades, well taken care of	
and a great tenant. Near the Dorchester pool, and fitness center. 24 Hour security, active clubhouse and fitness center.	\$50,000
CAMDEN G This condo is spectacular!!! Completely renovated, beautiful ceramic tile flooring, knock down kitchen, new ki	
with beautiful cabinets, new baths with fabulous tiling, inside corner, garden view, near the west gate and the Camden po	
This community has pools, tennis, clubhouse, fitness center, gated community.	\$59,900
UPPER FLOOR 1 BEDROOM 1.5 BATH	
WELLINGTON M Freshly painted, move right into! Furnish with the exception of the dining room set. Ceiling fans thru ou	
Lake view! Laundry on each floor! Elevator building.	\$72,500
CAMDEN H Lots of upgrades, fresh and ready to move into, tile flooring, great location, close to pool and the Okeechobee	
gate, great building, great association	\$36,900
EASTHAMPTON C Pet friendly and rent able, unfurnished and walking distance to the east gate	\$39,000
EASTHAMPTON G Newer carpet, rent able, unfurnished, near east gate and clubhouse	\$39,000
WELLINGTON A Decorator's delight, upgrades, new wood flooring, ceramic tile, brand new appliances including	
dishwasher and built in microwave, h2o heater, newer backsplash, new countertop in kitchen, located in a great	
location, near the pool, waterview, elevator and laundry, unfurnished	\$59,500
CANTERBURY F Sweet and ready for occupancy, this condo has been well taken care if. Rent able, cul-de-sac.	
Near Dorchester pool, carpet, furnished, building has a community patio. Active clubhouse, fitness center, gated community	
laundry in building, this condo is very serene and the condo association is great to work with.	\$38,000
EASTHAMPTON G Unfurnished, rentable, garden view, lots of space, near east gate	\$39,000
EASTHAMPTON G Near east gate, near clubhouse, lots of space and lots of light, great view priced to sell	\$39,000
GROUND FLOOR 1 BEDROOM 1.5 BATHS	
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UPPER FLOOR CORNER 2 BED.1.5/2 BATHS	
WINDSOR C Beautiful, upgrades everywhere, knock down wall in kitchen shows fantastic, ceramic tile flooring, water view	
lift included steps to pool, and the close to the east gate, move right into, great location, great building	\$75,000
COVENTRY D Fully furnished, ceramic tile thru out. Out side corner with central air conditioning, plenty of privacy, cul-de-	-sac.
This condo is move in ready, well taken care of and is beautiful! Very airy! Close to east gate, clubhouse and fitness center. 24 Hour security, active clubhouse and fitness center, with lots of other amenities.	\$62,000
GOLFS EDGE D Ceramic tile and carpet, this is a large two bedroom two full baths, washer and dryer is allowed in the bu.	
walking distance to haver hill gate, chair lift comes with condo. Development has its own pool. Close to clubhouse	\$98,500
SHEFFIELD J Ceramic tile flooring, carpet in bedrooms, fully furnished, serene view from patio, lots of light in this inside	
corner, well taken care of, rent able	\$65,000
CAMDEN F Water views from each room! Lots of light. Outside corner, move in ready! Well taken care of! Rent able,	
furnished, great value for the upgrades this condo has to offer. Ceramic tile flooring.	\$63,000
DORCHESTER F Ceramic tile flooring, beautiful condition, cul-de-sac, lots of upgrades, very close to pool and the Hastings fitness center. Inside corner	\$55,000
NORTHAMPTON O Unfurnished, carpet, tenant in place rentable building, central air	\$65,000
NORTHAMPTON L Outside corner unit, furnished, tenant in place, central air, private location, near the west gate	\$65,000
CANTERBURY C Tenant in place, lots of upgrades, unfurnished, close to gate, amenities galore, beautiful unit	\$59,900
GROUND FLOOR CORNER 2 BED, 1.5 BATH	1,
NORTHAMPTON O Ceramic tile flooring, newer kitchen, beautiful granite countertops, enclosed patio with hurricane in	npact
windows, near the Kent pool, newer central air, rentable building, upgrades galore, inside corner, tenant in place and would	d like
to stay if you like, excellent references, desirable location and a fantastic association, and beautiful foliage and building.	\$69,900
CHATHAM P Outside corner unit, tenant in place, unfurnished, ceramic tile flooring, heart of the community, very nice	\$65,000
GROUND FLOOR 2BED, 1.5 BATHS	***
CANTERBURY G New bath shower, lots of upgrades, shows beautifully, quiet and very serene, lots of breezes, pation	\$64,000
KENT D Beautiful condo, move right into, great association heart of the community, lots of upgrades, desirable area near Kent pool, condo is picture perfect	\$73,900
UPPER FLOOR 2BED, 1.5 BATH OR 2 BATH	עטל _ו נ ויי
NORWICH B Unfurnished, ceramic tile flooring, near the haver hill gate, lots of light	\$55,000
WELLINGTON G Two full baths in this luxury condo, water view, unfurnished, ceramic tile thru out condo, newer	
	5109,900
SOMERSET E Pergo wood flooring, furnished, newer kitchen and tile, lift included and water view!! Large spacious	
rooms, lots of light! Cul-de-sac, front view is the tennis and pool.	\$93,000
NORWICH B 24 Hour security, furnished, very desirable, near the Haverhill gate and clubhouse great building	\$55,000
WELLINGTON C Lots of upgrades, tile shower, new tile flooring, new toilet, lake view, lovely unit	\$90,000
ANNUAL RENTALS	
GROUND FLOOR 1 BED, 1 BATH NORTHAMPTON R Unfurnished, beautiful flooring, near the Kent pool and steps to parking and laundry, community pa	tio
cul-de-sac, great association	\$850
KINGSWOOD D furnished, ceramic tile flooring, garden view, cul-de-sac, steps to parking	\$850
COVENTRY E Newer kitchen, knock down wall in kitchen, enclosed and very private patio, near the laundry and laundry.	
Near the fitness center, clubhouse and east gate. This unit is move in ready. Come see, very few first floor units available.	\$850
BERKSHIRE J Furnished/unfurnished, carpet, steps to parking, close to west gate, garden view	\$850
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ANDOVER I Furnished, ceramic tile flooring, immaculate, garden view, community patio, close and friendly association, non smoking, and no pets	\$900
CANTERBURY B Ceramic tile flooring, garden view enclosed, pt furn, near Dorchester pool!	-
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SOUTHAMPTON B Ceramic tile, large spacious patio, garden view, upgraded master bath, steps to parking, steps to pool	\$42,500
GREENBRIER B Ceramic tile, steps to parking and pool, large spacious rooms, elevator building, laundry on floor	\$45,500
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KINGSWOOD D Furnished, near laundry, enclosed patio, garden view, steps to parking, renting restrictions of two years, non smoking building, cul-de-sac	\$39,900
SALISBURY B Ceramic tile flooring, pergo wood flooring, pt, furnished, rent able, 2 a/c units are newer, refrigerator and range less than two years old, screen patio with garden view. Near the east gate and clubhouse	\$45,000
NORTHAMPTON A Property well taken care of, near west gate, near Kent pool, steps to parking, unfurnished, garden view	\$30,500
NORTHAMPTON R Near Kent pool, laundry, and west gate, steps to parking, cul-de-sac, two year restriction for lease	\$32,000
CAMDEN J Unfurnished, community patio, near the west gate and the Camden pool great building, just needs a little tlc	\$29,000
WINDSOR B This condo is ready to move into. Ceramic tile flooring, new kitchen, waterview, furnished, steps to parking, close to west gate, active clubhouse and fitness center.	\$39,900
ANDOVER A This condo is picture perfect and ready for occupancy, ceramic tile flooring, near laundry and mail boxes. Rentable. 24 Hour security, active clubhouse and fitness center, gated community with lots of amenities such as pools, tennis, boating, racquetball, theater, wood working, music, billiards and so much more.	\$35,000
UPPER FLOOR 1 BED 1 BATH	
DORCHESTER K Water view, near pools and Hastings fitness center, tenant in place, carpet and furnished, cul-de-sac, great building	\$40,000
CANTERBURY F Rentable building, furnished, move in ready, cul-de-sac, close to pool and fitness center, very nice unit, tenant in place	\$39,000
KINGSWOOD D No smoking, no pets, beautiful setting, ceramic tile, great garden view, very nice kitchen and bath	\$36,000

Shuffleboard Club

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BY ED WRIGHT

When you get this article the regular shuffleboard season will be over. Beginning in May We will continue playing on Tuesday Mornings at 9:00. We have had a very successful season. We finished with 64 members of which 16 were first timers. The winners for the final three tournaments were as follows: Jack

Fahey, Archie McKay.Carlos Munz, Jim Reed, and Ed Wright. We will start playing the regular schedule of singles on Tuesdays, Doubles on Wednesdays, and Bowling Pin on Thursdays Around the first of November. We will again start playing around 1:25. Everyone is welcome to join us. Hope everyone has a safe and healthy summer.

BEWARE! ANOTHER SCAM!

BY RUTHIE BERMAN

Recently, I received a telephone call from Medicare. At least the caller number identified itself as Medicare on my phone. Although I did not recognize the number, I picked up the receiver. The caller, a friendly woman, wanted me to know that I might be eligible for additional Medicare services. Given that Connie is not well, I continued to speak with her.. But, I soon realized that she was really only interested in my personal information and my current medical plan. I immediately hung up the phone and called

the number that was left on my Caller ID. Medicare answered. That woman said Medicare had not called me and that Medicare does not call clients. If you have a question, a problem, or need information, you must personally call Medicare and arrange for a return call at a specific time. She said there are no-gooders hacking Medicare trying to get our private information. Remember: Medicare never calls you unless you have called them.

Sailing Club

BY CHRISTINE MOHANTY

At our Duck Island annual picnic April 6, the following trophies were distributed. For the Tuesday championship winter races, Jan Roszko came in first, Ron Helms second, Marc Benson and Allan Twohig shared third, and Nick Goeb fourth. The spring series was coincidentally much the same with Jan first, Ron second, Marc third, and Allan fourth.

Snorkel Club

BY BETH BAKER

While you are reading this column, members of our snorkel club are enjoying fine snorkeling in Guadeloupe. Consider joining our international snorkel trip next year.

Our formal meetings are over until next season, but if you wish to join us to snorkel, kayak, hike, or go to nature lectures, please email Christine to be put on the summer list: cmsmithfl@ yahoo.com

There's an emerging idea that plants and trees possess intelligence. Trees are networkers; they do communicate in their own way. They share resources and form alliances with trees of other species. In forests, it has been scientifically shown that red cedar is networked with maples. Hemlock and Douglas fir are networked. Trees live longest and reproduce most often in a healthy stable forest. That is why they've evolved to help their neighbors.



Friday's winter navigational races had practically the same results: Jan first, Ron second, Marc third, AND Jose Saavedra fourth. Almost too strange, the results for the spring series were IDENTICAL. The rest of us sailors need to get out there and give these guys some competition.



Gaps in protective forest canopy allow trees faster growth, but they're more vulnerable to overheated soil and damaging winds, and short lived without mycorrhizal support systems. Young seedlings are easily consumed by browsing mammals and hostile fungi. Mother trees are vital defense against threats. When biggest trees cut down, survival rate of youngest substantially diminished.

Unable to move away from danger, falling in catastrophic numbers to the human demand for land and lumber, forest trees also face the threat of accelerating climate change. All scientists are on board with the new claims being made about trees. If you wish further information, one source is Smithsonian's March 2018 issue. Should we consider the rights of trees? Should we allow some trees to grow old with dignity, and die a natural death?

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<u>May 2018</u> Mondav Wednesday Thursday **Friday** Tuesday 2 12:00-1:00PM 1:00-2:00PM 2:00-4:00PM 2:30-3:30PM Join us at the Clubhouse for a "Migraines and Music Therapy with Dr. Nader Abdallah, lecture on stroke and free Headache Disorders" Annie Sandigo, MT-BC Better Me Healthcare stroke risk assessments with St. Music Therapist, PBMTI with Dr. Jonathon Osteoarthritis and Mary's Medical Center. Pastries & Chung, Keystone Chiropractic Knee Injections. coffee provided. 11 1:00-2:00PM 12:00-1:00PM 8:30-9:30AM 8:30-9:30AM 10:30-11:30AM Lunch and Learn: "Common Medical Cannabis Part II with **Blood Pressure and Bagel Blood Pressure and** Art Therapy with

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Foot and Ankle Injuries" with	in a Bag to go with Palm	Rachel Upton-Rice, Licensed	Bagel in a Bag to go	Liz Nunn, Advocare.
Dr. Kenneth Gerszberg, PBOI.	Beach Urgent Care	Creative Arts Therapist, PBMTI	with Palm Beach Urgent Care	Munchies provided.

Disorder in the Court 2

Another great offering from Actors Studio

BY BOBBI LEVIN

On March 19th in Classroom C, Actors Studio, Century Village's oldest acting group, treated our residents with another entertaining comedy production, Disorder in the Court 2, written and directed by Jody Lebel, who also writes a monthly humor column in the UCO Reporter. You may recall Jody's comedy offering last year, Disorder in the Court, a funny take on the old Night Court series but set in a Century Village courtroom. Disorder in the Court 2 continued with the same theme of funny and oddball cases, and once again the audience was in on the fun by playing the jury, which Jody feels keeps them engaged as well as entertained. The back of the playbill read: "You are now a member of the jury and will hear and vote on as many cases as may be on the docket. Not one case more; not one case less. Got it? Think you're too old for jury duty? Think again. Don't have time for jury duty? Too bad, take a seat. Can't see, hear, or remember? We don't care. Your service will be completed upon tonight's performance. There will be no jury duty fee paid. Things could be worse. YOU could be one of the defendants!"

This year's "Disorder" didn't disappoint. There were four cases for the jury to deliberate on, all of them involving CV residents and their various crimes. Many of the members in this group, who for the most part are all seasoned actors, took multiple roles, sometimes as many as four, and pulled it off with costume and voice changes. Chris Mohanty played the newly elected judge and made us laugh when she refused to sit on the chair the smarmy state attorney had just been in, and made her clerk spray it with disinfectant. Allen Preston played the whiskey-drinking state attorney who didn't disappoint. Between being nervous and stapling his tie to his desk and chasing every female on the staff, Allen had his hands full with this role and he did it wonderfully. Shari Orgill played the public defender who used to be judge



last year but was voted out and was a bit bitter about it. Her character grew the most and Shari handled it well delivering comedic lines with a straight face. Erwin Protter did a bang-up job playing the 96-year-old clerk who fell asleep, confused case numbers, and got robbed in the copy room. Hilda Ortega played a wisecracking court officer and delivered her lines in a deadpan manner that kept the audience in stitches. Lynda Davenport looked like a real court reporter up there using a steno machine, and she also doubled as the court artist which was a role she stepped into late in rehearsals due to a member being unable to go forward. Lynda handled both roles smoothly and if you didn't know it you would never guess she was juggling two parts at the same time. Her delivery was spot on. Len Perlman, who played a great gangster-type character (Joey Big Nose), also took two other parts like a pro. He even played an alien that silently walked across the stage. Sonny Buovolo played a wise-guy witness (Bobby

Two Times) who repeated everything twice, and was quite funny as Dave the Chopper Guy. Sonny also successfully tackled two other parts and was kept busy with costume changes. Corrine Healey played the mobster's girlfriend right down to the New York accent, made us laugh as one of the Trite sisters, and then got more serious as a bomb squad officer who handled the bomb dog, Links (who was the real star of the show and who gave out pawtographs at the end). David Boas got laughs as the man (Mr. KND238) who believed aliens are on the golf course. He too handled two more parts later on with ease. Estelle Symons, who is the newest member of the club, did a great job as one of the Trite sisters. I was told that Estelle decided to join the group while they were in the midst of rehearsing for this play, and the club immediately included her in the production as Actors Studio likes to keep all of their members active and participating. June Kleinwaks played a woman with two husbands, and then brought the house down as

Delicious Delores.

This is a Century Village group and therefore a senior citizen group, thus scripts get lost, props get forgotten, cues get missed, and mics need handling. Jody came up with a pretty clever idea to deal with all that. She didn't take an acting part in this production per se, but donned a yellow t-shirt that had 'court staff' on the front and back which allowed her the freedom to move around the set in front of the audience and direct the play while the performance was live and on-going.

The audience laughed often and lived up to their jury duties by voting after each case. Of course the judge ruled any old way she wanted and meted out sentences liberally. Traditionally there is no charge for performances from the Actors Studio and they perform several times a year. How fortunate Century Village is to have these talented folks in our village. Watch for more plays from Actors Studio this season.



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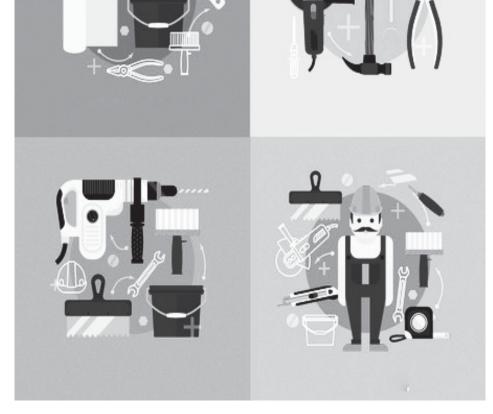
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BY LENORE VELCOFF

Be patient. The menu is endless. Page after page with different types of food – 14 diverse areas to choose from. We each had a drink – 2 Cosmos, 1 split of Proseco and I had an Arnold Palmer (ice tea & lemonade). My 3 companions and I shared CRISPY CALAMARI \$11.25 (500 calories, every single item on their menu lists the calories. How I hate that! But I have learned to ignore that. I eat what I enjoy.) It was just enough for us to each have a little. It was served with 2 sauces, marinara and creamy garlic.

Each one of us ordered from a different section of the menu. I had ordered from the Pasta Favorites - BJ's version of an Italian American classic! Penne layered with housemade meatballs, Italian sausage, pepperoni, marinara and Italian herbs, finished with BJs

signature five cheese blend, Parmesan cheese and fresh basil. It cost \$15.95. A lot to eat.

Companion one ordered BONE-IN PORK CHOP - Slow-roasted with Big Poppa Smokers' Sweet Money Championship rub with two signature sides, rice and asparagus -\$16.50. Companion two had a choice from the Seafood section - FRESH ATLANTIC SALMON - Flamebroiled salmon fillet served with lemon Chardonnay butter sauce, rice pilaf and steamed broccoli. Price? Companion 3 had a CLASSIC CHEESEBURGER - Tomatoes, lettuce, pickles, mayonnaise, cheddar cheese and BJ's signature burger sauce on a toasted bun - \$10.95. served with sweet potato fries.

We each cleaned our plates, but were too full for dessert. We could have tried 1 of 13 different 1807 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd at the Outlet Mall 561-693-0450





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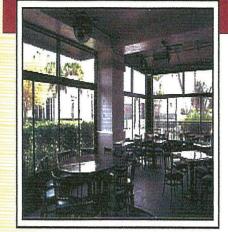


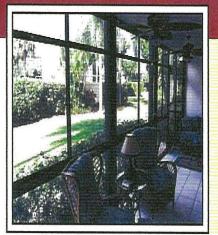


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What I've learned from the college application process Too bad that hindsight is 20/20

BY ZOË FRIEDMAN



May is here! For Century Villagers, that means snowbirds flocking from West Palm and the UCO elections coming to a close. For high school seniors, it means colleges announce their acceptances. That's right, folks -I just found out where I can continue my next four years of education. I promised the UCO Reporter staff that I would keep them posted along my winding road to college, so I thought I would let the whole Village know at the same time.

Recently, the college process has morphed into a crazy, competitive version of Florida's Powerball. I was one of over 26,000 students vying for an open spot at each college, and I applied to quite a few schools. In blunt terms, I had absolutely no clue how to shape my application and advertise myself to college admissions officers. According to the College Confidential website, admissions officers have roughly four to five minutes to analyze my application and make or break my future.

Now that I am debriefing my applications after the fact, I find I did it all wrong. Too late now, I guess. I'm writing about my mistakes with the hopes that future generations of Century Village grandchildren will learn from my mishaps and land their dream schools. Colleges, if you're listening, it's not too late to reverse your decisions. I would still welcome a package in the mail!

I executed my first grave error in sixth grade: spending time maintaining a straight-A average for the next eight years instead of devoting that time to college entrance exam preparation. Caught up in the idea that I needed a pristine academic record to get into Harvard, I buried my nose in the books. As an elevenyear-old, I was tutored in Chinese from 2:45 until 6 p.m. each day by my computer science teacher. What was it that fueled me through these grueling sessions, sitting in a hard plastic chair trying to memorize the five different ways to pronounce the

word "ma" in Mandarin? While my friends played Wii video games, I was motivated by the image of strutting down a walkway at Yale.

As it turns out, only my high school grades appeared on my transcript anyway. The time spent perfecting essays and compiling research papers should have been dedicated to studying for the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). Contrary to the insistence of most Admissions Deans and college counselors, the SAT can make-or-break an application. In today's ruthless rush for selective schools, I have friends whose parents have hired SAT tutors for upwards of \$250 an hour. Should I be penalized because I tried a less expensive route?

I maintain that I am too creative for standardized tests, but that is far from the point.

Thinking that colleges would review my application holistically was a big mistake. Colleges don't care how many culinary magazines, business lines, and poetry accolades I have under my belt if my SAT score isn't competitive. I missed out on the maximum score of 1600, being stampeded like the man grasping the last pair of glasses at the solar eclipse last summer.

Another error glares at me from my resume and Common Application (a self-questionnaire of sorts that I sent to my colleges). I advertised myself as a multidimensional student-athlete passionate about business, writing, cooking/food science, chemistry and running. Instilled in me was the following mantra: be well-rounded. I had heard for years that colleges sought well-rounded students with a broad spectrum of interests. Admissions officers want to know everything Zoë Friedman does, right? Wrong. Again, my lack of proper college guidance resulted in confidently following the fork to the right, while the Emerald City glistened at the end of the left-hand path. Colleges want a well-rounded class, not person. They seek students who go in-depth in one particular subject area. Think of designing a college class like honing a wardrobe - Admissions Officers want a few pairs of shoes, a few hats, some jeans, and maybe a shirt or two. The shirt should epitomize a 100% cotton, soft and durable t-shirt. It wouldn't be that helpful for the shirt to double as a dress or poncho if it can't master its intended function as a t-shirt. I needed to pick one passion and me, Century Village! roll with it! Looking back, I should have sold myself as "the Writer"

and used all of my writing-related activities and contests as support. My Food is Love column for The Reporter, my award-winning poems, my role as news editor for my school's online newspaper, my self-published cookbook, culinary magazine, and poetry book are evidence enough that writing is my passion.

Lastly, as with any recipe, I needed garnish - some pizazz of herbs and spices to lend my application an unforgettable flavor. Maybe start my own underground news publication? Lead a group of volunteers to teach English and writing to illiterate children? Write the script for a Discovery Channel Documentary? Maybe I already had unique features but fell short in marketing them to colleges. After all, it's hard to remember that I wrote a culinary magazine when it's lurking behind a meaningless math award that I also decided to throw into the pot.

I recognize that this was the Ivy League's most selective year in history. With millions of hopefuls but far fewer vacant dorms, Ivy League acceptances rates ranged from 5-7%.

Ending on a high note, I was still admitted to great schools, and I am proud and excited for my future. I have a guaranteed spot on all of my colleges' cross country and track teams. At the University of Maryland at College Park, I was accepted to the Robert H. Smith School of Business as well as the Scholars Program. At Emory University, I received an enormous scholarship and can graduate from the acclaimed Goizueta Business School. At Brandeis University, I was named an International Business Scholar (I can complete a Masters and Bachelors in five years) and a Dean's Scholar. I also gained acceptance at two "safety" schools in the honors programs, respectively. I'm a bit disappointed that I labored my entire life to gain admission to an Ivy League school, only to fall short because of how I tangled my interests into a confusing application lacking clear structure. As I've heard from countless adults, it doesn't matter where you go to school, but how you seize opportunities to shape a meaningful experience. I'm excited that I have five options, and I am determined to milk the next for years for everything they're worth!



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BY JODY LEBEL

I have a mother, I am a mother, and my daughter is a mother. I love mothers. Mothers are a force to be reckoned with, and the government should be smart and figure out how to harness their energy. In her prime, at 5'4", my mom was a short stack of heart, nerve, and spunk. Most moms have superpowers, we all know that, but my mom was the best. She could tell what I was doing with her back turned. She knew I had a fever by placing her palm on my forehead. She could be at three places at once; hosting a Tupperware party, cooking dad his dinner, and sewing my costume for the upcoming play. (I got the role of a tree in the enchanted forest of Hansel and Gretel.) My mom could always tell how upset I was by the way I said, "Nothing's wrong."

mother Currently my has Alzheimer's and she suffers shortterm memory loss. She'll ask me where we're going three times while we're in the car on our way to the dollar store. But old memories? She's scary sharp. So that's what we talk about when I visit her twice a week. She remembers things I've forgotten, which amazes me. For instance, although mom never got her driver's license, on Sunday she drove the family car down dirt roads to go visit neighbors. She recalls pulling into a Texaco station and how they used to come out and pump your gas and wash your front and back windows while the tank filled. Every time we stop for fuel today mom asks me, "Where's the man? You're going to get in trouble messing with that pump." Mom, today not only do you have to pump your own gas and clean your own windows, but you have to run the computer to pay the bill.

Mom loves it when I take her to Publix. Because of her disease, every time we go in there it's like the very first visit for her and she marvels at all the choices. She could roam around in there for hours. Back in the day when she had an ice box, she walked to the local market every two days to shop. The grocer used to weigh the produce and place it in brown bags; the butcher



front of her and wrap it in white paper tied with string that came off a huge spool; and the owner had his son carry the box of goods up the street to her home. Nowadays at the food store not only do we have to weigh and wrap our own produce, but we check ourselves out, fill our own bags (that we bring in with us unless they're out in the car in the trunk like mine) and lug the groceries up the stairs in the rain. So far the stores still supply the food though. And I don't mind not seeing the butcher hacking the meat off the animal for me.

Things have changed so much that if mom could recognize it she probably wouldn't. There are car washes where you wash your own car. There are hair salons where you dry your own hair. At the airport you print your own boarding pass and check your own luggage. At least they still fly the plane. Well, for the time being, because we now have cars that drive themselves.

Mom used to send me packages wrapped in brown paper, tied with string. Dad and she would make a special car trip to the post office to get it on its way. Now you either print out your own air bill and call for a pickup at your door, or take the items to a place where they pack and ship it for you. Mom talks about when waitresses used to bring you your order. To your table. Now they yell out your number and you jump up like you got a bingo, and hustle to the counter to claim your food which you then carry and essentially wait on yourself. Some places give you a paper cup and tell you to go get your own drink. Yet there's a tip jar on the

to put money in or take my tip out.

Mom never bought 'new' when there was still life in the 'old'. I didn't realize until I started to care for her that she had been wearing the same three bras for years. You don't need to be on Project Runway All Stars to understand the fitting logistics here. Her breasts are now somewhere near Panama and these old bras are not holding up their end. When she moved in with me and we were unpacking I asked her, "How old are your bras?" To which she promptly replied it was none of my business. I'm thinking they're old enough to get a senior discount at Denny's. "Mom," I said, "you should buy some new ones." To which she replied that she paid good money for those bras and she expects them to last. My mother lived through the Depression, a world war, and the death of not only all her siblings, but three husbands, and all of her friends. And she is still here, the sole survivor, strong on her feet if not in her mind. She lived in a world that changed from things that were made solid and never broke to things that are made like junk that we throw away after a few uses.

My mom was a pip though. I remember her telling me if I put too much food in my mouth I'd choke to death. If I didn't chew my food 20 times I'd choke to death. If I talked while I was eating -- I'd choke to death. Bottom line: Food leads to death, I guess. And food wasn't the only killer back then. There were pointy knives in the kitchen sink, and scissors that if you ran you'd fall on and impale yourself. I was warned that I'd go blind I ate canned food from a dented can, I'd die of food poisoning. Of course that was before we began injecting the same poison into our foreheads.

Mom was also afraid of electricity. She said I would be electrocuted if I used the phone during a thunderstorm. If water spilled on me and I was near an outlet I'd fry on the spot, so I wasn't allowed to walk around with beverages when it rained. In fact any electrical gadget just waited for the chance to leap into the nearest sink and kill me. Our toaster had murder on its mind, and we kids double dared each other to stand next to it during a lightning storm. Almost anything related to fire would bring disaster according to my mother; birthday candles, lightning striking the tree in the back yard, or leaving the stove on, which she checked three times before she dared to leave the house. Back then my dad smoked. Mom would go around checking the trash cans for hot cigarette butts. I have to admit, she was right about that one.

In the summer, we could not go back in the lake after eating until we waited the regulation one hour. When we whined, mom said, "Go ahead and sink like a rock. But don't come crying to me when you're dead." Of course then we wouldn't even put a toe in the water before our hour was up.

After I moved out of the house and to another state, my mother used to make me call her when I got home and let the phone ring three times; the traditional signal that I was home and safe. Back in the day longdistance calls cost money. I sometimes forgot to call after a long trip and my father would grumble but he'd make that expensive call to me or else mom would not be able to go to bed. I thought it was unnecessary. When you're a mother, she told me, you'll understand. And eventually I did.

Mom's real superpower though was how she turned me into her without me even knowing it. Happy Mother's Day, mom. Even though you can't remember what day it is, I do, and I'll remember for you.

would cut a piece of meat right in counter. I never know if I'm supposed from reading without enough light. If

Mean Mothers by anonymous

Was your Mom mean? I know mine was. We had the meanest mother in the whole world!

While other kids ate candy for breakfast, we had to have cereal, or eggs, or toast.

When others had a Pepsi and a Twinkie for lunch, we had to eat sandwiches.

And you guessed it. Our mother fixed us a dinner that was different from what other kids had, too.

Mother insisted on knowing where we were at all times. You'd think we were convicts in a prison. She had to know who our friends were and what we were doing with them.

She insisted that if we said we would be gone for an hour, we would be gone for an hour or less.

We were ashamed to admit it, but she had the nerve to break the Child Labor Laws by making us work. We had to wash the dishes, make the beds, learn to cook, vacuum the floor, do laundry, and all sorts of cruel jobs. I think she would lie awake at night thinking of more things for us to do. She always insisted on us telling the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

By the time we were teenagers, she could read our minds. Then, life was really tough!

Mother wouldn't let our friends just honk the horn when they drove up. They had to come up to the door so she could meet them.

While everyone else could date when they were 12 or 13, we had to wait until we were 16.

Because of our mother, we missed out on lots of things other kids experienced.

None of us have ever been caught shoplifting, vandalizing other's property, or ever arrested for any crime. It was all her fault.

Now that we have left home, we are all God-fearing, educated, honest adults. We are doing our best to be mean parents just like Mom was.

I think that is what's wrong with the world today. It just doesn't have enough mean moms anymore.

Do you know a mean mother you could pass this on to?