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DELEGATE MEETING
Friday 12/6/19
9:30AM in the Theater

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## The President's Report

By Dave Israel

## Century Village Recreational District Is it right for us?

Once again, "we" are considering the concept of "one unit, one vote" here in CV. Indirectly related to this idea is the concept of having CV declared a Recreational District. This concept is enabled in Florida Statute FS-418. A few paraphrased extracts will be useful.

**Creation of recreation districts authorized.**—Each municipality and county in the state is authorized to create one or more recreation districts comprising the whole of, or any part of the territory of said municipality and by counties only in the unincorporated areas of each county. Each such district shall be established by ordinance, approved by a vote of the electors in the district; The Electors would be you and me, the Unit Owners here in CV. Such ordinance, as it may from time to time, be amended by the governing body of said municipality or county, and approved by a vote of the electors in the district, shall constitute the charter of the recreation district. The electors residing in a proposed district may petition the governing body (in our case, that would be the Board of County Commissioners) of the city or county to create a recreation district. If a majority of electors has signed the

petition, no referendum shall be required to create the district.

#### Governing body.—

- (1) The governing body of a recreation district shall be determined by ordinance of the municipality or county that created the district and must be either:
- (a) A five-member or larger board of supervisors **elected from among the residents of the district, or**
- (b) The governing body of the municipality or county that created the district.

If the governing body is a board of supervisors, the ordinance must specify the date of the election and must provide that each property owner or resident in the district has the right to vote in the elec**tion.** The ordinance may also provide for the staggering of terms of the supervisors. The ordinance may also provide for the establishment of designated geographic areas within the district from each of which are elected one or more members of the board of supervisors to represent that area, provided the ordinance is made contingent on approval by a majority vote of the electors in each designated area.

(b) Members of the board of su-

pervisors shall serve without compensation.

If the governing body is the governing body of the municipality or county that created the district, that body may appoint a district advisory board to advise it on all matters relating to the district. Members of the advisory board shall serve without compensation.

So, what is the bottom line?

Powers of recreation districts.—The charter of a recreation district may grant to the recreation district the following powers and all further or additional powers, as the governing body of the municipality or county establishing the district may deem necessary or useful in order to exercise the powers for which provision is hereinafter made. The powers which may be granted by such charter include the following:

- (1) To sue and be sued and to have a corporate seal.
- (2) To contract and be contracted with.
- (3) To acquire, purchase, construct, improve, and equip recreational facilities of all types, including real and personal property, within the boundaries of the

district; such acquisition may be by purchase, lease, gift, or exercise of the power of eminent domain. If the governing body of the municipality or county that created the recreation district for exclusive use by a condominium established under chapter 718 or a cooperative established under chapter 719. The governing body of the district may make the recreational facilities available exclusively for district residents and property owners, and may restrict any access to recreational facilities by nonresidents by rules adopted by the governing body of the district. This would open the door to the sale of special appropriately priced guest passes.

So, what this could mean, is that you and I, the Unit Owners would have (after over 50 years of dependency on our recreational landlord) ownership and control over the Recreation Facility here at Century Village. Could we do this and actually pay less than what we pay now in recreation rents? This issue is under study by UCO, its experts, and our UCO Attorney – but the bottom line-as always, what do You think?





## ATTENTION SOMERSET AND DOVER RESIDENTS:

ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2019, PALM BEACH COUNTY WATER UTILITIES WILL BE SHUTTING DOWN POTABLE WATER SERVICE FROM 9:00 AM UNTIL 4:00 PM. THIS SHUTDOWN WILL AFFECT 392 UNITS AT SOMERSET A-L AND DOVER B AND C.

AFTER SERVICE IS RESTORED, THERE WILL BE A BOIL WATER ALERT FOR ABOVE UNITS. THIS ALERT WILL BE LIFTED WHEN WATER IS DETERMINED TO BE SAFE TO DRINK.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL PALM BEACH COUNTY WATER UTILITIES, AT 561-740-4600; SELECT OPTION #1.



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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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#### **EDITORIAL**

I went online to look at old issues of the UCO Reporter and arbitrarily chose December 2013 to see what was happening then. I found an article that I wrote for that issue in which I cited "unrest" in the Village 40 years prior.....in 1973. There were various reasons then and here we are, 46 years later, and while I would not label it "unrest," there are still problems causing different degrees of unhappiness in our midst. This is occurring, primarily due to building associations and unit owners having no idea about what is going on in their day-to-day living.

Our UCO Vice Presidents who sit in their offices daily, can testify to that. Some residents do not know what UCO is, or who the president and officers are in our Organization. If you choose to live in a vacuum, you can expect to be in the dark and unhappy. It isn't until a building association issue arises that anyone takes notice because it is then that they need help and guidance.

We have a priceless staff of UCO volunteers for all phases of Village life who come to the rescue on a daily basis for your needs. However, there are not enough of them because nobody new is coming in to step up and help. Newer residents, and even older ones, are here for the good times. In December 2013, the UCO Reporter boasted 64 pages of ads and copy writers who brought interesting articles to 7,854 units here. We are down to 44 pages for some months now. When writers are forced to step down for one reason or another, no one is anxious to replace them.

It's time to look to upcoming UCO elections and put your bios in to run for open seats for President, 2 Vice Presidents, 2 Secretaries and 10 Executive Board members. The more who run, the more choices there will be. Those of you who have had history on committees, or have other knowledge of CV, now is your time to step up. I have placed 3 items in this month's issue about running for office. Read them and act! You are needed.

Happy Holidays to all and we look forward to seeing a "Happy, Healthy You" in the New Year.

BY RUTH DREISS

## DECEMBER 2019 UCO Monthly Meetings

MONDAY 2	EXECUTIVE BOARD	RM C	1:30PM
TUESDAY 3	TRANSPORTATION	UCO	9:00AM
TUESDAY 3	COMMUNICATIONS	UCO	10:30AM
WEDNESDAY 4	PROGRAMS/SERVICES	UCO	11:00AM
FRIDAY 6	DELEGATE ASSEMBLY	THEATER	9:30AM
FRIDAY 6	SECURITY	UCO	1:00PM
TUESDAY 10	ADVISORY	UCO	10:00AM
WEDNESDAY 11	BROADBAND	UCO	11:00AM
THURSDAY 12	СОР	RM B	9:30AM
THURSDAY 12	ONE UNIT-ONE VOTE	UCO	10:00AM
FRIDAY 13	CERT	RM C	1:00PM
FRIDAY 13	MARK FRIEDMAN	PRTY RM	9:30AM
TUESDAY 17	OPERATIONS	UCO	10:00AM
WEDNESDAY 18	BEAUTIFICATION	UCO	9:30AM
THURSDAY 19	BIDS/INFRASTRUCTURE	UCO	10:00AM
WEDNESDAY 25	CLOSED		
THURSDAY 26	OFFICERS	UC0	10:00AM
MONDAY 30	EXECUTIVE BOARD	RM C	1:30PM

## The Delegates' Dozen: 12 Key Changes in Articles VI-VIII

Following is a list of the dozen most significant changes proposed to Articles VI-VIII as compared to current Bylaw Amendments. Our intent is to cut through much of the text in the proposed Articles that covers clarifications of procedure and language to highlight the most meaningful changes. Delegates may also raise any other items besides these when they vote on December 6.

#### Article VI Executive Board

Page 12-13, A, **Definition**: In each term the President has four (not to exceed four) Executive Board selections available, in addition to the 20 elected Executive Board members. Formerly, President allowed eight selections.

Page 13, D, **Eligibility**: Any member of the Executive Board absent from five meetings during his/her term, without prior notification of the President or the Recording Secretary, is subject to removal, by majority vote of Executive Board. Formerly, absence from four or more meetings in one calendar year

Page 13, E, **Quorum and Voting**: The word "simple" is deleted from "a simple majority" in reference to quorum because the term correctly applies to voting, but not to quorum. Formerly, "simple majority."

Page 14, I, *Vacancies:* Vacancies at any time in an expired term will be filled immediately from the list of candidates who received the next highest numbers of votes after the winners in the prior election, or if the list is depleted, from four selections the President is allowed to make. Formerly, vacancy in first year of term filled by 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, etc. candidates from the last election, then if necessary, by special election.

#### **Article VII Officers**

Page 18, I, Leave of Absence: Provides for a replacement for three months or more if an Officer requests a leave of absence or is unable to perform his/her duties. If approved by the Delegate Assembly, the replacement would serve for the balance of the unexpired term or until the Officer returns, resigns or is unable to return. Formerly no

such provision.

Page 18, J 1, Removal from Office: Provides for a petition for removal to be submitted to the Treasurer, not the President as stated in 2013-2015 bylaws. Additional clarification will read, "Any Officer or Executive Board Member may be removed for cause, based on submission to the Treasurer, or to the President if the Treasurer is charged, of written charges in a petition signed by no fewer than one hundred (100) Delegates.

Page 18, J 4, Removal from Office. Board of Inquiry. Permits the Board of Inquiry to determine the protocols of the hearing, but the hearing portion shall be open and only principals may speak there. Formerly, no provision for open hearing.

Page 19, J 5, Removal from Office. Delegates may speak at the Delegate Assembly at which the Board of Inquiry reports its findings. Formerly, no provision for Delegates to speak. Also, J 6, Page 19. Delegate vote at Board of inquiry to

be taken in a voice roll call. Formerly, no stipulation.

#### **Article VIII Committees**

Page 20, E, Discharge. Discharge by the President of a committee chairperson for cause, with the advice and consent of the Officers Committee, requires that the chairperson be notified in writing of the discharge and the cause. (Similar language for a chairperson discharging a committee member.) Formerly, no provision.

*Page* 22 *H* 3, **Finance Committee**. Line item veto added to budget process. *Formerly, no provision*.

Page 23, J 1, Election Committee. Paper or clicker ballot to be used as appropriate. Independent third party to conduct paper ballot voting. Formerly, no provision.

*Page 24, K 3,* **Editorial Committee.** No Officer is permitted to serve in any editorial position on the *UCO Reporter. Formerly, no provision.* 

Anita Buchanan and the Advisory

Committee

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR DELEGATES**

Thank you for sticking with the Bylaw voting at last month's Delegate Assembly. We've planned a smoother, more efficient voting process for the December 6 Assembly coming up. Here's what you need to know to make it work:

- 1. We will vote on Articles VI-VIII on December 6: Executive Board (VI), Officers (VII) and Committees (VIII).
- 2. We will ask for three motions: To approve Article VI as a whole, Article VII as a whole, then Article VIII as a whole. We'll discuss, then vote.
- 3. Please come to Delegate Assembly prepared with your comments and questions.
- 4. We will not walk through each section.
- 5. We are providing in this issue of the paper (See above) a quick summary of the items with significant changes, the Delegates' Dozen. We will welcome questions and opinions on any of the other items as well.
- 6. We will call for a Yes/No/Abstain vote on each Article.

Articles VI-VIII were published in the *Reporter* (February), reviewed in depth (June 13 Town Hall), published again as revised (September), and included in your packet for last month's Delegate Assembly (November 1).

A copy of *Revisions to Articles VI-VIII* will be included again in your Delegate Packet on December 6. Copies of the Bylaws insert from the February *Reporter* will be available on the side tables near the sign-in desk for Delegates in the Clubhouse.

Please email <u>anita.buchanan281@gmail.com</u> to request a copy of Article VI-VIII Revisions before the meeting in case you threw out your September paper and last month's Delegate Packet, or went to the movies instead of the Town Hall. (Now, who would do that?)

And because life is about so much more than Bylaws, important as they are, **Happy Holidays!** We're almost through another year, and speaking for the Advisory Committee, we couldn't have done it without you – Delegates. Officers, Executive Board and everyone else who helps us along the way. Thank you. See you on December 6.

Anita Buchanan and the Advisory Committee

## **UCO Delegate Assembly Minutes**

NOVEMBER 1, 2019

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.

**Minutes:** Accepted as presented.

This Meeting is being videotaped by UCO.

**Attendance** 158 Delegates signed in. Quorum met.

#### **PBSO Report:**

- Capt. Palenzuela: Oct. was quiet month. Construction on Century Blvd created some traffic problems, change in traffic light timing at Okeechobee Gate helped congestion. Nov and December are in "Holiday Season". Be careful.
- Lt. Hill: 1 burglary in unlocked car, fraud report of charges for medical services, and 1 bike stolen. 2 incidents of assault, no injuries. 178 incidents reported overall. Be careful when shopping; keep items left in car, out of sight, when left in parking areas.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

- CPA Sebastian Yeend reported on the enclosed Treasurer's report from January through September, 2019.
- P & L show Budget and expense are near a break even status and will even out as year closes.

A "Thank You" was given to Sebastian for his work and professionalism in preparation and presentation of the financial report.

#### **New Business**

Voting on modifications to Article III, F2 and V, A6. Proposed modifications to Articles VI through VIII. Also, voting on a petition for term limits based on Delegate Assembly vote on August 4, 2015 requiring that all petitions and proposals go through to Delegates regardless of non-recommendation by the Executive Board. Bylaws were never updated to reflect that vote, but now have been revised to read as follows, word for word from the excerpt from minutes to the August 4, 2015 Assembly:

**D. METHOD OF AMENDMENT-** Amendments to the UCO Bylaws shall be proposed by any of the following methods:

- 1. By the UCO Officers' Committee
- 2. By the UCO Advisory Committee.
- 3. By any UCO member. It must be submitted in writing together with a petition signed by at least twenty-five (25) members. All proposals for amendment to the Bylaws shall be submitted to the Advisory Committee, which after due consideration, shall make its recommendations to the Officers' Committee.

The Officers' Committee, after due deliberation, shall present the Amendment proposal to the Executive Board with its recommendation for approval or disapproval.

The Executive Board, after due deliberation, shall either approve or disapprove the amendment proposal as presented. The amendment proposal, if approved as presented or as amended, shall then be published in the next issue of the UCO Reporter and shall be read and considered by the Delegate Assembly at the meeting immediately following its publication.

The recommendations of the Officers' Committee and Executive Board shall be offered as part of the discussion. APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT(S) REQUIRES AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF NOT LESS THAN  $_{2/3}$  (TWO-THIRDS) OF THE SEATED DELEGATES.

Anita Buchanan, chairperson of the Advisory Committee, explained that a recent petition for term limits, turned down by Advisory, Officers and Executive Board, will be voted today because of the 2015 amendment.

Marilyn Gorodetzer made a **motion to accept Article VI B Term Limits.** Ed Grossman seconded the motion. Discussion. Vote. 72 YES 80 NO. 2 Abstain. **Motion Failed**. APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSAL REQUIRES NOT LESS THAN 2/3 (TWO-THIRDS) OF THE SEATED DELEGATES. The petition read:

......No member Officer shall hold more than one office at a time, and all Officers' no officer shall be term limited to two (2) consecutive two-year terms, with one election cycle to follow before an Officer is eligible to run for reelection to the same office. as of the effective date of this amendment......... Vote: 72 yes, 80 no, 2 abstain. Motion failed. APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSAL REQUIRES NOT LESS THAN 2/3 (TWO-THIRDS) OF THE SEATED DELEGATES.

Anita then proceeded to present Article III of the bylaws with modification to Section F2 on quorum for approval. Phyllis Richland made a **motion** 

to accept the recommended modification in Article III, F 2. Jackie Karlan seconded the motion. Discussion. Vote. **81 YES 61 NO 4 abstain Motion Fails.** APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSAL REQUIRES NOT LESS THAN 2/3 (TWO-THIRDS) OF THE SEATED DELEGATES. The motion read:

"If a quorum is not present at any regular, special or emergency meetings of the Delegate Assembly, all motions passed by the Executive Board shall be voted on at the next meeting of the Delegate Assembly, provided there is a quorum. If a quorum is not present at this next meeting, those motions passed by the Executive Board shall be enforceable as though passed by the Delegate Assembly, except for actions and proposals required by the Act, other applicable laws, the Articles of Incorporation or these bylaws, to be approved by the Assembly."

3.

Paul Goldfarb **made a motion to accept the Article V, A6** (line item modification/wording). Marilyn Gorodetzer seconded the motion. Discussion. Vote. **91 YES 40 NO** 3 Abstain. **Motion Failed.** APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSAL REQUIRES NOT LESS THAN 2/3 (TWO-THIRDS) OF THE SEATED DELEGATES. The motion read:

"Approve all budgets of UCO, with the authority to amend the budget by exercising a line item modification veto on items which exceed twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500), including reserves. A motion for such a modification line item veto may be made at the Delegate Assembly at which the budget is being presented for approval. Such a line item veto shall be restricted to items of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500) or greater.

Motion also refers to Article VIII, Section H 3. Richard Handelsman made a motion to accept Article VIII H 3 modification preventing UCO officers from serving in any editorial position on the UCO Reporter. Joyce reiss seconded the motion. (Voted with previous motion Article 5 A6—vote. 91 YES 40 NO 3 Abstain. Motion Failed. APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSAL REQUIRES NOT LESS THAN 2/3 (TWO-THIRDS) OF THE SEATED DELEGATES. ).

4.

Lenore Velcroff made a **motion to accept recommended Article VIII K3 addition**. Marilyn Gorodetzer seconded the motion. Discussion. Vote. 127 YES - 9 NO 2 Abstain. **Motion Passed.** The motion read: "The Editorial committee shall consist of an Editor, or Co-Editors if applicable, selected by the President and subject to the approval of the Officers Committee, the Executive Board, and the Delegate Assembly. There shall be no more than four (4) Associate Editors who shall be selected by the Editor or Co-Editors. No Officer may serve in any editorial position on the UCO Reporter."

5.

Marilyn Gorodetzer made a **motion to accept Article VIII N modification as corrected.** Mercedes Dickson seconded the motion. Discussion. Vote. 123 YES 7 NO 3 Abstain. **Motion Passed**. The motion read: Article VIII N Broadband Committee. (Update terminology) "The committee shall review proposals from various **broadband providers** eable-television companies, internet service and telephony providers and present its recommendations to the Officers Committee, which shall consider those recommendations and submit them to the Executive Board, which shall consider the recommendations and refer them to the Delegate Assembly for a vote. Costs for bulk video service shall be included in Association budgets, once confirmed at the Delegate Assembly, and paid quarterly to UCO as a pass-through expense. Costs for optional internet and telephony shall be paid by UCO Members directly to the service provider."

#### **Guests**

Commissioner Gregg Weiss: the commissioner assisted road closure for the Century Blvd Project, getting traffic light timing changed at Okeechobee gate to reduce congestion. Looking into constructing a guardrail along Haverhill fence across from Community Drive, site of recent accidents. Flu season is here- remember to get your flu shots.

Alex Freeman:- Candidate for PBC Sheriff--Sheriff's sub-station at CV if elected.

Officer's reports will be next month.

Committee reports are enclosed in delegate packet.

Phyllis Richland made a motion to adjourn. Ed Grossman seconded.

Meeting adjourned 10:55 AM

Respectfully Submitted John Hess, UCO Recording Secretary.

## **UCO OFFICER'S REPORTS**



#### **Stew Richland**

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

One issue that seems quite vexing to UCO Vice Presidents is the fact that so many Associations have not as yet up-dated their buildings' documents. This must be done to comply with the various Florida Statutes. In conjunction with the up-dating, the Association can update the amendments to their documents to reflect the changing conditions here in the Village. With this type of due diligence, many of the conflicts that create bitterness among the unit owners can be resolved.

We here at UCO do make ourselves available to Association meetings to help calm down the conflicts that arise when board members and unit owners feel that they are dealing with very "difficult people." We all encounter difficult people in our lives, whether it's a family member, board member, or another unit owner. Difficult people can turn a good day into a bad one, if you don't have strategies for dealing with the challenge.

Difficult people have a wide variety of personality types, including the bully, the know-it-all, the complainer, the "yes person" who never delivers, the hyper-negative and the unresponsive person. Different approaches are needed for the different personalities, so it helps to analyze your situation and develop a suitable strategy.

## Common traits of difficult people:

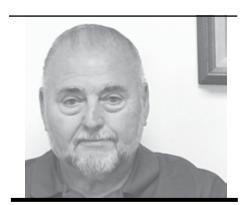
- Talk constantly and rarely acknowledge how others feel;
- Act defensively and don't hold themselves accountable for their actions:
- Critical of others;
- Challenging to reason with;
- If they are authority figures, they may play favorites and pit people against one another.

## What's the answer? Here are some strategies:

- Stay Calm: It's easy to get caught up in the moment. Take a breath or count to 10 before you respond.
- Listen: Everyone wants to be heard and acknowledged. Sometimes feeling heard is all the person wants.
- Look for an ally: The support of another colleague can help diffuse the issue.

- Don't act defensively: Remember that the behavior of a difficult person is not actually about you.
- Maintain your boundaries: You have the right to be respected, so politely say, "Please don't talk to me like that," or, "Now is not a good time. Can we talk about this after the meeting?"
- Debrief, discharge, and acknowledge: After the situation is over, talk to someone you trust. Find a way to discharge the negative energy, such as going for a walk.
- Acknowledge your efforts-it's not easy to be kind and keep your composure when someone else is being difficult. You deserve credit!

I hope that some of the above strategies will help boards and unit owners keep their "cool" at their association meetings. Remember civility brings rewards, discord does not.



#### **Fausto Fabbro**

Berkshire • Camden Hastings • Salisbury Somerset • Wellington Windsor

To all building Officers: Take care of your buildings. Be proactive on repairs and maintenance.

Building owners: Get on the Board of your building. Be active. We have too many officers not here year round to do the association work.

In the past two months, we had seven insurance seminars., Only 150 unit owners and officers attended. We handed out building and apartment checklist forms to help you. We will be doing more seminars in the future. Make sure you attend.

Our buildings are getting older and need to be cared for.

UCO Officers are here to help you.

Welcome back snowbirds. ENJOY THE HOLIDAYS!!!

UCO is looking for volunteers to fill all positions.
Bi-lingual and computer literate a bonus.
Visit UCO to apply.



#### **Dom Guarnagia**

Cambridge • Canterbury Chatham • Dorchester Kent • Northampton Sussex

I'm reminding you to perform a simple task when shopping at the Mall during "the Holiday Season". After driving throughout the parking lot and occupying a parking space, go onto making some purchases. When you have purchased a cartful of gifts and wish to put them in the trunk or back seat of your vehicle with the intent of returning to the Mall to continue collecting merchandise, perform the following "inconvenient task" to avoid being robbed.

There are those who watch the shoppers placing packages in their vehicle and await your return to the Mall, shopping for more gifts. Be Wise! Exit the parking spot and drive to one elsewhere, away from the initial parking spot and sit quietly for a few minutes before exiting the vehicle and returning to shop. With many shoppers leaving the building together, the would-be thieves will be too busy observing those who are not aware of the situation. Don a different hat and scarf, take off your sunglasses and return to the Mall with the hope that you have foiled a theft.

Winter is the time, here in Century Village when the population almost doubles and planning for renovations, replacements and general upkeep for the building envelope, landscape features and common mechanical systems are brought to fruition or arranged to be performed during the Spring/Summer or early Fall season.

The sun and wind have compromised the exterior components such as roof shingles, gutters and walks / stairs. The washers may need new braided steel hose replacement and dryers may need fluff' removal from the metallic discharge ducting. Appliances that require minimal maintenance "back home", where you are the sole user are in need of maintenance issues due to constant multiple users.

If you returned quite recently you will undoubtedly encounter the new wider sidewalk and fencing along Century Boulevard leading to Haverhill gate that was accomplished during November, causing much consternation regarding the temporary elimination of one of the two entrance/exit opportunities. The security fence may, or may not have been installed for ev-

eryone's safety, separating Century Village from the currently defunct golf course. You will see a boom in construction throughout the County. This, in part, is slowing down the issuance of County Permits and slowing proposed/desired results.



#### **David Boas**

Coventry • Easthampton Norwich • Plymouth Sheffield • Stratford Waltham

What time is it? It's construction time. Projects are all around us. The BIG project right now is the work being done on Century Boulevard. Progress is ongoing and with good weather and no unforeseen problems, the project should be heading for a timely completion date.

How about the water company and the new valves they are installing, all to make it easier to control and avoid shutting off large areas of the Village when work needs to be done? Let's not forget the work being done by FPL along the canal and fence areas. Where else? How about the tennis courts at Somerset where work is progressing, as well as the new Century Village Real Estate office?

Of course, many of our associations have had, or are starting new projects of their own. Driving around the Village, I came across many newly painted buildings. Now this is my opinion only, but the color scheme selected at Oxford 200 is the best in the village. Don't forget that the Atlantic Broadband office on Fairway Street is now open. Our transportation point person, Jose Martinez, is working on a bus stop schedule for this location. With all the construction going on, PLEASE be patient.

While I am speaking of construction, there is something that has been constructed month to month and year after year, and always of good quality. That, of course, is the UCO REPORTER. I want to say thanks to all of the editors and staff of the paper for their continuing outstanding job. Until next month, please be polite and stay well.



### MAINTENANCE

## Time To Perform a Few Simple Inexpensive Light Maintenance Tasks to Make Winter More Comfortable

While remaining relatively idle except for AC cooling and reducing humidity to eliminate mold, the lack of daily operation of your Condo re-



quires a small amount of "deferred maintenance". The following items are simple things that can make life more comfortable during your residency.

Wind driven rain has penetrated the locks and hinges of the entry door (s). Spraying a shot of a 'Water Dispersant" such a WD-40 on the hinges, in the locks and in the runners that allow/prevent the operation of the windows.

By Dom · Soak the filters of your Under-counter Microwave Guarnagia to clean the grease from the filter that filters exhaust from the Electric Range.

- · Check the rotation of the ceiling fans. During the cool months, the ceiling fan blades should rotate so that they drive warm air downward to mix with the AC air that is heavy. "Tip"! Hold a piece of tissue under the rotating blades....Whoops, not that close! If the paper is drawn toward the rotating blades, the fan is drawing the dense cool air along the lower 3'-o" of the room up toward the ceiling, hopefully to at least 6'-o"..the correct rotation. If the paper is blown downward, the cool air is struggling to pull the cool air upward against the fan's direction.
- The water remaining in the sink(s) has disappeared and the detergent and soap scum has hardened. Adding a cleaner such as Draino will break up the clog and provide good discharging water, hair and soap to be removed providing quicker proper drainage.
- The cost for LED bulbs has come down considerably. Longer life relatively inexpensive bulbs will reduce the lighting cost as well as reduce replacing bulbs in the future.
- Many returning residents have yet to have their TV and perhaps, internet equipment activated by Atlantic Broadband. Those 'bugs' from early installation have been eliminated and service inclusion requires notification to the ABB Staff who are utilizing a room in the Main Club House and soon in the building on Fairway Street opposite the Seacrest Ser-

This outline is meant to be used as a guide for preparing your bio to run for election for any open seats. Send bio by e-mail only to: ruthdreiss@ comcast.net, no later than January 15, 2020.

## **UCO Candidate Bio Outline Form 2020**

Name:

Building Association: (no unit #)

Running for: President, Vice President or Executive Board

**Education:** 

Career/Employment:

UCO/CV Experience:

Military Service (if applicable):

CV resident: No. of years residing and statement that

you reside a minimum of 9 months each year.

vices Compound.

- If your rear porch has crank-out awning windows, the crank will work far easier if the gear is lightly lubricated to facilitate operation.
- The concrete slab floor of your screened porch should not have a rug covering the floor permanently. The rain will keep the concrete moist and water and the reinforcing steel will eventually shorten the life of the slab as the steel rusting expands and leads to cracks and failure, an expensive repair.
- Other minor things may arise when you are talking to your neighbor who has similar light repairs. Enjoy your time here without having to call a handyman to make simple steps that you can perform.

#### **UCO INSURANCE MEETING PRESENTATION**

**Premium Proposal for New Insurance** 

**Clubhouse Party Room** Place:

Thursday, December 5, 2019 Date:

Time: 9:00 AM

Please pick up copy of 2019-2020 Premium **Proposal Forms.** 

Meeting conducted by Legacy Insurance **Associates** 

## **Executive Board Membership** and Responsibilities

#### BY JACKIE KARLAN CHAIR, SEARCH/NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

- Reside in Century Village for not less than nine (9) months per year
- Must be an Owner
- Be ready to serve on at least two (2) committees
- Attend all Executive Board Meetings
- · Develop an understanding of all matters brought before the **Executive Board**
- · Review all information before voting.
- Vote

## **A New Notice**

#### BY GEORGE FRANKLIN

Hi folks. A new development tiuk, the Senator's S.E. Florida has come up that I want to let you all know about. Senator Rick Scott is sending his representative to be at our UCO Delegates meetings, held on the first Friday of every month. He'll be at a manned table set up in the clubhouse lobby to answer and deal with any questions or concerns you may have which the Senator may be able to help with.

Starting in January, Ryan Hna-

District Director will be here to help you with your problems or concerns. Senator Scott has now been placed on the Committee on Aging and is also involved with Veterans Affairs. Director Hnatiuk I am sure will bring us updates and information on this and other matters that may come up. Please stop by his table and say hello and greet him when you see him.

### SAFETY

Hi folks. Hope everyone is doing well. We are now on the road to the heavy holiday season. Lot's to



By George Franklin

remind you about. First and foremost is shopping, whether you are going early gift shopping or early Thanksgiving food shopping, here are a few things to guide

you. As always, "Ali Baba" had only forty (40) thieves to worry about. In Palm Beach County there are more than that running all over! I strongly suggest that if you are going to shop, do it during the daytime hours. Always park near the entrance to your store, if possible. Do not park near shrubs and bushes that may hinder your movements upon return with packages.

One thing to remember...IF your car is equipped with an electronic key fob, DO NOT press it AFTER you get out of the car. Open your door slightly and press your door lock button. THEN get out of the car and put away the key fob in a way you would not have been seen doing that. The reason -- there are now electronic devices that can capture your electronic signals that allow the bad guys to

open your car and drive off with it! They are watching! If you are not sure where to park, take an extra few minutes and drive around the parking lot until you find a good place to park. Time is money. YOURS!

Do Not keep packages in the back seat! Place them in your trunk. If perps see packages in the car, you risk losing them and have a broken window. During the holiday season, the Sheriff's Office will have extra patrols out in the shopping areas. Look for them. Remember -- when finished shopping, not only remove the packages, but remove any electronic devices you may have. DO NOT leave wires exposed. That tells thieves there may be a device in the car and bingo you have a break in! Most important! When done, LOCK your car doors and CLOSE the windows!! ALL the way! Keep your eyes and ears open, and your pocketbooks and wallets close to you! Don't become a victim! If you have any questions or concerns about anything written here, please call me at UCO 561 683 9189 I will be glad to discuss them with you.

Have a HAPPY, SAFE, AND SECURE HOLIDAY!!

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- - Clarence Darrow



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#### **WELLINGTON 2/2's**

## **Property Manager's Report**



At this time of year, our residential community experiences an increase in non-passenger vehicles parked in Association parking lots. School buses, dump trucks, cargo trucks, oversized campers; if a Sherman tank showed up in a guest parking space, I would not be one bit surprised. We also are seeing a number of unregistered, uninsured passenger vehicles being stored on Association properties. In one case, a notorious hoarder, who is using

four unregistered passenger vehicles to store rotting food and other nasty material, is currently shuffling these vehicles from one Association to another, to avoid having these vehicles towed off property.

Maintaining community standards is a team effort. Heavy vehicles damage our roads, and eyesore junkmobiles drag down property values. Oil-leaking heaps destroy pavement. Oversized campers block driver sightlines, causing accidents. **All of this adds up to real money.** CV Associations, and their property managers, need to take an active part in keeping these vehicles out of our Community. **This means towing.** 

Towing of vehicles is governed by State Statute. When an Association decides to tow a vehicle, certain things must be done first:

- The Association needs to have a current tow contract with a licensed tow company which is located inside of ten miles from the Association.
- The Association must have statute compliant tow signage installed.
- The Association must place a 24-hour notice on the vehicle to be towed.

Signing a tow contract, and towing vehicles costs an Association nothing. The cost is borne by the vehicle owner. **Blank tow contract forms, and tow notice signs are available at UCO**. Associations should always consult with their Property Manager before towing a vehicle, to make sure that all requirements are met. Association Boards should consult with their Attorney to make sure Association documents are current.

Most importantly, CV Associations need to act decisively and quickly to tow inappropriate vehicles. Century Village is a big place. Giving endless "extensions" to these vehicles simply results in these vehicles winding up in another part of the Community. Immediate towing imparts a financial penalty on the vehicle owner, which will deter future irresponsible behavior.



PLYMOUTH SECTION-THIS UNREGISTERED, UNINSURED HOARDERMOBILE, STUFFED WITH ROTTING GARBAGE, BELONGS TO A PLYMOUTH UNIT OWNER, WHO STORED FOUR VEHICLES AT PLYMOUTH FOR MANY MONTHS, UNTIL TOW NOTICES WERE PLACED ON THE VEHICLES.



CHATHAM SECTION-THE FOUR HOARDERMO-BILES ARE MOVED TO THREE CHATHAM ASSOCIA-TIONS LAST WEEK.



OXFORD SECTION- HOARDERMOBILE #1, WITH FORGED TEMPORARY LICENSE TAG, MOVED TO OXFORD. VEHICLE OWNER TARGETS ASSOCIATIONS THAT DO NOT HAVE STATUTE COMPLIANT TOW SIGNAGE.



CHATHAM SECTION- HOARDERMOBILE #2- NOTE TOW SIGN IN BACKGROUND.



CHATHAM SECTION- HOARDERMOBILE #3, PARKED IN GUEST SPOT, WITHOUT THE ASSOCIATION'S PERMISSION.



CHATHAM SECTION- HOARDMOBILE #4. ALL FOUR HOARDERMOBILES ARE OWNED BY THE SAME CV RESIDENT.

#### TRASH PICKUP SCHEDULE

**Monday and Thursday:** Andover, Bedford, Camden, Chatham, Dorchester, Greenbrier, Kent, Kingswood, Northampton, Somerset, Southampton, Sussex, Wellington and Windsor.

**Tuesday and Friday:** Berkshire, Cambridge, Canterbury, Coventry, Dover, Easthampton, Hastings, Norwich, Oxford, Plymouth, Salisbury, Sheffield, Stratford, Waltham

Monday, Thursday and Saturday: Golf's Edge

**Bulk Pickup:** Friday for all areas. It is not a pleasant sight to see the bulk trash out all week, so please remember to put your bulk trash out late Thursday evening or very early Friday.

Recycling: Wednesdays and Saturdays for all areas.

## What are the requirements to run for UCO Office?

Must reside in CV 9 months or more each year. Be available to serve on 2 committees.

- 1) When is the election? March 6, 2020
- 2) How many openings are there for this election and for what positions?
- 1 opening for President -- 2 openings for Vice Presidents -- 10 openings for Executive Board.
- 3) What is the process for someone who wishes to run for election?

Submission of a current bio in outline from only; must be-mailed to ruthdreiss@comcast.net. No written hard copies accepted.

- 4) Is there a cutoff date for submission of Bios? Yes, January 15, 2020
- 5) What should the Bio contain and how long should it be? Name, Association, (no unit no.), Running for President, VP or EB; Education, Career Experience., UCO/CV Experience; Military (if any). No other personal info. Length should be 250 words for EB and flexible for Pres.or VP may be longer if needed.

- 6) When are floor nominations done? January 3, 2020
- 7) What is the process for doing a nomination from the floor? Only a signed in delegate may nominate from the floor. Candidate must be present.
- **8)** Who can second the nomination? A signed in delegate must second the nomination. If the nominee accepts, he/she is recorded on a form. He/she has photo taken in lobby of the clubhouse at the end of the Delegate meeting.
- 9) When should candidates from the floor submit Bios? January 15, 2020
- **10) How is a Bio submitted?** by e-mail only to: ruthdreiss@comcast.net.
- 11) Will the Bios be printed in the UCO Reporter and is there a time limit for submission? Yes in the February issue. Submission is due by January 15, 2020, by e-mail to: ruthdreiss@comcast. net.
- 12) Will there be a Candidates' Forum? Yes, on February 12, 2020 when all candidates may appear and present their platforms.

## Here's what you need to know if you plan to nominate, second, or accept a nomination from the floor at the Friday, Jan. 3, 2020 Delegate Assembly meeting

- Have your clicker or Century Village ID with you when you come to the microphone.
- You must be signed in as a delegate (or alternate delegate) to nominate or second.
- Any unit owner in good standing and residing in the Village nine (9) months of the year is eligible to be nominated (not just delegates).
- Only a DELEGATE can nominate.
- When you nominate or second, state your name and association, and the name, association and office for the person you are nominating.
- · When you accept a nomination, state your name, association, and the office you are accepting.
- Nominees will be asked to sign a declaration stating that they live in Century Village a minimum of nine (9) months each year.

After the Delegate Meeting, nominees will go to the lobby, where a photographer will take your photo for the UCO Reporter. Nominees: Email your bio no later than **Wednesday, January 15, 2020** to ruthdreiss@comcast.net

2020 UCO ELECTION – Vote on March 6 in the Clubhouse, 8:00 – 9:30 a.m.

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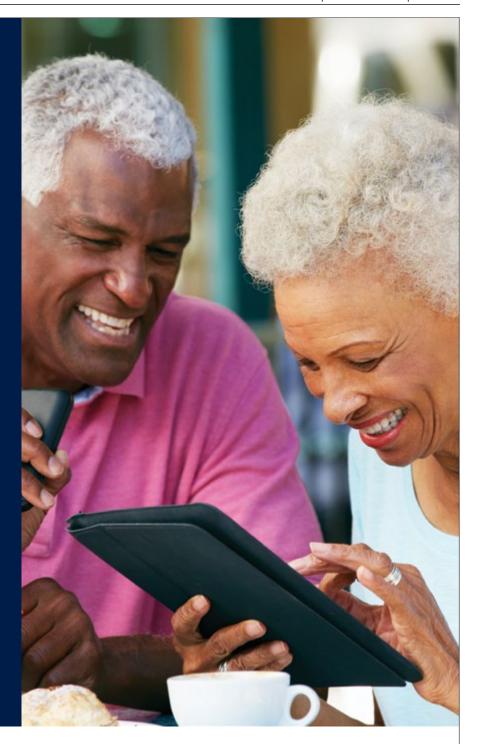
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Berkshire A 1 BR / 1 BA\$42,000	Bedford D
Camden I 1 BR / 1 BA	Stratford L
Windsor J 1 BR / 1 BA\$45,900	Easthampton E 2 BR / 1.5 BA
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Windsor G 1 BR / 1.5 BA	Wellington K 2 BR / 2 BAWaterfront \$134,900
Cambridge I 1 BR / 1.5 BA\$55,900	Wellington M 2 BR / 2 BAWaterfront \$145,000
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Cambridge B 1 BR / 1.5 BA\$59,900	Coventry B 1 BR / 1.5 BA
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Sold a Single Family home in 2015 for approximately \$25,000 in West Palm Beach, FL. "He helped sell my condo for the price we discussed and delivered, would use him again. The condo had a lot of restrictions making it hard to sell. He got a buyer and got them through the condo boards." - B.C.\*



★★★★ - Highly likely to recommend

Rented a condo home in 2014 in West Palm Beach, FL.

"My Agent was a life saver in a long distance transaction. Her communication, attention to detail and just plain caring made the impossible happen. A MILLION thanks!" - L.A.\*



 $\star\star\star\star\star\star$  - Highly likely to recommend

Bought a Condo home in 2014 for approximately \$50,000 in West Palm Beach, FL.

"My agent helped me find and buy my Florida residence. She was most helpful explaining and answering all my questions and concerns. She was always available to show me listing and helped gain access to all homes I wanted to see. I wouldn't hesitate to use my agent, both buying and selling. I have recommended her to others who have been very pleased." - G.G.\*







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## **December Property News**

#### **DOROTHY JACKS** PBC PROPERTY APPRAISER

As 2019 ends, I want to share some thoughts on the past 12 months and highlight some of our accomplish-



My office employs 240 qualified employees, has five service centers located throughout Beach Palm County, and re-

tains more credentialed appraisal experts than any other jurisdiction in the United States. We determine the taxable value of more than 640,000 parcels and nearly 60,000 tangible personal property accounts in the county.

In 2019, Palm Beach County property values continued to experience steady growth, increasing 6.21% from 2018. Westlake, Juno Beach, and Mangonia Park showed the largest percentage of growth from 2018 to 2019. The biggest trends in new construction were apartment complexes, industrial and retail properties. Overall, the market value for new construction was at \$2.9

These highlights provide a snapshot of our work performed in 2019, which were substantial, we:

- Streamlined processes of online filing for homestead exemption and portability applications.
- Significantly condensed the Value Adjustment Board petition hearing schedule.
- · Shortened the amount of time to show recent sale transactions on the PAPA website from 6

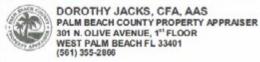
weeks to 1-3 weeks.

 Restructured office space within various departments to improve the lines of communication and

remove barriers to productivity.

I want to take this opportunity to thank my staff. I appreciate their hard work and commitment to the taxpayers of Palm Beach County. As we move into 2020, I anticipate new challenges and trends, but our mission will remain the same - to value property, administer exemptions, and maintain ownership records for the County, fairly, equitably and in accordance with Florida law. Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Property Appraiser.

I wish you and your families a safe and happy holiday season. We Value What You Value



RETURN

2020 HOMESTEAD RECEIPT KEEP THIS FOR YOUR RECORDS REVERSE SIDE FOR IMPORTANT INFORMAT PROPERTY CONTROL NUMBER 00 00 00 00 00 000 0000

Legal Description

PALM LAKE NO 5 COND

EXEMPTIONS RENEWED FOR THIS PROPERTY:

HOMESTEAD WIDOW/WIDOWER

#### **Homestead Exemption Receipt** Cards to be mailed at the end of **December**

On the last business day in the month of December, the Property Appraiser's Office mails a "pink and white" Homestead Exemption receipt card to every homestead exempt property owner in Palm Beach County. If there are no changes to the use and/or ownership of the property, simply keep the card as your receipt that you have been automatically renewed for another year. However, if there is a change to ownership due to a sale, marriage, divorce, death, or you rented the property, call our office at 561.355.2866 or email us at myexemption@pbcgov.org

If this is your first year filing for Homestead Exemption, the Property Appraiser's Office recommends using our easy online system. E file is simple, efficient, and a secure website. Log onto www.pbcgov.org/ PAPA and click the E-file button on the homepage.

You may also file by mail or in person at one of our five Service Centers conveniently located throughout Palm Beach County. The deadline to file a homestead exemption application is March 1 of the year, you're applying for and you may pre-file any time after you take ownership of the property and become a permanent resident of Florida. You and/or your spouse must not be receiving a residency-based exemption on any other property in Florida or in another state.

#### Office Closed Due to Upcoming **Holidays**

The Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office (including all of our Service Centers) will be closed the following days during the upcoming holiday season:

- Tuesday, December 24, 2019
- Wednesday, December 25, 2019
- Wednesday, January 1, 2020

**Happy Holidays!** 

## **Transportation & Tourism Appropriations Takes up Budget Request for Transportation Disadvantaged**

Tallahassee, Fla. – Today, HB 2385 Representative Matt Will-



hite (D-Wel**lington**) has passed the Transportation & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee. The

posed budget request will provide funds

for Palm Beach County's Transportation Disadvantaged bus pass program. The program provides access to transportation for low-income individuals, the elderly, and those with disabilities, and ensures reliable and safe transportation for cit-

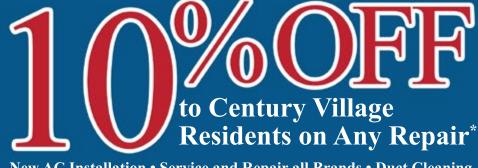
"These cost savings are vital for many individuals who struggle to make ends meet and cannot afford vehicle ownership", stated Representative Willhite. "This program is already helping so many people in Palm Beach County. We are helping folks get to work, but more importantly, to their healthcare appointments. I will continue to work hard to get this appropriation funded."



#### **NOTICE** TO BIKE **RIDERS**

Reminder: A horn, bell, or other audible device is required on bicycles to alert pedestrians that a rider is behind them. This is the law! Pedestrians must also be alert at all times of their surroundings. Together both bike riders and pedestrians can avoid accidents. Please comply.





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## **Property Matters**

## ANNE M. GANNON CONSTITUTIONAL TAX COLLECTOR

December is filled with holiday preparations and festivities. With so much to do and so little time, I



have a suggestion. If you have not yet paid your 2019 property taxes, why not save time by paying your taxes on www. pbctax.com? In addition to saving time,

you will also save money! December payments qualify for a 3% early payment discount.

A friendly reminder that our offices will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 24 and Wednesday, Dec. 25 for the Christmas holiday.

I wish you peace and happiness this holiday season.

## 2019 Property Taxes by the Numbers

The 2019 property tax year opened on Nov. 1 when we mailed 635,558 bills totaling \$4.2 billion to Palm Beach County property owners. From our schools and libraries to public safety, healthcare programs and the environment, property taxes fund critical services and our way of life in Palm Beach County.

The top ten property taxpayers by the amount of taxes billed are:

- **1. Florida Power & Light Co.** \$101,430,213.95
- 2. Town Center at Boca Raton Trust \$10,870,125.48
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- **4. Breakers Palm Beach Inc.** \$6,964,252.20
- **5. Boca Owner LLC** \$6,921,172.77
- **6. U.S. Sugar Corp.** \$5,544,998.60
- **7. CPT Phillips Point LLC** \$4,679,226.64
- **8. Palm Beach Outlets LLC** \$4,125,836.01
- 9. Okeelanta Corp.\$3,936,440.53
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To use eCheck, you will need to know your bank's routing number for electronic payments and your bank account number. Make sure your email address is correct because the transaction confirmation will be emailed to you. If you do not receive the confirmation email, check your Junk folder or Spam folder.

#### **Installment Payment Due**

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If you are currently enrolled in the Installment Payment Plan, there are no need to re-apply. You are automatically re-enrolled each year.





## **LEGAL**

## The Season is upon us again

#### BY MARK FRIEDMAN, FLORIDA BAR CERTIFIED AS A SPECIALIST IN CONDOMINIUM AND PLANNED DEVELOPMENT LAW

The "season" is upon us yet again. What does that mean? In part it means that Board members will be returning as will most of the unit owners, especially with winter weather gripping the northern parts of our country so early this year. I like to compartmentalize so that responsibilities do not become overwhelming to the Board members. The following are things to consider with the new season:

- 1. Inspect the exterior envelope of your condominium buildings and photograph the exterior of the building. Any repairs that unit owners are responsible for should be carefully documented and noticed to them. Any work required of the Association should also be appropriately handled.
- 2. Update your Frequently Asked Question and Answer sheet if you have had any amendments since you last updated it. Also update it if you have changed the

monthly assessments. This document is required to be maincords in updated fashion.

- 3. Prepare for the annual meeting. Remember, under the Condominium Act, the first notice of the annual meeting must be mailed, or hand delivered to all unit owners no less than 60 days prior to the date of the election. That means that you should begin working on this as soon as you get back. For our Becker clients, if specifically requested, we prepare the necessary paperwork for the annual meeting notifications at no charge (although we do not do the actual mailing).
- 4. After you hold your annual meeting be certain to update and file your annual report with the State of Florida (www.sunbiz.org); and let those working with the Association (e.g. lawyers, accountants, managers, vendors) know of changes to the Board and/or

the officers.

- tained as part of your official re- 5. If new Board members are elected or appointed, within 90 days he or she must either sign an affidavit stating that he or she has read your governing documents and will uphold them or must take a Condominium Board Certification Class. We hold monthly classes in our West Palm Beach office only 20 minutes from Century Village and I usually come to the Village once or twice a season to provide such Board certification classes on site.
  - 6. Review your budget with your manager or whomever is helping prepare the budget. member, that you must provide a minimum of 14 days' notice to the membership of the budget meeting along with a copy of the budget. However, if your particular documents require a longer notice period than you must use that longer notice period.

- 7. If the Board has not officially held a meeting and designated the conspicuous notice location for meeting notices do so at one of your first Board meetings.
- 8. Remember to post agendas for all Board meetings and stick to only those topics at the meeting.
- 9. Nip violations in the bud and create a paper trail of your attempts to do so. If the police are called get copies of police reports. Don't wait for a small problem to become a bigger problem.

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Canterbury K	1st Floor- Good - Furnished -All Tile	
Dorchester G	2nd Floor - Furn. NegoBBQ Area - Hurr. Windows	\$48,900
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1 BEDROOM	- 1 ½ BATH	•
Dorchester G	2nd Floor - Furnished	\$42,900
Southampton B	1st Floor - Large Porch	
Coventry A	1st Floor- Updated Kitchen & Bath-Close to E. Gate	\$40,000
Northampton A	1st Floor -Corner -Tile Thru-out - A/C 2 Years Old	\$39,900
Andover A	1st Floor - Corner - Open KitGranite-W/I Shower	\$82,900
Easthampton I	2nd Floor- Newer Appliances - Updated Bathroom	\$42,900
Golfs Edge H	2nd Floor - Corner - C/A/C -Totally Remodeled	\$60,000
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Plymouth R	1st Floor - Corner- Fully Renovated - W/D Hookups – Fully enclosed porch! Must be seen!!	\$135,000
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Chatham C	2nd Floor - A+ Location-Water Views -Super Patio	\$68,500
Dorchester C	2nd Floor - Corner - Furn Tile - Walk in Shower	\$69,950
Northampton F	2nd Floor - Furnished - Clean	
Easthampton I	2nd Floor - Unfurnished - Carpet - Outdoor Patio	
Windsor E	1st Floor Corner - Updated Kit w/ Granite - Walk Is Shower Ou Near Pool - WILL NOT LAST!!	
2 BEDROOM	<u>- 2 BATH</u>	
Wellington C	2nd Floor - Close to Pool-SS ApplFurn. Neg-Lake Vu	\$92,000
Golfs Edge F	2nd Floor-Tile -Wood Floors-Updated Kitchen w/SS	
Stratford E	1st Floor- Corner - Water View	
Stratford E	1st Floor - Great Unit	\$120,000
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Inlet Road	North Palm Beach – Near Intercoastal – SFH – NO HOA PRICED UNDER MARKET FOR FAST SALE	\$399,000

	<u>RENTALS</u>	
Coventry C	2 BR - 1 BATH - 2ndFloor - Nice Outdoor Patio	\$ 925
Camden L	1 BR- 1.5 BATH - 2nd Floor- Corner - C/A	\$ 975
Dorchester K	2 BR - 1.5 BATH - 1st Floor-Corner -Updated-Part. Fun	\$1,150
Sheffield F	1 BR -1 BATH - 1st Floor-Unfurnished-Close to Gym	\$ 825
Kent F	2 BR - 1.5 BATH - 1st Floor - Corner - Unfurnished	\$1,200
Waltham C	1 BR - 1.5 BATH -2nd Floor- Corner- C/A/C- Shutters	\$ 825
Salisbury B	1 BR - 1 BATH - Close to East Gate - Great Association	\$ 950

#### **RECENT RENTALS** RECENT SALES OXFORD 200 .....\$49,200 SHEFFIELD J......\$950 CAMDEN C.....\$39,900 COVENTRY F ..... \$950 CAMBRIDGE A ..... \$1,100 CHATHAM F......\$74,000 NORWICH E ..... \$975 STRATFORD G.....\$128,000 NORWICH H .....\$76,500 WALTHAM A ..... \$850 KENT H ..... \$850 CHATHAM F.....\$74,000 WILLOW POND ......\$155,000 GOLFS EDGE......\$975 ANDOVER L .....\$25,000 BERKSHIRE K ..... \$1,000 COVENTRY E ......\$40,000 KENT H ..... \$825 ANDOVER C.....\$41,000 SALISBURY F..... \$850 GREENBRIER A.....\$68,500 SALISBURY B ......\$900 SUNFLOWER CIR. .....\$350,000 LAKE ANN DRIVE ..... \$1,400 KENT I ......\$1,000 NORWICH N .....\$62,500

**AVERAGE DAYS ON MARKET SALES: 17 • RENTALS: 23** Other Offices Average Days On Market: 93

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ALL INFORMATION IS DEEMED CORRECT AT TIME OF PUBLICATION 12/2019.

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## TRANSPORTATION

With the resignation of Lori Torres on Sept. 30th, a new chair is being sought. VP David Boas was Acting Chair of the Transportation Committee for the meeting on Nov. 5th. He once again advised that only written complaints would be considered. Complaint forms are available in the clubhouse ID office, the UCO office, or from Transportation On-Site Manager Jose. Get the forms in as quickly as possible for action.

In answer to some questions: Be advised that Guest Passes are accepted on the buses with valid dates. Regarding walkers, bus drivers will offer help to passengers, if needed, but help can also be requested.

Regarding the excursion trip to the Elliott Museum, 48 were signed up with an additional 7 on standby. There were 36 who showed up. Some who really wanted to go on the trip and could not get on the bus, took their own cars. David Boas provided bottled water and ice for the comfort of the passengers. Thank you, David for your caring nature.

The committee approved by a majority, an excursion to the Port of Palm Beach on Wed., Jan.

at this time is tentative. The date of the South Florida Fair has to be confirmed so that it doesn't conflict. That trip brought 150 of our Century Villagers to the Fair last year and is very popular.

Also voted in favor was an excursion to the Palm Beach History Museum. This is scheduled for a date in March. There will be a mock trial in a courtroom where passengers may participate or sit and enjoy it. The time is 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm and the cost is \$20 pp (discounted by \$5 for our busload of 25) with a cocktail hour preceding the trial. There will be further details later. Buses will be scheduled to get passengers back home.

At this time, the Sugar Cane excursion is waiting for confirmation and a date. Those who have gone on this trip may not go again, in order to give those a chance who have not gone before. David Boas requested a report, as information is received, as to who has gone on each and every excursion from now forward.

Jose reported that the closing of the East gate is causing traffic to be late exiting at the West gate. To meet the bus schedule,

29th, for 25 passengers. The date residents will need to be more courteous and not try to cut in lines, creating hazardous conditions. The Publix Express will go to Publix only from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. After 5 PM, Routes 1, 2 and 3 will resume their normal schedule. On the weekend, buses will run on their normal schedules.

> The Atlantic Broadband Cable Store is about to open during early November. There will be a bus stop there. The bus will loop around Southampton to pick up and drop off.

> Finally, it was discussed at the October meeting that the

25-passenger buses cost \$42.40 hr., plus fuel for a trip. The 50-passenger buses are \$640 each trip. Consideration will be given to using smaller buses, when applicable, for an overall cost savings. In addition, buses to the ball game may be discontinued because Palm Tran is available for transportation to the ballpark a short distance away.

May everyone have a Happy, Healthy -- and Safe Holiday Season!

> Ruth Bernhard-Dreiss Transportation Committee

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## **WPRF NEWS**

BY EVA RACHESKY

The "rumor mill" is buzzing with all kinds of conjectures as to the timetable for the new Tennis Courts. The asphalt is down and is "curing" for 30 days which ends on the 10th of December. Scheduled to start the week of December 5th is the fence installation. Simultaneous to the fence install is the completion of the paver walkway and the pad for the bicycle racks. WPRF is waiting for a date that the playing surface will be applied. This has been a long arduous process and my hope is that we will be able to open the courts for play right before the Christmas holiday. I thank you all for your patience!

With season upon us, I am asking all Residents to please remember to bring your WPRF ID card with you when using any of the recreational facilities. The Security Guards continue to give out the plastic ID holders with clips. Please use them to display your ID card on the outside of your bags when using the pools, or the many different courts for play. Many people have been identified as trespassers and ousted from the recreational areas. Remember, unauthorized users are stealing what you are paying for so make that call to start the process of having them removed.

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

No smoking anywhere on recreation property.

Service Animals only. Emotional Support animals/pets are not allowed on WPRF property.

All guests using the recreational facilities need a pass from the ID Office or Staff Office on weekends.

Do not feed the wildlife.

Follow the directional arrows in the parking lot.

Check to make sure that you are pulled completely into your parking space.

Please carpool when coming for events, shows and the Saturday Night Dance.

Please go around the traffic circle in front of the clubhouse to exit properly.

No personal watercraft in the lakes!

No personal watercraft in the lakes/canals are allowed. WPRF sailboats ONLY.

If you see something, say something.

Do not give the Security Guards a hard time as they don't make the rules, they only enforce them.

Please bring your manners, a ready smile and be kind...you could be standing next to someone who is completely broken...a smile and kind word could make their whole day!

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**For Sale:** Wellington H, 4th fl, 2 br, 2 bath, \$115,000, completely redone. PGT windows, X-large kitchen cabinets. 772-834-8737, leave message.

**For Sale:** By Owner, 160 Bedford G, ground floor, corner unit, 2 bed-

room, 1-1-1/2 bath, 800+ sq. ft, new paint throughout, new tile floors, new bath, updated. Call: Paul 207-730-8384. \$69.900.

**For Sale:** Completely redecorated 2 BR, 1.5 Bath, Chatham Isle; 2019 roof. FSBO: \$63,750. Open House, Sun., 12/8 1-4 pm; 646-761-6366.

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**For Rent:** Short/Long term, 1b/1b newly renovated, 1st floor, cable incl. fully furnished, close to Haverhill entrance. Walk to clubhouse Walgreens, synagogue, 24- hr security. Call: Janette Soto 561-632-3709.

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## DECEMBER EXCURSION TRIPS

All Excursions Depart Main Clubhouse

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Wednesday 20th
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Leaves 10:00AM, return about 3:00PM

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.





#### **JANUARY EXCURSION BUSTRIP**

#### TOURTHE PORT OF PALM BEACH

What: Tour of Port of Palm Beach in Riviera When: Wednesday, January 22 25 seat bus will leave the Clubhouse at 9:30 a.m. and will return at 12:30 p.m.

Sign-up sheet posted in Clubhouse at 9 a.m. on Thursday, January 16

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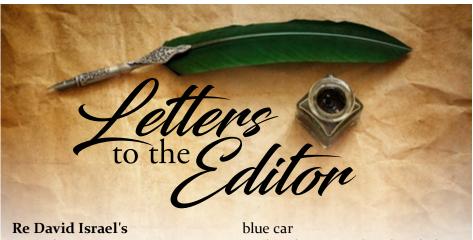
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### **President's Report**

Why you cannot name the Association involved, since they are dragging

our Village down, allowing no investigations on a criminal who has been living amongst us for more than 2 years. Who cares about embarrassing this ignorant Association and it's Board. This place is sadly going downhill with the type of lapse morality and causing danger and upset to the many innocent and proud owners who live here and abide by the rules and by-laws.

I was recently threatened with a baseball bat by a resident in a

when he sat at the okeechobee exit with a green light and would not move,

so I went out around him. He then chased me and threatened me. I know what he looks like and he will get what is coming to him.

There are also people who throw anything in the garbage containers without placing it in a bag, fish, chicken, food, dirt and dust. You should be ashamed at what the collectors for Waste Management have to pick up. It is totally disgusting and any decent person would bag their garbage

Jean Komis, Chatham E

I moved into Ceitury Village in 2000, a woman in my fifties, working full time at the JCC on Military Trail, which of course is no longer there, I was happy to be in a Village where folks acknowledged one another, were courteous to one another, had patience and respect of one another. WHERE HAS THAT GONE?

three-year-old When my granddaughter would visit from up north she would be so excited and, loved the big pool where there were so many kids enjoying the winter break. She referred to the area as "HAPPY VILLAGE".

HAPPY VILLAGE? Maybe I am

missing something! Yes, it is patience that is needed when exiting the Okeechobee gate, but do we have to cut people off? How many of you drive on the grass seeking a quicker way to leave the village? If you must catch a plane leave earlier. Won't it be wonderful when the new sidewalk is completed, and the Haverhill gate is open again? Progress costs time, time requires patience.

COME ON FOLKS! Let's be happy to be herein this wonderful facility many of use call HOME year-round.

Rhoda Nadell

## **Mark Friedman Class Schedule**

Friday, December 13 Party Room - 9:30am to Noon

Hour 1 - Holding Board Meetings

Hour 2 - Holding Elections

Hour 3 - Enforcement of Rules

**Wednesday, January 29, 2020** Classroom C - 9:30am - 12:30pm **Board Certification** 

(Registration in advance is required for this session)

Wednesday, February 19, 2020 Classroom C - 10am - Noon

Avoiding Discrimination

Friday, February 28, 2020 Classroom C - 10am - Noon

**Amending Your Documents** 

Wednesday, March 4, 2020 Classroom C - 10am - Noon

**Going After Violators** - What you can and cannot do

Wednesday, March 25, 2020 Classroom C - 9:30am - 12:30pm

**Makeup Board Certification** 

(Registration is required for this session)



#### HASTINGS FITNESS CENTER CLASS SCHEDULE **NOVEMBER - MARCH**

	MON	IDAY	TUESDAY	WEDN	ESDAY	THUR	SDAY	FRI	DAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
8:30 8:45 9:00	DANCE A 8:30 - 9 AQUATIC ZUMBA AT CAMDEN POOL BY: THERESA 9:00- 10:00AM		ADVANCED AEROBICS 8:30 - 9:15AM	LOW IMPAC 8:30 - 9 AQUATIC ZUMBA AT CAMDEN POOL BY: THERESA 9:00-10:00AM	]	ADVANCED 8:30 - 9		DANCE A 8:30 - 9 AQUATIC ZUMBA AT CAMDEN POOL BY: THERESA 9:00- 10:00AM	EROBICS 9:15AM	*TAI-CHI* (PAID CLASS) 9:00 - 10:00AM	
9:30 9:45 10:00	WATER AEROBICS AT GUEST POOL BY: DOLLY 9:00AM - 10:00AM	FUNCTIONAL WEIGHT TRAINING 9:30 - 10:15AM	AEROBICS WITH WEIGHTS 9:30 - 10:15AM	WATER AEROBICS AT GUEST POOL BY: DOLLY 9:00AM - 10:00AM	FUNCTIONAL WEIGHT	AERO WITH W 9:30 - 1	EIGHTS	WATER AEROBICS AT GUEST POOL BY: DOLLY 9:00AM - 10:00AM	FUNCTIONAL WEIGHT TRAINING 9:30 - 10:15AM	BY: PATRICK FROM: JANUARY 4TH THRU APRIL 18TH	
10:15 10:30 10:45	WATER AEROBICS 10:00 - 11:00AM AT HASTINGS BY: ARLEEN	ADVANCED HATHA	PILATES 10:30 - 11:15AM	WATER AEROBICS 10:00 - 11:00AM AT HASTINGS BY: ARLEEN	ADVANCED HATHA		PILATES 10:30 - 11:15AM	WATER AEROBICS 10:00 - 11:00AM AT HASTINGS BY: ARLEEN	ADVANCED HATHA		STRETCHING 10:00 - 11:00AM BY: SARA
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12:15 12:30 12:45 1:00	LUI - 12:15 -	NCH 1:15PM	ZUMBA		NCH 1:15PM	ZUM			NCH 1:15PM		
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SUSSEX K Tenant in place, ceramic tile flooring. Outside corner, serene area with lots of privacy from patio,	\$55,000	on a corner lot with lots of lush landscaping, and space between the building, tenant in place, paying \$1000 per month. There is a two year waiting period to rent. Active clubhouse and	
WINDSOR M Lots of upgrades, ceramic tile flooring, new impact windows in front, well			\$65,000
taken care of unit, rent able, near the Camden pool, beautiful garden view <b>BEDFORD E</b> Absolutely beautiful! Stunning furniture! Newer kitchen, newer baths, wood	\$63,000	<b>NORTHAMPTON L</b> Outside corner unit, furnished, tenant in place, central air, private location the west gate, steps to the parking, lots of activities, transportation.	n, near <b>\$73,000</b>
flooring, inside corner garden view lift included. Community patio. Central air conditioning.	\$55,000		773,000
<b>WALTHAM F</b> Ceramic tile floors thru out, central air conditioning, beautifully furnishings,	, ,	GROUND FLOOR CORNER, 2 BED 1.5 BATHS  SHEFFIELD H Outside corner, beautifully furnished, ceramic tile flooring, lots of light near the	
tenant leaving April 24, 2019. Tastefully done. Near east gate and clubhouse, 24 hour	_	Hastings fitness center and pool, location is fantastic, great association with community BBQ.	
security, gated community.	\$55,000	<b>CAMDEN D</b> Waterview, furnished, out side corner, newer ac, newer hot water, sunny,	<i>411</i> ,000
<b>WINDSOR A</b> Outside corner, fully furnished, carpet, water view, very serene, near the pool and the wort gate. This unit has been well taken care of	¢45 000	•	\$78,000
and the west gate. This unit has been well taken care of  GOLFS EDGE E Tenant in place, unfurn, central air, washer/dryer can be placed in unit.	\$45,000	BERKSHIRE A Furnished, outside corner, washer, dryer, water view, patio outside facing	
Near east gate and clubhouse.	\$49,000	the water view.  Source the water view.  Source the water view.  Source the water view.  Source the water view.	\$75,000
<b>GROUND FLOOR CORNER, 1 BED 1.5 BATHS</b>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$74,900
EASTHAMPTON H Ceramic tile flooring, furnished, central air, extra storage in living room		GROUND FLOOR, 2 BED, 1.5 BATHS	, , ,,, , ,
newer kitchen and updated baths. Tenant in place and wants to stay! Near the east gate,			125,000
clubhouse, transportation, fitness center, 24 hour gated community. Community patio. This condo is a great investment.	\$65,000		\$69,900
<b>EASTHAMPTON G</b> This condo has been well taken care of, new enclosed patio that is very	-	UPPER FLOOR, 2 BED 1.5/2 BATHS	·
convenient to parking, hurricane impact windows, fully furnished, central air conditioning,		<b>OXFORD 200</b> Beautifully furnished, ceramic tile flooring, large spacious rooms, pet friendly	
new dish washer, h2o approximately two years old, range less than six months, stall shower,		,	\$79,900
carpet and ceramic tile flooring. Association has great reserves,	\$65,000	WALTHAM E So many upgrades, partially furnished, beautiful flooring, knock down wall	
SHEFFIELD P Furnished, serene area, near Hastings fitness, pool. Central air conditioning,	\$47,000		\$59,000
rent able, pet friendly, 24 hour security, active club house and fitness center <b>CAMDEN J</b> Outside corner, part. furnished, central air conditioning, enclosed patio overlook			\$59,000
a garden view, extra storage, near the west gate, and Camden pool. 24 Hour security,		*ANNUAL RENTALS*	
active clubhouse and fitness center.	\$48,900	GROUND FLOOR 1 BED 1 BATH  DEDICATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE P	ĊOAE
<u>UPPER FLOOR, 1 BED 1.5 BATHS</u>		<b>BERKSHIRE G</b> Carpet, furnished, steps to parking, near the west gate, close to laundry <b>CAMDEN K</b> Furnished, ceramic tile flooring, garden view, steps to postage, parking	\$845 \$900
<b>CAMDEN H</b> Beautifully done, with great furniture. Ceramic tile flooring, garden view,	ć 40.000	WINDSOR M Unfurnished, ready to move into, garden view, steps to postage, parking	\$900 \$900
lots of light and breezy. Every thing is here, move right into. Near pool <b>SOUTHAMPTON A</b> Ceramic tile flooring, unfurnished, large patio, garden view,	\$49,000	CAMBRIDGE C Absolutely beautiful, completely renovated, unfurnished, garden view steps	7,00
development has its own pool. Steps to parking, laundry, garbage shoot on each floor	\$55,000	to parking, stall shower, state of the art every thing.	\$980
CANTERBURY B Furnished, new laminate flooring, enclosed patio, well taken care of	\$48,000	<b>UPPER FLOOR CORNER 1 BED 1.5 BATHS</b>	
CANTERBURY A Central air, rentable asap, if closed by April 1, 2019, turn key, furnished,	\$54,900	NORWICH J Unfurnished, garden view, central air, great location, ceramic tile flooring	\$900
WELLINGTON M Freshly painted, move right into furnish with the exception of the dinning		WINDSOR A Fully furnished, carpet, waterview, near the west gate, steps to parking	\$900
room set, ceiling fans thru out, lake view!! Laundry on each floor!! Elevator building.	\$69,900	<b>CAMDEN K</b> Unfurnished, outside corner, central air, near Camden pool well taken care of this condo is near the west gate and close to parking, tennis, racquetball, and so much more to enj	iov
<b>GROUND FLOOR, 1 BED 1.5 BATHS</b>		Hastings fitness is the state of the art equipment unfurnished.	°y. <b>\$900</b>
GREENBRIER B Interior unit updated kitchen, ceramic tile in kitchen, living room and dinir	<b>.</b>	UPPER FLOOR 2 BED 1.5 BATHS CORNER	
area, hurricane shutters front and back, level has its own pool beauty!  WINDSOR Q Lots of color and lots of light, furnished, near pool absolutely well taken care or	\$64,900	NORTHAMPTON L Outside corner, unfurnished, serene, central air conditioning	\$1,100
this is a move right into. Lots of amenities, transportation	\$54,900	NORWICH L Serene area, freshly painted, unfurnished, cer and carpet	\$950
GROUND FLOOR, 1 BED 1 BATH	10.,,,,,	<b>KENT M</b> Unfurnished, ceramic tile flooring, lots of light. Close to parking, mirrored wall in	
NORTHAMPTON R Steps to parking, near the Kent pool and west gate, garden view, tenar	nt	living room garden view	\$975
in place, 24 hour security, transportation, no smoking building, BBQ, cul-de-sac	\$49,000	<u>UPPER FLOOR 1 BED 1 BATH</u> WINDSOR B Unfurnished, ceramic tile flooring, well taken care of. Water view, near the west	
SUSSEX I Well taken care of, freshly painted, unfurnished, ceramic tile, steps to parking,	442.000	qate, transportation, active clubhouse and fitness center, steps to parking.	\$900
cul-de-sac, near Kent pool, move right into, pets allowed.	\$42,000	NORTHAMPTON R Near the Kent pool, furn or unfurn, garden view steps to parking	\$900
<b>NORTHAMPTON R</b> Steps to parking, tenant in place and wants to stay, community BBQ, near Kent pool, rent able building, cul-de-sac no smoking, near the west gate	\$49,000	GROUND FLOOR CORNER 1 BED 1.5 BATHS	
NORTHAMPTON Q Unfurnished, TLC, steps to parking and laundry and mail. Garden view	-	CANTERBURY K Ceramic tile flooring, central air, unfurnished, near pool, serene area	\$900
great price, this is in a great area with pools, clubhouse, fitness center, transportation,		ANDOVER B Ceramic tile flooring, turn key, ready to move into. Furnished, near the west gate	?
and so much more.	\$35,000	and Sommerset pool. Great community with lots of activities, gated community and transportation	\$900
<b>BEDFORD F</b> Some furnishings will stay, ceramic tile flooring, new enclosed patio, steps to	¢27 000	CANTERBURY J Furnished, ceramic tile, central air, freshly painted, near pool, gated comm	\$900 \$925
parking, community patio, priced to sell, one year waiting for renting  ANDOVER G Unfurnished, close to laundry, ceramic tile flooring, has central air system and	\$37,000	GROUND FLOOR 1 BED 1.5 BATHS	7-25
wall units. Needs a little TLC, great investment, rent able	\$49,000	HASTINGS B Unfurnished, ceramic tile flooring, garden view, ac units, enclosed patio	\$900
NORTHAMPTON L unfurnished, steps to parking, well taken care of condo, ceramic tile	. ,	UPPER FLOOR 1 BED 1 BATH	
flooring and patio, garden view.	\$49,900	<b>CANTERBURY D</b> This is a fantastic condo, lots of upgrades, furniture, near the east gate, pret	ty <b>\$900</b>
<u>UPPER FLOOR, 1 BED 1 BATH</u>		UPPER FLOOR 2 BED 1 BATH, 2 BED 1.5 BATHS	
<b>DORCHESTER J</b> Beautiful!!! Updates to include: stainless steel appliances, quartz counter		COVENTRY K Ceramic tile flooring, unfurnished, freshly painted, pet friendly, its ready	\$1,100
tops, solid maple cabinetry, recessed lighting, 2 newer wall units, all within the last two years, unfurnished, ceramic tile flooring, 2nd floor laundry	\$54,900	<b>NORWICH L</b> Unfurnished, ceramic tile and carpet, a very serene area, laundry upstairs	\$950
NORTHAMPTON Q OMG! This condo is pretty and ready to move into, fully furnished,	42 T/200	<u>SEASONALS</u>	
ceramic tile flooring, well taken care of, steps to parking, near the Kent pool,	\$48,000	SECOND FLOOR 1 BED 1.5 BATHS	ha ===
CANTERBURY D Tenant in place, ceramic tile flooring, cul-de-sac, partially furnished,		<b>BEDFORD I</b> One bedroom and one and a half bath, fully furnished, carpet, lots of light	\$1,250
enclosed patio, great location, serene, great investment	\$55,000	LAKE WORTH RENTALS	
UPPER FLOOR CORNER, 2 BED 1.5/2 BATHS	A =	SUNSET AVENUE UNIT 416 Beautiful two bedroom two full baths overlooking sky	
SHEFFIELD J Tenant in place, well taken care of, rentable, near Hastings fitness center	\$65,000	lights, beautiful Water views, furnished or unfurnished, conveniently located near i-95 and shopping and fine dining. This condo has lots of storage, lots of light and Pool, jogging trails	
<b>GOLFS EDGE D</b> Very serene area, two full baths, lift on stairs, large spacious rooms, level has its own pool, central air conditioning	\$93,000	with views of the lake.	\$1,295
nas is own poor, central all conditioning	475 <sub>1</sub> 000		. ,==

## **Coffee Club Meetings**

#### BY RUTH BERNHARD-DREISS

You may have heard about Coffee Club Meetings hosted by UCO President David Israel for the benefit of building association officers, board members and delegates who are invited to discuss their association issues and happenings around the Village. At the November 8 meeting, David introduced himself to those who may not have met him before, as a former UCO Vice President for one year in 2009, after which he has been in office as the President for 10 years.

Phone calls are made to building associations from each of the four quadrants in Century Village. UCO maintains records for each building association and these records, submitted by building associations, are kept for contacts. They are requested to be kept current with updates whenever changes take place. One Friday each month, a group of invitees is asked to come and learn, and have their questions answered. At

the meeting I attended as a guest, at which our LCAM Donald Foster was present, the first question asked concerned investigations of prospective buyers, renters and occupants. It was learned that there is a "Questions Not to Ask List". The obvious questions that should not be asked are about race and religion, but this extends to medical conditions and other personal data that does not have to be divulged.

Interviews should be held after acceptance of the applicant because of the "protected class" from whom you may not ask certain questions in order to approve. A good record of paying bills is a plus for acceptance and you may reject on some prior felonies, but not all. A legal opinion is the safest way to go to avoid being sued, if you are uncertain in this regard. Decisions by associations must be made only on submitted written documentation contained on the forms the pro-

spective buyer/renter/occupant fills out. Investigations are important, not only to the building association, but to the entire community which is affected because of lack of background checks. This is extremely important to eliminate possible felons moving into the Village and preying on residents.

Attendees at the meeting were very interested in the East gate construction going on and the delays it causes. The best advice to alleviate stress is to start out earlier to your appointments. Everything possible is being done to avoid inconvenience for all. Construction entails a new 5-foot wide walkway, 14 feet of concrete, a new 6-foot fence and new sprinkler heads. The job is proceeding on time and soon everyone will be able to exit the East gate again. Residents are cautioned to keep off the construction site for safety and to avoid accidents which will entail insurance issues.

Additional interest was voiced about Haverhill Commons, the rental project opposite CV on Haverhill Rd. Ground has been broken for construction and there is concern that when this project is complete there will be no traffic light when exiting that community. Only right turns will be permitted for turn around to Okeechobee Blvd. David said, in no uncertain terms, that traffic will not be permitted to turn around at the East gate of CV. Perhaps when the project is completed, the County will change its mind and install a traffic light.

As a final thought, it was interesting to learn that building associations could be set up to hold Skype meetings in the UCO Conference Room and video conferencing.

The Coffee Club looks forward to meeting with your building association board members when you get the invitation for a Friday morning Coffee Club meeting.

#### Remembering John Gluszak (1942-2019)

UCO and the UCO Reporter note that John Gluszak passed away on October 22, 2019. He was the originator of the petition to close the West gate from 12 Midnight to 5 AM for security in the Village. He was a UCO Vice President in 2013, President of Salisbury H Association and a member of its Board of Directors. Condolences are extended to his wife, Patricia and the family. Those who knew him would agree that John was a very kind man. May he rest in peace.





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## Not Another Vanilla Triple Play Plan: Century Village, West Palm Beach, Florida

By Sean Buckley / Broadband Communities Magazine

Century Village, a 55-plus condominium community in West Palm Beach, Florida, has employed Atlantic Broadband as its primary provider of voice, video and data services. Our thanks to Regan Anderson, Vice President of Select Communities for Atlantic Broadband, and David Israel, President of the United Civic Organization, Century Village's governing board, for helping gather information for this profile.

Century Village, a large condominium development for people 55 and older in West Palm Beach, Florida, found that Atlantic Broadband was the ideal service provider for its thousands of retirement community residents. It not only gives the best bang for the buck but also allows residents to choose pricing packages without worrying about losing a discount.

Regan Anderson, vice president of select communities for Atlantic Broadband, says flexibility differentiates the company from other providers that serve communities similar to Century Village. "With us, it's not just vanilla," he says. "We have a lot of different flavors to choose from, whereas the other providers offer only a vanilla plan."

In January, Atlantic Broadband announced it would provide video services to 14,000 residents in nearly 8,000 homes in the Century Village community. Atlantic Broadband designed, constructed and installed a fiber and coax-based network to serve the property, and activated services in individual units throughout the spring.

Century Village established a bulk video deal with Atlantic Broadband with a twist: It includes broadband for residents who want it. "We negotiated the bulk video component, but the agreement includes optional internet," says David Israel, president of the United Civic Organization (UCO), Century Village's governing board.

Residents can get access to 300 video channels, broadband speeds up to 1 Gbps, voice service, and inhome Wi-Fi. These services are supported and complemented with a wire maintenance plan and 24/7 support. Atlantic Broadband provides a dedicated community account manager for Century Village's residents, and Atlantic Broadband representatives are on-site to ensure residents have access to services information.

Comcast still provides service to Century Village, but nearly all residents have switched to Atlantic Broadband.

Israel says Atlantic Broadband rose to the top after he considered alternative cable suppliers. "1 was thinking about looking at other providers five to six years ago," Israel says. "We had the standard 10-year contract with Comcast, but I did a lot of research and I liked Atlantic Broadband."

Although the transition to Atlantic Broadband required large

network construction efforts, the experience has been positive. "A project this size is a big deal here and it takes time to get electronics up and running properly, but the complaints have been minimal," he says.

Later this year, Atlantic Broadband plans to open a new 3,000-square-foot customer center at Pine Trail Square Plaza on North Military Trail, to serve Century Village and the surrounding West Palm Beach community.

Atlantic Broadband's Century Village contract came as the cable multiple system operator (MSO) bolstered its fiber holdings by acquiring FiberLight's South Florida assets. This purchase added 350 route miles to Atlantic Broadband's South Florida footprint, doubling its existing fiber footprint while expanding its capacity by 30 percent.

Anderson says the FiberLight purchase and the Century Village contract are part of a broader buildout effort. "Century Village is part of a big expansion plan we began three years ago," he says. "We signed the property to build and we ended up buying [a portion of] FiberLight's network, which took our reach to North Palm Beach and gave us a broader backbone."

There were a few elements that made the Century Village project unique. With 7,854 condominiums on 704 acres, Century Village's community is quite large.

"Size was one of the biggest issues," Anderson says. "We talked with Century Village during its board meetings about the network layout and where equipment would be placed."

Another challenge was to not disrupt the look of the community's existing buildings. "Because Century Village has outside molding, they wanted to make sure we would match their buildings," Anderson says. "Also, we wanted to make sure we were not disrupting their day-to-day operations and the residents."

Century Village offers condominium owners what it calls a distinct Century Village "way of life" and recreational facilities. A 92,000-square-foot clubhouse offers a party room and a 1,221-seat theater featuring wellknown entertainers, shows and recently released movies throughout the year. The clubhouse also has numerous meeting rooms that host classes, hobby groups, clubs, card games, an extensive library, billiards, bingo, music and other creative activities.

Additionally, Century Village residents can access a popular health club that offers personal training and modern exercise equipment. Residents can take aerobics, yoga, pilates and dance classes.

#### **VITAL STATISTICS**

**Property Description:** 55-plus retirement community located in West Palm Beach, Florida

**Greenfield or retrofit?** Brownfield. Century Village was previously served by Comcast.

*Number of units:* 7,854 units *Style:* Mid-rise condos

Time to deploy? It took Atlantic Broadband nine months to build the network and three months to install services in each condominium unit.

**Date services began:** Following the installation process that started on April 15, 2019, services went live on July 1.

**Special requirements:** In order to provide on-site customer care, Atlantic Broadband is leasing a 1,200-square-foot building on the premises.

#### **SERVICES**

Services offered or planned on the network: Atlantic Broadband offers high-speed broadband, telephone and video services to Century Village residents. Residents have the option to subscribe individually to Atlantic Broadband internet (with downstream speeds up to 1 Gbps) and phone services, with unlimited calling in the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico.

Customers can sign up for advanced home Wi-Fi as well as access common-area Wi-Fi services at the clubhouse, pool and gym. An array of video services, including 300 channels and TiVo, are available to every resident. Customized upgrade packages allow residents who choose Atlantic Broadband's internet services the option to get an upgraded TiVo DVR at no additional cost. Atlantic Broadband's broadband and video services are supported by a wire maintenance plan and 24/7 support. Additional services include concierge services and access control.

**Providers:** Century Village residents may choose to stay with their previous provider - Comcast - but they still are responsible for paying the homeowners association charge that covers some of Atlantic Broadband's services in addition to paying for the Corncast services they wish to retain.

Do additional service providers operate separate broadband networks on the same property? The previous provider, Comcast, will continue to have its network on the property. The two networks are separated, and Atlantic Broadband has worked with residents who wish to keep Comcast.

On the network described, can residents choose among multiple service providers? No.

**Technical support:** Atlantic Broadband provides technical support. Atlantic Broadband includes the wire maintenance feature within the agreement, which means there is no charge for any service calls.

#### **BUSINESS**

Which parts of the network are owned by the service provider, and which parts are owned by the property owner? The distribution network, including on-premises fiber and connection to the pedestals, is owned by Atlantic Broadband. The drop from the pedestal to the telco room and the telco connection to the individual unit are owned by Century Village's master association, UCO. The in-unit wiring is owned by the individual unit owner.

Is there a marketing agreement with the property owner? Yes, there is a marketing agreement in which Atlantic Broadband has exclusive rights to provide bulk services and to market additional services.

Does the agreement include an incentive such as a doorfee or revenue share? The agreement with UCO does include a door fee payment. A master association is an organization that is authorized to exercise some or all of the powers of one or more associations on behalf of one or more common interest communities or for the benefit of the unit owners of one or more common interest communities.

How do the service provider and owner work together to market the services? What marketing approaches have been particularly successful? Atlantic Broadband has worked to keep residents informed, including running advertisements within the local newspaper. These ads have been both promotional and educational. The UCO also has worked to keep residents informed

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of progress throughout the process.

Is there a bulk-service agreement? Ifso, what services are included? Can residents upgrade from the bulk services? Yes. The bulk services include Value and MoreTV programming with more than 300 channels, one HD DVR, and two HD DTA (three boxes total). Additional premium content includes Starz, Starz/Encore, Epix and HBO. Additional coverage of wire protection eliminates the charge for service calls.

**Network benefits:** A fiber-rich network is attractive to residents and the condominium association because it allows them to have advanced products, including gigabit internet, with high levels of performance and reliability.

#### **TECHNOLOGY**

Architecture: Fiber deep. Fiber runs to nodes on the property that use EPON and RFoG access technologies. From the fiber node, the signal is sent via coax to deliver DOCSIS 3.1 services to each unit.

Where is the fiber terminated? Fiber is terminated at the fiber optic node location.

Technology/medium used to deliver signals to each unit: Signals are delivered to each unit via a mix of coax-based DOCSIS 3.1 and Wi-

Methods for running cables between buildings, vertically within buildings, horizontally within **buildings:** In most cases molding is used to both secure and hide the cable when attaching to buildings. Atlantic Broadband uses various types and shapes of molding - plastic, aluminum, round, square - depending on the required application.

Vendors/products: • ARRIS, Hitron (cable modems! routers) • CCI Systems (design partner) • Cisco (headend, outside plant platforms) • TiVo (digital video recorders)

#### **LESSONS LEARNED**

What was the biggest challenge? Installation and education. Because the property is so large, we had to do multiple training sessions with smaller groups. Installation by zones was challenging because some residents were not available at their time slot, so we had to do multiple dates within each association

What was the biggest success? The relationship that we built with Century Village leadership as well as the various associations and residents of the community. Also, the seamless introduction of the new Atlantic Broadband service offering without disruption to the community. We also were able to offer computer classes, including special French-Canadian customized training. We had the ability to sell additional services to residents at specialized discounts to allow them the flexibility to move in and out of pricing packages without fear of losing a discount.

If the building was already occupied at the time of the deployment, what was done to limit disruption? Atlantic Broadband did a fantastic job of minimizing confusion and disruptions and making it Reach him atsean@bbcmaq.com.

easy for residents to activate their services. It also installed additional wiring at its own cost to support customers who wanted the dual provider option.

What feedback does the sales office getfrom residents? Atlantic Broadband conducts a variety of customer care surveys to monitor performance and ensure customer satisfaction. Feedback has been positive, and some suggestions have been incorporated for the property.

What should other owners consider before they get started on a similar deployment? In larger developments it is a good strategy to allow ample time. It's timeconsuming to choose a provider, sign the contract, and start installation. More time means more opportunities to inform residents about what is happening, the choice of services available, and any steps required to activate services.

Sean Buckley is the associate editor of BROADBAND COMMUNITIES.

## BREAKFAST WITH LENORE



#### BY LENORE VELCOFF

Northwood Village area of WPB serves up great food to folks who like good food, fresh food, reasonable prices and unpretentious surroundings. What a find.

The breakfast menu features the basic egg dishes. Friendly waitresses always ask how you want your eggs prepared, how you want your bacon and how you want your toast so that when your order is served, everything is perfect. There is a choice of eight different omelets on the menu. They are made with three country fresh eggs and served with ether house fries, grits, oatmeal or fresh fruit, buttered toast, or a biscuit and jelly. Try the "New Yorker" for \$7.25, full of lean pieces of ham, mushrooms and melted cheese or the "Farmer" with pieces of ham, mushrooms, green peppers and tomatoes..

Now on to the griddle - you might like the "This Is It" waffle special for \$7.25 which features a malted waffle with one egg and two crisp bacon strips, or two sausage links. Next

This friendly place in the is their "Other Mornin' Favorites" such as farm raised catfish lightly breaded and served with 2 eggs and choice of home fries, grits, oatmeal, or fresh fruit at \$8.95, or a 4 oz. lightly breaded country fried steak with country gravy, served with 3 eggs and choice of home fries, grits, oatmeal or fresh fruit for \$6.95 What a lot of food.

> For those less adventurous, order a bowl of Oatmeal or Grits \$3.25 with banana or raisin, or just plain cold cereal. Always look around and see who is dining with you -I recently noticed a former WPB mayor, a number of police officers, mother and toddlers, and a few CV residents.

> Lunch specials include their famous grilled cheese sandwiches and delicious salads and burgers.

Coffee is always hot and delicious. THIS IS IT is only open for breakfast and lunch. It has a real Mom and Pop type atmosphere, delicious food and reasonable pricing.

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## Nutrition and Health Is Alkaline Water Better than Regular Water?

BY JEANIE W. FRIEDMAN, MS RD LD/N

It seems alkaline water has been the new word on health. Most anywhere we go we can see advertisements for it, touting alkaline water as the next best thing for your health.

PH levels reflect the acidity of something. For example, the PH of plain water is around 7, though it can vary, depending on what else is added to it or what it naturally contains. Lemon juice is around 2 while bleach is about 13. The lower the number, the more acidic it is. The higher the number the more alkaline it is.

Alkaline water has a higher pH than regular water. Some people believe there are many health benefits, in addition to improved hydration, from consuming alkaline water over regular plain water. The few studies that were conducted have not shown any real benefits as a result of its consumption. More research is necessary to make any statements or recommendations. For some people with health issues, too much alkaline water could aggravate their medical conditions. It's best to check with your doctor or health profession before jumping on the band wagon.

Your kidneys naturally work to keep an optimal pH level in your body. Consuming a certain kind of water in order to maintain pH levels is not necessary.

#### Which is Better, Spring Water or Purified Water?

Purified water can come from any source: tap, spring, or even ground water. Purified water follows a strict process to filter and remove contaminants like pathogens and chemicals, per governmental standards.

The Environmental Protection Agency has defined spring water as water that comes from underground aquifers. Rock formations act as a filter for spring water and usually contains natural minerals which would be part of its natural composition. People who prefer spring water like the flavor that those minerals impart. It is best to avoid drinking water directly from a spring, however, due to possible contaminants. Bottled spring water is the better choice instead.

Both types of water will quench your thirst and provide hydration.

#### Is Skipping Meals a Good Way to Lose Weight?

While skipping meals may let you lose weight quickly, this result is short-lived and is not the healthiest way to shed a few pounds. Monitoring portions and what you eat as well as drink combined with some physical activity is the best way for reaching and managing a healthy weight.

Your body requires a sustenance and crash diets does not do you any favors. Sensible foods like protein, complex carbohydrates, and vegetables can help you meet your nutritional goals while at the same time help you meet or keep your personal health goals.

Proteins like nuts and nut butters, lean meats, seafood, beans, and tofu contribute to satiety, helping you feel full. Complex carbohydrates including whole grains, vegetables, and fruits are good choices to include in a well-balanced diet. Avoid simple carbohydrates which tend to be lower in fiber and higher in sugar, like cookies and cake.

Beverages that are lowest in sugar are the healthiest choices. Water or unsweetened tea would meet this criterion.



Remember to stay healthy!

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.

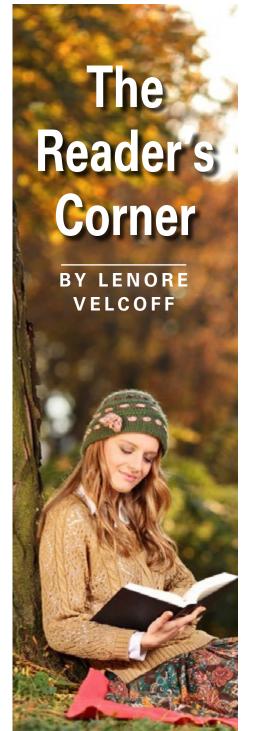


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## The Optimist's Daughter by Eudora Welty

skillful writer. She won the Pulitzer Prize in 1973 when she was 64 years old. It was the crowning

Eudora Welty is a wordsmith – a jewel for a lifetime achievement of writing. The story is full of the melancholy and fatalism often seen in good Southern literature.

A perfect novel about family, hometowns, grip of memory, and the dignity of living with sad-So quietly eloquently written and brutally full of heart. The description of the funeral had me hooked into Weltv's understanding of the intricacies of Southern etiquette,

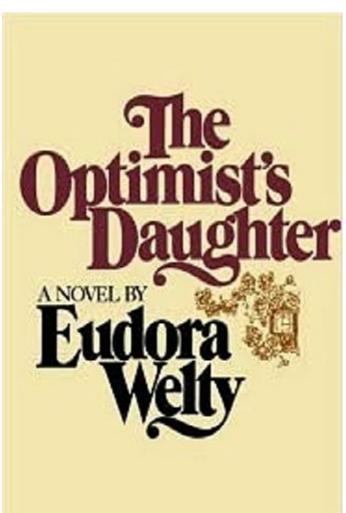
This is the tale of Laurel McKelva, a middle-aged widower living in called Chicago, to New Orleans to be with her ailing father, the Judge. After the Judge passes - one doesn't say dies in the South - Laurel

and her step-mother, the younger and self-centered Wanda Fay, return to the family home in Mississippi to bury the Judge. As Laurel reflects on the deaths of her mother and husband before her father, she has to deal with Fay, and her hayseed relatives.

This is the story of Laurel's journey within herself, one that involves soul searching and coming to terms with death and grief. This novel transports the reader back to a Mississippi town in the mid-twentieth century where social class dictates

The way the author uses language, and the way she constructs her sentences are just beautiful. This book is a bit of a meditation on death, so it's not preppy by any means, but it has its sweetness and its humor as well (and a good helping of Southern hatred).

This is a quiet little book. It is the kind of book where nothing much happens. But it highlights family relationships and how we react to the loss of our parents with subtlety. It highlights grief without being maudlin and was a nice book to spend the evening with.



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## Recreation News Sailing Club

#### BY CHRISTINE MOHANTY

Our inaugural Fall racing season started on Tuesday, November 5 for championship competition. We had six participants sailing the course three times in pleasant weather with variable light wind. The afternoon of our November 8 meeting, navigational races were run. On Wednesday, November 13, Bart Snow offered a lesson on shore for beginners who want to learn to sail. Following holiday festivities, the winter season will begin January 7.

On the social scene, we have pot-

lucks the first Tuesday of the month with our first held November 5. As usual, offerings were plentiful and delicious but initially we dined in relative darkness as the automatic system was not yet adjusted to the time change. December's will take place on the 3rd. We set up around 5:15 at the Clubhouse guest pool and dig in at 5:30. For those who are landlubbers, this is the perfect opportunity to get to know the great people in our club, and who knows? Maybe one day you'll come down to the dock to SAIL AWAY!





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limited to: Organization name Meeting date Meeting location Contact person

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Details on upcoming special events and programs will be included in a new UCO Reporter column - "WHAT'S HAPPENING". Copy should be sent to ucoreporterwpb@gmail.com and must be received by the 15th of the month or submitted at the UCO Reporter Office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:00AM to 12:00PM.

**ACT II COMMUNITY THEATRE -**Every Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. - Clubhouse.

ACTORS STUDIO OF CENTURY VILLAGE: Every Monday 7-10 pm in Classroom B. Neil: 561-215-4999

AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURE **CLUB (AACC)** - First Wednesday of every month - 6 p.m. in Clubhouse Art Room. Everyone invited to Potluck, last Sunday, every month from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Bring a dish to share. Contact Flo at (203) 218-3085, Les Rivkin at (315) 529-1221 or Eula at (561) 598-8405. See "What's Happening" for details on upcoming events.

#### **AITZ CHAIM:**

- Daily services 8:00 a.m.
- 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 Closed for summer/fall. Will re-open Thurs., Dec. 5, 2019 at 2pm-3pm.

**ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION: Free** community workshops every 2nd and 4th Tuesday -10:30 a.m. - Noon in Card Room B or C. Call Sandy 561-689-3540 or Carmen 561-469-1220.

BABY BOOMERS CLUB: December through April - 3rd Wednesday of each month - 3:30 p.m. Contact Lynn: Lynnsevan@aol.com

**BALLROOM DANCE GROUP: Mon**days 2 - 4 PM. Party Room, Call: Irwin 917-915-2174.

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

BIBLE STUDY GROUP - "Taste and See" Sunday, 5 - 6:30 p.m Clubhouse, Classroom C. For information, call Terry at 908-635-9833 (Terrygirl908@ gmail.com) or Tony at 561-371-6324 Drmassage@comcat.net)

Information in this column will be B'NAI B'RITH CENTURY UNIT **#5367:** Meetings will begin again in the Fall. For information, contact Sondralee Wynn at 561-640-9998. Enjoy your summer.

> **BROOKLYN QUEENS CLUB: Second** Wednesday of the month - 2:00 p.m. Clubhouse Party Room. October to April. Call Harriet Levine: 684-9712.

> **CENTURY VILLAGE ARTISTS: View** our artwork on 1st and 2nd floor of the main Clubhouse. Information about purchase or display -- Beth Baker @ 684-3166.

> **CENTURY VILLAGE BOOK CLUB -**Information, call 640-6944 or email arzj@Hotmail.com

> CENTURY VILLAGE **CAMERA CLUB**: Ken Graff at cameraclubev@ gmail.com.

> CENTURY VILLAGE COMPUTER **CLUB**: First Thursday of every month at 1 p.m. in Clubhouse Room 103. Call Kathy @ 252-8495 or visit website at: http://www.cv-computerclub-wpb.com

> CENTURY VILLAGE CRAFT CRE-ATIONS - KNITTING/CROCHETING CLUB: Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. -12 noon. Craft Room (104).

> CENTURY VILLAGE GENEALOGY **CLUB** - 2nd Monday of every month at 10 a.m. - Card Room B through March. For more information, contact Arye 732-779-8079

> **CENTURY VILLAGE MEN'S CLUB:** First Sunday of every month at 9:30 A.M. - Clubhouse Craft Room. Contact Ruben J. Ramos 561-459-7176 or docruben1@gmail.com

> **CENTURY VILLAGE (OA) OVEREAT-ERS ANONYMOUS** - Sunday 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Craft Room. For information call: 412-7759, 242-0189 or 308-6444.

> CENTURY VILLAGE WOODWORK-**ING CLUB**: 6 days a week from 8:30 AM to 11:30 a.m.. Join us in our hobby shop.

CENWEST FISHING CLUB: For in- IRISH AMERICAN CULTURAL CLUB formation, call Al at 561- 242-0351 or Mike at 802-479-4184.

**CHRISTIAN CLUB:** Meetings Clubhouse Party Room, 1PM, first Wednesday of every month (except Jan. 2020) All are welcome. Club information: call Rae 561-254-2290, Happenings & Trips:, call Figgy 561-707-6548 or see "What's Happening".



CONGREGATION ANSHEI SHO-LOM, 5348 Grove Street. Phone: 684-

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 to-

• Rabbi Kavon's class resumed in October, held every Thursday following minyan at approximately 10:00 AM.

CONSERVATIVE CLUB OF CEN-TURY VILLAGE: will meet the third Wednesday of every month, beginning Dec. 18, 2019, Clubhouse Card Room B. Everyone is invited.

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

**DANCE PARTY:** Tuesdays 7 - 9 p.m. in Party Room. For information, call Lou 398-8785.

**DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF CENTURY** VILLAGE, WPB - Meetings begin at 1:30 p.m. in Club House Party Room. Sign-in and refreshments at 1 p.m. Next Meeting: Thurs., Dec. 19. Call Rhoda 686-0835 for information on mail-in ballots, voter registration and club membership.

FRIENDS OF BILL WILSON: Every Thursday 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse Craft Room.

"FRIENDS OF POST" (PEDIAT-**RIC ONCOLOGY SUPPORT TEAM):** Meets second Monday of the month, Clubhouse Party Room - 11:30 a.m. Contact Shirley at 478-2391 or Marion 684-5814. Future activities being planned.

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

**OF CENTURY VILLAGE** - The first meeting of the IACC will be on Nov. 4 at 2 p.m. in the Party Room. After that, all meetings will be on the first Monday of the month at 2 p.m in the Party Room. Call Carole 1-914-343-5547 for more information.

**ITALIAN AMERICAN CULTURE CLUB OF CENTURY VILLAGE: Meets** every 3rd Wednesday of each month in Clubhouse Party Room at 1 p.m. For club information, call Fausto 478-1821. New and renewal membership drive will begin in September. Bowling every Saturday morning at Verdes Lanes 9 a.m. League Bowling begins October For information, call Lenny 471-2603.

**JEWISH MEDITATION:** Meets 2nd Tuesdays, Nov. thru Mar., 2:00-3:15 PM, Clubhouse, Classroom B upstairs. All Welcome.

**JUDITH EPSTEIN CHAPTER OF HA-DASSAH:** For current information, call Marilyn at 689-3647.

KATHY'S KITCHEN: November through April on 3rd Friday of the month at 1 p.m. - Clubhouse Party Room. Bring along a dish that we can all enjoy, Discuss recipes. For more information, call Kathy 561-252-8495.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS: Palm Beach Rainbow Lodge #203 - 2nd and 4th Tuesdays - 1 p.m. Century Village Medical Building in CSI Caregiver Services. For info, call Irv 683-4049 or http://knight203.blogspot.com.

LATIN AMERICAN CLUB: First Thursday of every month - 6 p.m. Clubhouse Card Room A. New members, call Ruben Ramos at 561-459-7176 or docruben1@gmail.com.

**EL CLUB LATINO AMERICANO: Más** información, comuníquese con Rubén Ramos al 561-459-7176 o docruben1@ gmail.com.

**LINE DANCE WORKSHOP** - For information contact Jerri Adams 731-439-0730

**MERRY MINSTRELS**: Looking for women and men who enjoy singing. Contact Louis Ahwee at 561-531-3188.

MIND SPA: For information, call Gerald Caning 689-4346.

**NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT RETIR-EES**: Anyone interested in attending a

meeting of the New York City Transit Retirees of Florida, West Palm Beach **HASTINGS CUE CLUB:** Mon. - Sat. Chapter, please call Kathy - 689-0393.

> **NORTHERN STARS:** Will meet on the second Monday of every month. 6:30 to 9:30 PM - Clubhouse Party Room . Call Janisse @ 586-291-8286 or email: northernstarsbo@hotmail.

PET CLUB: Contact hmalloy2000@ yahoo.com.

**PICKLEBALL:** Courts open at 8:00 each morning.

PING PONG CLUB: Anyone interested in starting a ping pong club, please call Phil at 908-468-5477.

POLISH AMERICAN SOCIAL CLUB **OF CENTURY VILLAGE** -1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM at the Art Room . Call Krystyna Teller at 561-674-4887 or www.facebook.com/ polishsocialclubflorida2x

**PROACTIVE RESIDENTS PROJECTS COMMITTEE**: The official organization has been dissolved. However, the residents that oppose any development on the closed golf course will still maintain that opposition. The current PRPC blog will be deactivated.

## CENTURY VILLAGE ORGANIZATIONS

**SAILING CLUB:** The 2nd Friday at 10 a.m. Classroom C. Contact Commodore Kris Ohlen for more information: (917) 821-1136. FREE sailing instructions given at boat dock by Dock Master Bob Wilson - Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m.- 5 p.m. Races are held Tuesdays and Fridays at 2 p.m., so no lessons then.

**SCRABBLE CLUB OF CENTURY VILLAGE:** Every Tues - 6:00 p.m. 2nd
Floor Card Room. Call: Lucy @ 7290705.

SHARON CHRISTIAN CHURCH: 3443 Haverhill Road North, WPB 317-440-8503. Sunday service - 10:45 A.M. Robert F. Carter, Pastor Please join us.

**SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB:** We play singles from May thru September on Tuesdays at 9 AM and from October. thru April, Tues./Wed/Thurs. at 1:15 PM. so come early to sign in. I will be glad to show you how to play. Ed Wright 561 632 5268.

**SNORKEL CLUB:** Meetings on the third Friday at the Clubhouse at 10:00 a.m. For more information, please call Ron Helms at 561-683-8672.

#### **SPANISH CONVERSATION CLUB:**

Weekly meetings in Clubhouse, Classroom B, Wednesday 10 a.m. Contact: Thomas Kansas, 864-406-9580 and leave your name/number.

TABLE TENNIS: 2nd floor of Clubhouse in former Sewing Room. Tables reserved for advanced players every day between 10 a.m. and noon. Tables available to all other players from noon until the Cubhouse closes. Information, call: Julian Wolfe at 561-223-0637 or juwolfe1941@gmail.com

TAI CHI CLASSES: Beginning Sat., Jan. 4, 2020 from 9 am to 10 am at Hastings Yoga room by Board Certified Tai Chi Teacher. Based on Sun Style Tai Chi to help with health issues, including arthritis and fall prevention. Recommended by CDC, Arthritis Foundation & other health authorities. For registration & info, call Melissa 561-640-3120, Ext 0 (Ticket Office CV) or Patrick Young 732-768-3637.

**TRAVEL CLUB:** Welcome to a new club for Seniors. For more info, see Organization News What's Happening.

UNITERS SOCIAL FUN CLUB OF CENTURY VILLAGE: Clubhouse Craft Room. Call Esther 561 328-7935 for meeting dates. Like us on Facebook/Uniters Social Fun Club of Century Village.

VILLAGE SONGBIRDS: Perform 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.

Call Carmen 561-469-1220 for rehearsal schedule.

**YIDDISH CULTURE GROUP:** First program of the new season, Tuesday, January 7, 2020, 10:00 AM in the Main Clubhouse . Performer: Chazz'n David Pressler. Programs continue each Tuesday thereafter.. For information, Call Golda Shore 697-3367.

**WALL STREET CLUB:** Every Wednesday at 4 p.m. in Clubhouse Room A. For more information call Gregory Kremenchugsky 248-489-9084.



## WHAT'S HAPPENING

## AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CLUB (AACC):

Kwanzaa Potluck celebration December 29th, Party Room. Kwanzaa is a secular festival observed by many African Americans from Dec. 26th to Jan. 1st.

Upcoming trip to Miami & Key West, Feb. 19-21, incl. 2-night lodging breakfasts & dinner, tours. Planning trip to Mackinac Island. Payment schedule for all trips. For info on all trips contact: Flo Simmonds, 561-242-1260, or Mary Little 561-848-1270.

Play Hand and Foot or Hand Knee and Foot, Clubhouse Card Room every Wed., 6:00 p.m. All skill levels invited, will teach new players. For more details, contact Eula 561-718-7478, or Sadie 845-541-7167.

#### **AITZ CHAIM:**

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

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• Free community workshops every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month -10:30 a.m. - Noon. Card Room B or C. This is your learning time. Please do not bring along the person you are trying to help. Call Sandy 561-689-3540 or Carmen 561-469-1220.

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Join us for dinners, dances, fishing trips, sports events, casino trips, cruises and other fun activities. For more information, contact Ruben J. Ramos 561-459-7176 or docruben1@gmail.com

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AM to 4 PM (allowing time to take down the rig and store the boat).

**CENWEST FISHING CLUB:** Meetings have been suspended for the summer. The Club will start up again on Dec 4th. We meet the first Wednesday of every month, Clubhouse, Classroom B, 3 PM. For information: Al (561-242-0351 or Mike (802-479-4184).

CHRISTIAN CLUB: Meeting Dates: Nov. 6, Dec. 4, No mtg Jan., Feb. 5, March 4.

CASINO TRIPS: Nov. 18, none Dec., Jan. 20, Feb., 10, March 16.

Trips: Nov. 10-11 - Overnight Theater trip to Naples/Ft. Myers. Cut-off Date: Nov. 2, 2019.

Feb. 2020 - New Orleans Cut-off Date: Dec. 12, 2019..

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please call the Synagogue office 684-3212. Planning a party? Rent our Social Hall which is strictly kosher. Shabbat Services Friday evening at 5:00 PM and Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m.. If you need to say Kaddish please call ahead so we can get a minyan together. Tues., Dec. 17, 12 noon: Sisterhood General Meeting & Mini Lunch

Wed., Dec. 18, 1:30 pm: Congregational Meeting

Wed., Dec. 25, 12 noon: Chanukah Festival, including lunch & entertainment

**DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF CENTURY VILLAGE:** Thurs., Dec. 19, 1:30 p.m., Guest Speaker: FL Rep. Bobby Powell. Everyone welcome.

FRIENDS OF POST (PEDIATRIC ON-COLOGY SUPPORT TEAM): Card Party 4th Monday of month. Call Barbara 615-4527 for additional info. November meeting -- makeup demo and boutique.

**AMERICAN** ITALIAN **CULTURE** CLUB: (IACC) OF CENTURY VIL-**LAGE:** Meets every 3rd Wednesday of each month in Clubhouse Party Room at 1 p.m. For club information, call Fausto 478-1821. New and renewal membership drive will begin in September. Bowling every Saturday morning at Verdes Lanes 9 a.m. League forming of teams for the fall season at Verdes Lanes on October 26th, at 9 AM-- the season's opening. Looking for four people teams. For information, call Lenny 471-2603.

**JEWISH MEDITATION:** Meets 2nd Tuesday, 2:00-3:15 pm, Classroom B, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, Feb. 11, Mar. 10. Everyone welcome.

NORTHERN STARS: Meetings 2nd Mon. of mo. -- Meetings; Dec. 9th, Jan. 13th, Feb. 10th Pizza Party, Mar 9th, Apr. 13th. For info, call Janisse 586-291-8286.

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#### **SNORKEL CLUB:**

2020 International Trip to Belize, Sat., April 25, including air transportation and many amenities, Cost: \$2,195 pp. For detailed info, come to Club meetings at the clubhouse, 3rd Friday of each month at 10::00 AM, or contact Beth Baker, 561-684-3166.

Lectures at Silver Science at SFSC, Science for Seniors at Green Cay, FPL's Manatee Lagoon.

• Photographing and bird watching at

Wakodahatchee Wetlands.

- Kayaking at Phil Foster Park or Macarthur Park.
- snorkeling on Peanut Island or Phil Foster Park.

TAI CHI CLASSES: Beginning January 4, 2020 from 9:00 am to 10:00 am, Hastings Yoga Room by Board Certified Tai Chi teacher. Classes designed by Dr. Paul Lam (8 million former students worldwide). For registration, call Melissa 561-640-3120 Ext. 0 (Ticket Office CV) or Patrick Young 732-768-3637 for more information. New Class! "Tai Chi for Arthritis and Fall Prevention" with Patrick Young will begin in January.

#### **TRAVEL CLUB:**

Hello Everyone! Welcome to the Travel Club! This is a place for Seniors to explore The Great State of Florida in a fun, safe and thrifty manner!

Next stop: SARASOTA Thursday December 12th to Sunday December 14th 2019. Bus transportation, hotel, food and sightseeing included for \$299.00 per person. Have fun while you can! Contact Ann Ashby 210 Wellington M 973.568.6475 or annieashby@yahoo.com

YIDDISH CULTURE GROUP: We present programs that perpetuate our Jewish heritage. All programs are translated into English and are held in the Main Clubhouse Theater.

The Yiddish Culture Board wishes you all a Healthy and Happy New Year. Our first program of this new season will be held on Tuesday, January 7th, 2020 at 10 A.M, Our performer will be Chazz'n David Pressler. Programs will continue each Tuesday thereafter. Please mark your calendars. Looking forward to seeing you all. Golda Shore (561) 697-3367.

## December Holidays & Fun Days

#### BY RUTH BERNHARD-DREISS

the 22nd. For those of you born in December, your zodiac sign is Sagittarius or Capricorn; your flower is the Narcissus or Holly and your birthstone is Turquoise, Zircon, or Tanzanite – a very popular gem in the Caribbean.

In addition to religious and national holidays, such as Christmas, Hanukah and Kwanza, we have fun holidays. Here are some:

Dec. 1 is Eat a Red Apple Day; National Christmas Lights Day; 4th is Wear Brown Shoes Day; **5th** is Bathtub Party Day (shower with a friend and save water); 6th is Microwave Oven Day; 7th, Pearl Harbor Remembrance; 12th National Ding-a-Ling Day; 16th Chocolate Covered Anything Day (for all chocoholics, it's your day) and 19th Ugly Sweat-

It's December again with winter on er Day Contest; 21st Start of Winter (Winter Solstice); 22nd; then the beginning of Hanukkah (22nd-30th); 25th Christmas Day; 26th Start of Kwanzaa (26th-1/1)

> Some new crazy and bizarre holidays: National Whiners Day on the 26th and No Interruption Day on the 31st (UCO Committee members, don't speak out of turn -- heed this one and raise your hand to be recognized).

> This month, Rockefeller Christmas Tree Lighting takes place in NY and Christmas Tree Lighting in DC, as well.

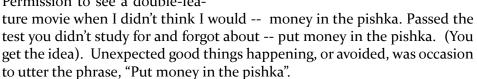
> Whichever holiday you celebrate, enjoy! And may everyone have a Happy and Healthy New Year. See everyone next year.

## The Pishka

#### BY LINDA SHERNOFF

Don't ask me why but one of my fondest memories as a little girl was putting money in the pishka. The pishka in our house was a little tin box with blue and white lettering, and a Star of David. And, there was a slot in the top in which to drop coins. Maybe I just liked the sound the coins made. Maybe I just liked dropping something in a cute decorated box. At that time, I really didn't know what it was for, but it was something that we often did when something good happened to us, or when something bad was avoided.

An unexpected school holiday? Drop a coin in the pishka. Permission to see a double-fea-



It was such a common phrase to me, and such a common concept, that I thought everyone knew what it meant. That is, until I started working and uttered it frequently. I had many jobs in different fields, and worked with many different groups, and the phrase, "Put money in the pishka" became a catchall phrase from all of us for good things that happened or bad things that were averted. Everyone I associated with used it. Nobody asked me what it meant. And we didn't put any "money" in any container, but we all

It wasn't until recently that I wanted to see what it really meant. "In Yiddish: A pishka is a little container in which you put money which is later donated to charity".

knew what that phrase meant -- and we all used it in the right way.

So if we hear that the 2020 hurricane season is going to be mild, put money in the pishka!





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## Notables Born in December

#### BY LENORE VELCOFF



**LEBRON JAMES was born** December 30, 1984.

Lebron James is an American professional basketball player. He had a difficult childhood but showed tremendous talent early in his life. He began attracting national attention for his basketball skills. He was taken as the number one overall pick in the NBA draft by the Cleveland Cavaliers. He became the youngest person in NBA history to score 40 points in a game and became the youngest person to win the Rookie of the Year award. He was universally praised for his versatility, as he

was used as a point guard, shooting guard, and small forward. His highlight-reel dunks and no-look passes thrilled his fans. In his third season. he led the Cavaliers to the playoffs. In his fifth season, he nearly single-handedly led the Cavaliers to the NBA Finals, only to be swept in four games by San Antonio



#### JOSEPH STALIN WAS BORN **DECEMBER 18, 1878.**

Joseph Vissarionovich Stalin, the controversial Russian dictator, was born in Georgia in the Russian Empire in the later part of the nineteenth century into a poor family. Drawn early in his life to the ideals of Vladimir Lenin, he joined Bolsheviks almost at its inception and very soon made a place for himself with his organizational capability, playing an important role during the October Revolution. Later as the Bolsheviks came to power, he quickly rose through the ranks to become the party's General Secretary. He first used his post to consolidate his position and then to eliminate all his rivals to become the supreme leader of the country, continuing to rule Russia with an iron hand till his death at the age of seventy-four.

AND, OF COURSE

#### JESUS - ALSO KNOWN AS JE-**SUS OF NAZARETH & JESUS CHRIST**

He was a first-century Jewish preacher and religious leader. He is the central figure of Christianity

which is the largest religion in the world. Christian doctrines include the beliefs that Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit, was born of a virgin named Mary, performed mira-



cles, founded the Christian Church, died by crucifixion as a sacrifice to achieve atonement for sin, rose from the dead, and ascended into Heaven, from where he will return. The birth of Jesus is celebrated annually on December 25 as Christmas. His crucifixion is honored on Good Friday and his resurrection on Easter. The widely used calendar era "AD", from the Latin anno Domini is the approximate birthdate of Jesus.

### The Mysterious Hanukkah Present

When my three sons were younger and still living at home, we celebrated Hanukkah by giving them a present each night (8 nights-8 gifts) but none for my husband and me. We believed in giving not receiving and besides, Hanukkah gift giving was only for children.

One year, after lighting the Hanukkah Menorah, we all sat around the living room and one at a time they each opened their gift. Each had been carefully wrapped by me in bright holiday paper. First came my youngest son who ripped open the a gift for someone. "Larry, 'No, not

We all oohed and aahed. Next came middle son, who was 4 years older, who unwrapped his present slowly. Again, we all exclaimed over it. Then came No. 1 son, 2 years older. Not one for neatness he tore open his gift. Again, we all enjoyed seeing the present. However, there was one gift left. No name on it.

I asked each one if they had bought one that had his name written on it. me." "Rob, did you buy someone a

present?" "Wasn't me." Only Brad was left. "So, it was you, Brad." "No, it was Not me," he shouted. Losing patience, my husband grabbed the gift. But before he opened it, he started to laugh. As he ripped off the paper, he exclaimed. It was me. I bought myself a Hanukkah present, a Monopoly game."

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## Use of Water in Our Village Memoirs from Morning Walk Mediation

#### BY SRI VASUDEVAN

As world population is increasing, scarcity of water is growing all over the world. California gets a lot of fires. Parts of the state suffer from perennial drought so that plants and trees cannot get as much water naturally and have to be artificially irrigated. Thankfully, Florida does not have the same intensity of water problem as California. However we might experience more water scarcity thanks to climate change and population increase.

As a Village with almost 8,000 condos, there is a lot we can do to use water more effectively. This has the double advantage of saving money, as well as the larger environment. Practices by many land-scaping companies and condo associations are not without potential for improvement.

I have noticed the Village watering plants and grass just a day before an impending hurricane. Since we have decentralized association management, the ability to shut down the sprinklers is a challenge, unless different associations can do a better job of regulating sprinklers. For example, to shut down sprinklers every association may have to learn to operate sprinklers to shut

them down before hurricanes or heavy showers.

Often I go for a morning walk around 4 to 5 am, one of the best and coolest times to walk and run in hot Florida weather. Frequently the sprinklers are watering concrete roads because the sprinklers were moved by landscapers mowing the grass. They routinely shower me with cold and dirty water all over my hair and clothes as there is no way to avoid the water in the often narrow walkways. All walkways could be widened on both sides of every street to allow safety for bicyclists sharing the walkways.

By the way, why don't bicyclists fit their bicycles with a cheap bell to operate the bicycles more safely without yelling or hitting a disoriented or disabled pedestrian? Europeans and third world bicyclists seem to find a bell indispensable for every bicycle. Why are we Americans different when it comes to bicycle safety?

Sometimes fire hydrants are opened and they flood the roads making it unsafe for drivers and everyone else. Last year when this happened in my neighborhood, I called the Water Department to

find out why this is happening for so many days in a row causing safety hazards in my neighborhood. Water Department said it was necessary since city water level was high. Is draining fire hydrants in a Village populated by disabled senior citizens the best way to bring the water level down?

Environmental concerns are becoming more and more important in politics around the world. Merkel of Germany is a physicist who attempted ambitious alternative energy sources for the industrial powerhouse of Europe. In American politics, many presidential candidates in 2020 have raised the priority of environmental concerns in their platform. I wonder, if concerns about Mother Earth is a partisan issue, or is it really about our life and the lives of our children and grand-children?

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East Dr and Dover A-B	8:02	9:02	10:02	11:02		1:02	2:02	3:02	4:02	5:02	6:02	7:02	8:02	9:02	
South Dr and Dover B-C	8:03	9:03	10:03	11:03		1:03	2:03	3:03	4:03	5:03	6:03	7:03	8:03	<u>9:03</u>	Times vary
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South Dr and Somerset J-L	8:06	9:06	10:06	11:06		1:05	<u>2:06</u>	3:06	<u>4:06</u>	5:06	6:06	7:06	8:06	<u>9:06</u>	to the
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South Dr and West Dr	8:07	9:07	10:07	11:07		1:07	2:07	3:07	4:07	5:07	6:07	7:07	8:07	9:07	the driver
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East Dr and Dover A-B	8:02 <u>9:02</u> <u>10:02</u> <u>11:02</u>	1:02 2:02 3:02 4:02 5:02 6:02 7:02 8:02 9:02
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Fairway Dr and Carlisle St	8:04 <u>9:04</u> 10:04 <u>11:04</u>	1:04 2:04 3:04 4:04 5:04 6:04 7:04 8:04 9:04
Greenbrier B	8:05 <u>9:05</u> 10:05 <u>11:05</u>	1:05 2:05 3:05 4:05 5:05 6:05 7:05 8:05 9:05
Greenbrier C	8:05 <u>9:05</u> 10:05 <u>11:05</u>	1:05 2:05 3:05 4:05 5:05 6:05 7:05 8:05 9:05
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<u>Please Note: On Saturdays all internal bus routes will drop off at Anshei Sholom on the 9:00 Am run. Monday thru Friday internal bus #1 & #3 drops off at Hastings Fitness Center at 8 AM & 1PM ONLY, #2 runs all day.</u>

#### **2019 DECEMBER EXTERNAL BUS SCHEDULES**

SHUTTLE BUS (TUESDAY & THURSDAY) Perimeter run at 12:45

SHUTTLE BUS (TUESDAY 8	t THUF	RSDAY	') F	Perimeter ru	n at 1	L2:45			
Clubhouse	9:00	10:00	11:00	DRIVERS	1:00	2:00	3:00	<u>4:00</u>	
Walmart	9:10	10:10	11:10		1:10	2:10	3:10	<u>4:10</u>	
Publix	9:10	10:13	11:13		1:13	2:13	3:13	<u>4:13</u>	
Century Plaza	9:20	10:20	11:20	LUNCH	1:20	2:20	3:20	<u>4:20</u>	
Emporium Shoppes	9:25	10:25	11:25		1:25	2:25	3:25	<u>4:25</u>	
Goodwill	9:27	10:27	11:27		1:27	2:27	3:27	<u>4:27</u>	
Post Office	Tuesd	ay and	<u>Thursd</u>	ay only		2:30	3:30		
Family Dollar	9:37	10:37	11:37	DRIVERS	1:37	2:37	3:37	4:37	
Imaging Center	9:40	10:40	<u>11:40</u>		1:40	2:40	3:40	<u>4:40</u>	
Library	9:43	10:43	11:43	LUNCH	<u>1:43</u>	2:43	3:43	<u>4:43</u>	
Wells Fargo Bank	9:46	<u>10:46</u>	11:46	<u> </u>	1:46	2:46	3:46	<u>4:46</u>	
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MALL BUS (MONDAY, WEDI	NESDA	Y & F	RIDAY	<mark>/) Perimete</mark>	r run	at 12	<mark>2:45</mark>		
Clubhouse	9:00	10:00	11:00	DRIVERS	1:00	2:00	3:00	<u>4:00</u>	
Dr Sapenoff	9:09	10:09	11:09		1:09	2:09	3:09	<u>4:09</u>	
Pine Trail	9:14	10:14	11:14	LUNCH	1:14	2:14	3:14	<u>4:14</u>	
Walmart/Military Trl Mon-wed	9:23	10:23	11:23		1:23	2:23	3:23	4:23	
President's Market Friday only			11:20		1:20				
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President's/Ross No Friday service	9:25	10:2	11:2	25	1:25	2:25	3:25	<u>4:25</u>	
Dollar Tree/Aldi's No Friday service	9:30	10:30	11:3	0 DRIVERS	1:30	2:30	3:30	4:30	
Catholic ChurchNo Friday 10:35 and	<b>2:35</b> 9:3	5	11	:35	1:35	<u> </u>	3:35	4:35	
Village Commons	9:40	10:40	11:4	10 LUNCH	1:40	2:40	3:40	<u>4:40</u>	
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Walmart/Military		10:15			1:15		3:15		5:15
President's/Ross		10:22			1:22		3:22		:22
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# Around the Bases with Irwin Cohen



#### **World Series Dilemma**

The first thing that came to mind when the Houston Astros and Washington Nationals clinched spots to face off in the World Series, was that I've seen them play each other often in the spring.

On the east side of Haverhill Road, about 2 and a half miles west of the Village, is the Ballpark of the Palm Beaches. Besides a beautiful ballpark, the spring training complex contains 14 baseball diamonds shared by the Houston Astros and Washington Nationals, and all of their Minor League affiliates.

Houston and Washington switch being the home team during the spring training exhibition season and play other teams based in Florida. Friends who winter here,mostly from the New York area---are Mets or Yankees fans and I go to some games with both New York groups. For some strange reason, New Yorkers don't usually root for both the Mets and Yanks. It's one or the other and they usually have a strong dislike for the other.

My favorite Florida matchups are when Houston and Washington play each other. I liked the makeup of both teams, good pitching, good hitting and good defense. Houston actually has my two favorite players -- infielders Jose Altuve, who batted .298 with 31 home runs in the regular season and Alex Bregman, .296, 41 homers.

But pitching dominates and the Astros and Nationals had superb starting pitching. Houston's veteran righthanders Justin Verlander (21-6, 2.58 earned run average in the regular season) dominated as batters only hit for a .172 average against him. Gerrit Cole (20-5, 2.50 ERA) and Zack Greinke (8-1, 3.02 ERA) were also superior to any in the American or National Leagues.

Greinke spent more than half of the season with the Arizona Diamond-backs of the National League before being traded to the Astros and he dominated there, too, (10-4, 2.90 ERA).

Stephen Strassburg topped the Washington pitching staff in the regular season with 18 victories and only six losses and a good earned run average of 3.32. Patrick Corbin (14-7, 3.25 ERA) and Max Scherzer (11-7, 2.92 ERA) were better than average, but not as dominating as Houston's top three. Houston won 107 games in the 2019 season, while Washington won 93. Washington still clinched a World Series spot despite the bullpens 5.68 earned run average, worst among the 30 Major League teams.

My dilemma in following the World Series was which team to root for. My spring training West Palm Beach loyalties were swung more towards the Astros (for reasons revealed in later paragraphs). I decided to root for the home team in the World Series. I like to see happy, cheering fans watching their team win in their home ballpark.

The first two games were in Houston and Washington won both. The next three in Washington were won by Houston. The deflated Nationals were going to Houston and most so-called experts, including the guy who writes for The UCO Reporter, thought Houston would win Game 6 there, eliminating the need for a Game 7. I was surprised the Nats won Game 6 and was rooting for Houston to pull out the final game, before the home crowd as the teams were tied at three victories each. As you know, Washington won all four games played in Houston winning the World Series.

But deep in my mind, here's why

I was rooting for Houston. Three years ago, I sent a package to an executive of the Nationals. The package contained two baseball books I wrote. One was my story of how I got in the baseball field and headed a national baseball publication, then went on to work for the Detroit Tigers, and how I went on to earn a World Series ring. The second book was about some Major Leaguers from the post Civil War era.

I also included a letter to the person and another sheet with a couple of questions. Simple questions. "When did you see your first Major League game?" "Who was your favorite player?" Also included was space for their comments--if they wished to comment. I mentioned that I would like to do a column on him in the publication and there was no deadline. He could send it months later, if he wished.

Naturally, I included a self-addressed-stamped-envelope. All he had to do was scribble a few lines, and seal the envelope. Nothing. No reply. Hope he enjoyed the books. Hope he used the envelope I provided by using it after covering my address.

That was three years ago, I tried again a year later (about two years ago) with another executive of the Nationals in an ownership position. Same package, same kind of questions and another stamped envelope to me. No reply again. During this past spring training, I mentioned my two attempts to another man in an ownership position of another team. His reply was, "I'm not surprised."

I'm not sure what he meant by that answer. But I'll try again in a few months with another executive of the Nationals. After all, it's three strikes and you're really out. I'll let you know if I get a reply and start rooting for Washington

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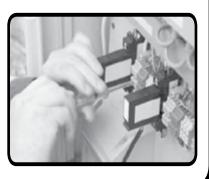
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206	NORWICH I	1/11/2	PENDING	\$45,000	236	SOUTHAMPTON B	1/11/2	SOLD	\$39,900	
53	DORCHESTER C	<b>2/1</b> ½	PENDING	\$63,500	212	WELLINGTON B	2/2	SOLD	\$73,500	
42	SUSSEX B	1/11/2	SOLD	\$67,500	367	CHATHAM R	1/11/2	SOLD	\$58,500	
444	<b>WELLINGTON H</b>	2/2	PENDING	\$97,500	78	SHEFFIELD D	1/1	SOLD	\$42,000	
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65	WALTHAM C	1/1½	SOLD	\$45,000	121	OXFORD 200	1/1½	SOLD	\$60,500	
342	CHATHAM Q	1/1½	SOLD	\$58,000	428	WELLINGTON G	2/2	SOLD	\$95,000	
97	STRATFORD H	1/11/2	SOLD	\$97,500	37	BERKSHIRE B	1/11/2	SOLD	\$63,500	
104	<b>WELLINGTON F</b>	1/11/2	SOLD	\$125,000	308	<b>WELLINGTON E</b>	1/11/2	SOLD	\$45,000	
131	<b>SOUTHAMPTON B</b>	1/11/2	SOLD	\$60,000	117	BERKSHIRE F	1/11/2	SOLD	\$58,500	
370	<b>WELLINGTON J</b>	2/2	SOLD	\$78,500	44	CAMDEN B	1/1	SOLD	\$35,000	
12	<b>WELLINGTON B</b>	2/2	SOLD	\$80,000	213	SALISBURY I	1/11/2	SOLD	\$40,000	
63	BERKSHIRE C	<b>2/1</b> ½	SOLD	\$90,000	242	NORWICH K	1/1½	SOLD	\$39,000	
304	<b>WELLINGTON B</b>	1/11/2	SOLD	\$48,500	216	CHATHAM K	1/1½	SOLD	\$52,500	
381	<b>WELLINGTON K</b>	2/2	SOLD	\$82,500	96	SUSSEX E	2/11/2	SOLD	\$58,500	
106	STRATFORD H	1/11/2	SOLD	\$51,500	310	WELLINGTON D	2/2	SOLD	\$75,000	
101	<b>WELLINGTON E</b>	2/2	SOLD	\$138,500	114	OXFORD 200	2/2	SOLD	\$99,500	
16	KENT A	<b>2/1</b> ½	SOLD	\$67,500	309	SHEFFIELD M	1/1½	SOLD	\$30,500	
230	SOMERSET L	2/2	SOLD	\$72,500	304	WELLINGTON C	1/1½	SOLD	\$63,000	
201	<b>WELLINGTON C</b>	2/2	SOLD	\$154,500	408	SOUTHAMPTON A	1/1½	SOLD	\$59,000	
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## I Was a Communist for The FBI!

STEW RICHLAND



Part 1 (Authors Note: Due to editorial limitations on the length of the article, I have divided the article into three parts. Each part deals with the historical background that eventually provided the source background for the radio show "I Was A Communist For The FBI. For those who suffer from historical amnesia I hope these introductory parts will jog your memory.

**Annotation:** Abraham Lincoln was shot and killed on April 14, 1865. Political leaders responded to this terrible act by establishing the Secret Service on July, 5 1865. One of the most serious issues the nation faced as it struggled to recover from the American Civil War was the battle against counterfeit money. In 1865, directly following the war, it's estimated that up to one-half of all U.S. currency was actually fake, and the United States Treasury Department found itself in desperate need of a criminal justice agency dedicated to fighting the counterfeiters. The United States Secret Service was established to do just that, as a branch of the Treasury Department, and for the next thirty six years the agency's primary function was to restore the American people's confidence in the Department and its currency.

The role of the Secret Service changed significantly in 1901, when President William McKinley was assassinated while attending the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo, New York. Suddenly it seemed necessary to establish a federal agency responsible for protecting the president, and the Secret Service added this crucial task to its roster.

By 1900, the borders of the United States stretched from coast to coast. Inventions like the telephone and telegraph and the railroad began to shrink the distances between east and west. America became an industrial nation with ever expanding trade. After the defeat of Spain, the United States was recognized as a world power.

Progress also brought serious problems. By 1908 there were over 100 cities that had a population of over 50,000. Crime also rose as population increased. Cities were overcrowded with immigrants. Many were disillusioned and ethnic conflicts began to fill newspaper head-Clashes between striking workers and bosses were on the rise.

These fast growing cities became the breeding grounds for future generations of criminals. In Brooklyn, Al Capone was just getting started. John Dillinger was growing up on his family's farm in the midwest. In Chicago a child was born christened Lester Gillis who morphed into the notorious "Baby Face" Nelson.

America's rapid growth also led to nation wide corruption. The rise of local political machines like Tammany Hall in New York. Boston's Michael Curley organized the Irish voters and established his own political machine dubbed "Curleyism." Unfair labor practices and criminal conditions in the meat packing industry was exposed by Upton Sinclair's book "The Jungle" and groups of reformers known as "Muckrakers" began to call public attention to the rising crime rate.

In 1908 Henry Ford introduced the "assembly line" to auto production. Thousands of Model T cars rolled out of Detroit and were priced so that the average working man was able to purchase Ford's cars. Unfortunately, the automobile became a very attractive commodity for thugs and hoodlums. Car theft rose dramatically and the use of cars by criminals to elude the police when committing their crime sprees bal-

In 1908 many government leaders came to the conclusion that there was no systematic way of enforcing the laws across the United States. The Secret Service was understaffed and local community law enforcement were poorly trained and underpaid. To add to the problem there were very few laws on the books that provided a legal remedy that could bring an end to the rising tide of organized criminal activity.

Impact of Immigration

The turn of the century witnessed an extraordinary jump in immigration in to the United States. Immigration historians labeled this trend as the "Push-Pull" factor. the pushpull factors are those conditions that drive people away from a place and draw people to a new location.

A combination of push-pull factors helps determine migration or immigration of particular populations from one land to another. Thousands of these immigrants were attracted by the image that in America " the streets were paved with gold." In America they could find jobs and start a new life. Others fled because of the Anti-Jewish pogroms in the Russian Empire. Many European nations had instituted a policy of drafting young males into the military. This policy "pushed" millions of families to flee and head

for the United States.

Factory owners hired these new immigrants to work for low wages on the factory assembly line which the newly arrived immigrants eagerly accepted not realizing that they displaced American citizens from earning a living. Many of these immigrants came with skills that would enable them get jobs in the east coast garment industry. Many Italian young males filled the ranks of unskilled "pick and shovel" workers needed to help build the skyscrapers that filled the skyline in cities such as New York and Boston.

These new immigrants brought with them their religion, culture and their politics. One of these political ideologies was anarchism - an often violent offshoot of Marxism, with its revolutionary call to overthrow capitalism and bring power to the common man. Anarchists took it a step further - they wanted to do away with government entirely. The creed of the anarchist stated that government was oppressive and repressive and should be overthrown by random attacks on the ruling class, including the police, and politicians.

The anarchists, in a sense were the first modern terrorists. They banded together in small bands, motivated by ideology bent on bringing down governments they hated. But they would ironically hasten into being the first force of federal agents that would later become the FBI.

**End of Part 1** 

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We seem to be addicted to articles about addiction. Whatever literature I pick up lately is about teen addiction, or elderly adult pain med addiction, or work addiction... everyone is in deep discussion about the subject—so I'd like to weigh in with my own confession.

I am addicted to Freecell Solitaire.

When I'm 'in the game' I can lose hours of my life and no one's the wiser. There are no needlemarks on me, no strange, rambling musings when people ask me a simple question, no teetering on the brink of death because my own body rejects the effects. But lest we forget... this is time I will never get back. I'll say it again, I'm addicted.

Playing Freecell Solitaire is my 'drug of choice.' I've excused this within my own moral framework as an exercise that 'calms me down', helps me to 'get my thoughts sorted out', provides me with distance from problems that 'can't be solved.' Hmmm. Where have I heard these rationales before?

I've tried quitting. I've used every 'how to stop' ploy suggested in all of those articles and books I've read. One device, cold turkey, is a classic. I actually had that work for

a week once, but before you present me to the medical teams as an example of someone who made it to the river bank, I was on a camping trip with no electronic devices within 50 miles, and spent a lot of 'dream time' reconstructing games in my sleep.

Diversion? Tried it. It can work, but a surfeit of anger begins to build with each hour spent in service to someone, or something, else until I can return to my own cherished diversion which, after all that time away, demands double the usual amount of time to be satisfied.

Aversion is another tactic provided to people with drug addiction. A counter acting drug is provided that causes the body to react violently against the use of familiar neural pathways—the ones that guide one to the addictive course. Short of being forced to watch videos of kittens being abused while playing the game, I'm not sure this would work, and the thought of constructing such a program, even as virtual reality, makes me physically ill. But Mother Nature help me, I think I'd be back the next day.

Let's redirect our thoughts to the good the game provides. It does calm me down. It does help me unallows me to see a path to solutions sometimes.

The next thought that wanders into my fevered brain wonders, "Am I alone in this?"

I ask around. First names only for this part of my research...this reaches into the darkest places in our souls.

Ruth D., Editor-in-Chief of a newspaper with a circulation of 13,000 copies per month confessed, "between you and me, Shockwave Jigsaw Puzzles do it for me. Just one a day, like a pill, the Daily Jigsaw sustains me." What candor! What self-reflection. Maybe this is more widespread than any of us realize! Maybe it's contagious! I digress.

I continued my research. The next person to cross my path was a woman in a hurry to make it to yet another meeting. She's a high level officer in a multi-million dollar corporation and seemingly without a minute to herself, so I asked quickly—did she have a secret 'game' she escaped to in her busy day? Sandy C. stopped dead in her tracks and looked around suspiciously. Did someone suggest she did? Was it a co-worker? Who then? No, no, no I protested. I'm running a survey. So far, there have been three people who have allowed that maybe there was a tiny little incursion in their day... She looked relieved. Well yes, she admitted, she did enjoy the odd moment, well—truth be told hours, of multiple solitaire. In fact, yesterday's game definitely went in her favor. Ten minutes passed as she explained the game rules to me, her strategy for winning, with a brief recap covering the physical comforts she has installed to make

tangle thought from feeling. It even the long hours of internet use bearable--like an imported lambskin sleeve cover on her chair to protect her skin I backed away slowly and bid her farewell. She was chatting with a projector when I left.

I sought out a man I saw as the soul of wit, candor, and compromise. Someone who might escape the lure of mind-traps because he must negotiate so many throughout his daily rounds and might not need to find solace in contrived puzzles. But ho! Even Donald had a favorite. He supplied the name of a popular online game called Panda Pop. Actually, he felt compelled to demonstrate it for all present. Those of us in the room watched as his eyes dilated, his hands gripped his IPhone and he began working fingers and thumbs to a catchy beat provided by this game. "Don," we called. "That's good Don. That's enough Don..." But Don had left the room we were in. He was 'out there,' in the cloud, with Panda Pop now.

David I. finds that reading (albeit online—always non-fiction) soaks up his 'extra'. How quaint. A luddite in our midst. We used to call those 'types' bookworms. In fact, I used to be one of those types. What happened? Where has our innocence gone? Or might we be able call Internet games a form of reading? (Dostoevsky rolls in his grave). Hmmm, maybe not.

In summary, there's a lot of this 'sickness' out there. But still we all wonder, is there something wrong with these habits? The answer comes as my fingers reach for the keys that open the program that possesses me. "Mmwwahahahahaha. Only the Shadow knows!"







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> David Israel, President UCO November 2019

Members of the UCO Special Events Committee personally recently delivered this birthday card and a beautifully decorated birthday cake to each of Century Village's five centenarians: Clara Gross, Elsie Gold, Betty Sobelman, Betty Smith, and Selma Altschul.

## Sunday Night at the Theater; "Here's Looking at You, Kid"

#### BY MARILYN CURTIS

Looking At You, Kid', written for and performed by the Actor's Studio, a troupe comprised of residents of Century Village, held an appealing premise; Otterson plays the male lead, E. F. Fitzgerald, a writer who wants to immortalize Humphrey Bogart's film career with a dramatic stage play he has written. The play Fitzgerald's is peddling is an homage piece to Bogie, and he is trying to interest backers. It's a replay of the classic conflict between 'the talent' and 'the money'.

The backers believe that the only stage performance able to draw an audience is a musical. By their reckoning the writer's original concept would simply have to be bent, squished and wrestled into a shape that would fit a different venue altogether. They ignore the author's plea for serious actors to fill the roles he has created, as they feel certain that Charo, or Dolly Parton, would be far more saleable choices.

Stringing together taglines and plot contrivances from 'Casablanca,' and 'To Have and to Have Not', among other Bogart classics, it is clear that Otterson wishes to create in many segments of 'Here's Looking a Valentine to Bogart. If imitation is at You, Kid.'

Chuck Otterson's play 'Here's the sincerest form of flattery, there was evidence of it in this plotline that Bogart fans will recognize as lines and situations from his movies. Otterson succeeded in taking the audience back to a place in their collective memory of, not just Bogart, but the Golden Age of Hollywood, with references to Lauren Bacall, Kate Hepburn, Tallulah Bankhead, Hoagy Carmichael, though all names were scrambled to avoid prosecution one supposes.

> Though the overall production needed some buffing, a few standouts emerged. When the female lead called in sick, Shari Orgill was pressed into service to play Stormy Knight. She did remarkably well conveying the sultry tones of all the great Bogart film female. Terry Burkoff and Janet Guzzone took the ball and ran with it as they titillated the audience with over-the-top dancing and singing in their roles as Charo and Holly Barton (AKA Dolly Parton).

> As a community we always applaud those who are willing to step up to their moment and give it their best. We saw evidence of that effort





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# Sat., December 14, 8 pm Beethoven Meets Borge STARRING JASON FARNHAR

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#### Sat., December 21, 8 pm Steve Solomon's My Mother's Italian, My Father's Jewish, I'm Home for the Holidays

Steve Solomon brings to life all the astounding characters we know, love and tolerate in our own families.



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# The 1:45PM Movie Showing of Rocketman has been cancelled on: Tuesday, December 24th.

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#### "R" Rated Movies

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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.

#### **DECEMBER 2019 MOVIES**

Sun. December 01 1:45 pm Mon. December 02 6:45 pm

#### TRIAL BY FIRE

R, 2 HOURS, 7 MIN. (RATED R FOR LANGUAGE, DIS-

#### **TURBING IMAGES AND BRIEF NUDITY.)**

The true story of Cameron Todd Willingham, a poor sheet-metal worker in Texas who was executed for murdering his three children. Scientific and expert testimony corroborated his claims of innocence but were suppressed by the prosecution. Laura Dern, Jack O'Connell and Emily Meade star in this drama.

Tues. December 03 1:45 pm Thurs. December 05 6:45 pm Sun. December 08 1:45 pm Mon. December 09 6:45 pm Tues. December 10 1:45 pm

#### A DOG'S JOURNEY PG, 1 HOUR, 49 MIN.

The heartwarming sequel to the hit movie, A Dog's Purpose in which the beloved dog Bailey finds his new destiny and forms an unbreakable bond with the people he loves. The movie stars Josh Gad, Dennis Quaid, Kathryn Prescott, Marg Helgenberger and Johnny Galecki.

Thurs. December 12 6:45 pm Sun. December 15 1:45 pm Mon. December 16 6:45 pm Tues. December 17 1:45 pm Thurs. December 19 6:45 pm

#### **YESTERDAY**

#### **PG-13, 1 HOUR, 56 MIN.**

A delightful, musical fantasy in which a struggling musician wakes up after being hit by a bus to a world that never heard of The Beatles. He becomes an instant hit as he proceeds to write and record their songs as his own. The movie stars Himesh Patel, Lily James and Sophia Di Martino.

Sun. December 22 1:45 pm Mon. December 23 6:45 pm Tues. December 24 1:45 pm Thurs. December 26 6:45 pm Sun. December 29 1:45 pm

#### **ROCKETMAN**

R, 2 HOURS, 1 MIN. (RATED R FOR LANGUAGE, DRUG

#### **USE AND SEXUAL CONTENT.)**

Using his true-life experiences and mixing them with fantastic fantasy musical numbers, the film depicts Sir Elton John's breakthrough years using his wonderful music as a guide. The film stars Taron Egerton, Jamie Bell, Richard Madden, Bryce Dallas Howard and Gemma Jones.

Mon. December 30 6:45 pm

#### THE LION KING

#### PG, 1 HOUR, 58 MIN.

Using real animals and breathtaking cinematography along with the wonderful music from the original animated version, The Lion King tells the story of a young lion prince who runs away thinking he was instrumental in the death of his father, the king. The movie features the voices of Donald Glover, James Earl Jones, Beyoncé, Seth Rogen, Chiwetel Ejiofor, Alfre Woodard and John Oliver.