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The President's Report

By Dave Israel

Millennium Amendment Renewal Negotiations with WPRF begin

That title is quite a mouthful. What is this all about? Well, if you look at your documents, those documents you received when you acquired your unit, you will find one titled "The Long-Term Lease". Lease of what you may ask? Simple. It's the Recreation Facility, the two clubhouses, the pools, the tennis courts,etc. We are renters of those facilities. This lease was a simple one -- "we" paid the rent and the landlord, Cenvill Recreation (CENREC) handled the management and maintenance of the facility. This is known as a Gross Lease. Circa 1999 - 2000 - an amendment to that lease was negotiated with CENREC, which created the UCO - WPRF Operations Committee, and also set a 20-year schedule of escalating rents. This Amendment is known as a "Triple

Net Lease", and made the unit owners responsible for all operational costs, including Taxes, Insurance and Maintenance. UCO agreed to this arrangement because they wanted some operational control of how our money was being spent. Well, this amending agreement is going to expire in December 2021, and it is time to start negotiating a renewal. As a matter of interest, the actual owner of the Rec. Facility is a big New York based realty company named Benenson Capital Partners: <http://www.benensoncapital.com/history/> CENREC/WPRF, are Resident Managers of the Facility, and we will be negotiating with CENREC, whose President is Mark F. Levy.

Well, enough background. In order to effect these negotiations, I have created a small Committee, a sub-set of the Operations Committee whose task is to engage with CENREC for the renewal negotiations process. The Committee consists of Barbara Cornish, Toni Salometo, John Gragg, Richard Handelsman, Donald Foster (non-voting member), Ruth Dreiss and of course, the Officers of UCO. The first meeting of this Committee was held on Friday, September 4, 2020 and was, in essence, a "meet-and-greet". Representing CENREC/WPRF, was Mark Levy CENREC President and Monica Wells, CENREC Chief Financial Officer - CFO. As you can imagine, a broad range of opinion was expressed, from a simple renegotiation of rents, to a

complete rewrite of the expiring agreement. All-in-all, the meeting was cordial, and of course, there will be additional meetings as data becomes available from Benenson/CENREC. In due course, UCO will be engaging legal support from appropriate Attorneys. Of particular interest to me is the considered input from our CV Unit Owners. Please forward your thoughts and opinions by Email to ucopresident@gmail.com. Finally, I suggest that each and every unit owner take the time to carefully read the Long Term Lease and the expiring Amendment (Millennium Agreement). You may come up with some good ideas to inform our negotiators.

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UCO President David Israel presenting a plaque to retiring PBSO Lt. Hill for his dedicated service to Century Village.

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EDITORIAL

My apologies go to the winter residents who have enjoyed receiving copies of the UCO Reporter in the mail during their absence. I am sorry to advise that they can no longer look forward to these mailings. Since COVID-19, we have been exceedingly short staffed and there is no one to handle this accommodation. Those who have paid through December, 2020 will continue to get the copies which were prepaid.

Still operating the front office of UCO with a skeleton staff, we manage to handle all requests for bar codes, gate passes and investigations of unit owners, renters and occupants. Our volunteers sanitize often and wear masks, as do all persons entering from the outside. With Phase 2 in progress with the opening of more outside businesses, we will watch reports carefully for spikes in the virus and hope that we see none or only a minimum.

Take a moment to read the full-page item entitled “CV Theater, West Palm Beach”, elsewhere in this edition of the UCO Reporter. I urge you to watch the Home Series outlined which offers very enjoyable entertainment programs on Saturday evenings that you can watch on your computer. Sign up, if you haven’t already done so. While the clubhouse theater is closed, this is a good alternative. As the virus diminishes, we can then look forward to some shows in the clubhouse theater, but it doesn’t appear that this will happen for the rest of this year.

*by Ruth Dreiss,
Editor-in-chief*



OCTOBER 2020

UCO Committee Meetings

THU OCT 1	ONE UNIT ONE VOTE	10:00 AM	MCH ROOM C
FRI OCT 2	DELEGATE ASSEMBLY	9:30 AM	CANCELLED
FRI OCT 2	SECURITY	1:00 PM	MCH ROOM C
TUE OCT 6	TRANSPORTATION	9:00 AM	CANCELLED
TUE OCT 6	COMMUNICATIONS	10:30	CANCELLED
WED OCT 7	PROGRAMS AND SERVICES	11:00 AM	CANCELLED
THU OCT 8	COP	9:30 AM	MCH ROOM C
FRI OCT 9	CERT	1:00 PM	MCH ROOM C
TUE OCT 13	ADVISORY	10:00 AM	MCH ROOM C
WED OCT 14	BROADBAND	11:00 AM	MCH ROOM C
THU OCT 15	BIDS/INFRASTRUCTURE	10:00 AM	MCH ROOM C
FRI OCT 16	NOMINATIONS	10:00 AM	MCH ROOM C
TUE OCT 20	INSURANCE	10:00 AM	MCH ROOM C
WED OCT 21	BEAUTIFICATION	9:30 AM	MCH ROOM C
TUE OCT 27	OPERATIONS	10:00 AM	MCH ROOM C
WED OCT 28	FINANCE	10:00 AM	MCH ROOM C
THU OCT 29	OFFICERS	10:00 AM	UCO
FRI OCT 30	EXECUTIVE BOARD	10:00 AM	MCH ROOM C

**Meetings are subject to change
Due to Covid-19, Meeting are limited to
Committee Members**

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Charlie Chan Quote: "Always someone about to stick fly in ointment."

Can we have a conversation here? Hypothetically, my readers will be the jury and I will play the role of Perry Mason in this scenario.

On trial is a unit owner in Century Village who takes it upon himself to do a renovation/reconstruction of his unit. To keep the costs down he hires an unlicensed contractor who is not insured and bonded. In addition, the unit owner never notifies his Condo Board of his intentions. This unit owner is totally ignorant of the process that must be followed when undertaking a project such as this. This unit is on the first floor. His "El Cheepo" contractor begins to rip out the walls and studs in the kitchen area.

The unit owner on the second floor is sitting in his kitchen and suddenly he begins to feel his chair sliding and the floor of his unit sinking. He yells, "What the heck, are we having an earthquake?" A light bulb flashes in his head. He remembers that his first floor neighbor is having construction done in his unit. He then dashes down the steps screaming, "Stop, stop, my floor is collapsing! Construction stops, the yelling continues, the consequences of what has happened is now evident and the blame game begins.

The contractor is expressionless, and

the first floor unit owner is at a loss for words. The upstairs unit owner begins to comprehend the extent of damage to his unit, and runs to inform the building president of what has just occurred. The building president is 90 years old. He has held this position for many, many years, mainly by default because most of the unit owners are snowbirds who have continually displayed a lack of interest in Association affairs. A few full time residents have displayed little interest in becoming part of the Board, along with a few renters who want to be left alone. The president is confused and overwhelmed by what has happened and is in over his head.

"Call UCO," the president mumbles. The call is made and the UCO Property Manager scoots over to assess the damage. The UCO LCAM contacts the building's Management Company and then notifies Palm Beach County Code Enforcement. Both the upstairs and first floor unit owners are told they must vacate their units. They now reside in a hotel. The LCAM hired a licensed and bonded contractor who has placed metal studs to hold up the ceiling. Now the finger pointing begins.

So members of the jury, I ask you who is at fault? Whose head is on the chopping block? As a Jury, you have to judge Associations and unit owners by their actions or inactions. Because of their lack of understanding of their Condo rules, or their disinterest, has now placed the whole building in jeopardy. I leave it to you, the members of the jury, to adjudicate this issue.

I have to point out that we, your UCO Vice-Presidents, have gone on record, urging all unit owners to become educated about what they can and cannot do as an association. We have urged unit owners to read their building documents and confer with their Association attorney. We have provided publications instructing unit owners what types of projects can be done in a unit without a permit and types of construction that require permits. Association unit owners have a fiduciary and moral obligation to protect their investment. Just remember, bad decisions leave marks wherever they go.



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Boredom from missed lunches with a friend and card games with neighbors and family is beginning to stink. In many cases, it is a true test of marriage togetherness. Some enterprising individuals have created 'Cottage Industries' whereby they are preparing meals or purchasing prepared food and packaging hot meals for those who are housebound and cannot go to the supermarket to purchase groceries to cook for themselves. It mimics restaurant take-out from a varying menu, take-out from Boston Market and delivery from an ethnic restaurant. Flyers have been placed on many Association bulletin boards, scattered throughout the Village, with great success.

The Fall season of your favorite TV shows and Streaming programs is going

into production and will appear quite soon. The Atlantic Broadband Store at 5400 Fairway Street is scheduled to re-open in mid-September. Those with problems with equipment, or wish to change their Contract to add or delete some service, will be able to be accommodated without leaving the Village.

September 10, 2020 was the height of the hurricane season with very little wind-damage as the season moves toward late November, where there may be an unwanted surprise. Be prepared just in case we get stormy weather. Check your supply of pharmaceutical medications with up to two (2) weeks supply, in excess.

Supermarkets will re-open shortly after a storm, while electricity will vary among areas. Potable (drinking) water relies on pump stations to deliver water for a few days. If you have stored drinking water in plastic bottles, it should be placed in your condo and not in the storage room. Your dwelling has been kept as cool as possible and water stored within the unit will not be affected by summer's excessive heat. That causes the plastic to release an undesirable taste that can be somewhat harmful if consumed in large quantities. Whenever creating things, like soup, hot water from the tap drawn from the water heater should be avoided. Water, heated from the Water Heater contains metallic particles that are freed through the exchange of breaking-down magnesium rods creating heat and prolonged use is not advisable.



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At the UCO office, the investigations department has been kept busy. With limited staff and hours, and slow down of information from some government offices, this group of volunteers keeps churning out the applications as quickly as possible. We appreciate your patience, and the staff really appreciates when the applications come in completed correctly. I would like to write about what is next, after the applications are back in the hands of the association boards.

The majority of calls to the UCO office are about problems of the association. UCO does not have authority on association issues. We DO NOT give legal advice. I truly believe that many of these issues could easily be solved if new owners, occupants or renters, were made aware of building rules and regulations, prior to them moving here, by the Board of Directors of the association being proactive. Along with the completed application, if your building has specific rules and regulations, give them a copy, maybe even have them sign a copy for your

files. Make sure they get a copy of your documents and by-laws. Let the realtors help with this -- remember the realtors are the ones who are PAID for selling or renting a unit in your building. Something else that I feel should be given to new owners or renters is a list of who is on the board and how to contact them. It is unbelievable how many newbies call UCO with no idea who is on their board! Does this mean that they should call at 3 o'clock in the morning with minor issues, certainly not. However emergencies do happen and a contact list should be available for such an occurrence. How about posting a list of emergency, utility and other important names and numbers on your bulletin board. This could be very helpful. Make the new residents of your association feel welcome. Ask them to participate in your association. One would be surprised at the response of people if they were just asked. If a new resident needs a copy of a roof mitigation report, this IS something UCO can be of help with. Just call the UCO office and ask for the insurance department. I am not trying to be overly critical of association boards. I really believe that better communications would be of extreme importance. I also believe that many association boards are not aware of these easy to fix items. Being a board member myself, I know that it can be a THANKLESS job. I cannot thank enough, those who VOLUNTEER to be on the association boards. They are the glue that keeps the associations together.

In concluding, as I drive and sometimes walk around OUR VILLAGE, even without all of the amenities being available at this time, how truly fortunate and blessed I am to be living in this wonderful community. Until next month, be polite and stay well.



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Do you know what services the UCO Office provides to residents?

In the past several months, working at the front office, I have learned that not only new residents, but current residents do not know which services we provide. I will try to inform you about the services you can get at the office.

We do new barcodes or updates. What do you need to get a barcode? You need a CURRENT REGISTRATION for the car, your CV ID, and 5 (five) dollars cash only. The car must be on site, so the bar code can be affixed to the car's rear window.

If you are a renter and need an update, you must have your UPDATED

CV ID, and the Registration to the car.

We are working with limited staff, so having these items ready when you come will cut down the time it takes to provide you with this service.

Next we sell GATE PASSES for one month up to one year. What do you need to bring? You need your CV ID and picture ID of the person for whom you are requesting a gate pass, and cash only for this service. We also update your phone number to call in a guest.

Last month I explained the proper procedure for investigation paperwork. To date, paperwork is still coming in incomplete. This takes time from our limited staff. Officers, check your papers, read and sign them, so that we can provide a timely service for you.

What UCO DOES NOT PROVIDE? We are not going to give you legal advice...we are not attorneys. We will not get into building issues. You need to read your ByLaws for building questions -- doors, windows, satellite dishes, washers and dryers -- these questions all must go to your building board, NOT UCO. If you have a question, do not tell your story to the person who answers the phone. Ask to speak to the VP in charge of your quadrant. Your call will be returned ASAP when you leave a message on their Voice Mail.

If you follow the protocol, your experience at UCO will be pleasant and satisfactory. Please remember -- we are volunteer residents of the Village and are here to help.

Property Manager's Report

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By Donald Foster, LCAM

On 8/25, I was informed of extreme hoarding conditions and rat infestation at 130 Plymouth P. Upon arrival, I found the unit's front entry door wide open and many rats scurrying about. Inside the unit, I found live rats in cages, dead rats, huge piles of rotting food and rubbish, and a dry toilet filled with what appeared to be dried human waste. The stench in the unit was indescribable. I immediately called PBSO. Deputies searched the unit for people, determined that the unit was not occupied, and secured the unit.

After the unit was secured, I met with the Association's President and the Association's Property Manager, who advised the President to immediately contact the Association's Attorney and Insurance Agent. As these conditions are an obvious Community health and safety emergency, I sent reports to the Palm Beach Sheriff's Office, PBC Fire Rescue, PBC Department of Code Enforcement, and PBC Building Department. PBSO Lieutenant Hill immediately responded, assigning a Community Policing Team to coordinate County services to respond to this situation. PBC Code Enforcement Officer Gannotti issued two Notices Of Violation to the Association, cases C-2020-07210007 and C-2020-08260046. Officer Ganotti also sent a report to the Palm Beach County Department of Children and Families. On 8/27, PBC Fire Rescue Inspector For-

nah visited the site, noted the debris on the exterior catwalk, and referred the matter to Lauren Young, Coordinator for PBCFR's Mobile Integrated Healthcare – Community Paramedicine (MIH-CP) Program. Also on 8/27, the Association engaged an Attorney, to advise the Association on further action to clean up this disgusting and unhealthy mess.

As of today, no significant action has been taken by the Plymouth V Condominium Association to clean out the rat infested unit. The affected building, Plymouth P, is crawling with rats and is nearly fully occupied by elderly human beings, who risk being exposed to rat borne disease, including the deadly HantaVirus. These residents report hearing rats moving inside the walls and ceilings of their units. With the exception of two PBC Code Enforcement citations, all reports to government agencies have amounted to exactly nothing. The hoarder who is responsible for the rat infestation continues to occupy her unit, and prowl the Village in a car jam packed with garbage. According to the owner of a hazardous material removal company, this unit owner does not have the financial means (approximately 13,000 dollars) to have her unit cleaned out.

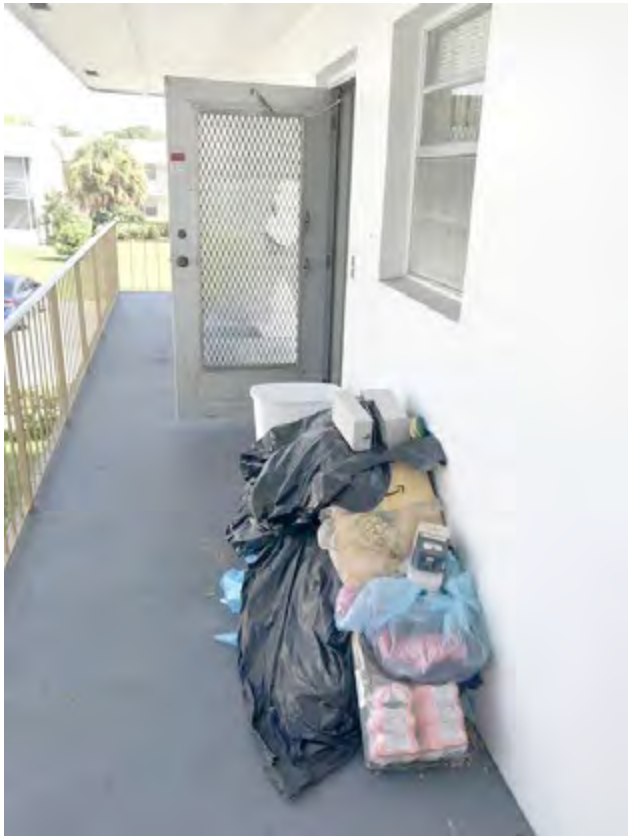
CV Associations, and particularly those in the Plymouth and Sheffield sections, should have a rodent control program in place. When this unit and building are finally cleaned out, it should be expected that the rats will spread to other areas. UCO maintains 100 rodent bait stations throughout the Village; more will be added to Plymouth and Sheffield sections. This situation

has become a community health crisis, and it is only a matter of time before someone gets sick or hurt.

This Community health crisis did not happen overnight. The Plymouth V Condominium Association has been aware of the hoarding and rat problems for years, but chose to ignore the problem, hoping that government agencies would step in, or that the problem would just somehow work itself out. Even when the owners of an adjacent unit were forced to vacate their unit, this Association did nothing, despite repeated warnings and advice from UCO and the Association's Property Manager.

CV Condominiums are private, self-governing entities, and are expected to manage and maintain their properties without reliance on public agencies. Association governing documents allow a Association Board to enter units and mitigate emergency situations. When unhealthy or dangerous conditions develop, the Association should immediately call their Property Manager and Attorney for advice, then take immediate action to resolve the problem. All Associations should have a budget line for legal expenses, and should not shrink from resolving an issue because "lawyers cost a fortune". The nasty business at Plymouth P should serve as an example and a warning to all CV Associations: resolve Condominium problems as they surface, before they become Community problems.

END OF REPORT



PLYMOUTH SECTION- UNIT FRONT DOOR FOUND WIDE OPEN, 8/25.



DEBRIS IS PILED UP ON THE EXTERIOR CATWALK. THIS IS A FIRE HAZARD. THE BLACK PLASTIC COVER WAS MOVING WHEN I TOOK THIS PICTURE, AND RATS SCURRIED OUT WHEN I KICKED IT.



FRONT FOYER BLOCKED WITH RUBBISH, MUCH OF THIS IS ROTTING FOOD.



LIVE RAT IN CAGE, ENTRY FOYER.



DEAD RATS, ENTRY FOYER.



ENTRY FOYER BLOCKED BY RUBBISH PILES.



LIVE RAT IN CAGE, ENTRY FOYER.

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MAINTENANCE

With COVID-19 preventing us from the customary visits to the beaches, theaters, museums, bar-b-ques, etc., and a dearth of friendly neighbors, accepting being house-bound has led to boredom, until the days that empty condos will swell with the northern winter residents.



By Dom Guarnagia

This year will be different since many of those residents will not be making the 'trip'. Those of us who are Members of a Board of Directors should peruse their domain closely.

Strangers in the vicinity of your building will be observing the vehicles that do not 'come and go' regularly. Individual condo lights that are not lit for nights on end and sounds that are unusual will spell trouble

within the building. There were suggestions in the past that the signage on the concrete wheel stops that match the unit number be replaced. When your maintenance provider repaints the stops with FDOT (Florida Dept. of Transportation) yellow, you have an opportunity to abandon the numerical method to label the Unit Number and replace it with an alphabetical method to eliminate the opportunity for thieves to identify the unoccupied unit.

This is the time to plan for interviewing Roofing and Painting Contractors to replace storm-damaged roofing and apply paint to the exposed, damaged exterior surfaces and concrete elements. Spring and

Fall are the best time for outdoor improvements, since wind and rain will have far fewer times in which to spoil the materials applied without precipitation being an undesirable element.

Indoor changes, like those outdoors, require plans and permits for alterations to partitions, in concert with permission from the Board of Directors. As you hopefully are aware, "You own whatever your eyes can see!" That includes the paint, or other finishes on the drywall, but not the drywall. You also own the Kitchen and Bathroom fixtures but require a Permit to change the location of appliances requiring the alteration to plumbing and electrical systems.

This is repeated occasionally for reinforcement of the limited ability to make changes by removing/replacing those appurtenances that are the

property of the Association and not the Condo Owner. Most of us, who have been residents for a long time, have gotten used to partition layout within the provided Floor Plan.

Swarming Termites have become problematic, causing unknown damages to the structural elements and weakening the resistance to the elements. There are two (2) types of termites; Subterranean termites are white because they are not exposed to sunlight and dine on wood from below, while Swarming termites have wings, fly to a location, and drop their wings that are a sign of their presence. They search for wood to sustain their existence and leave small piles of beige sawdust below their lunch site. Examination from a Pest Control provider, like Hewlett is advised.

Performing Elusive Building Maintenance

Replacing weathered roofing every 10 to 15 years and repainting the exterior walls, stairs, trim and painting the walkways with textured paint to reduce slips and falls is apparent to residents and guests alike. Paint protects the integrity of the exterior finishes.

However, the structural elements are mostly ignored, until there is a failure. One instance comes to mind regarding the exterior. Some buildings have gutters that collect run-off and direct it to the ground through rectangular downspouts. We are being reminded with commercials such as "Gutter-Guard" on TV about the need to maintain the capacity of the system to collect and direct rain-water away from the building. Something that needs attention.

Roof covering, shingles and underlayment prevent water damage and mold in the attic that can lead to structural destruction in an enclosed space that is conducive to termite damage that goes unnoticed, until evidence is revealed with obvious stains on the upper floor, ceiling or the drywall collapses due to nails and screws with compromised grip and water soaked insulation and sagging drywall that can no longer

support the additional imposed weight.

Upon making the repairs, noticeable is the accumulation of sawdust, termite droppings and wings from Swarming Termites mixed into the debris. Termite infestation has occurred for decades with the subterranean species being treated in the surrounding ground, unnoticed with the loss of the structure's ability to withstand the wind load, resulting in collapse of the roof structure. This condition has consequences regarding the soffits above the walkways on the upper level, front and back.

Expanded steel sheeting with apertures that grasp the applied cement that was nailed to the underside of the five (5) Ft. overhang forming the overhead soffit, with open rectangular areas for ventilation, are slowly losing their ability to hold the heavy cement-covered metal in place. The apparent consequence can result in personal injury to someone passing under at the inopportune moment. Replacement before an occurrence is costly, but far less than the resolution of a legal action by the injured individual.

Many structures, fifty (50) years old have been ravaged, unnoticed by

the obvious elements of a Semi-tropical Climate, i.e., deluges of rain and strong winds form the increasing number and force of hurricanes and termite infestation that has seriously compromised the integrity of the building to continue serving the occupants safely.

Further evidence presents itself when the 4" dia. cast iron vent/waste pipes connected to the toilets and sinks, suddenly break and allow water and odors to reveal the unhealthy condition. The cause of the break in a cast iron pipe with a four (4) inch diameter, parallel to the length reveals that settling of the aging wood structure is applying tons of undesirable forces for the pipe to resist. Repairs include opening the wall to remediate the situation, or relining the length of cast iron with a heated expanding lining from the rooftop.

The worst occurrence of structural failure occurs when a Handyman, Owner, or Unlicensed Contractor unwittingly makes alterations to 'modernize' a condo applying insufficient knowledge to change the configuration of the condo, by removing "LOAD-BEARING" elements causing collapse of floors and ceilings, endangering life/limb and an ex-

pensive solution in the "thousands" to "PUT HUMPTY DUMPTY TOGETHER AGAIN".

The existing layout with the required structural elements, designed fifty (50) years ago, has been somewhat compromised due to the elements and insects. We, the Board of Directors, have the responsibility to 'keep an ear and eye' out to casually peruse our building, looking for Contractors returning day after day, loading construction debris into trucks or worse yet, using your dumpsters for the disposal of construction debris and especially the absence of an 8 1/2" x 11" yellow card required and issued by Palm Beach County Building Department to confirm that work to be performed will be inspected for adherence to the PBC Building Code requirements with work performed by a Registered / Licensed Contractor.

Building maintenance is necessary to continue a respectable quality of life with the emphasis on maintaining the integrity of the aging structure, especially by eliminating those structural issues that remain unseen before they reach a critical level.

SAFETY

Hi folks. Well it finally happened to me again after quite a few years. Yours truly had his Master Charge credit card hacked. I received an e-mail and phone call from Master Card. I called right away! DO NOT answer e-mails like those. CALL FIRST! They could be false and looking for your information. What a pain -- they got me for \$96.12.



By George Franklin

The bank knew something was wrong, closed out the credit card account and issued a new one. The old card was declined at two other

places where they tried to use it. Since this took place at a gas station, it is probably likely that they used a "Skimmer." If you are unfamiliar with how this is used, or what it is, let me explain. You may be aware of the "Credit Card Readers" that restaurants use. Well this is the same thing the bad guys use, only a smaller version and it captures your credit card number and information. They are able to get into a gas pump and install the reader into the pump. They then close the opening they used and just wait, perhaps a couple

days or more, until they decide to remove it and use, or sell the information that is stored.

What to do? When you get gas for your vehicle, if possible get to the 1st closest pump facing the building. They are the most secure. Bad guys don't want to be seen fooling with a pump by employees. Secondly, look at the FACE of the pump. There should be a "Sticker" (normally colored) on the pump face. This is there so that if anyone tampers with the pump and the sticker is "torn or broken", it is known to be tampered with. IF you see a broken or torn sticker, DO NOT USE THAT PUMP. Report this to the station

manager right away. Use another pump. After you have been hacked, the fun starts. Call the bank card company immediately and let them know what you are calling about... your card being lost or stolen. Start calling your stores and other places you do business with by credit card auto pay. You need to give them your new credit card number. DON'T Forget!.

With any questions about this article, feel free to call me at the UCO Office 561- 683-9189 and I will be glad to sit and discuss this with you. Be safe out there!



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WPRF News

BY EVA RACHESKY



Dear Residents,
Completion of the Hastings roof is pending as WPRF waits for the roof tiles to be delivered. For safety reasons the Hastings Regular Pool and Resistance Pool will remain closed until the roof replacement is completed.
Another area waiting for repair is the fencing at the new Tennis Courts. The fencing was torn down by a rogue storm in early May of this year. The repair teams have been stretched thin due to Corona Vi-

rus infections affecting several of their staff. Hopefully when reading this article, the fence repair will have been completed. The good news is all outdoor activities have recently resumed. While I await further direction please remember to wear your masks and continue to social distance.
I have been fielding calls from residents about the ability to drop off "Vote by Mail" ballots at the Main Clubhouse on election day. In a conversation with the Elections Office, I was told there will be no box provided for drop offs. You will, however, be able to drop your Vote by Mail ballots at all early voting locations.
Early voting begins:
Monday, October 19th thru Sunday, November 1st from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Locations closest to Century Village:

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Wpb City Hall Flagler Gallery
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How to contact PBC Elections Office:
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Fax #: 561-656-6287
or visit: pbcelections.org
Chins up...we are closer to the end of the virus than we are the beginning!!!

Statement regarding the recreational facilities in Century Village, West Palm Beach

The prevalence of the novel illness of COVID-19 throughout the world has created unprecedented challenges in how every person interacts with one another on a daily basis. As a result and pursuant to advisement of health officials, the government has mandated the closure of all non-essential businesses in the State of Florida, including the recreation facilities at Century Village. The closure by the government was necessary to encourage everyone to stay home in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Since the closure, a portion of our clubhouse staff has been successfully working from home thanks to technology and IT staff. The clubhouse staff whose on-site presence is essential to recreation facilities operations are implementing social distancing instructions and meticulous hygiene as directed by the CDC and the Florida Department of Health. All our staff, even those working from home, continue to provide services to the residents of Century Village; in fact, some of our staff find themselves busier than before as they answer questions from and provide "virtual" services to our residents. Maintenance staff has taken advantage of the empty clubhouse and satellite facilities caused by the government-mandated closures to conduct intensive cleaning and preventative maintenance. We are very proud of how all of our employees are proactively and reactively ensuring that the necessary operations of the recreation facilities continue and the functionality of those facilities is preserved. We appreciate your consideration of our inability to have personal face to face contact and hope you continue to utilize the alternative methods we have available when necessary.

The 2020 budget for the recreation facilities includes expenses for the entire year which are required to be incurred despite the fact that the prevalence of COVID-19 has forced changes in our resident's daily life. Landscaping, irrigation, tree trimming, pool maintenance, administration and staff services, utilities and trash removal, ongoing property maintenance, janitorial services, identification cards, and security are just some of the expenses still being incurred during the pandemic. Expenses related to insurance coverage are also being incurred and given the fact that hurricane season is less than two months away, preparations are already underway. The business of the Century Village community must continue, and COVID-19 has not resulted in a change in how or when unit owners are required to make payments to W.P.R.F., Inc. under the applicable documents, including the Declaration of Condominium and the Long Term Leases. When it comes to the recreation facilities, there are no alternatives for payment to W.P.R.F., Inc., such as an owner might have with forbearance of payments of their mortgage. Any realized shortfall in payments rests on the neighbors to carry the delinquency. Having said this, at the end of the current budget year, to the extent that there may be a surplus between the actual expenses and those budgeted, that surplus will be used to reduce the monthly payments for the 2021 budget.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions and/or concerns you may have so that we may assist you further. We hope everyone remains healthy and safe during this very difficult time. There will be an end to this crisis and together, we can all do our part to stay home and stay safe.

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ROTTING FOOD PILED UP IN KITCHEN. A RAT BUFFET.



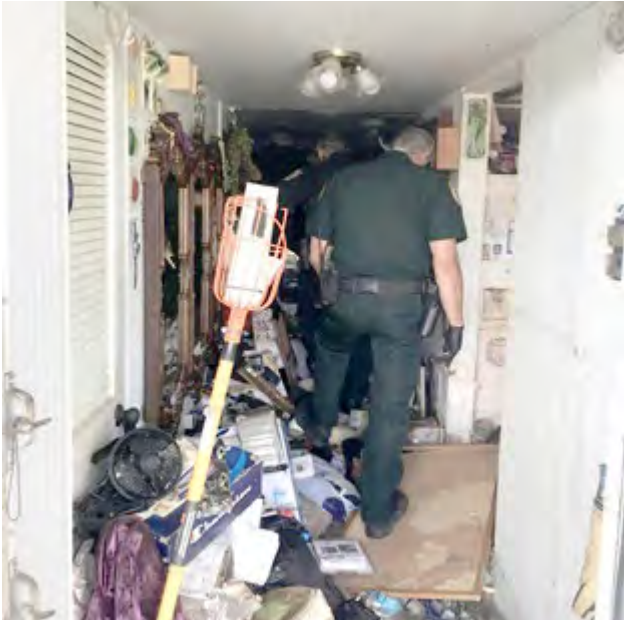
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POOL HOURS : 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM
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SATURDAY/SUNDAY 7:00 AM — 12:00 PM
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PICKLEBALL/TENNIS/RACQUETBALL COURTS:

DOUBLES PLAY
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EXCEPT WHILE SITTING/SWIMMING/ACTIVELY PLAYING /WORKING OUT

- Century Village ID’s will be required at all areas
- No Guests will be permitted at this time
- No water fountains/showers/locker rooms/saunas
- Personal items left at pool areas will be disposed of
- If you are feeling ill, please DO NOT come to the recreational facilities- seek medical care

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Can I do what I want with my condo?

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

“Every man may justly consider his home his castle and himself as the king thereof,” the court stated in *Sterling Village Condominium, Inc. v. Breitenbach*, 251 So.2d 685 (Fla. 4th DCA, 1971). However, the Court continued that “his sovereign fiat to use his property as he pleases must yield, at least in degree, where ownership is in common or cooperation with others.” This is true of condominium unit ownership.

The foregoing is the most often misunderstood concept in condominium ownership issues. When someone moves from a private home, often from up north, and moves into a condominium for the first time, it is difficult for them to adjust to a governing body and a set of guidelines and rules to abide by.

For those reading this who may be new to the condominium form of ownership, some basic guidance is required.

What you own individually.

You have to check your individual documents, but in most Century Village Condominiums, it appears that you own the airspace in your condominium unit. This is called the “unit”.

What you do not own individually.

You do not own, individually, anything outside of your unit. This is called the “common elements.” The common elements are owned by all of the unit owners in certain percentage shares as outlined in your declaration of condominium.

There are also portions of the common elements that some declarations of condominium let you use, just for you. Sometimes that is a parking space or a balcony, etc. If the declaration labels it as a “limited common element” then it is for your exclusive use, but you still don’t have 100 percent ownership. A limited common element is

an appurtenance to your unit, but it is not titled to you. It is owned by all unit owners in their percentage shares.

Some unit owners want to plant trees and bushes outside. Is it within the unit? The answer no. That means that the grounds are a common element. Section 718.113, Florida Statutes, provides in relevant part that the Association controls the common elements. In fact, most documents state, in some language or other, that the Unit Owners will not alter the common elements. Arbitration decisions leave landscaping decisions to the Board. Can you image what would occur if every unit owner just started planting all over the place; what a hodgepodge of plantings you would have?

Remember also that you may not remodel or renovate the interior of the unit without getting approval of BOTH the Association and the County (if permits are required).

There have already been a number of incidents of unit owners removing walls that support the second floor of the building with disastrous results. Just because you have a permit does not mean you can begin any work in your unit without having the approval of the Board. Most support structures in buildings are considered part of the common elements, even though they may be found inside of a wall in the middle of your unit.

Mark D. Friedman, B.C.S. is approved by the Florida Bar as a Board Certified Specialist in Condominium and Planned Development Law. This article is intended for educational purposes only and is not intended as a substitute for consultation with your own Association legal counsel when issues arise as Association documents and rules may differ.



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October Tax Talk

ANNE M. GANNON
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October is here and election season is in full swing. If you are not yet registered to vote in the November election, please do so by Oct. 5. Visit the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections website at www.pbcelections.org for more information.

Although it is only October, we are busy preparing for the 2020 property tax season. We will send over 600,000 bills and begin accepting payments Nov. 1. I strongly recommend paying your property taxes online at www.pbctax.com. Paying online ensures you are paying the correct amount. It also ensures your payment is processed quickly – usually within 1-3 business days.

A friendly reminder our offices will be closed Monday, Oct. 12, for Columbus Day.

DMV Self-Service is Just a Phone Call Away

Good news! Florida's Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) now offers self-service 24/7 by phone. Call 850-617-3000 and be prepared to provide your driver license number, Social Security number, Vehicle Identification Number (VIN), or title.

Here are just a few of the transactions you can complete over the phone through DHSMV:

- Perform a driver license check
- Update your insurance information
- Pay a reinstatement fee after paying a ticket
- Check a vehicle record

You will avoid frustrating delays if you complete these transactions by phone before coming in to our office for driver license service or renewing

your registration online.

REAL ID deadline is Oct. 1, 2021

Due to the pandemic, the deadline to get your REAL ID is Oct. 1, 2021. We have worked hard since 2010 to make sure Palm Beach County residents have their REAL ID ahead of the deadline. Approximately 80,000 residents still need to get their REAL ID. If you are one of these 80,000, please schedule a driver license appointment and come in to our office with all required documents. To learn more, visit www.pbctax.com/real-id.

Select the Right Appointment Type for In-Person Service

Very few transactions require you to visit our office. Many common tax collector services are available on our website at www.pbctax.com. If you are required to come in to one of our offices for service, you must make an appointment on our website.

Due to COVID-19, we are providing service to Palm Beach County residents only.

DRIVER LICENSE APPOINTMENT TYPES

Road Test: Select this appointment type if you need to take a driving skills road test.

Written Test: Select this appointment type if you need to take the Class E Knowledge Exam or CDL Exam. If you took the Class E Knowledge Exam online and need to get your learner's license, please select "Driver License/State ID" for your appointment type.

Driver License/ID Card: Select this appointment type to renew, replace or update your driver license or to obtain a learner's license.

MOTOR VEHICLE APPOINTMENT TYPES

Dealer/Runner: This appointment type is reserved for auto dealers.

Florida Title: Select this appointment type if you purchased a vehicle or vessel and need to transfer the title, if you need to replace a title or require expedited title service.

Out of State Title: Select this appointment type if you are new to Florida and need to transfer your vehicle or vessel title from another state. Proof of Florida insurance is required.

Registration/Disabled Person Parking Permit: For your convenience, we reserve some appointments for these services, but you do not need to come in to our office. Registrations can be renewed online. You can renew or apply for a new Disabled Person Parking Permit by mail.

TAX APPOINTMENT TYPES

Property Tax: Select this appointment type to pay delinquent real estate property tax. We strongly recommend paying current real estate property tax online Nov.1-Mar. 31. Current and delinquent tangible personal property tax can also be paid online.

Business Tax Receipt: Select this type of service to apply for a new local business tax receipt. If you already have your local business tax receipt, renew it online Jul. 1-Sept. 30. You can also pay delinquent local business tax receipt renewals online after Sept. 30.

ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENT TYPES

Hunting & Fishing/Birth Certificate: Select this appointment type to obtain a certified copy of a Florida birth certificate. We recommend purchasing a hunting or fishing license online.

Important Dates and Deadlines

Oct. 5 Deadline to register to vote in 2020 general election

Oct. 12 Columbus Day - offices closed

Nov. 1 2020 property tax collection begins

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October Property News

DOROTHY JACKS

PBC PROPERTY APPRAISER

Welcome fall!

As a reminder, my office continues to implement measures to ensure the health and safety of our staff, while also maintaining the highest level of safe service to the taxpayers of Palm Beach County during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Our office is open to the public, however we encourage you to contact us via phone: 561.355.3230, email: PAO@pbcgov.org or utilize our online services at our website: www.pbcgov.org/PAPA.

The end of the 2020 tax year is fast approaching and October is a busy month in my office as we certify the ad valorem tax roll to the Palm Beach County Tax Collector's Office. The Tax Collector will mail the 2020 tax bills on November 1st.

Also during this time, petition hearings will begin led by the Palm Beach County Clerk and Comptroller's Value Adjustment Board (VAB) for property owners who filed a petition because they disagree with their property assessment or denied exemption. On average, the number of petitions filed in Palm Beach County is low, typically less than 1% of the total parcels in the County. For questions about petition hearings, go to the VAB website: <https://www.mypalmbeachclerk.com/public-funds/value-adjustment-board-vab>

This year, the general election will be held on November 3, 2020 and there will be six proposed amendments on the ballot. To be added to the state constitution, voters must approve each amendment with a majority of 60% of the vote.

Upcoming General Election - Tuesday, November 3, 2020

Below is a summary of Amendments 5 and 6, which will be on the ballot for the general election, held on Tuesday, November 3rd.

Amendment 5 - Limitation on Homestead Assessments

Language: Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution, effective date January 1, 2021,

to increase, from two years to three years, the period of time during which accrued 'Save Our Homes' benefits may be transferred from a prior homestead to a new homestead.

The 'Save Our Homes' (SOH) benefit caps taxable assessment increases on homesteaded property at 3% a year, and it allows sellers to take or "port" their current savings with them when buying a new Florida

property, providing they do so within the designated time frame and meet other requirements.

Under the "portability" component of the homestead exemption, a homeowner can transfer up to \$500,000 of the accrued benefit from their former primary residence to their new home. To transfer the SOH benefit, homeowners had to claim that exemption within two years - the law sets the timeline based on the tax roll year.

Amendment 5 would extend the time frame from two tax years to three tax years for property owners to transfer or "port" all or part of their homestead assessment difference to a new homestead anywhere in Florida.

For Palm Beach County, Amendment 5 applies to 330,000 current property owners with homestead exemptions.

Amendment 6 - Ad Valorem Tax Discount for Spouses of Certain Deceased Veterans Who Had Permanent, Combat-Related Disabilities

Language: Provides that the homestead property tax discount for certain veterans with

permanent combat-related disabilities carries over to such veteran's surviving spouse who holds legal or beneficial title to, and who permanently resides on, the homestead property, until he or she remarries or sells or otherwise disposes of the property. The discount may be transferred to a new homestead property of the surviving spouse under certain conditions. The amendment takes effect January 1, 2021.

If passed, Amendment 6 would transfer a deceased veteran's combat related property tax discount to their surviving spouse. The discount would remain in effect until the spouse remarries, dies or sells or disposes of the property.

As always, the Property Appraiser's position is to adhere to the law concerning the outcome of any constitutional amendment. If Amendments 5 and 6 receive approval from the voters, we will make any necessary changes to our processes to comply with the new laws.

If you have any questions regarding Amendments 5 and 6, please call our office (Exemption Services Department) at 561.355.2866.

Office Closed Due to Holiday

The Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office (including all of our Service Centers) will be closed on Columbus Day, Monday, October 12, 2020. We will resume normal business hours on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.



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Chatham N.....	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$45,500
Northampton A	1BR / 1BA.....	\$46,900
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Sheffield E.....	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$50,000
Sheffield G	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$52,000
Berkshire J	1BR / 1BA.....	\$53,000
Camden I	1BR / 1BA.....	\$53,500
Southhampton B ...	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$55,000
Andover E.....	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$55,000
Southampton A....	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$55,000
Camden B	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$55,000
Plymouth F.....	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$57,000
Wellington M	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$57,500
Camden E	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$58,000
Windsor S	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$59,900
Chatham Q	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$61,500
Hastings D.....	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$61,900
Northhampton P....	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$62,500
Dorchester A	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$62,900
Coventry L	2BR / 1BA.....	\$66,500
Wellington B.....	1BR / 2BA.....	\$66,900
Southampton C....	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$68,200
Sheffield H	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$69,900
Windsor S	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$69,900
Camden I	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$69,900
Sheffield B.....	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$69,000
Golfs Edge	2BR / 2BA.....	\$71,900
Bedford G	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$72,000

SALE LISTINGS

Coventry B.....	2BR / 1.5BA.....	74,900
Dover B	1BR / 1.5BA.....	79,000
Chatham U	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$79,250
Dorchester F	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$84,900
Chatham Q	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$89,000
Somerset F	2BR / 2BA.....	94,500
Dorchester I.....	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$98,000
Chatham G	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$109,000
Wellington M	2 BR / 2 BA.....	Waterfront..... \$145,900

RENTAL LISTINGS

Norwich C.....	1BR / 1BA.....	\$850
Coventry A	1BR / 1BA.....	\$925
Bedford I	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$925
Camden G	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$925
Dorchester K.....	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$950
Norwich C.....	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$950
Easthampton I....	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$975
Camden M.....	1BR / 1BA.....	\$975
Windsor S	1BR / 1BA.....	\$1,050
Coventry D	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$1,075
Sheffield A	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$1,075
Coventry A	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$1,075
Dochester E	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$1,100
Sheffield Q.....	1BR / 1.5BA.....	\$1,100
Norwich G	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$1,100
Coventry B.....	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$1,200
Norwich C.....	2BR / 1.5BA.....	\$1,200
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Palm Beach County taxpayers who disagree with

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The 2020 Notice of Proposed Taxes were mailed to all property owners on Aug. 20 by the Property Appraiser's office. The appraisals are based on property values as of January 1, 2020.

Learn More About the Value Adjustment Board

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Coventry A	2nd Floor - Corner - Great Garden View!.....	\$48,900
Bedford G	2nd Floor - Corner - Updated Kitchen -Granite Counters	\$54,900
Canterbury B	1 BR - 1.5 Bath, Furnished, Laminate Flooring	\$43,900
Dover A	1st Floor - Water View! Double Sinks - Upgraded	\$135,900
Waltham E	Corner Unit, Central Air, Beautiful Lanai.....	\$58,000
Southampton A	Remodeled! Granite Countertops, Step in shower!.....	\$76,900
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Dover A	Move in Condition! Central Air, Double Sink, Elevator	\$149,500
Dover C	1st Floor, Central Air, Updated & Furnished! Water View!	\$114,900
Camden O	2nd Floor, Corner, Central Air, Open & Airy! Ceramic Tile	\$52,000
Oxford 100	Lovely, 1st Floor, With Central Air, Private Patio, Water View.....	\$69,900
Chatham U	Move in Ready! Corner, Central Air, Stainless Appliances	\$64,500
Dover B	Spectacular Water View! 1st Floor, Open & Airy, Renovated.....	\$159,000
Kent I	2nd Floor, Corner Unit with New A/C, Great Location	\$52,900

2 BEDROOM - 1 1/2 BATH

Windsor E	2nd Floor - Corner - Bright & Airy - Water View - Great BBQ and Patio area - Located Next to popular pool... ..	\$77,500
Bedford E	2nd Floor - Corner - Lift - New Kitchen - SS App - W/I Shower Updated Baths - Unit Totally Remodeled.....	\$115,000
Kent C	1st Floor - Corner - Fantastic Water View! Great Lanai.....	\$88,900
Cambridge G	2nd Floor, Corner unit with Central Air, Impact Windows.....	\$68,500
Bedford B	2nd Floor Corner with washer/dryer, central air, updated kitchen	\$69,900

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Somerseset A	Fantastic, Ground Floor, Gorgeous Lake View! Central	\$149,000
Stratford G	Corner, New Appliances, Granite Countertops, Double Sink, Washer/Dryer	\$137,000
Golfs Edge D	Granite Countertops, Double Sinks, Washer/Dryer, Central A/C	\$138,500
Oxford 200	Remodeled! Ceramic Tile, New Appliances, Hurricane Windows.....	\$117,000
Somerseset J	Spectacular Water View! Central Air, Ceramic Tile.....	\$84,900

RENTALS

Waltham E	2 BR -1.5 BATH - 1st Floor - Corner - SEASONAL RENTAL	\$2,000
Waltham D	1st Floor, 1 BR & 1.5 Bath, New Everything! Move in Ready!	\$1,050
Kent M	1st Floor, 1 BR & 1 Bath, Furnished, Bring Your Toothbrush!.....	\$975
Chatham E	1st Floor, 1 BR & 1 Bath, Furnished	\$950
Cambridge D	2nd Floor, 1 BR & 1 Bath, Furnished, Updated Kitchen & Bath	\$935
Canterbury F	1st Floor, 1 BR & 1.5 Bath, Tile Throughout, Updated	\$925
Waltham B	1 BR & 1.5 Bath, 2nd Floor, Corner, Central Air.....	\$975
Cambridge A	1st Floor, 2 BR & 1.5 Bath Corner, Central Air & Renovated!	\$1,200
Salisbury C	1 BR & 1 Bath, Updated Kitchen, Tile Throughout, Freshly Painted	\$950
Sheffield A	1 BR & 1.5 Bath, Ceramic Tile, Central Air, Water View!	\$975
Waltham D	1st Floor, 1 BR & 1 Bath, Granite Countertops, Updated.....	\$875
Camden K	2nd Floor, Furnished, Nice Flooring, 2 A/C Units.....	RENTED ... \$795
Dorchester G	2nd Floor, Updated with New A/C, Hurricane Windows.....	\$900
Kent L	1st Floor, 1 BR & 1.5 Bath, Updated Kitchen & Baths	\$1,000

RECENT SALES

177 Easthampton H	\$175,000
349 Northampton Q	\$34,000
314 Wellington L	\$118,000
314 Norwich N.....	\$62,500
108 Dorchester E	\$58,000
9 Sussex A	\$45,000
433 Dover B	\$61,000
308 Wellington L	\$60,000
168 Dorchester H.....	\$85,000
137 Southampton B.....	\$50,000
97 Windsor E	\$74,500
139 Kent I.....	\$40,000
114 Greenbrier A	\$90,000
9 Northampton A	\$74,000
105 Sheffield E.....	\$75,000
25 Golfs Edge C	\$65,500
105 Sheffield E.....	\$75,000

RECENT RENTALS


9 Golfs Edge E.....	\$975
150 Bedford F	\$850
240 Dorchester K	\$1,150
35 Salisbury B	\$950
123 Sheffield F	\$800
236 Northampton L.....	\$850
81 Kent F.....	\$1,200
129 Lake Ann Drive.....	\$1,400
191 Kent L.....	\$1,000
195 Kent L.....	\$1,100
47 Kent C	\$875
66 Sheffield C.....	\$795
136 Canterbury F.....	\$900
24 Norwich A.....	\$1,100
114 Stratford I	\$900
7 Kingswood A	\$950
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Revisiting Independent and Assisted Living During COVID-19

BY RUTH BERNHARD-DREISS

Several years ago, I wrote an article in this publication outlining various independent and assisted living facilities. I had occasion to revisit one of these sites to acquaint a friend who had never toured one, to find out first-hand what it was like and what it offered. I chose Fountainview where many of our Village residents have relocated and Sales Director, Sandy Syphurs was kind enough to conduct the tour.

Like our own community during the pandemic, Fountainview is experiencing much of the same conditions, by not being in a position to offer their full program of amenities. Among the closures are the clubhouse and shuffleboard court. Since June, facilities that have reopened are the pool, activity room, beauty salon, library and physical therapy – with a limit on the number of people who can use these facilities at one time. Sunshine visits are scheduled outdoors for family members who must sanitize their hands, wear a mask and maintain a 6 ft. distance. Outdoor music in the gazebo can be

enjoyed several days each week.

At this time, the dining room is closed for complete renovation and is expected to open sometime in October. In the interim, meals are delivered to each apartment on a cart and when the resident is not home, the meal is left inside the apartment.

Since last visiting Fountainview, there is a new key feature called Smart Home. If you have not yet heard of Alexa, she is the voice that has become well known and you may already have her in your home. She responds to voice commands to control lights and thermostat, change TV channels and volume, and more. This feature comes with an additional cost to basic fees, if the resident so desires.

Since my last visit in 2018, I notice that monthly prices have not increased. If you are anticipating a move to independent or assisted living, visit Fountainview at 111 Executive Center Drive in West Palm Beach. Call them at 561-697-5500 to take a tour.

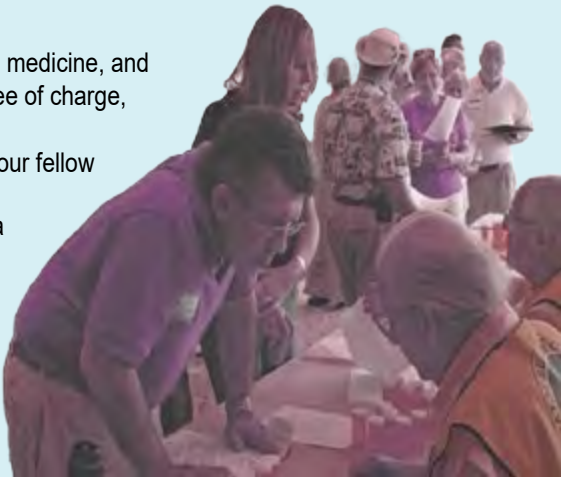
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Building Association Relationships with UCO

BY RUTH BERNHARD-DREISS

As editor of the UCO Reporter, I have been wearing another hat for the last six months. It is that of answering the phones at the front desk of the UCO office and greeting residents who come in for their bar codes, gate passes and investigations. Also performing this task are VP's Fausto Fabbro and David Boas, two of our quadrant leaders. We work with our most dedicated volunteer, Gloria Tart who issues all bar codes, gate passes and updates telephone numbers in the system.

We are anxious to assist residents with their needs, but misinformation given to them from their building associations makes it difficult and leads to hard feelings when UCO isn't able to oblige. Building association officers and board members are sending their unit owners to UCO requesting that they handle needs which they are not in a position to do.

For example, and this is most prevalent among new owners, renters and occupants – each of these persons is required to come to the UCO office with their CV ID already issued. The UCO office does not issue these ID's. They are obtainable from WPRF in the clubhouse and only from them. If you look at the back of your own ID, you

will see that they are the property of WPRF which gives them sole authority in how they are used. They take precedent over bar codes which are a convenience, but well worthwhile.

Building association boards need to become acquainted with this basic rule and not send their residents to UCO without their ID, if they wish to obtain a bar code or any other service requiring a CV ID. Not having the proper documentation leads to dissatisfaction of the resident and at times, arguments with our volunteers who are unpaid and are serving during the pandemic as an accommodation to their fellow residents.

Once a unit owner has closed on an apt., he/she should take his deed to the clubhouse ID Dept. to receive a CV ID. The same applies to renters and occupants. Their lease or approved documents should be presented for an ID. This saves having to make unnecessary trips to the UCO office and satisfies all concerned.

If a gate pass is needed and the guest is not already in the system, a picture ID of them is needed to be presented by the unit owner with their own CV ID.

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What is C.E.R.T.?

BY JOHN HESS

C.E.R.T. is the acronym for Community Emergency Response Team. A team comprised of volunteers, who are trained in basic life safety and emergency preparedness skills.

Mission Statement:

Century Village CERT volunteers, under the sponsorship UCO, strive to work within a network of state and local emergency response teams to provide support for public safety by acting as additional resources and providing community education and service programs when appropriate in emergency and non-emergency situations.

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program is designed to help communities prepare for an effective response, and be able to assist victims, after a disaster while protecting you from becoming a victim.

Cert training will help you, your family, and neighbors in the event of a catastrophic disaster when emergency services are not available to help everyone immediately. With training and practice and by working as a team, you will be able to assist victims after a disaster while protecting yourself from becoming a victim.

Through pre-event planning and working together, a Community based preparedness we will allow us to reduce injuries and property damage. Neighborhood preparedness will let us be able to manage

existing resources until professional assistance becomes available. Neighbors helping Neighbors

With training and information, this community is prepared to respond to many of the emergency functions needed in the POST-DISASTER period. The CERT program does provide the effective first-response capability. The team members can perform light search and rescue, and render basic medical treatment. Trained volunteers are also important in non-hazardous functions, such as shelter support, crowd control, and supply distribution.

CERT CERTIFICATION requires training classes that consist of 24 hours of training, which is provided by FEMA at no cost to you. You will be trained in such basic self-help and mutual aid emergency functions such as:

- Disaster preparedness
- Fire Safety
- Disaster medical operations
- Light search and rescue
- CERT organization
- Disaster Psychology
- Terrorism and CERT

CERT meets on the second Friday, every month, at 1 P.M. in Room C at the clubhouse.

We also have FRIENDS of CERT for those who want to volunteer and assist but are unable to attend certification classes. Many tasks don't require train-

ing, only a desire to be willing to serve. Also, HAM RADIO operators are needed-volunteers wanted.

CENTURY VILLAGE DESIGNATED AS “CLOSED POD”

A POD (Point of Dispensing) for medicinal purposes is either OPEN (public) or CLOSED (private)

There is the Open POD- a location where the general public goes for emergency medicine dispensing provided by FEMA, and there is a Closed POD, which is for specific individuals and their families, such as large companies and condominium associations with a large population.

Century Village was designated a Closed POD (Point of Dispensing) for antibiotic dispensing in the event of a biological terrorist attack. CERT/WPRF has agreed with the Palm Beach County Health Dept. to provide a location and volunteers to dispense antibiotics/medicine.

In anticipation of the vaccine for COVID 19, we want to ensure that enough trained personnel are available. As population and residents vary throughout the year, additional Volunteers for this “POD” are needed and do not have to be part of CERT to participate.

Internet is useful for finding more information;

Create an account with a username and password and search for classes.

Use search keywords, such as **medical counter-measures, points of dispensing, Strategic National Stockpile**, etc.

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Notes from the Recording Secretary

BY BOB RIVERA, RECORDING SECRETARY

There are growing problems in our community. People simply not caring about what is happening in their associations or in the Village. They do not seem to realize that not caring has its consequences.

There have recently been some serious issues with people using unlicensed contractors to have work done in their units and this has resulted in significant damage to both their own unit and to adjoining units in their building. These contractors are also putting construction garbage into the trash bins, rather than taking it with them each day. Are licenses being checked? Are these contractors getting the appropriate permits taken out with the County? Association presidents and board members need to be aware of what is happening in their building, asking these questions and informing their association members about the appropriate steps they need to take when having any work done on their unit.

Not caring has caused damage to buildings. Residents have been put out of their homes due to contractors that should not have been working in the Village. Our LCAM has been doing a fantastic job letting our owners know when things like this happen. Kudos to our LCAM, Don Foster. But informing owners after the fact does not prevent the significant problems of expensive damage to homes, both individual units and the entire building when this happens.

I want to express my appreciation to the many associations that have submitted their updated Officer, Delegate and CERT Contact Reports. That being said, there are still many associations that have yet to submit their forms. There are also some associations that do have some issues with their forms and associations. Forms are not being completed correctly; for example, information not being printed legibly

and essential information not being provided.

In a recent review of UCO’s association lists, I have discovered that there are forty six (46) associations that do not have designated alternate delegates or, as in a couple of cases, should have more than one delegate and/or alternate. Quite a few have unfilled board member positions, and so far, one association has only one officer and one board member. What is the consequence for this? What is the problem if you don’t have a full board, or if your association president does not attend the Delegate Assembly meeting, or have an alternate appointed? Then your association is not represented. Your concerns are not heard or addressed.

Not having officers, whether it is one (a president) and just one board member, opens up the possibility of having the association going into receivership. That would involve a lawyer taking over the functions of the officers, and the association would wind up paying up to a couple thousand dollars a month. I don’t know any association that would want to pay an extra couple thousand dollars a month. That could be an additional \$83.33 in your monthly fees (for a 24 unit association), if your association was one that was put into receivership. Some associations have not updated their contact reports in 5 years or more.

Now taking into account that we are not having Delegate Assembly meetings until further notice because of the Covid-19 virus, we should be correcting this issue and be ready for the time when we will be able to meet again.

The following associations do not have alternates that would represent their respective associations should their presidents decide not to go to Delegate Assembly meetings:

Andover D & F
Bedford E & J
Berkshire G
Cambridge B & E
Camden H, L & P
Canterbury E
Chatham E & K
Coventry K & L
Dorchester C
Hastings G
Kent G
Kingswood E & F

Northampton G & Q
Norwich B, E, K & N
Plymouth 3 & 4
Salisbury B & H
Sheffield C, M & O
Somerset H
Southampton A
Stratford G & H
Sussex I & K
Waltham D
Wellington J
Windsor E, G, J, M & P

The last thing I would like to address is associations that don’t have

enough owners running for their boards, or they run but do not want to be an officer. The result is officers holding more than one office and others that are board members in name only. There have been presidents who are doing everything. Ethically speaking, an association president should not be the association’s treasurer also. A recent conversation with a well known lawyer informed me that it can be legal in certain circumstances, but legal or not, it is unethical. An association opens itself to the possibility of embezzlement or misappropriation of association funds when these jobs are not kept separate. No one wants to believe it will happen to their association and want to believe in the honesty and integrity of their officers, but it does and has happened in the past. Don’t let it happen to you.

This is a great place to live. Our community has come together during this difficult time and I am proud of Century Village West Palm Beach. UCO continues to work to keep our community as safe and enjoyable as possible. Stay healthy. Stay Safe.

Respectfully,
Bob Rivera, Recording Secretary

2020 GENERAL ELECTION

INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY PAULETTE BURDICK AND BOBBI LEVIN

**Election Day: 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.,
Tuesday, November 3, 2020**

The right to vote is one of the fundamental liberties we enjoy as Americans. It is also one of the greatest civic responsibilities U.S. Citizens have. Exercise your right to vote and understand your responsibilities as a voter.

If you are not registered to vote in Florida, the deadline for eligible individuals to register to vote is

Monday, October 5, 2020

Early Voting: 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Monday, October 19, 2020 - Sunday, November 1, 2020*

*Dates and times are subject to change and will be updated no later than 30 days prior to the Early Voting period.

Vote By Mail: Ballots due by 7 p.m., Tuesday, November 3, 2020

2020 Constitutional Amendments

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AMENDMENT 1 - Citizenship Requirement to Vote in Florida Elections

Official Ballot Summary: This amendment provides that only United States Citizens who are at least eighteen years of age, a permanent resident of Florida, and registered to vote, as provided by law, shall be qualified to vote in a Florida election.

AMENDMENT 2 - Raising Florida's Minimum Wage

Official Ballot Summary: Raises minimum wage to \$10.00 per hour effective September 30th, 2021. Each September 30th thereafter, minimum wage shall increase by \$1.00 per hour until the minimum wage reaches \$15.00 per hour on September 30th, 2026. From that point forward, future minimum wage increases shall revert to being adjusted annually for inflation starting September 30th, 2027.

AMENDMENT 3 - All Voters Vote in a Primary Elections for State Legislature, Governor and Cabinet

Official Ballot Summary: Allows all registered voters to vote in primaries

for state legislature, governor, and cabinet regardless of political party affiliation. All candidates for an office, including party nominated candidates, appear on the same primary ballot. Two highest vote getters advance to general election. If only two candidates qualify, no primary is held and winner is determined in general election. Candidate's party affiliation may appear on ballot as provided by law. Effective January 1, 2024.

AMENDMENT 4 - Voter Approval of Constitutional Amendments

Official Ballot Summary: Requires all proposed amendments or revisions to the state constitution to be approved by the voters in two elections, instead of one, in order to take effect. The proposal applies the current thresholds for passage to each of the two elections.

AMENDMENT 5 - Limitation on Homestead Assessments

Official Ballot Summary: Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution, effective date January 1, 2021, to increase, from 2 years to 3 years, the

period of time during which accrued Save-Our-Homes benefits may be transferred from a prior homestead to a new homestead.

AMENDMENT 6 - Ad Valorem Tax Discount for Spouses of Certain Deceased Veterans Who Had Permanent, Combat-Related Disabilities

Official Ballot Summary: Provides that the homestead property tax discount for certain veterans with permanent combat-related disabilities carries over to such veteran's surviving spouse who holds legal or beneficial title to, and who permanently resides on, the homestead property, until he or she remarries or sells or otherwise disposes of the property. The discount may be transferred to a new homestead property of the surviving spouse under certain conditions. The amendment takes effect January 1, 2021.

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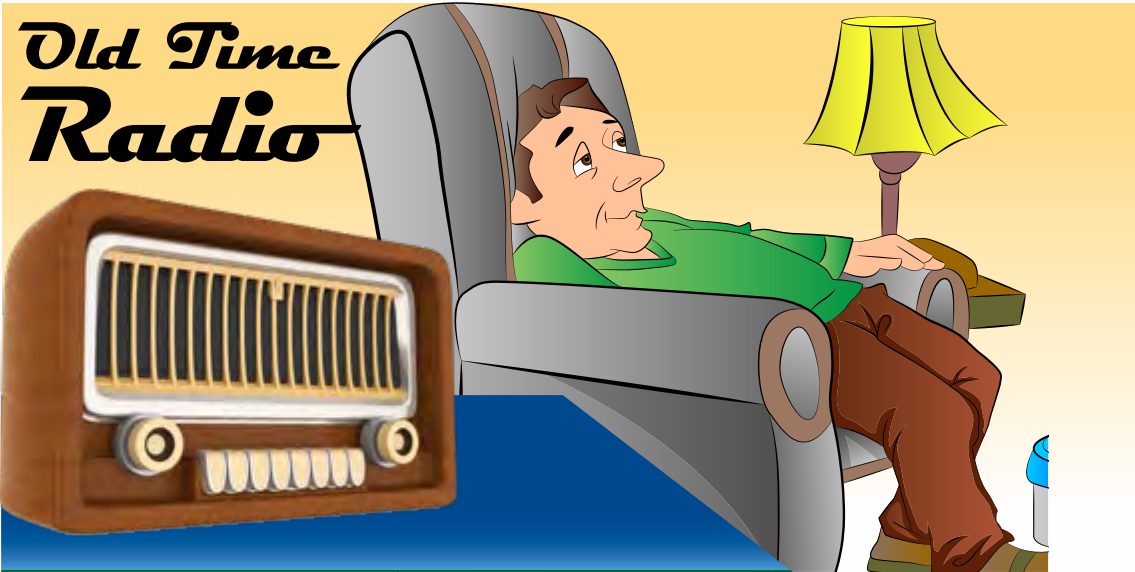


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- **INFORMING CITIZENS:** Always keeping citizens informed and up to date on all threats.

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Peter Lorre and the Mr. Moto Films

An Austrian plays a Japanese detective

BY STEW RICHLAND



Actor James Hong

I am sure that many of my readers will recognize the image of actor James Hong. He has more credits than nearly anyone in Hollywood, yet he still isn't a bona fide "star." In his legendary career, actor James Hong — who recently went viral as "Hollywood's most prolific actor" — has accrued more than 600 acting credits and inspired countless careers, yet he still doesn't have a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. To be added to the "Walk of Fame" costs about \$50,000. There is a movement by the "Go Fund Me" group to raise the funds necessary for Hong to have his name imprinted for posterity on Hollywood's most famous street.

"Inclusion and diversity are all very popular buzzwords, and extremely important. By today's standards, the "Mr. Moto" series that cast the Austrian Peter Lorre as the Japanese detective, known as Mr. Moto, violates several standards of political correctness. But in the 1930s Lorre's portrayal of an Asian with an Austrian accent was not considered unusual. My aim is to reintroduce my readers to a time when movies were designed to energize one's imagination and provide a few hours of entertainment at a very low cost, when radio provided a stimulus to your imagination and became a companion to families seven nights a week.



Asian Detectives in the 1920s-1940s on film and radio Mr. Moto

Mr. Moto began as a series of novels about the Japanese Secret Agent by John P Marquand, then came a

series of films starring Peter Lorre as Mr. Moto in the late 1930s. Lorre's Moto was an international detective, a deadly martial artist, and a master of disguise. The success of both the books and the movies occurred while the West was increasingly concerned about the growing threat of the Japanese empire.

The inscrutable Mr. I. A. Moto, John P. Marquand's famous little Japanese detective first appeared to American audiences in a series of Saturday Evening Post serial installments featuring Marquand's mysterious, secretive, multi-talented international agent with a talent for disguise, beginning with No Hero, in 1935. No Hero was subsequently published as the novel, Your Turn, Mr. Moto, later that year. Saturday Evening Post featured Marquand's Thank You, Mr. Moto in 1936, again as a serial installment, followed by the serialized Think Fast, Mr. Moto, in 1937 and Mr. Moto is So Sorry, in 1938.

Peter Lore starred in all of the original Kintaro Moto films. Peter Lorre, of Hungarian descent, brought the character to life in a more vivid and energetic manner than the character of the laid back style of Charlie Chan.

In 1951, Mr. Moto became a radio show starring James Monks. However, this program was different. Mr. Moto, rather than being Japanese was an American of Japanese descent. Moto was a secret agent, who also did some detective work. The show's early issues dealt with big issues. Moto fought the spread of communism and also dealt with some deeper issues than would be typical for a Golden Age radio program including racism and war.

When it came time for Mr. Moto to make his Radio appearance in 1951, it was as Mr. I. A. Moto, John P. Marquand's original name for the character. Most other characteristics of Moto's back story remained similar to his film depictions.

Twenty-six programs were ordered and only twenty-three ever made it on the air. The surviving Moto programs that my readers can download from the internet were very well produced, easily the equal of some of the best exemplars of the detective genre that had ever aired previously. In 1959, Marquand noted, "Mr. Moto was my literary disgrace, I wrote about him to get shoes for my baby."

Author's Note:

Writing about Asian detectives has been a difficult subject to tackle because the topic of non-Asians playing lead actors in movies and on radio could be repugnant to those who are part of the identity culture politically correct wing of today's society. Most Millennials view their culture with modern sensibilities. I also realize that some of my readers could be offended by the fact that almost all Asian characters were played by Caucasians in the movies made during the 1920s to the 1950s. What might also rankle their PC sense of what is right is the fact that all those actors who portrayed Asian detectives on the American-produced radio programs were also Caucasian, many of whom were not even American citizens.



Sessue Hayakawa

However, I am trying to be realistic. I am portraying a time when most Americans were accepting of the cultural norms of the time period in which I am focusing on and were indeed fascinated with Asian detective movies and radio programs, and accepted all this with virtual little to no objection.

It would shock many film buffs and casual viewers alike to learn that there

was a time in early Hollywood cinema when several Asian Americans were among the top A-list celebrities. In fact, one of the highest-paid actors in 1910s Hollywood was a Japanese immigrant named Sessue Hayakawa. Hayakawa would go on to become the first (and to this day only) Asian American to own a Hollywood studio, which netted more than \$2 million in profits at the height of its popularity in the late 1910s.



Anna May Wong. The American-born daughter of Chinatown laundry owners, Wong holds a special place in film history as the first Asian American actress to become a major Hollywood sensation.

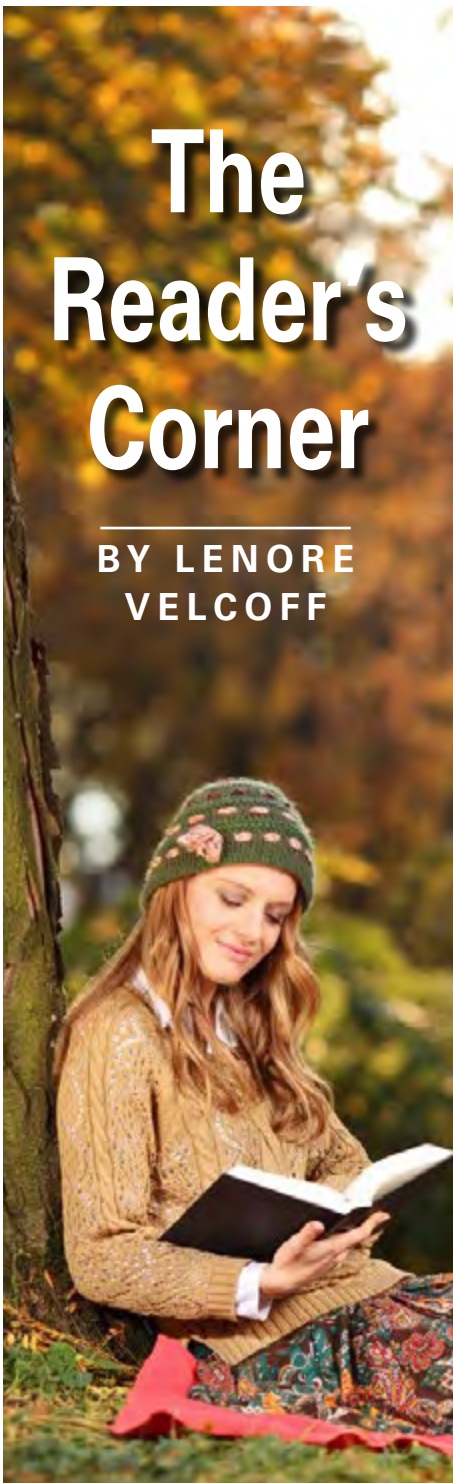
The issue of whitewashing in Hollywood films is still continuing. Scarlett Johansson, a white woman, has a new movie coming out in which she portrays a cyborg who should probably be played by a Japanese woman. The movie is called "Ghost in the Shell" based on a series of Japanese TV programs. In a recent interview with Good Morning America, though, Johansson was insistent that her playing a traditionally Japanese character was somehow not whitewashing.

The Last Romantics

by Tara Conklin

The Reader's Corner

BY LENORE VELCOFF



This book is about love in all its forms - romantic love, friendly love, familial love, unconditional love, committed love, practical love and self-love. A family saga that spans a century. This is a story of sibling relationships, how they grow close due to a family situation, come apart, and finally come together again, although not the same.

We read about four siblings: Renee, Caroline, Joseph, and Fiona Skinner and their mother, Noni. The story starts out in the future, where Fiona has become a renowned poet, and she looks back on their lives and follows all of them throughout their relationships, marriages, births, deaths. This story is largely about "The Pause" (the time of Noni's depression) and how that time period shaped the bond between the siblings throughout the rest of their lives. In the decades that follow, though each sibling grows up and leads their separate lives, they are not able to escape the inevitable ties that bind them together as a family. I sympathized with Renee's drive to protect and her desire to succeed. I enjoyed Caroline's creative and sweet side, Joe's protection over his sisters and finally Fiona's zest for life. I found Conklin's characters believable and sympathetic, each family member's grief and subsequent role in the family credible and having a long reach into their adulthoods. To witness the imperfections of a family, but to understand each character separately is what really got me. There is no happy ending in this story but there is healing. None of these characters are perfect, but they were all well written and relatable.

It is not just another story about sibling rivalry and complicated family dynamics. Ultimately, this story was a meditation on love, despair, resilience, family,

and forgiveness. If you enjoy books about all the ups and downs of a family, I recommend The Last Romantics.







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DINNING IN WITH LENORE



BY LENORE VELCOFF

Once again, I am homebound. Not ready yet to dine outdoors. But my good friend is willing to pick up our take-out order and eat with me in my house, at social distancing, of course. Since we both enjoy all types of cuisine, this was our latest choice.

I started the meal with Mulligatawny Soup (main ingredients are Masoor dhal red lentils, chicken broth and coconut milk) – a delicious creamy beginning. They also have a Tomato Rasam Soup - clear tomato and lentil soup flavored with black pepper, garlic and curry leaves. Alongside, we shared an order of traditional bread, Naan which is light and fluffy and baked in a clay oven. If you want something different for your meal, they have 5 appetizers such as Vegetable

Samosa - a pastry stuffed with spiced potatoes and green peas or one of 3 salads - Chickpea Salad with cucumber, tomato, red onion and greens tossed in tamarind, mint and yogurt dressings.

We moved on to our entrees. I had Chicken Tikka Masala (Chicken breast broiled in a tandoor and cooked in a creamy tomato sauce). Served with a side of basmati rice. I am not a fan of spicy food, so this dish was perfect for me. Nicely seasoned but no “heat”. My friend is more of a fan of some spice, so she had Chicken Tikka (Boneless chunks of chicken marinated with yogurt and spices, served with lentils, rice and grilled vegetables). Perfect for her.

They have many more choices. Among them are 6 lamb or goat dishes (Balti Gosht Lamb or goat

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cooked with bell peppers, tomatoes, mushrooms and onion tempered with chilies and ground spices. served with a side of basmati rice). They also have 4 seafood dishes, 6 vegetarian choices and even 6 vegan specialties. For something different – biryani - simply put, biryani is a spiced mix of meat and rice, traditionally cooked over an open fire in a leather pot. It is

combined in different ways with a variety of components to create a number of highly tasty and unique flavor combinations. If you have never had Indian food, don't be afraid. There is something for every taste. If you enjoy this type of cuisine, try this restaurant. You will really enjoy whatever you order.

RE-ELECT JUDGE JAIMIE GOODMAN
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- Judge Goodman presently serves the people of Palm Beach County in the Circuit Civil Division. He has served in the Circuit Civil Division for close to 3 ½ years and has presided over numerous jury trials and thousands of hearings.
- Judge Goodman has also served as a faculty member at Florida Judicial College in 2019 and 2020, teaching circuit civil fundamentals and civil trial procedure to new circuit civil judges and judges transferring to the Circuit Civil Division.

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Nutrition and Health

Have Your Cake and Eat It Too

BY JEANIE W. FRIEDMAN, MS RD LD/N

My twin boys just celebrated their first birthday recently. I searched for weeks, looking for cake recipes that were healthier for such young toddlers. And in the back of my mind I wondered how this tradition began. How long have people been celebrating with cake? How can we make it healthier?

HISTORY

Just how far back does cake go?

Ancient Greeks baked cakes consisting of flour mixed with honey, nuts, milk and eggs. The Ancient Romans added butter, honey and eggs to a basic bread dough, giving the finished product a cake-like taste. Cakes were also made in early England. These early cakes were quite different from what we have today. They tended to be more like honey-sweetened bread. During this time, cakes were expensive and usually consumed by wealthier people.

It wasn't until around the mid-17th century that the modern round cake started to appear. Icing made from available sugar, flavorings and egg whites were first boiled and

poured on top of the cake, which was brought back to the oven.

In the 19th century, what we know as birthday cakes were popular amongst the wealthier people. As ingredients became cheaper to produce, cakes could be enjoyed more frequently and by more people.

It is said that the tradition of putting candles on a cake came from the old German custom of Kinderfest. Candles were placed on cakes that celebrated children's birthdays. The candles were believed to protect children from harmful spirits when they were most vulnerable.

The "Happy Birthday" message didn't appear on birthday cakes until early 20th century, when the song "Happy Birthday to You" became popular.

Cake has come a long way from such humble beginnings. Today, we have dozens of varieties, flavors, and types of frosting. It would be easy to find something you like. And, with people being more health-conscious, there are numerous ways to make cakes a little healthier.

HEALTHIER MODIFICATIONS

Fruit as a Filling and Frosting

Adding fresh fruit like strawberries, blueberries, even avocado, or canned plain pumpkin to your cake also adds vitamins, anti-oxidants, and can help give you some sweetness, so you can use less frosting. Fresh fruit also contains water and fiber, both of which would help fill you up.

Nuts for Added protein and Fiber

Nuts are loaded with protein and healthy fats, as well as fiber. These would help keep you feel full longer.

Decreasing Fat

Substituting some of the oil or butter in a recipe with canned plain pumpkin or finely mashed bananas can cut down on calories and fat.

Use Less Filling and Frosting

Use a light hand when spreading frosting on your cake. You may be surprised to discover that you really don't need so much to enjoy that slice of cake.



Add Vegetables

Another way to enjoy a more nutritious cake is to add vegetables. Carrot cake is something most people have heard of, but did you know other types of vegetables can also be added? Spinach, sweet potatoes, and beets all can lend themselves well to cakes.

Bon appetit!

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.



BY RUTH BERNHARD-DREISS

October is an interesting month of the year. The birthstones are the Opal and Tourmaline. The birth flowers are the Calendula and Cosmos. Fall is a beautiful time of the year. In Florida, we look forward to cooling off after a hot and humid summer. This year seemed hotter, or do we say that every year? In the past, pre-COVID-19, winter residents returned and traffic picked up. We saw crowded restaurants. Now, when we dine out, if we can find open establishments, we face social distancing, 50% capacity served, and wearing masks coming into the restaurant and going out. It has become a way of life with no way of knowing how long the return will be to our former lives, or if it will be permanent.

These events happened in October over the years:

1st The television series "The Twilight Zone" premiered in 1959.

1st Walt Disney World opened in Orlando, FL in 1971.

3rd President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed the last Thursday in November, 1863 as Thanksgiving Day.

5th The World Series was aired on radio for the first time in 1921.

11th Space Shuttle Challenger Astronaut Kathryn Sullivan became the first American woman to walk in space in 1984.

12th Columbus arrived in America in 1492.

14th Martin Luther King was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964.

14th President Dwight D. Eisenhower's birthday -- he was born in 1892 and I shared the date with him, but not the year. More presidents were born in October than in any other year. In addition to DDE, they are John Adams, Rutherford B. Hayes, Chester Arthur, Theodore Roosevelt for which the Teddy Bear was named, and Jimmy Carter.

15th "I Love Lucy" premiered on TV in 1951.

16th The Cuban Missile Crisis began in 1962.

19th A Senate bill was passed making Martin Luther King's birthday a national holiday in 1983.

19th The Revolutionary War ended in 1781.

23rd 25,000 women marched in New York City demanding the right to vote in 1915.

24th The United Nations came into existence in 1945.

28th France presented the US with the Statue of Liberty in 1886.

29th The New York Stock Exchange crashed on what became Black Tuesday, starting the Great Depression in 1929.

31st Indian Prime Minister Indira Ghandi was assassinated in 1984.

31st Halloween or All Hallows Eve, an ancient celebration, combining the Christian festival of All Saints with Pagan autumn festivals.

October is Adopt a Shelter Dog Month, as well as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. It is National Pizza Month and Cookie and Dessert Month.

Fun Facts about Babies born in October:

They are more likely to be athletic.
They probably will not be born on Halloween.
They have two birthstones – opal and tourmaline.
They are less likely to have cardiovascular disease.

These are some of the most notable happenings occurring during the second month of Fall, so Happy Birthday to me this month! And according to the facts above about babies born in October, I was not born on Halloween. I could not wait.

Notables Born in October

BY LENORE VELCOFF



BILL GATES is an American business magnate and computer programmer who is the co-founder of Microsoft, the world's largest PC software company. He has been consistently ranked among the world's wealthiest people. He is a renowned philanthropist who, along with his wife, has created the charity organization "Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation".



MAHATMA GANDHI was an Indian lawyer who became the primary leader of India's independence movement. He not only led India to independence from British rule, but also inspired movements for civil rights and freedom across the

world in several other countries. Best remembered for his employment of nonviolence.



ELEANOR ROOSEVELT was the First Lady of the United States from 1933 to 1945. After the death of President Roosevelt, Eleanor rose to fame with her work related to women's empowerment. She was invited by President Harry S. Truman and confirmed by the United States Senate to become a delegate to the UN General Assembly from 1945 and 1952..

How can you spot a tech support scam?

BY TRACI ARMANI,
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Are you getting pop-up warning messages on your computer screen? Or maybe a phone call that your computer has a virus? That may well be a tech support scam. But how do you know? And what do you do?

Scammers love to sound legit by pretending to be from a real company – say Microsoft or Apple. They'll make your computer "problem" sound urgent, trying to get you to act before you have time to think. And they'll ask you for access to your computer, your bank or credit card number, or for money. But that's not how real tech support works.

So, before you click the link in the pop up or call that number, stop. Talk to someone you trust.. And remember:

- Never share your bank account, credit card, or Social Security number with anyone who contacts you.
- Somebody who tells you to pay with a gift card, money transfer, or Bitcoin is a scammer. **Always.**

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Around the Bases with Irwin Cohen



Even though spring training abruptly ended in March due to Covid-19, it was long enough to realize that the best two teams in baseball were the Los Angeles Dodgers and New York Yankees.

A Dodgers/Yankees World Series would have the highest television ratings in years as Los Angeles and New York represent America's two biggest metropolitan population centers. Los Angeles and New York also have the two stadiums with the biggest seating capacities in the major leagues translating into more tickets sold and more revenue for players' shares.

Now, though, with the season winding down, it's still hard to make predictions for this season as several key players, such as David Price of the Dodgers and Buster Posey of the Giants, have opted not to play this season. Major League Baseball has given any player the right not to play this season because of the fear players could bring the virus home to their families. Players are tested daily, but some could test positive and would have to be removed from the team roster.

In a normal 162-game season, the teams with the most pitching depth

would make the post-season playoffs. This not normal 60-game season makes it easier for teams who usually end up closer to the bottom of the standings to be closer to the top. All a less talented team needs this year is a hot streak, the longer the better.

"This season is a sprint," Miami Marlins manager Don Mattingly said. "In a sprint anything happens. Players get hot and momentum gets going. Anything can happen this season."

We're going to see only a few pitchers this season winning more than seven games and only a few players hitting more than 15 home runs. But we could see a player batting over .400. In a normal 162-game season the 60th game would be in early June. It would be possible for someone to be hitting .400 around that time.

The Washington Nationals, winners of last year's World Series, lost super-duper star third baseman Anthony Rendon via free agency to the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim. Rendon batted .319 and hit 34 home runs besides being a defensive whiz. I don't expect to see Washington in the 2020 World Series. It will be interesting to follow Mets first baseman Peter Alonso, who batted .260 with 53 home runs

in his rookie season last year. Will anybody hit 20 or more homers in this shortened season?

I like the three rule changes this season. The National League is adopting the designated hitter rule making both leagues not having the pitcher bat. Managers aren't happy that they can't change pitchers after one batter anymore. Pitchers now have to face a minimum of three batters. That should shorten some games a bit and the extra inning games will also be shortened, as the 10th inning will start with a runner on second base and both teams would employ that rule for each inning until the end of the game. The runner on second would be the player who made the last out in the previous inning.

MLB made a major mistake in cancelling this year's All-Star Game. The star-studded mid-season classic was scheduled for Dodger Stadium on July 14. The game should have been played in November after the World Series which would have been fine in Southern California weather. An All-Star Game after the season, based on

final averages, would truly present the most deserving players.

The 2021 All-Star Game is scheduled for Atlanta's Truist Park, home of the Braves. Los Angeles would get the next available All-Star Game which is in July 2022. L.A. has not hosted the mid-summer classic since 1980. When 2022 rolls around and the Dodgers realize the number 42 comes into play (42 years since 1980), the Dodgers can do a big tribute to Jackie Robinson, who wore uniform number 42 when he made his debut 75 years earlier in 1947.

So the numbers work out for selling merchandise. How about a 42 T-shirt? 42 number on the back with 42 years since the last All-Star Game on the sleeve. The front could have 75 years since Jackie Robinson broke into the major leagues with the Dodgers wearing number 42.

Author, columnist public speaker Irwin Cohen headed a national baseball publication for five years before accepting a front office position with the Detroit Tigers where he earned a World Series ring.



Roderick Clarke

Running for Port of Palm Beach Group 3 on the November Ballot

Born in Jamaica, came to America at the age of 16

Joined the Marines at 17 served 20 years

During that time, worked as a Port Manager at Port of Okinawa in security of cargo ships and personal and in support of the Army & Marines during 9/11

I am the only military candidate

I am the only candidate that has served on a port

I am the only candidate that has served in time of war.

- 1. I would look at term limits while working on the port.**
- 2. I would look at the possibility of inland port**
- 3. I would increase the economic footprints that the port has in the community by providing more jobs, growth, and development**
- 4. I would transform the waterfront and give the cruise ships a more robust destination to drive the economy by creating an Aquarium that would tell a story about our oceans**
- 5. I would involve more of the islands with their raw goods and services to use the port as a means to get their bulk supplies to their destination faster and more efficiently**

To do all this and more I need your support and vote.

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Celebrating the Jewish High Holidays 2020

BY BOBBI LEVIN



Rosh HaShanah September 19-20, 2020

The celebration of Rosh HaShanah commemorates literally the “head of the year.” This is the Jewish New Year and, after festive celebration, marks the beginning of a ten day period of prayer, repentance and self-examination. This period of time is known as one of the High Holy Days, which also includes Yom Kippur. These days are also known as the Yamim Noraim – literally the “days of awe.”

Although technically not a pilgrimage festival, Rosh HaShanah is a national holiday in Israel and many will travel to its borders for the celebration. It is honored by Jews throughout the

world, most often with celebration and then a time of reflection, either at home or in the synagogue. Several rituals are performed at home to provide blessing upon the house and its inhabitants.

Customs that surround the day include the sounding of the shofar, a ram’s horn; eating of challah; pronouncement of the blessing; and tasting of apples and honey to anticipate the sweetness of the coming new year.

Yom Kippur October 9, 2020

Yom Kippur literally means the “Day of Atonement” and is considered the holiest day of the Jewish year. Along

with Rosh HaShanah, Yom Kippur is considered a High Holiday. Three different times in the Torah (the first five books in the Old Testament, also called the Law), the people of Israel are told that the tenth day of the seventh month is to be a sacred occasion for the people – the Day of Atonement (Leviticus 16:29; 23:27; 25:9; Numbers 29:7-11).

The Law describes Yom Kippur as a festival whose day is centered almost exclusively upon the Temple in Jerusalem. It was on this day that the high priest performed complicated sacrifices and rituals that worked to purify the Temple and as a result the sins of the Israelites.

Yom Kippur focuses attention upon acknowledging our sins against others and against God. It accepts responsibility for the pain and suffering we may have caused. It dedicates our efforts on reconciling ourselves to God

first and then to others.

Tradition holds that Rosh HaShanah is the day when names are written into the Book of Life. It is on Yom Kippur that the decree for the coming year is sealed. People of faith hold that by repentance, prayer and charity the outcome of the year ahead is solidified before God.

Fasting is seen as a way to fulfill the biblical commands to practice discipline and self-denial. The Yom Kippur fast encourages the believer to focus on spiritual needs and relationships rather than physical ones. During the fasting, prayer, repentance and the disciples of life are meditated upon.

Although this New Year will look different from those in the past, it is more important than ever during this time, to look forward to new beginnings. I wish everyone in Century Village a Happy and Healthy New Year.



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