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2023

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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DELEGATE MEETING
Friday 1/6/23
9:30AM in the Theater

Email articles & comments:
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The President’s Report

BY DAVE ISRAEL

Welcome home,
David!

Welcome back home, Dave Israel Best wishes are extended from all of us in and out of the office for your continued recovery. We hope to see you back in the office soon.

Ruth Dreiss, Editor-in-Chief
UCO Reporter

NOTICE OF OFFICE CLOSING

THE UCO OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
MONDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2022
AND
MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 2023

WISHING EVERYONE A VERY HEALTHY AND HAPPY
HOLIDAY SEASON

Senior Day at the
Fairgrounds will be
Monday,
January 23, 2023.
The first bus will
depart from the club-
house at 11:30am. The
last bus departs from
the Fairgrounds at
4:00pm.

Semiannual Water System Flush to Start January 5, 2023



In order to deliver the highest quality water to our customers, Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department (PBCWUD) requires periodic line flushing and temporary treatment modification. These modifications to the disinfection process are routine and an industry best practice as a precautionary measure to maintain the water quality.

From **January 5 through January 26, 2023** PBCWUD will be using free chlorine as opposed to chloramine for water treatment. **This is only temporary and the water is safe to drink.**

As one of our customers, you may notice your water has a slight variation in taste or smell during this period. If you are especially sensitive to this change, keep an open container of drinking water refrigerated for a few hours allowing the chlorine to dissipate.

Users of home dialysis machines, owners of tropical fish and managers of stores and restaurants with fish and shellfish holding tanks are advised to seek professional guidance for removing chlorine residuals.

This process will not affect customers in Belle Glade, Pahokee and South Bay.

Anyone needing more information on this temporary change is advised to call PBCWUD at **(561) 740-4600** and select option #1.

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EDITORIAL
POLICY

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

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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR: Letters to the Editor should be limited to 250 words, and must be e-mailed (ucoreporterwpb@gmail.com) to the Reporter by the 7th of the month prior to publication. Your opinions are important to us, but please refrain from gossip, innuendo, nasty or inflammatory remarks. Letters deemed to be inappropriate, inflammatory or libelous will be returned by the Staff for revision or removal. All letters must include the name, address and phone number of the author. No letters from UCO Reporter staff will be published. They may however have the opportunity to submit an opinion article also limited to 250 words.

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EDITORIAL

Happy New Year! Welcome 2023! The year 2022 has been an eventful year. With far fewer Covid cases, activities have resumed to a great extent. Residents are attending shows and movies, and there is far more socializing. Interesting excursions are always on the horizon. We are looking forward to one in January and preparation for another in February.

We have entered into our second year of bus service with Academy and are about to enter our sixth year with Atlantic Broadband, now Breezeline, for cable TV. Our UCO budget has reached \$8 million. We are still in need of volunteers to serve in the daily operation of UCO. It is not too early to consider running for the office of VP or the Executive Board in the March 3rd election. Send your bio in. An outline form is elsewhere in this issue of the UCO Reporter.

When your building association holds its annual meeting and elects officers, board members, delegates and alternate delegates, please remember to submit a new list, signed and sealed. Our administrative assistant, Carolyn will update your information. A newly executed form is required each year, whether or not there have been changes.

As Editor-in-chief of the UCO Reporter, I would be remiss if I did not express appreciation to Greg Cox of OPS Premedia and his staff who lay out our monthly newspaper, and to John Black of Boom Communications Group who print and deliver the paper. Working with these two people has been my pleasure. I look forward to the coming year with them.

Good health and happiness to all in 2023!

by Ruth Dreiss,
Editor-in-chief
UCO Reporter



JANUARY 2023

UCO Committee Meetings

TUE 3	TRANSPORTATION	1:30 PM	CONF RM
WED 4	PROGRAM & SERVICES	1:00 PM	ON HIATUS
FRI 6	DELEGATE ASSEMBLY	9:30 AM	MCH AUDITORIUM
FRI 6	SECURITY	1:00 PM	CONF RM
TUE 10	ADVISORY	1:00 PM	ON HIATUS
WED 11	BROADBAND	1:00 PM	NEXT MTG MARCH
THU 12	COP	9:30 AM	MCH RM TBD
FRI 13	CERT	1:00 PM	MCH RM TBD
TUE 17	INSURANCE	1:00 PM	CONF RM
WED 18	BEAUTIFICATION	1:00 PM	ON HIATUS
THU 19	BIDS/INFRASTRUCTURE	1:00 PM	CONF RM
WED 25	FINANCE	1:00 PM	CONF RM
THU 26	OFFICERS	12:00 PM	CONF RM
FRI 27	EXECUTIVE BOARD	10:00 AM	MCH MTG RM A
TUE 31	OPERATIONS	1:00 PM	MCH MTG RM A

Committee Meetings are Subject to change.
Check with Committee Chair for
updates/cancellations

Committee Members and Officers preferred.
Limited seating available.
Masks for attendees requested.

UCO OFFICERS' REPORTS



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A surprise occurred when the Annual Resident Holiday Concert was performed in the WPRF Theatre with 'FREE' coffee and cookies provided in the party room after the wonderful performance which was attended by an audience numbering far less than previous years. Is this significant to assume that the population of Century Village, West Palm Beach has gone through an unusual change that has not been seen ever before? My thought is that the composition of residents is that we now suffer from the rate of attendance that existed twenty (20) years ago. What could be going on is that people cannot be bothered to attend such a nice function. Exiting either East or West Gates and turning East, it is apparent from the crowded sky line that the crux of

government lies East and sixty plus vehicles are driving through each light cycle from the West.

The "Over 55" concept is resulting in young workers, with perhaps ten (10) years till retirement, is clear evidence that millions of workers are following the trend to seek jobs where weather is conducive to continue to work and settle for a rental situation consisting of rising in the morning, stopping at Dunkin momentarily, then continue East and disperse East and West, then to return West, watch the news while working on their cell phone and computer and round-out the day reclining in front of the TV.

With a schedule so cramped like this, a work atmosphere conducive to moving ahead at the job.... presents a situation that excludes attending a 'show' on campus, or partaking in other activities. These amenities that we 'old timers' enjoy seemingly are not attracting the newcomers of a younger age. With housing at 6% interest on the monthly fee, it's difficult to move forward.

Surprisingly, regarding movies and live performances, the desire of comedians, acceptable in the past, chiding the various ethnicities with comical mannerisms and language leaving a lot to be desired are succumbing to racial slurs and persecution, and are being met with disdain. The life of the "comedian on stage" has been greeted with scorn, as some patrons walk out of such shows.



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Well, 365 sunrises and sunsets have come and gone and now we are in a new year. As most of us do right after New Year's, we wonder where has the time gone and what changes has the past year wrought on lives and on the Village we live in.

Let's take a look at the 2022 balance sheet. We escaped the horrors of the hurricane season. When we view the damage done to so many of our Floridian neighbors by this year's storms, we all feel compassion and sorrow for what nature has inflicted on them. On the other side of the coin, we must thank the powers that be that our 50-year-old Village again escaped the ravages of the hurricane season.

The economic climate of our country has definitely impacted the quality of life here in Century Village. According to WPRF, unit sales for the year 2022 broke all previous years' sales records. This phenomenon is what contributed to the dramatic rise in unit value. When one considers the spectacular rise in home sales and rentals here in Florida, it easily explains why Century Village is so attractive to people looking for a place to live.

Those residents who attend our monthly Delegate Assembly meetings should feel very comfortable

with the Palm Beach police reports on crime here in the Village. This again is another reason why people want to live here. Unfortunately, the police tell us that scams against many of our residents are increasing and the value of losses are in the thousands. Sadly, we here at UCO can do very little to mitigate these scams.

Looking back on this past year, I would have to say that the four areas of major concern to UCO have done quite well. Our transportation system is functioning well with very few complaints by bus riders. Our security system is on top of most of the issues and most criminal complaints have been resolved to resident satisfaction. We are still working with Breezeline to solve some of our resident issues, but on the whole, most residents are satisfied with their service.

The one area that is of deep concern to us here at UCO is the cost of this year's insurance to our residents. Unfortunately, we find ourselves victims of the natural disasters that took place here in Florida and around the United States, and this is the main reason our rates have risen so dramatically. Recent appraisal values of our building have gone up along with the replacement cost of building materials, plus Florida State building codes have also contributed to this increased cost to our residents.

UCO is still dealing with Associations that have absentee Boards and unit owners that are breaking Association rules. We still have unit owners dumping their construction debris on their lawns and hiring non-licensed contractors that have created major structural damage to many units.

I hope that 2023 will bring all of our residents health and a life of limited stress. I write this with tongue in cheek and hope for the best. Happy New Year one and all!



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I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday Season. I wish all of you a New Year filled with peace, joy and most of all good health.

It has been quite an experience for me as a Vice-President in UCO. I love helping people in general and it has been especially rewarding to be able to help people with their Association issues. At times, when I wasn't able to help with their problem, they expressed gratitude for the time I gave them and for listening. AND this brings me to another subject. Most people do not listen. If you are speaking or thinking about a rebuttal, or an answer to what someone is saying, then you are not listening. Please be considerate and listen. You might learn something



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I want to take this time to thank the unsung heroes of CV. For the past three months our President has been recovering. He gave instructions during his absence. I was to keep UCO running. The Officers

and the volunteers gave me complete support with no questions asked. This made my job fairly easy. Everyone worked together to keep the everyday functions of UCO running with little or no issues.

To all the VP'S , Investigation Dept., Bar Codes, Front Desk volunteers, the other officers -- THANK YOU.

A special THANKS to our security supervisors Daniel and David who are always ready to help.

The last person that deserves lots of credit is Ruth the editor of the UCO Reporter. She spends hours and hours putting our monthly paper together.

It's an honor and a privilege to work with this group of people.

I want to wish all of you a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and a healthy New Year.

MATCHING T-SHIRT SHOW SERIES!
WEAR A SUPPORTING T-SHIRT TO THE FOLLOWING SHOWS

THE SOUNDS OF SOUL (MOTOWN)
SATURDAY, 12/17/22

THE BRONX WANDERERS
SATURDAY, 1/7/23

THE BRIT PACK (BRITISH INVASION)
SATURDAY, 1/28/23

YOU SHOULD BE DANCING (BEE GEES)
THURSDAY, 2/2/23

DESTINATION MOTOWN
SATURDAY, 2/11/23

ABBACADABRA
SATURDAY, 2/25/23

ROCK RHAPSODY (QUEEN)
SATURDAY, 3/11/23

BRASS TRANSIT (CHICAGO)
THURSDAY 3/30/23

NEW GYM HOURS

BEGINNING:
MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2022

WPRF STAFF WILL BE ON SITE:
7 DAYS A WEEK
7:00 AM — 9:00 PM

GUEST HOURS FOR THE MONTHS OF:
JANUARY, FEBRUARY & MARCH
START TIME: 11:00 AM

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Property Manager's Report

UCOMAINTENANCE@GMAIL.COM | UCOGARBAGE@GMAIL.COM



By Donald Foster, LCAM

CONDO ASSOCIATION HOUSEKEEPING- With a start of a new year, and with most Associations having all or most of their Directors in residence, now is a good time for CV Boards to check up on or catch up with what I like to call “ASSOCIATION HOUSEKEEPING”:

ANNUAL FILING- Each year, CV Associations must send an Annual Filing to the Florida Division of Corporations. The deadline for making these Annual Filings is **May 31**. Usually, this is handled by the Association’s Property Manager, after the Annual and Organizational Meetings, but I have been coming across instances of some annual filings not happening, resulting in CV Associations being listed as “administratively dissolved” by the Division. CV Directors and unit owners can easily check up on this filing by using the Florida Sunbiz website’s search feature:

<https://dos.myflorida.com/sunbiz/search/>.

If an Association is listed as administratively dissolved, this can be easily fixed by filing a Request For Reinstatement, and paying a filing fee. The Association’s property manager or attorney can help with this. It is also a good idea to use this website to check on the Association Directors that are listed, to make sure that this list reflects the actual Directors.

ASSOCIATION BOARD VACANCIES- CV Association Boards sometimes experience vacancies, due to resignations, sale of units, or deaths. The Association’s Property Manager or Attorney can help with filling a vacancy on the Board, and also with filing an **Amended Annual Report** with the **Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR)**.

ASSOCIATION BOARD RESIGNATIONS- CV board members sometimes resign from their positions before their terms are completed. When this happens, it is a good idea for the former board member to send a **Director/Officer Resignation Form** to DBPR, to make sure that the ex-Director is relieved of fiduciary duty to the Association and the Membership. The cost for filing a Director/Officer Resignation Form is \$35.00. To receive a blank copy of this form, please send an email request to: UCOMAINTENANCE@GMAIL.COM.

UCO OFFICER AND DELEGATE FORMS- Each CV Association Board is expected to submit an “**OFFICER, DELEGATE AND CERT CONTACT FORM**” to UCO. This form serves three important functions:

- Advises UCO of current officers of each CV Association.
- Advises UCO of the Association’s representative(s) to the UCO Delegate Assembly, which is UCO’s Board of Directors.
- Advises the CV CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) of the Association’s CERT contact.

This form should be kept current- the UCO Office staff use it to contact

CV Associations and to determine which CV unit owners are authorized to sign in and vote at the monthly UCO Delegate Assemblies. In addition to naming the Association’s Delegate(s), alternate Delegates can also be listed on the form, and there is no limit to the number of alternates that can be listed on the form. Blank forms are available at UCO, or it can be sent via email by sending a request to: UCOMAINTENANCE@GMAIL.COM.

UNREGISTERED AND INOPERABLE VEHICLES- We continue to find vehicles parked on Association properties with expired registration tags, or no license plates at all. We also see cars that are smashed up, are leaking oil, or have flat tires. Allowing these vehicles to remain on property violates Association bylaws, and presents serious liability and Community safety concerns. Allowing storage of unregistered vehicles is also a violation of Palm Beach County Code:

“It shall be unlawful for any owner of land in any residential district to park on, cause to be parked on, or allow to be parked on residentially zoned land any unlicensed or unregistered vehicle.”

“It shall be unlawful for the owner or occupant of a building, structure or property to utilize the premises of such property for the open storage of any motor vehicle which is inoperable and in a state of disrepair.”

PBC Ordinance 2007-013, 2019-005, 2019-034.

CV Association board members, or their Property Managers, should periodically check their parking areas for these violations and make every effort to resolve them.

TOWING CONTRACTS- Many CV Associations have allowed their towing contracts to expire. **Each Association’s towing contract must be renewed annually.** There is no charge for having a current towing contract, and a contract must be in place if an Association needs to tow a car. Blank towing contracts are available at UCO, or can be sent via email by sending a request to: UCOMAINTENANCE@GMAIL.COM. These contracts must be filled out, signed by a board member, have association seal affixed, and returned to **Sisters Towing, 6907 Southern Boulevard**. It is also required that all CV Associations have code-compliant towing signs installed on their properties. Property Managers can help with placement and installation of these signs.

NO TRESPASSING SIGNS- A number of CV Associations participate in the **PBSO Business Partnership Program**, which allows Associations to post PBSO ‘NO TRESPASSING” signs on their properties. These signs, when properly installed, allow police officers to remove unwanted persons from private property. Participation in this program requires filing an application and affidavit; these must be renewed every other year. Copies of the PBSO application and affidavit are available at UCO, or send an email request to: UCOMAINTENANCE@GMAIL.COM.

This outline is meant to be used as a guide for preparing your bio to run for election for any open seats. Send bio by e-mail only to: **ruthdreiss14@gmail.com**, no later than **January 16, 2023**.

UCO Candidate Bio Outline Form

Name:

Building Association: (no unit #)

Running for: Vice President or Executive Board

Education:

Career/Employment:

UCO/CV Experience:

Military Service (if applicable):

CV resident: No. of years residing and statement that you reside a minimum of 9 months each year.

If you are running for the Executive Board, there is a maximum of 250 words. For a Vice President, there is some leeway.

Treasurer's Report



By Ed Grossman

The old saying that when it rains it pours seems to be coming in buckets now. For many years UCO's insurance premiums have been a moving target in our annual budget. The conflict between the date our annual budget has to be approved and the date we receive the actual cost differs by months. When the budget is prepared, the best estimate for that year's insurance cost is used. What a problem for many associations has transpired this year because UCO achieved its long-time goal.

For many years the goal was to allocate each association's premium according to that association's history concerning the condition of the building and claims record. This is the first year that goal was reached. While nothing is perfect, the allocation to many associations questioned the percentage increase to their association as compared to their next-door neighbor. I said increase because of many changes, including increases involved, including but limited to the increase in the cost to replace their building and the condition and age of their roof.

What caused sticker shock to many associations is that the percentage increase went as

high as eighty percent with many in the thirty to forty percent range. In addition, the new policy increased the deductible amount that the association would have to pay because of a loss. This new amount is well beyond what the association has in reserves.

Each association has to take a hard look at the three options that they have to take for next year and reassess how much they can put in their reserves the next year. Because of this allocation method, the amount included in UCO's budget for insurance for 2024 will only be a target and not applicable for many. The bottom line as to insurance premiums for next year compared to this year is that we all are paying a great deal more for less.

When I said when it rains it pours because currently all three story and above buildings have on their agenda to comply with among others following:

- 1) Install in their elevators a new safety device to prevent elevator doors from opening at the wrong time.
- 2) Have the three-story and above buildings be recertified.

Recertification is a very expensive undertaking. An example of one building that has proceeded with the recertification experience is as follows. The building engaged a qualified engineer who

proceeded to inspect the building which is phase one. That entailed a review of the condition of the building that had a rating. If the building did not pass phase one which it did not, then the engineer continued with phase two. Phase two included a report as to what the engineer indicated and what work had to be done for the building to be recertified. The cost of an engineer for his work was sixteen thousand dollars and a permit was twenty thousand dollars, and no physical work was done. The work required in the report was very extensive and covered every single item possible as the engineer has made sure he has done the proper job.

A review by a well-known contractor of the report agreed with most of the engineer's findings but felt some went beyond the pale. The above two requirements have different due dates in the fixture. The elevator must be done by the end of twenty twenty-three. The certification must be completed by the end of twenty twenty-four. There are many more changes on the drawing board which affect an association's finances such as required reserve amounts. I will cover these in next month's article.

As always my door is open to help with any questions you have. Let's everyone put on their raincoats and weather the storm together.

Maintenance



By Dom Guarnagia

The task was to create some three hundred and nine (309) independent structures utilizing materials available that were found to satisfy building codes in most parts of the United States. Today, fifty (50) years later, several of those materials have exceeded projections in our semi-tropical environment, but some have failed. Unfortunately, today those materials such as 4" Diameter Cast Iron ("DVW") Drain/Vent & Waste piping, expected to last fifty (50) years are currently collapsing for two (2) particular reasons...age, and shifting structures wrestling upon poor soils like wet sand.

Concrete structures, embedded with steel elements, particularly soft-steel wrought iron bars that exposure to puddling, exposure to acidic elements that create rust on unprotected "flat" surfaces, as well as puddling on stair treads and platforms, and col-

umns have not been protected more frequently than the recommended eight (8) years for building surfaces.

When the trussed roof members were assembled from pressure-treated wood and connected to the "capped" top of the 'shallow pitched" gable-ended roof that was attached to the concrete or structural wood cap, the choice as to utilize nails (spikes) secured to that cap, held the two elements quite well, at the time, but moisture and termites vastly reduced the 'grip' and currently has very little effect on 'keeping the elements in place'. Inspection and action prior to the next "Hurricane" Season announces that the roofing system was one of those roofs incorrectly secured.

There are at least two (2) methods, mostly unknown, without 'opening' an area by removing a swath of 3/4" sheathing to open a "window of opportunity" to resolve the issue and include the work in the solution. In addition, you are perhaps occupying somebody's grandmother's layout that you could have

a desire to alter that layout. The solution revolves around the following:

The drywall walls are the property of the Association and for that reason the Officers must agree that you may proceed with the alterations. The most important matter involves the material that comprises the floor upon which the load is carried. If comprised of wood, the work is refused upon the chance of a potential collapse. If so, the floor/ceiling element must remain untouched.

The insurance costs to Unit Owners has been recently announced and received with dismay. It is based on those elements above kept in serviceable condition that satisfies the standards set forward by the Insurance Carriers chosen to cover the damages to "Life and Limb" for your Association in the event that Wind, Fire and Accidents provided to resolve occasional events. It will be too late for this year's insurance rates but moving forward to set a list of those things that were found in need of repairs for next year's insurance coverage.

Security



By Al Goodman

Hello all, hope all of you had a Healthy and Happy Holiday Season. Here are some more tips for your personal security and safety.

Don't be shy about freezing your credit reports. An online privacy safety service offered this nugget when it came to credit reports: "One of the best ways to protect against this form of identity theft and protect your financial stability is to lock your credit to prevent criminals from using your stolen personal information against you".

Stop using weak passwords – like your dog's name! Even though a lot of the responsibility for preventing account takeovers and financial crimes

lies with financial institutions, the public has to pull its share of the load, too. Using strong, unique passwords for all important services online such as bank accounts, email, and social media, ideally using a password manager. The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) offers an excellent primer on how to create good passwords.

Don't just focus on money-related accounts. In addition to considering financial implications, you may want to review other types of accounts for misuse or misappropriation. This can include government identities like Social Security numbers, drivers' license numbers, phone accounts, and benefits. Medical identity theft and child identity theft are different types of fraud that can occur when your identity is stolen and require additional consideration for how to reduce potential negative impacts.

Resist the click. When you receive a suspicious email, text, or call, you may be the target of fraud. Don't click, respond to or share the message. Screen

for inconsistencies such as inaccurate or false information. Instead, reach out to the company or individual that contacted you to confirm their legitimacy.

Act quickly if your accounts are compromised. Finally, one of the most important things consumers can do to protect themselves against financial fraud is to take appropriate action when their information is compromised in a data breach. Recently the average was 5-7 breaches today, and more recently it's over 30. In light of recent trends, one uncommon piece of advice for consumers who have had their medical account or patient data exposed, is to review the safety of their medical information with the Medical Insurance Bureau. Similar to a credit report, consumers can verify the veracity of medical services provided, which may reveal medical ID crimes.

That's all for now. Wishing you all a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Thank you, Al

Transportation



By Ruth Dreiss

The excursion trip to the Port of Palm Beach was a huge success. The commissioners provided a great breakfast and the tour was very informative and well received. The next trip will be to the Holocaust Documentation and Education Center on January 18th. If you have any suggestions for further trips, bear in mind that they must cover 5 hours and not involve a lot of walking. A suggestion was made to go to the Condo Expo downtown for a trade show which would be of interest to condo boards and

property managers. Another trip was suggested to the ballpark in the Spring, a popular trip before Covid. Academy is working on getting holders for bus schedules on each bus and to provide ID scanners to keep track of ridership. This will enable revisions in schedules in order to reduce transportation costs. One day in January, there is free admission to the Fairgrounds for Seniors. A date will be announced and one bus will run from 11:30 AM to 4:00 PM. Riders should be aware that during construction, entrance into the Publix Shopping Center has been changed for pickup and dropoff.

The driver will advise riders about where the stops are. Omar, General Manager of Academy Bus was requested to extend service on two buses for New Year's Eve for residents returning home from the clubhouse holiday party. By the time you are reading this, and you were a rider, you were able to take advantage of the additional service. A complaint was received from a rider that the On Site Manager is not present on site. Omar explained that the manager is often training new drivers and this is the reason for his absence at times. As of January 1, 2023 Academy will enter their second year of service to the Village.

Safety and Security

BY DANIEL ZELAYA, PLATINUM SECURITY DIRECTOR

Greetings and Salutations, Of the many resources offered in the community, I would like to highlight the office of Seniors vs. Crime. This program is a project of the Florida Attorney General's office. The Seniors vs Crime Project investigates complaints and seeks restitution for seniors in appropriate instances, free of charge. All funds recovered

go to the complainant. This initiative aims to identify and help act against unethical businesses and swindlers who prey on seniors. Examples of typical cases have involved Defective Roofs, Dishonest HVAC Repairs, Extended Warranty Woes, Shady Deals with Contractors, Faulty Flooring, etc. The office operates from U.C.O. Every

Wednesday from 1:00 pm- 3:00 p.m. To schedule an appointment or to become a volunteer for this office, contact Janet Duncan, Dennis Proefrock or Robert DiPaolo at 561-501-024. Ext. 141 For more information you can also visit their website at www.seniorsvscrime.com

WPRF News



By Eva Rachesky

Dear residents, There continues to be issues at the Saturday night dance. It's a turf war much like West Side Story and the two gangs are the "couples" against the "line dancers". Since this is a shared facility, I would think the residents that come to dance could figure this out amicably but that does not seem to be the case. It's become ugly and to make matters worse my volunteer ushers are being abused and yelled at. In an effort to be helpful, I had signs made... the left side of the dance floor is assigned to couples and the right, line dancers. Logic would dictate that if no line dancer got up, couples get the whole dance floor for that song but when the Electric Slide comes on the whole floor belongs to the line dancers. Residents have gotten aggressive on the floor with their dancing and this behavior needs to stop. Included in the "Clubhouse Rules" is line #14 which states: ALL PERSONS USING THE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES SHALL CONDUCT THEMSELVES IN A COURTEOUS MANNER WITH DUE REGARD FOR THE RIGHTS OF OTHERS TO USE AND ENJOY THE FACILITIES. This is a warning that should this conduct of bullying on the dance floor continue, W.P.R.F., Inc. will suspend your right to use any of the recreational facilities within the West Palm Beach Century Village. Your ability to access and utilize the facilities is predicated on your ability to ensure that your conduct continues to be polite, courteous, and in compliance with the direction of Security Staff, Management (including Ushers) and all rules and regulations through the recreational facilities. Of note...cameras have been installed in the Party Room and I will be watching. Please govern yourselves accordingly.

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December 2022

Dear Unit Owner:

On September 27, 2022, the Operations Committee of UCO approved an operating increase to your WPRF recreation payment in the amount of \$14.04 per unit per month beginning January 2023. This increase excludes the contractual Millennium Agreement Amendment increase of \$2.07. Accordingly, the total monthly increase amounts to \$16.11 as follows:

	PER UNIT PER MONTH
Operating Costs Increase	\$11.72
Contingency/Infrastructure/Improvements Reserve Decrease (From \$5.00 to \$3.00)	(2.00)
Windstorm Deductible Reserve Increase	4.32
2023 Net Operating Increase	14.04
Contractual rent <u>increase</u> per Millennium Agreement Amendment	2.07
2023 INCREASE	\$ 16.11

Although every attempt was made to keep operating increases to a minimum, we are faced with having to commence replenishing the Reserves as noted above. Reserves were significantly depleted following the conclusion of the HVAC arbitration in August 2022. The Operations Committee chose to use Reserve funds rather than funding the approximate \$3.4 million HVAC project via a special assessment to unit owners. Notable overall increases in budgeted operating expenses include 26% for utilities, 19% for taxes and insurance, 18% for repairs and maintenance and 12% for security.

If you have already elected to have your monthly recreation payments made by ACH Direct Debit, you do not need to do anything. The correct amount will automatically be deducted from your bank account. If you are interested in making your payments by ACH Direct Debit, you may visit Mary Petro located in the WPRF office in the clubhouse. If you have elected to have your monthly recreation payments made by a preauthorized electronic payment, please notify your bank of the changes in the amount for 2023.

My staff and I are looking forward to another season at Century Village. I encourage you to take advantage of the many enjoyable opportunities made available for you at the clubhouse and throughout your community.

Sincerely,

Eva Rachesky
Vice President

Minutes Delegate Assembly

December 2, 2022

Meeting called to order by acting Chairperson Fausto Fabbro at 9:30 AM.
138 Delegates are signed in representing a quorum.

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

Minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and accepted as presented.

Capt. Palenzuela introduced the PBSO Therapy Dog Program that the Sheriff’s Office sponsors throughout the county.

Lt. Monath reviewed the Law Enforcement Report – 5 crashes, for the month of November 121 traffic citations were written and 66 warnings, the largest number ever written.

Cases of interest, various fraud cases were noted. 214 calls for services, 43 reports taken.

Fausto Fabbro – UCO VP

- announced that on December 7th between 9 and 11:30 AM the Insurance Options sheets will be available at the Clubhouse. In the Delegate package there is a flyer about additional dates you can pick up the sheets.
- Also, after your association has their annual meeting, be sure to fill out a new sheet with your association information and your alternate delegates and drop it off at the UCO office. This sheet needs to be filled out in addition to the one that is given to the management company for filing.
- In addition, remember that in March there will be elections for 10 Executive Board members and 2 Vice Presidents.
- Barcodes are issued with proper registration in the name of the resident only.

Dominick Guarnagia – UCO VP Noted that installing a barcode is difficult on rainy days.

Stewart Richland – UCO VP noted that one of our longtime volunteers, Barbara Cornish has passed away. Also wanted to take this opportunity to thank David Boas, as well as the staff at UCO and the other officers. Also wanted to thank our CAM who works 7 days a week to make sure that our community runs as smoothly as possible. Wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Patricia Caputo – UCO VP wished everyone Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy Kwanzaa.

JoAnne Robinson – UCO Recording Secretary wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Bob Rivera – UCO Corresponding Secretary wished everyone Happy Holidays. Also mentioned that there have been problems with the saunas at

the fitness center and that he will be making suggestions to WPRF to stop these problems from happening. Also wanted to mention the need to add Alternate Delegates to your associations so that more people can participate.

Ed Grossman – UCO Treasurer – Wants to encourage everyone to attend Delegate Assembly, not just the Delegates and Alternates. Wished everyone Happy Holidays. We are continuing to do very well. We were within \$60,000 over budget for the year which is really quite good. Reported that he is continuing to look into ways to invest UCO funds.

Ruth Dreiss – UCO Reporter Editor-in-Chief For the 11 months through November we are ahead \$4,878. Be sure to ask for ads. Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy Kwanzaa. See you next year.

Donald Foster – UCO LCAM reported that a unit owner in Somerset has been killing iguanas with a pellet gun. Although using a pellet gun is legal, killing in an inhumane way is illegal and will be reported to the police.

Bobbi Levin – UCO Elections Committee wants to stress how important it is for people to run for office. Election will be March 3rd, nominations from the floor will be at the Delegate Assembly on February 3rd. If you intend to run, send your intent to run in to Ruth (ruthdreiss14@gmail.com). All the particulars will be in the UCO Reporter.

Allan Plotnick – UCO COP states that we now have 3 new people who want to be COPs. There is an article in the paper with the numbers you need and the information about being a COP (Citizen Observer Patrol).

Niels Heimericks – County Commissioner Gregg Weiss’s office – He was re-elected and named Mayor.

Firefighter Al Puluiventi, Palm Beach Fire Rescue wants to remind residents to keep walkways and stairs clear so that they can get in and out when necessary. Don’t drink and drive. Check your smoke detectors. Have Happy Holidays and Happy New Year.

Rodney Statham – Palm Beach County Clerk’s Office wants to mention that a lot of enhancements have been made to the website.

Bob Rivera wanted to announce that he will collect donations for the US Marines Toys for Tots Program and bring them to the Marines. Just bring your donations to the UCO Office.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:35 AM.

Respectfully submitted by,

JoAnne Robinson

UCO Recording Secretary

Delegate Assembly Attendance

Delegates Present December 2, 2022 Delegate Assembly

Andover	C, G, H, K, M	Kingswood	D
Bedford	C, G, H, I, K	Northampton	E, F, M, N, R, S
Berkshire	B, G, H	Norwich	A, D, F
Cambridge	D, E, H, I	Oxford	100, 200 (1 of 2), 400 (1 of 2)
Camden	B, I, K, N, O	Plymouth	4 (1 of 2), 5 (1 of 2)
Canterbury	A, B, D	Salisbury	A, D, H, I
Chatham	A, D, E, G, H, M, N, R, T, U	Sheffield	B, E, G, H, I, J, L, Q
Coventry	B, D, G, K, L	Somerset	A, D, E, F, G, I, K, L
Dorchester	A, D, G, H, I, J	Southampton	A (1 of 3), B (1 of 3), C (2 of 3)
Dover	(1 of 9)	Stratford	A, B, C, H, J, K, L, O
Easthampton	G, H	Sussex	A, E, H, J
Golfs Edge	(5 of 7)	Waltham	F, H, I
Greenbrier	A (1 of 2), B, C (1 of 2)	Wellington	B (1 of 2), D (1 of 2), E (1 of 2), G (1 of 2), H (1 of 2), J, K, L (1 of 2), M (1 of 2)
Hastings	E, G, H, I		
Kent	B, E, I, J, M	Windsor	C, E, F, I, K, P, Q

Thanks again to the delegates/alternates who contributed to attaining a quorum for this meeting. Your interest is much appreciated.

LEGAL

Director / Officer Questions



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

Can a non-owner be a Board member?
Every year this question comes up in one form or another. In some cases, it is a spouse who is not on the deed who wants to be on the Board. In other cases, someone who is on the Board moves away but his/her term is not up.

The answer: it depends.

Section 718.112, Florida Statutes, provides in relevant part, “For purposes of this paragraph, the term “candidate” means an eligible person who has timely submitted the written notice, . . . of his or her intention to become a candidate.” Then the statute provides, “A unit owner or other eligible person desiring to be a candidate for the board must give written notice of his or her intent to be a candidate to the association at least 40 days before a scheduled election.” The law permits anyone to sit on the Board, whether a unit owner or not. Therefore, it is up to your governing documents, usually found in the By-laws and/or Articles, under the section titled, “Director,” to limit who can be on the Board. There are a variety of ways I’ve seen this stated in documents over the years. Some examples are, “a

unit owner or his/her spouse, even if the spouse is not on the deed”, “Unit owners and the parents of unit owners if the parents reside in the condominium”, “Members or tenants for as long as the tenant is leasing a unit at the condominium” or “all directors shall be Members”. If you have concerns about the way your documents address this issue, revisions must be approved and recorded prior to the annual meeting.

Can officers hold more than one position at the same time?

This also depends on your governing documents.

Section 718.112, Florida Statutes, provides, “In the absence of provisions to the contrary in the bylaws, the board of administration shall have a president, a secretary, and a treasurer, who shall perform the duties of such officers customarily performed by officers of corporations.” Further, Section 617.0840(4) provides that “the same individual may simultaneously hold more than one office in a corporation.” Once again, we need to refer back to your Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws to determine if there is any limitation on the ability to hold multiple offices at your association. Notwithstanding the foregoing, we rec-

ommend against the president and secretary offices being held by the same person because the secretary may have to attest to the president’s signature on documents.

Can directors vote for the officers by secret ballot?

The only time a secret ballot may be used by the board of directors is when voting for the officers. This was set up years ago because oftentimes directors felt uncomfortable during this type of vote as they either didn’t want to hurt someone’s feelings or were intimidated by a fellow director, by having to openly approve or disapprove that person to a particular seat. The board doesn’t have to vote by secret ballot for the election of officers, but it can.

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January Tax Talk

ANNE M. GANNON

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Dear Friends:
Let me first begin by wishing you a very happy new year! Hopefully, your holidays were filled with family, friends, fun and joy.
So here we are starting off 2023 right in the middle of property tax season. My staff continues to process the volumes of payments that are mailed into our office and those payments made in person at one of our service centers. Most notably is the fact that we are seeing an increase in the number of taxpayers who have taken advantage of the convenience of visiting our website, www.pbctax.com, and within a few minutes, processing their property taxes online. I highly recommend it, especially if you want to get your payment in before the end of January to take advantage of the 2% discount.
Speaking of property tax, I recently had the pleasure of sitting down with Karla Agnello from PBC TV Channel 20 to discuss my office and property taxes. I invite you to visit the Channel 20 website at www.discover.pbcgov.org and review the program guide for the Special Edition: Tax program broadcast times. I really enjoyed sharing information with Karla and the viewers and hope that you tune in



and gain some insight into my office. As always, if you have any questions with which we can assist, please do not hesitate to contact us via email at clientadvocate@pbctax.com or by phone at 561-355-2264. Keep in mind that our phones lines tend to be very busy this time of year so I appreciate your patience
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JAN 1 - Tourist Development Taxes Due*
JAN 2 - New Year's Day Holiday Observed - Office Closed
JAN 16 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Offices Closed
Jan 31 - Deadline for Property Tax 2% Discount

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Gary J. Drucker

January Property News

DOROTHY JACKS,
PBC PROPERTY APPRAISER

Happy New Year!
With a new year before us, I look forward to continuing to focus on our goals as public servants: providing essential services and stellar customer service.



Every year, each department in my office creates a list of goals for the new year so that we can remain diligent in increasing our efficiency and improving service. Our goals for 2023 include implementing new workflows, adding information to our GIS tools, proactively managing risks, incorporating new internal software tools, and ensuring that there are plentiful opportunities for staff development. These goals often start as suggestions from our staff themselves. Staff ideas drive our progress, and I am proud to have one of the finest professional staffs in the industry.

Along with these plans for progress, we will be evaluating our website, pbcgov.org/PAPA, with a survey this month. I hope you'll take a moment to fill out the survey the next time you visit.

And finally, this month starts our collaboration with two new nonprofit partners. Every two years, my staff selects two nonprofit partners to support with internal fundraising initiatives. In 2021 and 2022, we raised \$6,449 for Urban Youth Impact, and \$5,349 for the Kid's Cancer Foundation. I'm excited to see what we can accomplish in the next two years for Little Smiles of Florida and Speak Up for Kids.

Wishing you a prosperous and wonderful year.

2023 South Florida Fair

The Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office will have a table at the South Florida Fair from January 13 to 29. We will be located in Expo East and will take new homestead exemption applications and answering questions throughout the Fair.

Reduce Tax With the Homestead Exemption

If you are a permanent Florida resident, you may be eligible for a homestead exemption, which can generally save you an estimated \$750 to \$1,000 in property taxes each year.

(Did you receive your pink homestead exemption receipt card in the mail? If so, no need to refile. Simply keep the card as your receipt that you have been automatically renewed for another year.)

A \$25,000 exemption is applied to the first \$50,000 of your property's assessed value if your property is your permanent residence and you owned the property as of January 1. This exemption applies to all taxes, including school district taxes. An additional exemption of up to \$25,000 will be applied if your property's assessed value is between at least \$50,000 and \$75,000. This exemption is not applied to school district taxes. In addition, a homestead exemption limits any increase to your assessed value to a maximum of 3% each year or the amount of the change in the Consumer Price Index, whichever is lower.

Three ways to apply:
• E File at pbcgov.org/PAPA
• Visit one of our five service centers to file in person
• Complete the application online, print it out, and mail it to our office

All homestead exemption applications must be submitted by March 1. Once you qualify, we will renew your homestead exemption annually as long as you continue to qualify for the exemption.

Visit pbcgov.org/PAPA to E File and for information on other available exemptions for seniors, families, veterans, and more.

All About Agricultural Land Classification

Properties with bona fide agricultural (good faith commercial) activity may qualify for the agricultural land classification. The taxable value of the land is based on the annual net income per acre attributable to the land from the agricultural operation.

If you had the agricultural land classification on your property in 2022, the application will automatically renew for 2023, so there is no need to file an application. If the property had a change of ownership in 2022, the new owner would have to reapply for the classification in 2023. All 5,114 properties with the agricultural classification in 2022 will be reviewed and monitored for changes of ownership.

To qualify for a new agricultural land classification, the qualifying agricultural use must be on site as of January 1, 2023. Applications should be submitted by March 1, 2023. You will be notified of the status of your application for the agricultural classification by mail on or before July 1.

For more information, call our office at 561.355.4577 or email myfarm@pbcgov.org.

Business Tangible Personal Property

Business tangible assets such as furniture and equipment valued at more than \$25,000 are subject to ad valorem taxes. All businesses are required to file a Tangible Personal Property Tax Return (Form DR 405) annually by April 1, unless the value of your tangible personal property last year was under \$25,000 and you received notice from this office that your requirement to file has been waived.

Florida allows an exemption up to \$25,000 in value for tangible personal property assets used by a business. However, you must file an initial Tangible Personal Property Tax Return to receive the exemption. Thereafter, you need not file an annual return unless the value of your tangible personal property exceeds \$25,000 on January 1.

Save time, paper, and postage by filing online. If you do need a paper form, you can download it using our Forms link. If you have any questions about reporting personal property, tangible E filing, or the \$25,000 tangible exemption, please call our office at 561.355.2896 or email us at patangible@pbcgov.org.

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Palm Beach County News

BY COMMISSIONER GREGG WEISS

Commissioner Weiss handily wins reelection

Capturing 56% of the votes, Commissioner Gregg Weiss was re-elected as County Commissioner for District



2. This will allow him to serve for another 4 years, until 2026 when term limits prevent him from running again. "Representing the people of District

2 has been the honor of my lifetime. I'm thankful that the voters chose me to continue to work on their behalf", said Weiss.

Weiss tapped as Palm Beach County Mayor

At the November 22 meeting, the members of the Board of County Commissioners selected Gregg Weiss to serve as Mayor of Palm Beach County with Maria Sachs as Vice Mayor. Both will hold the positions for a one year term. As mayor, Gregg will preside over the commission meetings and serve as ceremonial head of Palm Beach County government. Vice Mayor Sachs will assume

these duties whenever the mayor is absent.

State of the county speech

On November 29, in front of a crowd of 300 at the Convention Center, Mayor Weiss delivered the keynote address at the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches annual State of the County Breakfast. In his speech, the mayor highlighted some of the essential programs and spoke about the county's accomplishments and policy priorities.

Following the speech Gregg spoke with Channel 25

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Solving cold case homicides

BY STATE ATTORNEY DAVE ARONBERG

Thanks to a \$500,000 federal grant, new DNA testing will be used to help solve some of the hundreds of cold case homicides in Palm Beach County.

State Attorney Dave Aronberg was joined by U.S. Rep. Lois Frankel and leaders from the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office to announce that the Department of Justice funds will help investigators

use newly-developed DNA and other expensive DNA testing technologies, including forensic genetic genealogy.

With this grant we will be able to better hold accountable those who commit the most heinous crimes. It will help prosecutors and law enforcement stand up for victims of crime and obtain justice.

The Sheriff's office says 360 homicides since 1964 remain unsolved, as well as 50 cases of

unidentified remains. At least 60 homicide cases have DNA evidence and detectives are seeking to link the DNA to murder suspects.

Over the past decade, advances in DNA have led to several convictions and life sentences in local murder and rape cases that had gone cold for decades.

Now, with the new grant, DNA can be tested by private laboratories at a cost of \$5,000 to \$10,000 per case. Prosecutors and detectives will prioritize cases where there is a high probability of an arrest and prosecution.

The goal is to find murderers by linking the evidence to DNA that was submitted to genealogy companies by people making family trees.

For an example of how it can work on cold cases, officials have pointed to the notorious "Golden State Killer," who in 2020 pleaded guilty to 13 counts of first-degree murder – crimes committed across California in the 1970s and 1980s.

It's likely only a matter of time until there is a similar breakthrough here.

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AN INVITATION TO ALL CENTURY VILLAGE UNIT OWNERS

BY DIANNA LAROSSEE, UCO SEARCH-NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

The United Civic Organization, Inc. (UCO) will hold its annual election of officers and Executive Committee members on [March 3, 2023](#).

This is your opportunity to run for office.
This is your opportunity to share your ideas and expertise with UCO.

This is your opportunity to support UCO initiatives and the programs that will impact the quality of life you enjoy in Century Village.

[POSITIONS TO BE FILLED ON MARCH 3, 2023:](#)

- **TWO (2) VICE- PRESIDENTS**
VICE PRESIDENTS: Shall perform duties recommended by the President of UCO... Each VP may have an advisory role on a number of UCO committees
- **TEN (10) EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS**
The Executive Board shall constitute the “Executive Committee” as defined by Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. Members serve a two-year term.

For complete description of duties, see Article VIII - UCO Bylaws 2020.

All candidates for office **must be unit owners** and be in residence in Century Village for no less than nine (9) months of each year during the term in which he or she serves.
All officers shall serve without any compensation of any kind.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN RUNNING FOR UCO OFFICE, SUBMIT YOUR BIOGRAPHY, AS YOUR STATEMENT OF INTENT TO RUN, TO:
ruthdreiss14@gmail.com by [January 16, 2023](#).

Following the March 2023 election, the President, with the advice and consent of the Officers Committee, shall create all standing and ad hoc committees and appoint the chairpersons thereof.... The chairperson of each committee... shall populate the committee. Any **Member of UCO** may be selected to serve as a member of any committee.



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MEDICARE ADVANTAGE OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD

BY CHIAMAKA CHUKWURAH

Medicare Advantage Open Enrollment Period? I thought we just had that.

What we just had from October 15- December 7, was the Medicare Annual Enrollment Period. This is an open enrollment window for all Medicare beneficiaries. Everyone, regardless of the type of plan you have can make a change to another plan. Whether you have Original Medicare, a Medicare Advantage plan, Medicare Supplement plan or a prescription drug plan (PDP), this is the time to make a change.

From January 1-March 31 is the Medicare Advantage Open Enrollment Period.

What can you do during this time?

If you're in a Medicare Advantage Plan, HMO or PPO, you can switch to another Medicare Advantage Plan (with or without drug coverage). You can also drop your current Medicare Advantage Plan and return to Original Medicare. You'll also be able to join a separate Medicare Drug Plan.

What can't I do during this time?

During this time, you cannot switch from Original Medicare to a Medicare Advantage Plan, join a Medicare Drug plan if you're in Original Medicare or switch from one Medicare Drug Plan to another if you're on Original Medicare.

Your coverage will start the first day of the month after you ask to join the new plan. For example, if you switch plans on January 15, your effective date will be February 1.

Additionally, you can make only one change during this time, so choose wisely. Once you make that change, you can not make another change until the next Medicare Annual Enrollment Period unless you qualify for a Special Enrollment Period.

If you enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan that had benefits that you didn't fully understand or you found another plan that you feel would better suit your needs, this is the time to change. Shop wisely and with great care. Happy OEP (Medicare Advantage Open Enrollment Period)!!!



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188 STRATFORD N	1/1 1 1/2	SOLD	\$229,900
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313 WELLINGTON B	2/2	SOLD	\$170,000
202 WELLINGTON A	2/2	SOLD	\$174,000
175 DORCHESTER H	2/2	SOLD	\$129,000
106 WELLINGTON L	2/2	SOLD	\$179,000
16 HASTINGS A	2/2	SOLD	\$145,000
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Get Involved — It's Your Money

BY RUTH BERNHARD-DREISS

As a unit owner, you have a lot invested in your own association and in our community-at-large. A portion of the assessment you pay to your building association goes to UCO to pay for administering large contracts for transportation, security, cable TV and reserve accounts for roads and infrastructure. Managing our CV community has risen in cost to \$8 million annually.. Each time you pay your monthly coupon to your maintenance company, you are paying part of the total expenditures.

Having said this, you should consider that volunteers are doing the majority of the work needed to maintain this community and your association officers and board are doing the rest. If you are not involved in any part of your community, it's time to think about step-

ping up and joining committees.

In the next several months, prior to our annual UCO elections in March, you will see and hear information urging you to get involved. It's time to give of yourself by joining some committees and running for office. For 2023, UCO needs to fill the following offices: 2 Vice Presidents and 10 Executive Board seats.

We have a 20-member board who serve staggered terms. 10 members will fulfill their 2-year term in 2022, leaving 10 seats to be filled. If you have fulfilled your term of office and wish to run again, you are required to submit a new bio, even if the information has not changed. All bios are due by January 16, 2023. This allows time for vetting and printing in the UCO Reporter. To run for the Executive Board, the only requirements are that you reside in CV for a

period of not less than 9 months of each year during the term in which you serve and declare your readiness to serve on at least two committees. With our large number of committees, there certainly will be a place for you.

You will be helping to improve our Village, especially if you bring some type of expertise to the table. Officers are automatically members of all committees. To join a committee, make an application by filling out a form available in the UCO office. To run for office, write your bio in outline form and email it to me at ruthdreiss14@gmail.com. Only outline forms are acceptable, no stories, no personal info. All bios/resumes are needed to be uniform.

Your bio outline should read:
Name: Building Association (no address); Running for (Office or

Board); Education; Employment; UCO/CV Experience; and Military Service (if applicable, but not mandatory). Executive Board bios should be kept to a maximum of 250 words; Vice Presidents have a bit more leeway. This is required so that everyone gets adequate space in the UCO Reporter. Get all of your pertinent info in, but be as brief as possible. And, it's not too soon to get your bio to me. Last minute candidates and bios put unnecessary pressure on the Reporter staff. As a member of the Search/Nominations Committee, I cannot give enough praise to Chair Bobbi Levin who gives tirelessly of her time and effort to do all of the paperwork needed and for submission of notices.

(Reprinted from the January 2018 issue of the UCO Reporter with 2023 updates.)

The Changing Face of Our Village

BY DOMENIC GUARNAGIA

Recently, the Annual Resident Holiday Concert performed once again here in our Theatre. Complimentary tickets, a wonderful theme and baked refreshments were provided. The number of attendees was quite scarce considering the

occasion and perhaps a sign that counteracts yesteryear, when many many residents attended. It may be indicative that 'newcomers' to Century Village have different ideas of 'entertainment' or many have difficulty fitting entertainment into

their time frame.

Palm Beach County has, for some time now, become a mecca of warehouses, as well as other avenues of commerce evidenced when exiting 'home' and driving East. The horizon is forever changed with tall structures containing medical facilities, business offices, especially PBC government offices and commercial businesses left and right, along I-95 in both directions, that have drawn those who are 'not quite ready to retire'.

Whatever the reason, the attractions at the MCH have been somewhat diminished for a new generation for differing reasons. Movies included with nudity and foul language have turned-off the elderly generation to some degree, as occurred most recently when minority attendees 'walked out' in disgust, when an entertainer who has, in the past, been a comical 'hit', may have crossed the line where mild but painful persecution of different cultures are concerned was met with

displeasure.

We, as a 'body', have witnessed changes in lifestyles, experienced age and weather conditions eat away at our domicile with little effort by many to treat the Associations as if they will 'weather the coming seasonal storms. Time itself has worn away basic materials that require attention to maintain safety, as well as the beauty of our condominiums. As you practiced maintaining your former residence and wish to duplicate the "Open Concept," need to seek information and permission to alter those features that were fine for the earlier generations of residents. Some choices may involve altering the structural entities and require professional guidance. This UCO Reporter, delivered to your Association, has information, ideas, names and contacts for a variety of needs. If you are reading this article, you are aware that we at the UCO Office are there to assist you, so that errors are avoided and wishes can be considered..

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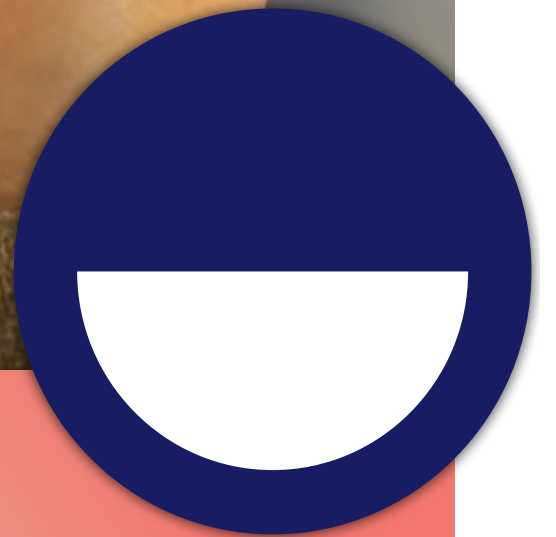
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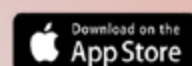
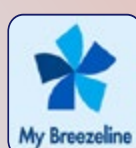
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Organization News

Actors Studio of CV: meets Monday 7-9 PM in the clubhouse. Openings for actors of all skill levels. Writers and stage hands are welcome. Performances every year. Participants read from scripts. Call Marshall: 561-596-1738.

Act 2: Meeting in Clubhouse Room C, Mondays. & Wednesdays, 6 PM. See Kitty Muldoon-Gragg.

African American Culture Club: business meetings first Wed. each mo., 6:00 PM. Potluck 4th Sun. every month, 3-6 PM. Play Hand, Knee and Foot, Mons. & Thurs., 5:30 pm. All skill levels invited, continue to teach new players. For more details, contact Eula (561) 718-7478 or Les (315) 529-1221.

Baby Boomers: meet 3rd Wed. each mo., 3:30 pm, clubhouse Room C, December to April. No reservations, no dues. Contact Lynn for info at: lynnsevan@aol.com for questions.

C.E.R.T. (Community Emergency Response Team): Meets 2nd Friday of month, CH Room A, 1 PM. Next mtg. Jan. 13th.

Christian Club: Meetings first Wed. of month - 1/4, 2/1, 3/1; All welcome, 1 PM clubhouse. Jan. 15 LIPS; Feb. 14-16 Miami/Key West; Mar. 19 , Airboat Ride/ Lunch/Show; May 21-27 Nashville Tenn, Grand Ole Opry. Casino Trips: 1/9, 2/6, 3/6. Contact info: Rae Boyle 561-254-2290; Figgy 561-707-6548, Nancy 561-629-4620.

Computer Club: meets first Thursday.of mo., CH Room A, 12:30 pm, refreshments served, drawings for door prizes. Classes to learn new digital skills, improve knowledge of computers, phones & tablets. Membership: \$12 per yr. Share your skills

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Cong. Anshei Sholom: 5348 Grove St. Invites you to join them for Shabbat Services Sat. morning, 9:15 AM with a kiddush following. Our synagogue is cleaned & sanitized each week. Hand sanitizers available. For further information, please call the Synagogue office: 561-684-3212.

CV Friends of Bill W: Meetings Mondays, 6:30 pm, F/O Walgreens (outside parking lot - bring a chair). Thursdays 5:30 pm, 2nd fl. Cano Health (above Walgreens - elevator to 2nd fl.). Further info: 631-889-2614.

Democratic Club of CV: Meetings 3rd Thursday each mo., 1:30 pm., Mtg. Jan. 19th. Talk about recent elections, Social Security, Medicare, gun laws. For more info please contact: Les Rivkin 315-529-1221.

Falling Star Players: a CV acting group producing 3 shows a year. Meets in Classroom C every Tuesday. 6PM. Can't memorize lines? No problem. We take our scripts on-stage. Come join the fun! Call Jody Lebel 561-531-3373.

Irish American Club: meetings first Tues. of month, November thru April, 2 PM in the clubhouse. More info: please call Carole 914-343-5547.

Italian American Club: Meeting 3rd Wed. of the month, Party Rm. For more info: call Fausto 561-478-1821. Upcoming Tours: Jan. 5, Villa Vizcaya Museum/bus; Feb. 6-8, 2 nights Port of PB,

refurbished ship, Margaritaville @Sea Cruise, dbl. occp., Feb. 27-Mar. 3, Bus tour Amelia Island/St. Augustine/Jacksonville/Kennedy Space Center, dbl. Occp.; Mar. 9-29, 20-day repositioning/transatlantic cruise FFL/Barcelona Enchanted Princess/9 ports/ dbl. occp.; Mar. 11, 7-day Western Caribbean on Sky Princess (Cozumel-Belize-Roatan-Costa Maya); Apr. 3-7, 5 days/4 nights Charleston, SC, bus tour, dbl. occp. For further info on rates, etc.: call Michelina DiGennaro 914-648-0054.

Russian-Ukraine Club: meets 2nd Mon. of mo., Meeting Rm. A, 4-7 PM. For info call Pres. Raisa Kogan 302-345-9627.

Sailing Club: Meets second Friday of the month.

Shuffleboard Club: Summer Season May thru Oct., Tues. 9 AM. Winter Season Nov. thru April,Tues., Wed., Thurs. 1:15 PM. Everyone is welcome. Equipment will be provided. Any questions, call Ed Wright: 561-632-5268.

Snorkel Club: has resumed meetings on the 3rd Friday of the month, 10AM in the Clubhouse, Classroom B. Please join us.

Tennis Club: For 2023 season, team sponsorship to (2) two Senior Men's League teams. Exclusive use of the "ball machine," mixed match tournaments, 2 social/feast gatherings. Membership fee \$10. See Les Rivkin, Yvon Poulin or John Bagdonas to sign up.

Zoom Programs: Poetry, Karaoke, Yiddish Vinkl programs. Contact Marcia Love - mgmaita@aol.com

JANUARY 2023 CLUB LIST

All Clubs are active as of revised date, Clubs may have been discontinued or cancelled
Rooms or dates may be subject to change or modification
Masks and Social Distancing Recommended; Some Clubs may have Additional Rules

CLUB NAME	ROOM	DAY	TIME
Act 2 Repertory Theater	on hiatus till further notice		
Actor's Studio	Meeting Room A	Every Monday	7pm-9pm
African American Culture Club	Art Room	1st Wednesday	6pm-7pm
African American CC Potluck	Meeting Room A	4th Sunday	3pm-6pm
Arts of Palm	Art Room	Every Tuesday	3pm-5pm
Baby Boomers	Meeting Room C	3rd Wednesday	3:30pm-4:30pm
Baby Boomers Book Club	to be determined	2nd Monday	11am-12pm
Ballroom Dance Party	Party Room	2nd Sunday	6:30-9:30
Ballroom Dance Practice Group	Hastings Aerobic	Every Monday	2pm-4 pm
Bible Study Club in Spanish	Card Room A	Every Tuesday	6:30 pm-8:30pm
Bible Study	Card Room B	Every Sunday	3pm-5pm
Camera Club	Card Room B	2nd Tuesday	10am-12pm
C.E.R.T.	Meeting Room A	2nd Friday	1pm-3pm
Christian Club	Party Room	1st Wednesday	1pm-3pm
Computer Club	Meeting Room A	1st Thursday	12:30pm-3pm
C.O.P.	Card Room A	2nd Thursday	10am-12pm
C.V. Crafter's Club	Card Room A	2nd & 4th Friday	9:30am-12pm
Dance Party	Party Room	Every Wednesday	7pm-10pm *
Democratic Club	Party Room	3rd Thursday	1:30pm-3pm
Falling Star Players	Card Room B	Every Tuesday	6:30 pm-8:30pm
Fishing Club	Meeting Room A	1st Wednesday	3pm-4:30
Homestead Exemption Outreach	Clubhouse Lobby	1st Thursday	1:30pm-2:30pm
Irish American Culture Club	Party Room	1st Tuesday	12:30pm-2:30pm
Irish American Game Club	Hastings Card Rm	Every Wednesday	6pm-10pm
Italian American Culture Club	Party Room	3rd Wednesday	1pm-3pm
Karaoke (moved to Fridays)	Party Room	Every Friday	6pm -9pm
Kathy's Kitchen, Can We Dish?	Meeting Room A	3rd Friday	1pm-3pm
Latin American Club Mtg	Meeting Room A	1st Thursday	6pm-9pm
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Nutrition and Health Nutrition Q&A

BY JEANIE W. FRIEDMAN, MS RD LD/N

Some common questions about nutrition:

Why is protein important and what are some good sources of protein?

Your body needs protein for a variety of tasks. Protein is used to repair tissues as well as carry out metabolic processes. It is also needed to build muscle. Good sources of protein include plant sources like beans and legumes, nut butters, and tofu. Meat sources include poultry, beef, pork, fish. Remember to look for leaner cuts of meat. However, remember, everything in moderation. If you have any kidney or other medical issues, consult with your doctor before changing the amount of protein in your diet.

What is the best exercise I can do?

- According to Harvard Health, there are some exercises that are the best for health:
- Swimming
 - Swimming is easy on the joints while giving you a full body workout.
 - Tai Chi

Tai Chi is an ancient Chinese martial art that focuses on gentle, fluid movements with controlled breathing and meditation. It can help with balance and relaxation.

- Walking
- Walking can help you maintain a healthy weight, or to lose weight. It can also strengthen your heart.
- Strength Training
- Lifting weights can help your muscles remain strong and protect your joints and bones.

Most importantly, the best exercise is one that you enjoy as you would be more likely to participate and continue with it. Remember to make sure you talk to your doctor first before doing or changing any physical activity.

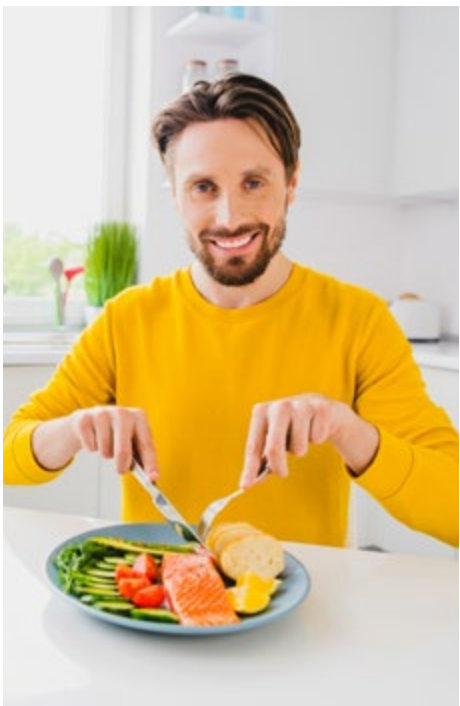
What are some of the healthiest foods I can eat?

- These are some of the foods that have quite the nutritional punch, offering the most nutrition with each bite:
- Fruits like blueberries and blackberries are packed with antioxidants. Oranges can help give your immune system a boost.
 - Dark green leafy vegetables

- including kale and spinach. These are chock full of antioxidants and can help keep your eyes healthy.
- Broccoli and other cruciferous vegetables have compounds that may help lower risk of some cancers.
 - Fish contain heart-healthy fats and are good sources of protein.
 - Legumes are full of fiber and are a source of protein.
 - Nuts offer healthy fats and fiber as well as protein.

How can I eat healthy while on a tight budget?

When we're on a budget, we need to put our savvy shopping skills to work. Look ahead at what sales are coming up by reviewing sales ads. Each grocery store may have a different start date for their newest ads. Make a plan according to the specials for each week. Think about your shopping budget for the week and plan out on a calendar what meals you expect to make. What can be used another one or two times during that week's meals? For example, a whole chicken can be roasted for one meal, some of the meat can be pulled and simmered in BBQ sauce for sandwiches, and any other leftovers can also be used



up in a soup. Leftover chicken can also be used for pasta dishes.

Next, make a shopping list of what you will need and make sure to bring it with you to the store. Stick to what is on your list. Look for fruit and vegetables that are on sale. If fresh isn't doable, look for frozen or canned varieties. Remember to watch out for fruit in heavy syrup or fruit with sugar added. Heavily salted vegetables should be avoided as well.

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

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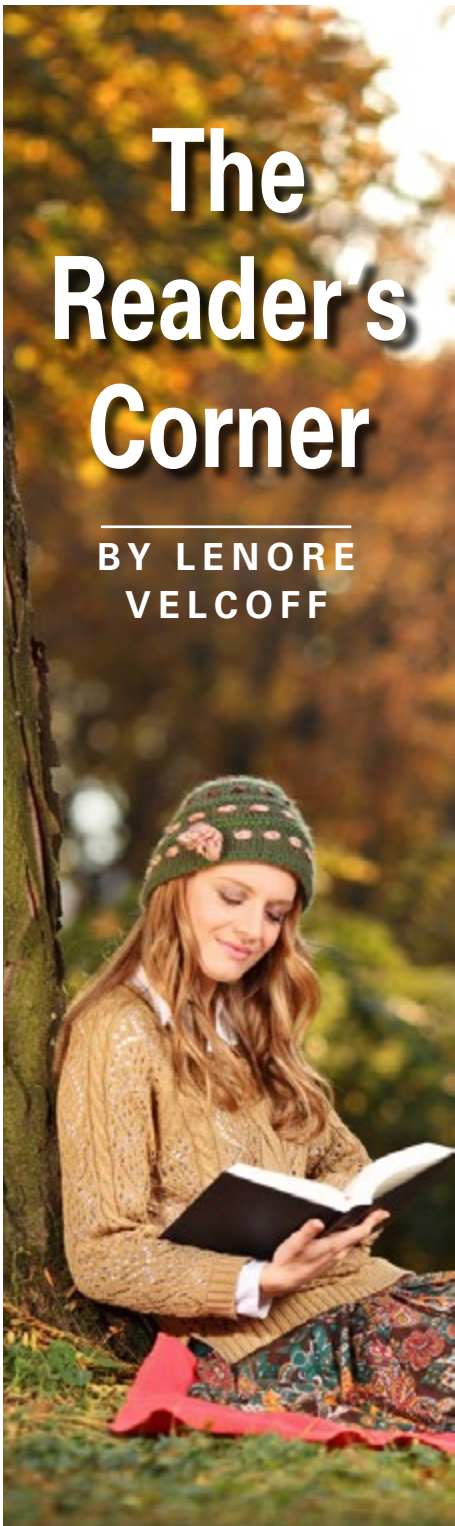
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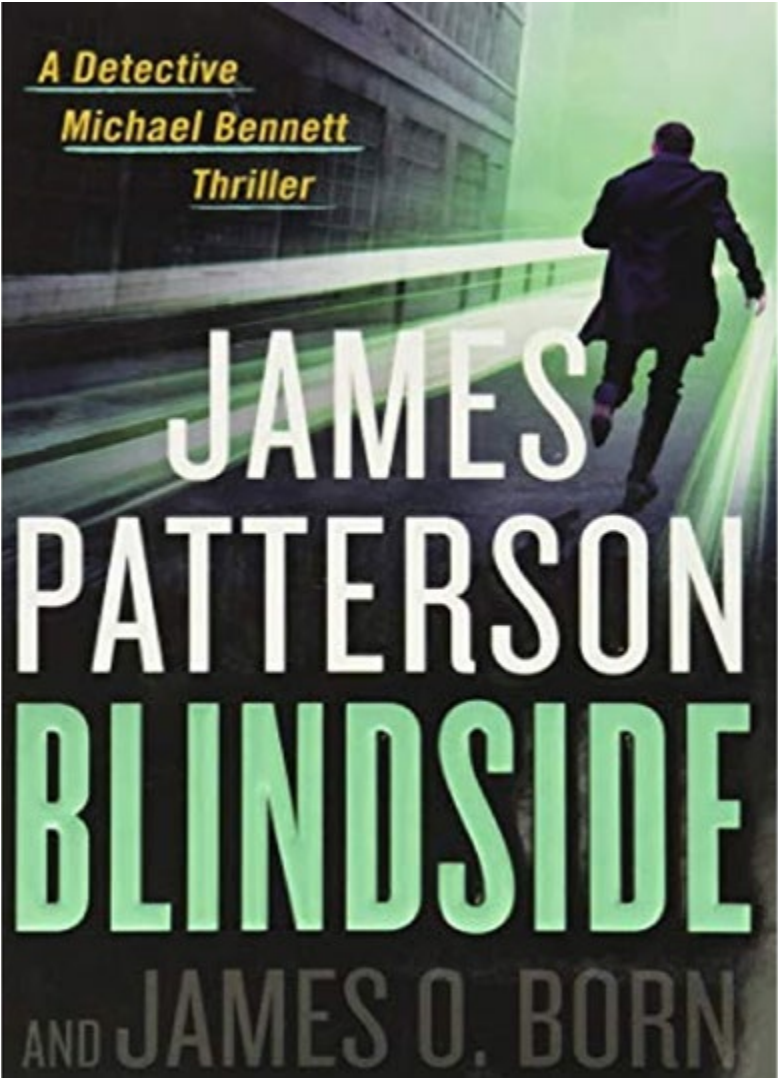
Blindside
By James Patterson & James O. Born

Another easy read. Crisp sentences and chapters. Far-fetched in the extreme but entertaining. The wonderful Bennett family dynamics are still intact and while there are not a lot of levels to Michael Bennett, he is a pretty good cop. It's been a while since I read my last Michal Bennett book until recently. Always a good plot with extra stories in the background. I love that this one took readers to Estonia because it really added extra to the movement of the plot.

As with all Patterson books, this one was a very quick read packed with loads of dialogue. The mayor of NYC has a daughter who's gone missing and he's sure that she's in danger. Since Bennett has a son in prison, the mayor is hoping the detective will help find her, and in return, the mayor will seek to shorten Bennett's son's service time. The mayor knows how important family is to Bennett and it pays when the detective agrees to help.

When Bennett begins his search for the mayor's daughter, Natalie, he discovers the twenty-year old college student dropout is a computer prodigy, and she has become involved in a very international based sophisticated hacking operation. His investigation to find out whether she is intentionally involved or unwillingly been taken raises the attention of multiple serial assassins who are being paid to remove him. Their orders come from cyber genius and psycho leader of the hacker team, Endrik "Henry" Laar, whose operations are monitoring Bennett's every move.

The ending still left opportunities for the return of one or two characters which could prove interesting in future books. Keeps you entertained and guessing what's going to happen next. I won't give it



away. Can you believe this is book 12 about Michael Bennett! I love this character and his family and hope for many more books.

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Fun Facts & Events for January

BY RUTH BERNHARD-DREISS

Did you know that January 1st is Z day? On this day, those whose last name begins with "Z" get to go first instead of last.
The New Year has begun! It's time to leave the past behind and focus on a fresh start.

The first New York Ball Drop in New York City started in 1908. In 1946, the first US Computer was built in Pennsylvania at the Moore School of Engineering.

In honor of our UCO Corresponding Secretary, Bob Rivera of Puerto Rican descent, I want to make mention of January 6th, part of the holiday season in Puerto Rico which is Epiphany. According to Catholic tradition, the Three wise Men (in Spanish, los Tres Reyes Magos) visited baby Jesus in the manger to deliver gifts. In some countries, Epiphany is known as Three Kings Day.

Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863 and the History Channel was launched in 1995. January is the month for

divorces. While January is considered the month for new beginnings, some people take this to a whole new level. Many surveys generally found out that the number of divorces in January exceeds any other month of the year.

Birthstone: the Garnet. It is generally said that a garnet brings positivity, luck and success if you were born in January.

The 31st Day: January had 30 days until Julius Caesar added the 31st and completed the entire month.

Zodiacs: January has 2 Zodiac signs...Capricorn and Aquarius. When you are frustrated, the Capricorn may fall in love with Aquarius who is philanthropic and can help when Capricorn is in great need of comfort. After starting the relationship, the Capricorn will find that Aquarius treats everyone like this! The Aquarius might be attracted by Capricorn's quiet, honest, calm and profound character.

Flower for you: the official birth flower for January is Carnation.

Some famous personalities born this month are Isaac Newton, Martin Luther King, Jr. and Benjamin Franklin. Some modern-day greats born in January are Stephen Hawking and Jeff Bezos, former president and CEO of Amazon.

If you are looking for a place to go, you might consider an interesting program scheduled for January 20th to February 5th at the Willow Theater in Sugar Sands Park, Boca Raton. George Gershwin, Irving Berlin, Johnny Mercer, Harold Arlen, Sheldon Harnick, Jerry Herman -- these composers and many more will be highlighted in To Life 3. "You ain't heard nothing yet, folks!" - Al Jolson. For more information about tickets, see the flyer published elsewhere in this issue of the UCO Reporter.

And so goes January, an interesting month. If it is your birth month, Congratulations and enjoy!



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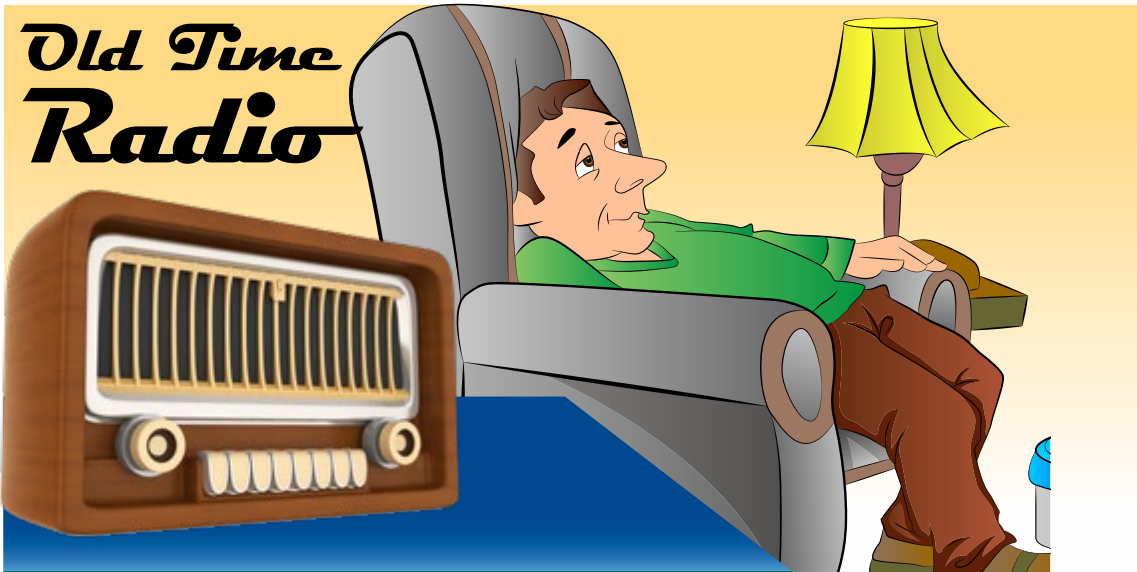
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Frank Merriwell

The First Fictional American Sports Hero

BY STEW RICHLAND

Part One

"There it is, an echo of the past - an exciting past, a romantic past - the era of the horse and carriage, gas-lit streets and free-for-all foot-ball games: the era of one of the most beloved characters in American fiction, Frank Merriwell."

Frank Merriwell was created by dime-novelist Gilbert Patten, writing under the pseudonym Burt Standish. Frank Patten would write that his character "had little in common with his creator or his readers... The name was symbolic of the chief characteristics I desired my character to have. Frank for frankness, merry for a happy disposition, and well for health and abounding vitality."



Gilbert Patten (Burt L. Standish), dime novelist: Informal three-quarter portrait, seated in a rattan chair, with book of stories on Frank Merriwell,

Merriwell first appeared in magazine stories in 1896, and in a comic strip in 1928. He would become the model for many later athletic heroes. Merriwell's classmates said of him "He never drinks. That's how he keeps himself in such fine condition. He won't smoke, either, and he takes his exercise regularly. He is really a remarkable freshie." Gilbert Patten, who used the name Burt L. Standish, wrote more than one hundred and forty Merriwell stories for



Street and Smith his publishers between 1896 and 1912. Patten with his publishers input created a new genre in boy's fiction that sought to teach their readers how to develop willpower in order to become "manly" men. Based on the cultural climate that has been promoted, accepted and encouraged by the Generation X segment in today's culture, I am quite sure they would not be happy with this goal. In the context of contemporary cultural norms the term "manly" is more likely not to be accepted by many youngsters of today's society. However, in the turn-of-the-century America milieu, many religious groups thought that many American boys were growing up soft, the word and concept carried a great deal of social importance. Anderson (Anderson, Ryan: Frank Merriwell and the Fiction of All-American Boyhood- University of Arkansas Press, 2015) points out that many groups feared that industrialization was robbing men of their individuality. Anderson notes in his book that Americans were concerned with raising boys to be men who could exercise their willpower, which would help boys overcome humble beginnings to become significant adults. Anderson

refers to Patten as a "Boyologist" a term for men who could teach boys to exercise willpower and how to demonstrate that they had "SAND."

(Sand is a personality trait possessed by individuals who demonstrate passion and perseverance toward a goal despite being confronted by obstacles and distractions).

Frank Merriwell, in the words of his creator, Gilbert Patten, stood for truth, faith, justice, the triumph of right, mother, home, friendship, loyalty, patriotism, the love of alma mater, duty, sacrifice, retribution and strength of soul as well as body. He was tolerant. "Frank had proven that it was not necessary for a man to drink at Yale in order to be esteemed a good fellow."

Historian Ryan Anderson, in his book, 'Frank Merriwell and the Fiction of All-American Boyhood,' turned the clock back to examine the fictional model upon which characters such as Merriwell was based. Anderson described Merriwell as a man who was a "physical and moral exemplar who used sport to successfully negotiate the transition between boyhood and manly adulthood."

The "Dime Novel" introduced Frank Meriwell to the world. A hero of boys was born, a righter-of-wrongs, doer-of-good-deeds, a master of sports, and world traveler: this is Frank Merriwell. Sadly the U.S Postal Service reclassified dime novels as being subject to more expensive postage rates in 1912. This action spelled the death for the dime novel industry.

"Did I love Merriwell?" Patten once answered an interviewer, "Not at first. Those early stories were more of a joke to me than anything else, but when it got so that half

a-million kids were reading him every week - and I think there were that many when you stop to think how the stories were lent from hand to hand- I began to realize that I had about the biggest chance to influence the youth of the country that any man ever had."

Clarence E. Mulford, the author of the Hop-along-Cassidy stories, read Merriwell, said "A lot of us thought he was real. " There was no doubt that the Merriwell stories that it was good to have clean sports. Joseph Graham, an insurance executive who started a club call the Friends of Frank Merriwell, stated the society's motto, "No bullies or toadies allowed>"

So it seems that the code of life that was introduced to America is still alive and very popular.

This is the end of Part One of the Merriwell story. Most of the Merriwell stories are available on Old Time Radio internet sites. What a good alternative to what is currently being offered to us as entertainment these days on local T.V.



Cover of the first Mewrriwell story, April 18, 1896

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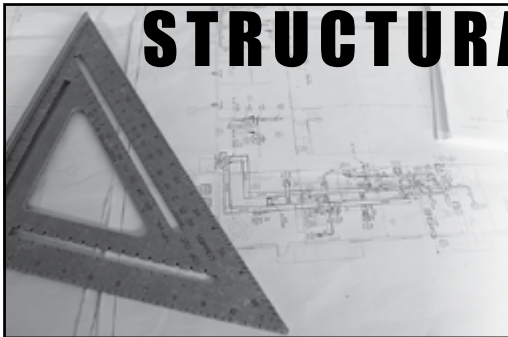
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Around the Bases with Irwin Cohen



One Hundred and twenty years ago in 1903, the Baltimore Orioles relocated to New York and became the New York Highlanders. After a couple of seasons, more and more fans and writers referred to the team as the Yankees.

The American League was founded two years earlier in 1901 and New York wasn't a member. At the time, New York had the National League New York Giants playing in an early version of the Polo Grounds located across the Harlem River where Yankee Stadium stands today.

The Highlanders, chosen as the name for the team after a famous British army regiment and because of the location of the small wooden ballpark in upper Manhattan known as Hilltop Park located on high ground on Broadway from 165th to 168th Streets.

In 1903, Teddy Roosevelt was President of the United States, Bing Crosby, the future entertainer who would become one of the richest men in Hollywood and the owner of the Pittsburgh Pirates 44 years later, was born. The first box of Crayola crayons containing five different colors was produced and sold for five cents, the price of milk was seven cents a quart and the Ford Motor Company was incorporated.

New Americans recently arrived from foreign lands were hearing about baseball and seeing boys playing the game on streets and fields. Many Jewish boys growing up in New York with Yiddish speaking and reading parents spent most of their free time in good weather playing baseball.

An immigrant from Russia couldn't understand his son's association with the popular American game and sought advice from the publisher of a prominent Yiddish daily newspaper.

A popular feature of Abraham Cahan's Yiddish language "Jewish Daily Forward" was Cahan's "Bintel Brief" (meaning a bundle of letters.)

The father wrote:

"It makes sense to play dominoes or chess. But what is the point of a crazy game like baseball?

The children can get crippled. Here in educated America the adults play baseball. They run after a ball like children. I want my boy to grow up to be a mensch, not a wild American runner. But he cries his head off."

The letter and Cahan's reply appeared in the August 3, 1903 edition. Cahan's answer was to all the fathers with the same problem. "Let your boys play baseball and play it well," Cahan advised. As long as it does not interfere with their education or get them in bad company. Chess is good, but baseball develops the arms and legs, and eyesight. It is played in the fresh air. Let us not raise the children that they grow up as foreigners in their own birthplace."

At the time, the first player with the last name Cohen was playing in the major leagues. Pitching under the name Harry Kane, he made his big league debut a year earlier in 1902 with the American League St. Louis Browns. In July of 1902, baseball's weekly publication, "The Sporting News" wrote about Kane.

His name is Cohen and he assumed that of Kane, when he became a semi-professional, because he fancied that there was a popular and professional prejudice against Hebrews as ball players."

The Browns weren't impressed with Kane's pitching prowess and he started the '03 season in the minor leagues. However, after pitching three no-hitters and winning both ends of a doubleheader with shutouts, the Detroit Tigers offered him a major league contract.

Kane pitched 18 innings for the Tigers, allowed 26 hits and compiled a high earned run average of 8.50 earning him a train ticket back to the minor leagues. Many Russian Jews were trying to get a ticket to America in 1903 as pogroms against Jews spread to Poland, resulting in numerous deaths and injuries, while local authorities stood by and allowed the slaughter to continue by raging mobs.

Barney Peltz, whose father was able to escape Russia years earlier, made his major league debut with the St. Louis Browns in 1903 and the righthander won 15 games for one of baseball's worst teams. He went on to become one of the best pitchers in that decade and became famous in America as the "Yiddish Curver."

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



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The Contribution of Jewish Composers to Hollywood Musicals

BY RUTH DREISS

If you are interested in the contribution of Jewish composers to the great Hollywood musicals, you have an opportunity to attend a performance at the Willow Theater in Sugar Sand Park in Boca Raton. The production will run from January 20th through February 5th. It features amusing anecdotes and fascinating historical facts, along with tributes to some of the performers in Hollywood history, Including Eddie Cantor, Danny Kaye and Barbra Streisand. What most people don't realize is how many of them transitioned to Hollywood and that there were numerous Jewish composers who wrote primarily for the movies. "You ain't heard nothing yet, folks!" - Al Jolson.

For more information, see the notice "To Life 3: Stories & Music, elsewhere in this issue for times, prices, etc.

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Irish American Cultural Club helps out charities

Members of the Irish American Cultural Club of Century Village voted at its April meeting to donate substantial amounts of funds to area charities. The chosen recipients are:

Tunnels to Towers Foundation – the national charity honors the heroes who laid down their lives to save others on September 11, 2001; it also honors our military and first responders

Holy Name of Jesus Church Food Pantry – the pantry located on Military Trail distributes food to families and individuals in the area faced with a crisis or emergency situation

St. Ann’s Church in West Palm Beach

Holy Name Church in West Palm Beach

Mary Immaculate Church in West Palm Beach

(These three churches are attended by members of the Irish American Cultural Club)

St. Jude Children Research Hospital – since it was founded in 1962 by Danny Thomas, the research hospital has been advancing cures and means of prevention for pediatric catastrophic diseases through research and treatment

CHRISTIAN CLUB DONATIONS

The Christian Club has advised that they have made the following contributions to these organizations:

St. Jude	\$250 in Holiday socks for the kids & check
Veterans	\$240 - 12 dozen pairs of socks
Salvation Army	\$175.00 check
Pies to the FireHouse	\$60.00
Snacks to Police Dept.	\$60.00

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Sat., January 28 at 8 pm
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- Always... Patsy Cline**
Tuesday, January 3 at 8 pm
- Josh Young & Emily Padgett**
In "Valjean, Cosette & A String Quartet"
Tuesday, January 10 at 8 pm
- Robert Klein**
Thursday, January 12 at 8 pm
- Modi**
Tuesday, January 17 at 8 pm
- Bachelors Of Broadway - Gentlemen Of The Theatre**
Thursday, January 26 at 8 pm

Due to the rapidly changing nature of the virus that causes COVID-19, the policies for your protection may change at any time and without advanced notice. Updated information is available via the Century Village Theater's website online at www.centuryvillagetheater.com/west-palm-beach. Accordingly, for current information regarding the Theater's COVID-19 policies, please visit the Theater's website prior to attending any and all theater performances.

"R" Rated Movies

"R" Rated (under 16 requires accompanying parent or adult guardian).

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MOVIE SCHEDULE

•• JANUARY 2023 MOVIES ••

When available, new movies will be presented with captions on the first 1:45 showing on Sunday. No charge for residents.

Mon. January 02 6:30 pm
Sun. January 08 1:45 pm

THE BATMAN
PG-13, 2 HOURS, 56 MIN.
Batman fights a sadistic serial killer murdering key political figures in Gotham in this action/thriller. Robert Pattinson assumes the role of Batman and is joined by Paul Dano, Zoë Kravitz, John Turturro and Jeffrey Wright in this dark version of the Batman movies.

Sun. January 08 6:30 pm
Mon. January 09 6:30 pm
Sun. January 15 1:45 pm

BULLET TRAIN
R, 2 HOURS, 7 MIN. (RATED R FOR STRONG, BLOODY VIOLENCE AND LANGUAGE.)
Hop aboard the bullet train for a non-stop thrill ride in this action/comedy. Brad Pitt plays an unlucky agent who is given the job of procuring a suitcase hidden aboard the Bullet Train. Once on board he encounters five assassins with various agendas. The film also stars Joey King, Aaron Taylor-Johnson, Brian Tyree Henry and Sandra Bullock.

Sun. January 15 6:30 pm
Mon. January 16 6:30 pm
Sun. January 22 1:45 pm

BEAST
R, 1 HOUR, 33 MIN. (RATED R FOR VIOLENCE, BLOODY IMAGES AND SOME LANGUAGE.)
In this survival thriller, a widowed father and his two teenage daughters visit a South African game reserve. While there they are stalked and attacked by a ferocious, rogue lion. The film stars Idris Elba, Iyana Halley, Leah Jeffries, Liyabuya Gongo, Martin Munro and Daniel Hadebe.

Sun. January 22 6:30 pm
Mon. January 23 6:30 pm
Sun. January 29 1:45 pm

THOR: LOVE AND THUNDER
PG-13, 1 HOUR, 58 MIN.
Thor's retirement is interrupted by a galactic god-killer seeking the extinction of the gods in this action/adventure/comedy. Enlisting the help of the Valkyrie, Korg and Thor's ex-girlfriend, Jane Foster, he sets out to fight Gorr, The God Butcher. The movie stars Chris Hemsworth, Natalie Portman, Tessa Thompson, Christian Bale, Russell Crowe, Chris Pratt and Idris Elba.

Sun. January 29 6:30 pm
Mon. January 30 6:30 pm
(Continued in February)

JURASSIC WORLD DOMINION
PG-13, 2 HOURS, 27 MIN.
Dinosaurs now live and hunt alongside humans all over the world in this action/drama. A baby velociraptor and a cloned teenager are kidnapped by the head of a bioengineering firm who also developed a locust killing the world's food supply so the characters from the first and last movies join forces to stop the locusts and save the teen and velociraptor. The movie stars Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard, Laura Dern, Sam Neill and Jeff Goldblum.

All programs are subject to change and/or modification without notice.

Tickets will be sold month to month on the 22nd of the previous month online at www.gateaccess.net and at the Ticket Office. Please see Clubhouse Happenings for monthly dates. All programs are subject to change and/or modification without notice.

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CENTURY VILLAGE CLASS SCHEDULE

JANUARY 2023

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TUESDAY CLASSES

Course Name	Start Date	Time	Cost	# Weeks	Room	Materials	Instructor
PRACTICAL SPANISH BEGINNER/INTERMEDIATE						classes run 1/10 thru 2/7	
	01/10/23	10:15 to 11:15	\$50	5	Card Room B	***	Beverly Dolgin
Take lessons in Situational Spanish. <u>Class dependent on minimum class size.</u>						*** bring pen and notepad	
ESL - ENGLISH AS SECOND LANGUAGE BEGINNER/INTERMEDIATE						classes run 1/10 thru 2/7	
	01/10/23	11:30 to 12:30	\$50	5	Card Room B	***	Beverly Dolgin
Learn English as your second language. <u>Class dependent on minimum class size.</u>						*** bring pen and notepad	
STAINED GLASS FOR BEGINNERS						classes run 1/3 thru 1/24	
	01/03/23	1:00 to 3:00	\$25	4	Stained Glass	***	Pete Grobman
Description: Create stunningly beautiful objects with colored glass. The possibilities are endless!							
Beginning students will obtain supplies and tools from the teacher.							
MASKS REQUIRED DUE TO SIZE OF ROOM. <u>Class dependent on minimum class size.</u>							

WEDNESDAY CLASSES

Course Name	Start Date	Time	Cost	# Weeks	Room	Materials	Instructor
LINE DANCE REVUE					No Sign-Ups Needed		class has no end date
WEEKLY	9:30 to 11:30	FREE			Party Room	***	Janine Fitzgerald
Description: Revue and learn the dances you'll enjoy at the Saturday Night Dance. No Sign-up needed, just come in prepared to have fun!							
INTRODUCTION TO LINE DANCE (Beginners)					classes run 1/4 thru 1/25		
THIS CLASS TAKES PLACE IN HASTINGS AEROBIC ROOM ** See reverse for proper footwear							
01/04/23	12 to 1 pm	\$5	4	Hastings Aerobic			Jerri Adams
Beginners can Learn Basic Steps: The Vine, Paddle Turn, Heel Taps, Rocking Chair & More! Easy Fun Line Dances! Class dependent on minimum class size.							
CONTINUING BASIC LINE DANCE STEPS (Intermediate)					classes run 1/4 thru 1/25		
THIS CLASS TAKES PLACE IN HASTINGS AEROBIC ROOM ** See reverse for proper footwear							
01/04/23	1:30 to 2:30 pm	\$5	4	Hastings Aerobic			Jerri Adams
Intermediate Students will Learn more Steps: Jazz Box, Weave, Coaster, Twinkle, Sizzors, Pivot Turn & More! Class dependent on minimum class size.							
BALLROOM DANCE BEGINNER					classes run 1/4 thru 1/25		
THIS CLASS TAKES PLACE IN HASTINGS AEROBIC ROOM ** See 1st page for proper footwear							
01/04/23	4 to 5 pm	\$25	4	Hastings Aerobic			Natalia Bragarnik
Learn Ballroom & Latin Dances with a Professional Dancer/Teacher. Includes: Waltz, Swing, Fox-Trot, Tango, Salsa, Merengue, Cha-Cha-Cha, Rumba, Quick-Step & Samba!							
BALLROOM DANCE INTERMEDIATE					classes run 1/4 thru 1/25		
THIS CLASS TAKES PLACE IN HASTINGS AEROBIC ROOM ** See 1st page for proper footwear							
01/04/23	5 to 6 pm	\$25	4	Hastings Aerobic			Natalia Bragarnik
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THURSDAY CLASSES

Course Name	Start Date	Time	Cost	# Weeks	Room	Materials	Instructor
CANASTA BEGINNERS						classes run 1/5 thru 1/26	
	01/05/23	10:00 to 12:00	\$20	4	to be determined		Diane Andelman
Description: Come in and learn to play this exciting card game!					<u>Class Dependent on Minimum Class Size</u>		
STAINED GLASS FOR BEGINNERS						classes run 1/5 thru 1/26	
	01/05/23	10:00 to 12:00	\$25	4	Stained Glass	***	Pete Grobman
Description: Create stunningly beautiful objects with colored glass. The possibilities are endless!							
Beginning students will obtain supplies and tools from the teacher.							
MASKS REQUIRED DUE TO SIZE OF ROOM. <u>Class dependent on minimum class size.</u>							
HEARTFUL EXPRESSIONS: THERAPUTIC ART CLASS						classes run 1/5 thru 1/26	
MATERIALS NEEDED: Students will need a sketchpad and any personal painting materials they would like to use.							
Instructor will provide most other materials.							
	01/05/23	2 - 4:30 pm	\$45	4	Art Room	***	Kalimba Love
Weeks 1 & 2: Abstract Art - Drawing, Painting, Layering							
Week 3: Abstract Art - Pinata Paint --- Week 4: Vision Board/Book							
<u>Class dependent on minimum class size.</u>							