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REMINDER

DELEGATE MEETING

Friday 8/4/23

9:30AM in the Theater

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The President’s Report

BY DAVE ISRAEL

CONDUCTING BUSINESS IN A UNIT

Recently, a unit owner in a Plymouth Association turned his unit into a grocery store. Believe it or not, despite clear prohibition in Association Bylaws forbidding the operation of any business, there it was. Of course, when UCO discovered this we informed Code Enforcement, and the enterprise was shut down. Help keep our Associations legal, if you see any such business operating out of any unit, say something!

INFRASTRUCTURE

Kudos go out to David Velasquez, assistant director of the CV Platinum Security unit for cleaning out drains after severe rainstorms. Because of his concern for the residents of CV, he has taken this upon himself to do, going into deep water. He is particularly concerned about ambulances' ability to enter the community. Once again, you - our unit owners can be our eyes. If you see drains covered over by leaves and debris, report it to UCO, before the inevitable flood. See something, say something

ASSOCIATION BOARDS

One of the most important duties of Association Boards is to inform their new residents about their rules and regulations and various procedures such as getting their ID cards, barcodes for their vehicles, etc. There are many rules and procedures here in CV. New residents should be encouraged to read the WPRF Clubhouse Welcomes You brochure, the UCO handouts and UCO Reporter for valuable information. There are a large array of facilities and related activities here in CV. Associations

Items of Interest

should have a well planned information orientation for all new residents.

DRAINAGE

Hopefully, our Delegates will approve an agreement with Kolter Land Development and the issue of a drainage easement for the Reflection Bay development through the South Canal.

The North Canal however is best described as a mess, as it has not been maintained, dredged or had vegetation removed since its construction in 1969 and early 1970s. A small bridge over the canal is falling apart and imposes a danger to any pedestrian traffic. Numerous private property owners on the north side of this canal are discharging their drainage into the North Canal. UCO made several attempts over the years to get these private property owners to help pay for maintenance, but they all declined. PBC was planning on discharging stormwater runoff from County road “12th Street Extension” into the North Canal. Several Engineering reports also concluded that the North Canal was in terrible shape with projected renovation costs well over one million dollars. Century Village Condominium unit owners that border the Canal are constantly complaining about the overgrown and unsightly condition of the Canal and whether it would function in a hurricane. Numerous complaints to and meetings over the years with the Lake Worth Drainage District (LWDD), PBC Water Utilities by UCO and WPRF have gone nowhere.

This continues to be a gordian knot for UCO and CV.

From the Office of PBC Supervisor of Elections Wendy Sartory Link

Palm Beach County Vote-by-Mail Ballot Requests Have Expired

If you received a Vote-By-Mail ballot in 2022 and you have not renewed your request since November 9th, your mail ballot request has expired. New Florida Laws require voters who are interested in voting by mail to request a new ballot after the November elections.

If you want to receive a Vote-by-Mail ballot for the 2024 elections, you will need to complete a new Vote-by-Mail request. Sign up today to request your Vote-by-Mail ballot.

There are three upcoming elections in 2024 in which voters will have an opportunity to cast their ballot, including a Presidential Preference Primary (PPP) on March 19th, a Primary Election on August 20th, and the General Election on November 5th. The Presidential Preference Primary on March 19th will coincide with local municipal elections. If you want to vote by mail for any of these elections, please request your mail ballot today.

Requesting a Vote-by-Mail ballot is as easy as 1 – 2 – 3!

1. Visit our website
2. Click on the “Request A Vote-by-Mail” button
3. Complete and submit the online form

Vote-by-Mail ballots can also be requested:

- By Phone at (561) 656-6208
- By Fax at (561) 656-6230
- In person by visiting any of our four (4) offices

IMPORTANT: Make sure you have your Florida driver license or ID number, or the last four digits of your Social Security number ready when making your request to ensure your voter record is verified.

For more information, please visit VotePalmBeach.gov, call (561) 656-6200, or email info@votepalmbeach.gov.

Important 2024 Election Information

Mark Your Calendars & Get Election Ready!

2024 Presidential Preference Primary (PPP) & Uniform Municipal Elections

Election Day is March 19, 2024

Deadline to register to vote in these elections is February 20, 2024

Deadline to register with one of the two major political parties is
February 20, 2024

Deadline to request a Vote-by-Mail ballot be mailed to you is 5:00 p.m.
on March 7, 2024

2024 Primary Election

Election Day is August 20, 2024

Deadline to register to vote or change your party affiliation in this
election is July 22, 2024

Deadline to request a Vote-by-Mail ballot be mailed to you is 5:00 p.m.
on August 8, 2024

2024 General Election

Election Day is November 5, 2024

Deadline to register to vote in this election is October 7, 2024

Deadline to request a Vote-by-Mail ballot be mailed to you is 5:00 p.m.
on October 24, 2024

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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:

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EDITORIAL

The Officer, Delegate and CERT Contract Report is important to UCO. They are used for sign-in at Delegate Assembly and should include alternate delegates. In addition, they serve for association contact. Whenever you give your list to UCO, be sure that your management company receives a copy. It is important for filing your association's annual corporate tax and listing your officers and board members each year.

At this time, I would like to acknowledge PBSO's Lt. Sandy Hood who has replaced Lt. Monath and will be attending our Delegate Assemblies and Security meetings. And, in addition, I want to acknowledge that UCO's own Attorney Rod Tennyson has been serving the Village for 47 years. Having come to CV myself 51 years ago, I remember him well.

We have managed to dodge the bullet in June with no major storms or hurricanes, but have a long way to go. I am writing this in July, so it is unknown yet how we will fare by the time you are reading this. Be prepared with non-perishable food, water, and medications, important documents (should you need to vacate), plus the usual needs - flashlight and batteries and anything else that you require. When you think about the alternative, don't complain about the heat and thunderstorms.

Keep on enjoying the summer and stay safe.

by Ruth Dreiss,
Editor-in-chief
UCO Reporter



AUGUST 2023

UCO Committee Meetings

TUE 1	TRANSPORTATION	1:30PM	CONF RM
WED 2	PROGRAM & SERVICES	1:00 PM	ON HIATUS
FRI 4	DELEGATE ASSEMBLY	9:30 AM	MCH AUDITORIUM
FRI 4	SECURITY	1:00 PM	CONF RM
TUE 8	ADVISORY	1:00 PM	ON HIATUS
WED 9	BROADBAND	1:00 PM	ON HIATUS
THU 10	COP	9:30 AM	MCH RM TBD
FRI 11	CERT	1:00 PM	MCH RM TBD
TUE 15	INSURANCE	1:00 PM	CONF RM
WED 16	BEAUTIFICATION	1:00 PM	ON HIATUS
THU 17	BIDS/INFRASTRUCTURE	12:00 NOON	CONF RM
WED 23	FINANCE	1:00 PM	CONF RM
THU 24	OFFICERS	12:00 NOON	CONF RM
FRI 25	EXECUTIVE BOARD	10:00 AM	MCH MTG RM C
TUE 29	OPERATIONS	1:00 PM	MCH MTG RM C

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

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We are now into the second month of the hurricane season. I hope that all our residents have taken advantage of the information on how to prepare for any weather condition that could impact their safety in the eventuality that a seasonal storm impacts our Village. I have a question to pose to our residents. Do you have a bag and go package ready to grab if you have to make a quick exit from your unit? A bag and go pack is one that has all your important documents in it. I am referring to a birth certificate, bank information, telephone numbers, money, medicines that you need, water, and food bars that will sustain you if we lose

electric power.
Over the last few months your UCO VP's have been asked by residents to resolve issues that are Association problems. Our first response is to refer the resident to speak to the president of their Board. Unfortunately their response is that the President and most board members are not available. Herein lies the source of the frustration to resident issues. All operational decisions have to be made by the board of directors or delegated to the management company that takes care of your Association property. This scenario clearly shows that many board members are not running their associations in the best interests of their unit owners. Board members have a duty to their unit owners to ensure that a responsible person is always available to help unit owners resolve their issues.
To use an analogy to clarify my observations, the president of an Association is like a football quarterback and his team consists of his Board of Directors. If, for any reason your starting quarterback is unavailable there is always a qualified substitute to take his position. If there is no qualified team member to take over the running of the association, they place their greatest asset in jeopardy – their homes.



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Transportation here at Century Village is a support for older adults to access community services, visit

friends or go shopping. When Century Village decided to have transportation in this Village, this idea was, and still is, for the benefit of the whole community, and not just for a handful of people. While we are still tweaking the bus schedules, we cannot continuously change the bus routes. Please be courteous to the bus driver, as well as to the people around you. Kindly save your telephone calls for when you get off the bus. Many complaints came across my desk about oversized shopping carts. This can turn out to be a dangerous situation, especially if someone has to go around it or if the cart falls on someone. Last, but not least, please do not stand up or move about while the bus is in motion.

God bless you.



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UCO stands for United Civic Organization. For some time, one elected official has felt that he can do whatever he wants and is answerable to no one. No elected official in our organization is autonomous. The delegates elected all of us and expect us to work together

for the benefit of all residents of CV. Our officers are working together, except one. This officer came to UCO with his own agenda with the attitude that UCO was losing your money. He found no such thing, but made it appear as though money was missing. This, of course, is not true as confirmed by our annual auditor's reports.
He embarked on a quest to prove that he is smarter than anyone in UCO. What is very distressing is making accusatory remarks about a former officer who is no longer here to defend himself. However, those who came before us set rules and bylaws to protect your money and mine. Refusing to follow rules set forth has caused turmoil in the office. There is a small group following these outrageous rantings. They should be asking for hard facts, not just words.
None of us are perfect working alone, but working together we make a great team!

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Property Manager's Report

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By Donald Foster, LCAM

NEW CONDO LAWS- UCO has received many inquiries about **Florida SB154**, the “glitch bill” that was recently signed into law to clear up ambiguities and inconsistencies in the 2022 **Florida Condo Safety Act (SB4-D)**. On **7/22, 11:00 AM**, Phil Masi of Assured Partners Insurance will host an online webinar which is intended to inform CV Association Boards and Unit Owners about the new requirements related to these new statutes, particularly in regard to association reserves, inspections, and disclosures to potential purchasers. Please send an email to UCOMAINTENANCE@GMAIL.COM to request

an Internet link for pre-registration and access to this webinar.

REFLECTION BAY- Preliminary work at the defunct golf course has begun. Over the last two weeks, FPL has been installing utility poles, power cables and transformers, to supply power to the new community.

On 7/14, the UCO Executive Board decided, nearly unanimously, to approve the proposed drainage agreement between UCO and Kolter Homes, the company that is preparing to develop the defunct golf course property adjacent to Century Village. At this meeting, there was some very detailed discussion about this proposed agreement and the upcoming

development. UCO’s Attorney, Rod Tennyson, made a presentation to the Executive Board and answered questions from the members. This proposed agreement will be considered and decided upon by the UCO Delegate Assembly on **Friday, 8/4, 9:30 AM**. CV Associations should make every effort to be represented by sending Delegates or Alternate Delegates to this meeting. The primary focus of this proposed agreement is South Canal, which runs along the southern boundary of CV and directly connects with the defunct golf course property. This canal is long overdue for dredging, and preliminary work for this project has already begun.

END OF REPORT



Century Village Exclusive Webinar Presentation on SB154 & Insurance Market Update - August 22, 2023 @ 11:00 AM

AssuredPartners would like to extend an exclusive invitation to a webinar that has been specially designed to cater to the unique needs and concerns of our Century Village Board Members & Membership.

Recently Governor DeSantis signed SB154, which revised SB4D, changing guidelines and timelines for milestone inspections, structural integrity reserve studies, and turnover requirements. There are NEW disclosure requirements in effect NOW for all residential condo sales. Failure to comply means buyers can void contracts. The panel for this webinar include Insurance Agent Phil Masi of AssuredPartners, Tara Stone of Stone Building Solutions, and Travis Moore, of Moore Relations.

Attending the webinar will give you:

- A work track to share with the BOD and membership on why they must do this sooner than later.
- A detailed breakdown of what exactly must be done and who has to comply.
- Timelines of when inspections, notices and delivery must be done.
- How the regulations will be enforced and policed.

To register for this webinar, please use the address below:

<https://event.webinarjam.com/register/24/mgyzmb7v>

Treasurer's Report



By Ed Grossman

Today Friday July fourteenth two thousand and twenty-three is a day not like other days here in Century Village it is a benchmark as to what to come do yourself a favor and watch the video of the special executive board meeting. Only the delegate

assembly stands in the way of the unthinkable to come. Our officers are supposed to follow the bylaws and protect and help the village. Simply stated when making any decision proper verification of the facts is required. If you were buying your own house would accept an engineer's report that says "I do does not know enough to give a firm opium because the seller did not give me anything. You did not get the plans to

the house only the seller's voice. You are promised continued maintenance at 15% but you have no clue what the maintenance in the past. Your prompted to sell that house for a pittance while it is probably worth millions. There is more to said but see for yourself vote accordingly.



By Ruth Dreiss

Due to the July 4th holiday, there was no committee meeting for July. The new bus schedule is still in its early stages and all questions and complaints are being addressed. If there are requested schedule changes, they will be made when deemed necessary. If you need clarification for anything on the schedule, please ask Transportation Chair Patricia Caputo who will be glad to explain. Accommodations for those riders wishing to attend Holy Name of Jesus Church and Mary Immaculate were made, as was the request for more service to the Palm Beach Outlets Mall which now goes there from Monday to Friday, formerly on Fridays only. It is important for riders to the Holy Name of

Transportation

Jesus Church to note that service to and from the church originates and ends at the clubhouse. It has come to our attention that drivers are complying with requests to return passengers to their homes which delays the schedule. This will not continue. Drivers will be trained to comply with the schedule, so please do not ask them to take you home. Bus transportation is not a taxi service. You will be picked up at the clubhouse and returned there. During the August meeting, there will be information from the vendor as to how the schedule is working and whether any requested changes can be handled. To those who have requested smaller buses, please be aware that smaller buses cannot accommodate wheelchair riders. We are ADA compliant and must have that accommodation no matter how few wheelchair riders there may

be. Transportation Chair Patricia Caputo wished to add the following to this column: UCO and Academy have been working diligently on making changes to the bus schedules that will benefit the community. The new changes were in the May, 2023 bus schedules. You can pick up the new bus schedules at the clubhouse or the UCO office. On another point of interest regarding the buses, please do not call the UCO office to voice a complaint or suggestion about one of the buses. All complaints and/or suggestions should be put in writing. The forms are at the clubhouse. You can also get a form from the Chair of the Transportation Committee, Patricia Caputo, at the UCO office.



By Eva Rachesky

Dear Residents, GOOD NEWS...The Hastings Locker Room renovation, which will include the repair of the saunas, has finally gotten underway! In order to keep the gym and aerobics areas open, Port-o-Potties have been placed outside the main entrance for those coming to use the gym/aerobics/ping pong area. The lobby will remain open, allowing access to the water fountains. With the contractor using the back doors to access the

WPRF News

locker rooms, for the safety of the residents, the pool deck has been closed and while down, will be receiving some much-needed attention. The pavers will be stripped of the old sealer and the deck itself will be pressure cleaned and repainted. With the large quantities of rainfall, reapplying the sealer will be put off until a later, dryer date. Many residents have been following the progress of the saunas and have been greatly disappointed at the delay in getting them up and running. Dealing with the insurance company over the women's sauna fire took some time, but all monies have been paid and the new installation of the women's sauna is ready to commence. Undamaged

wood from the women's sauna has been set aside and will replace damaged wood in the men's sauna from the burning of leaves. This will allow us to get the men's sauna open sooner as there is no money in this budget year for the replacement of same. It is my most sincere hope that a lesson has been learned and those bringing the leaves to the sauna will cease and desist going forward. If that is not the case, my next most sincere hope is that other users will report those with the leaves to Security. To remain silent can result in the closing of the men's sauna once again. IF YOU SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING



By John Hess

As described in the UCO Bylaws, "The Security Committee shall be responsible for all security at Century Village, including the manned security guard gates and roving patrols. The committee shall also administer all security rules and regulations under

Security

agreement with the West Palm Recreation Facility (WPRF) or its successors". With this in mind, be advised there is video surveillance at both gates, the clubhouse, and swimming pools. Platinum personnel are equipped with body cameras to record interaction with residents, in event of an altercation. This video removes the "he said, she said" when resolving any issue.

Recently, there was a report of destruction of the emergency phone at Kent pool, Surveillance Video provided evidence and footage of this happening. The individual was identified and arrested. C.O.P. also has several drivers patrolling the village at various hours during the day and night watching for and reporting any suspicious activity.

Volunteer Needed

The UCO Reporter is in need of a volunteer to keep advertisers' contract records updated. Volunteer on your own schedule during office hours. If interested, please contact Editor-in-Chief Ruth Dreiss at 561-683-9189, or email ucoreporterwpb@gmail.com.

Ruth Dreiss, Editor-in-Chief

Minutes Delegate Assembly

July 7, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM by acting Chairperson, Fausto Fabbro.

118 Delegates/Alternates were signed in at the start of the meeting.

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

Lt. Shannon Hood was introduced as the new officer assigned to Century Village.

Law Enforcement Report – During the last month there were 77 traffic stops resulting in 97 citations, and 27 written warnings, with only one accident. Calls for service, 300 calls for service were reported resulting in 52 cases generated. Fraud cases were reviewed. An electric bike was stolen from a rack.

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

Fausto Fabbro, UCO VP, introduced Rod Tennyson, UCO Attorney, who presented a brief history of the issues surrounding the Century Village waterways, and specifically the area known as the “South Canal”. The proposal by Kolter Homes to utilize the South Canal for drainage was reviewed and discussed.

Richard Handelsman motion, seconded by Joyce Reiss, to approve the Drainage Agreement presented by Kolter Homes.

Discussion was opened up regarding the motion. During the course of the discussion, 2 people left the building resulting in the loss of a quorum. The vote was tabled.

OFFICERS’ REPORTS

Stewart Richland, UCO VP – reported on the need for Associations to have Board members available all year long. Unit owners come to UCO for assistance and are very unhappy that there is nothing that can be done by the UCO Office staff.

Patricia Caputo, UCO VP – reported on her support for the Kolter Homes agreement. Reminded everyone to have all Transportation complaints put in writing and submitted to her.

JoAnne Robinson, UCO Recording Secretary – reported on the intention to continue to include more advanced technology to bring more information to Century Village.

David Boas, UCO Corresponding Secretary – thanked each volunteer who helps out at the Delegate Sign-In sheet desk. Reviewed the need for a complete new Delegate form to be filled out every time there is a change

to your Association Board. A board member must bring the form into the UCO office. Do not rely on your property manager to bring the form in. The new form must be received by Wednesday before the Delegate Assembly for you to vote. Remember that 9:30 AM is the cut-off to vote at the Delegate Assembly. You must be here by 9:30 AM to vote.

Donald Foster, UCO LCAM – reported that Associations need to use their property managers to assist with condo administration. Seacrest in particular, can assist with using Zoom to conduct a board meeting. They have been able to coordinate with UCO to use the Zoom capabilities. Also, if any Association has the need to install a “stealth” camera they should contact him to assist.

Ed Grossman, UCO Treasurer - stated that as far as the Financial report is concerned, we are losing money and we don’t have to. The resolution is to put money into Federally insured CD’s. Anyone who has any questions should give him a call.

Ruth Dreiss, Editor-in-Chief, UCO Reporter – reported we are ahead \$3,740. No one owes us any money at this time and a few new contracts have been picked up.

Gregg Weiss, Palm Beach County Commissioner and Mayor reported that on July 11th the “millage” rate will be set for the county property taxes. He also shared with us that he has been appointed by the National Association of Counties to head up a task force on Artificial Intelligence. Fraud will be a major focus of the task force.

Amy Ebersbach, Tax Collector, Palm Beach County, announced a brand new “Welcome to Palm Beach County Guide ” meant to be shared with new neighbors around the county. You can get these in the UCO office or online.

Derek Hankerson – Office of Congressman Brian Mast asked delegates to let him know what Federal representation he can arrange to present information to Century Village, so that he can facilitate having those resources available to us.

Mike Pratt, Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office, announced that on August 12th Trim notices will go out which will give you your valuation and the proposed amount of taxes. If you do not agree with the valuation, contact the Property Appraiser’s office for the process to have it changed. You have 25 days to file a claim.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM
Respectfully submitted by,
JoAnne Robinson
UCO Recording Secretary

Delegate Assembly Attendance

Delegates Present July 7, 2023 Delegate Assembly

Andover	C, E, H, M	Northampton	A, M, N, R, S
Bedford	A, G, H, J	Norwich	A
Berkshire	E, H, J	Oxford	100, 400 (1 of 2), 700
Cambridge	C, D, E, F, H, I	Plymouth	5 (1 of 2)
Camden	B, G, I, K, O	Salisbury	A, I
Canterbury	A, B, C, D	Sheffield	E, F, H, P, Q
Chatham	F, G, H, M, N, R, T, U	Somerset	A, B, C, D, G, I, K
Coventry	B, C, D, G, H, I, J, K	Southampton	A (2 of 3), B (2 of 3), C
Dorchester	E, I	Stratford	A, B, H, J, K, O
Dover	(3 of 9)	Sussex	E, J
Easthampton	G, H	Waltham	E, F, G, I
Golfs Edge	(3 of 7)	Wellington	D, E (1 of 2), F (1 of 2), G, H (1 of 2), K
Greenbrier	B, C (1 of 2)	Windsor	A, C, D, I, K, L, P
Hastings	G		
Kent	C, E, I, M		

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

LEGAL



New laws in 2023/ Part 2

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

A Little Help from Tallahassee with Insurance Premiums

As you may be aware, if a board adopts in any fiscal year an annual budget which requires assessments against unit owners which exceed 115 percent of assessments for the preceding fiscal year, the board is required to conduct a special meeting of the unit owners to consider a substitute budget if the board receives, within 21 days after adoption of the annual budget, a written request for a special meeting from at least 10 percent of all voting interests. The special meeting is then required to be conducted within 60 days after adoption of the annual budget.

The important issue is how the 115 percent is to be determined. The statute, prior to the most recent amendments provided that, “any determination of whether assessments exceed 115 percent of assessments for the prior fiscal year shall exclude any authorized provision for reasonable reserves for repair or replacement of the condominium property, anticipated expenses of the association which the board does not expect to be incurred on a regular or annual basis, or assessments for betterments to the condominium property.”

The revision to the law adds the words, “insur-

ance premiums” to the list of budgetary items which are not to be considered in calculating the 115 percent. Therefore, if there is a concern that the cost of insurance necessitates an increase in your budget, the cost increase for the insurance premiums will not be able to be used in any calculation of the 115 percent budgetary issue. That small change in the law allows budget increases for insurance costs which exceed the statutory threshold.

Changes to Structural Integrity Reserve Study Components

The components of the structural integrity reserve study, which must be completed if your condominium building is three-stories or higher, now excludes the “floor” and “foundation”. The list for 2023 (subject to future changes by the Florida legislature) are: roof; structure, including load bearing walls and other primary structural members and primary structural systems as those terms are defined in section 627.706, Florida Statutes; fireproofing and fire protection systems; plumbing; electrical systems; waterproofing and exterior painting; windows and exterior doors; any other item that has a deferred maintenance expense or replacement cost that exceeds

\$10,000 and the failure to replace or maintain such item negative affects the items listed above, as determined by the visual inspection portion of the structural integrity reserve study.

While the removal of the floor (which is installed above the slab) and the foundation were helpful, the continued inclusion of windows and now the addition of “exterior doors” can be problematic, as those components, in some buildings, are the maintenance obligation of the unit owner and not of the Association. Notwithstanding the provisions of your governing documents, if your building is three stories or higher, unless the law changes again in 2024, you will have to have a line item in your Structural Integrity Reserve study addressing those components, as listed in the statute.

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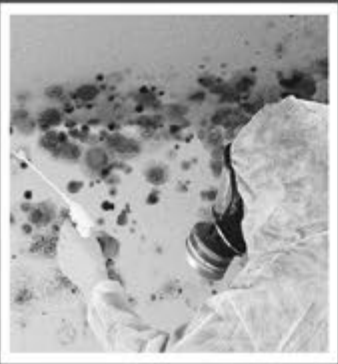
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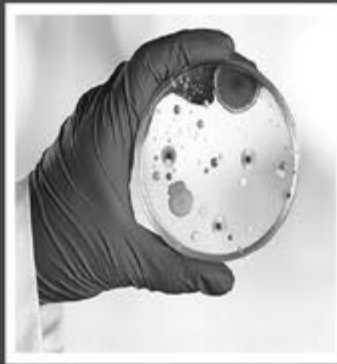
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August Property News

DOROTHY JACKS, PBC PROPERTY APPRAISER

My office is preparing the 2023 Notices of Proposed Property Taxes. Called the TRIM Notice for “Truth in Millage” around the office, these notices will be mailed to every property owner in Palm Beach County on August 18.



The notice has two sides that reflect the two halves of your

tax bill:

- One side shows the market, assessed and taxable values of your property, as well as any exemptions, caps, or classifications that may apply. State law requires the Property Appraiser’s Office to value property based on the status of the market as of January 1. If you feel that the market value of your property is inaccurate or missing an exemption, you have until September 12 to appeal through the Value Adjustment Board.
- The other side details proposed tax rates from your county, city, and other agencies with taxing authority. These rates are only estimates that can, and often are, altered at public hearings. The information to attend these meetings is also included so that you can make your voice heard.

The notice is not a bill, but rather your opportunity to participate in the tax process. Your tax bill will be mailed by the Palm Beach County Tax Collector in November.

We are always available to help you make sense of this notice and property appraisals, exemptions, and assessment caps. An interactive guide to the notice will be live at pbcgov.org/PAPA this month, but please always feel free to contact us.

In this month’s newsletter, a brief overview of the Notice of Proposed Property Taxes and an important reminder for those property owners who are permanent Florida residents but have not yet filed for a homestead exemption.

I hope you find this information beneficial and wish you a wonderful month.

2023 Notice of Proposed Property Taxes or TRIM

If this isn’t a bill, what is it?

The notice is:

- Your notification of property value
- This notice shows the change in market, assessed and taxable values of your property. If you disagree with your valuation, now is the time to contact us at 561.355.2866. If we are unable to resolve the matter, this is your opportunity to file a petition with the

Value Adjustment Board. A petition must be filed with the by 5 p.m. on September 12, 2023.

- An explanation of any exemptions
- Any exemptions or assessment reductions are spelled out on the front of your notice. If you have questions about your exemptions, contact us at 561.355.2866.
- Your chance to have a say in your tax rates
- The notice shows proposed millages, or tax rates, for each taxing authority, as well information about each authority’s budget hearing, so that you are empowered to participate in the process of setting your tax rates.

My office welcomes any questions regarding your notice, property value, and exemption amounts at 561.355.3230 or MyExemption@pbcgov.org.

If you have questions about tax rates, contact the specific taxing authority listed in the TRIM. If you have questions about tax collection, contact the Palm Beach County Tax Collector’s Office.

Homestead Exemption Filing on Real Property

*If you already have a homestead exemption on your property and you have not purchased a new home in the past year, you do NOT need to reapply.

If you are a permanent Florida resident, you may be eligible for a homestead exemption, which can save you generally \$750 to \$1,000 in property taxes each 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 \$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 change in the Consumer Price Index, whichever is lower. For 2023, the maximum increase will be 3%.

The deadline to file for homestead exemption is March 1 of the qualifying year.

Three ways to apply:

- E File at pbcgov.org/PAPA. The fastest way to file, you can E File without the deed the day you close on a home in Palm Beach County.
- Complete the application online, print it out, and mail it to: Palm Beach County Property Appraiser’s Office, Exemption Services, 1st Floor, 301 N. Olive Ave., West Palm Beach, FL 33401.
- Visit one of our five service centers to file in person.

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






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August Tax Talk

ANNE M. GANNON

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With the arrival of August, we find ourselves, once again, gearing up for property tax season. It all starts this month when the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser sends out a TRIM (Truth-In-Millage) Notice to all property owners. This notice contains the property's value as of January 1, the millage rates proposed by each local government entity, and finally, it contains an estimate of the proposed property taxes. The TRIM Notice also contains information about local governments' budget hearings, providing each property owner with the opportunity to attend and comment on the proposed millage rates. Then, by November 1, my office will send out more than 600,000 2023 tax bills to each property owner that must be paid by March 31. You can visit the Property Appraiser's website at www.pbcgov.org/papa for more information about the TRIM Notice and the Value Adjustment Board appeals process.

So, watch your mail this month for your TRIM Notice from the Property Appraiser and then in early November, watch your mail for your tax bill sent by my office and remember to pay early and save!

FLORIDA SALES TAX HOLIDAY SAVINGS!

Going on now are several Sales Tax Exemption Holidays on several consumer items from washing ma-

chines and clothes dryers to tickets for live events and everything in-between! During the Sales Tax Holiday window, sales tax is removed from the purchase of qualifying items. For example, during the Home Hardening Sales Tax Holiday impact resistant, doors, garage doors and windows can be purchased without the addition of sales tax on the final purchase price, but only during the specified dates (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024) the same concept applies to all other Sales Tax Holidays. Make sure to read about each tax holiday, some exclusions and parameters may apply.

Current Florida Sales Tax Holidays

Back to School (most school supplies \$50 and less, plus more!)
www.floridarevenue.com/backtoschool/Pages/default.aspx
July 24 – August 6

Freedom Summer (recreation and outdoor items)
www.floridarevenue.com/FreedomSummer/Pages/default.aspx
Now – September 4, 2023

Gas Ranges and Cooktops
www.floridarevenue.com/GasStoves/Pages/default.aspx
Now – June 30, 2024

Home Hardening (impact resistant doors, windows, and garage doors)
www.floridarevenue.com/HomeHardening/Pages/default.aspx
Now – June 30, 2024

Energy Star® (Energy Star® appliances)
www.floridarevenue.com/ENERGYSTAR/Pages/default.aspx
Now – June 30, 2024

For more information on all Sales Tax Holidays, visit www.floridarevenue.com/Pages/SalesTaxHolidays.aspx

REPORT TO CITIZENS

As we are near the end of another Property Tax cycle, I'd like to share some interesting facts with you about our office. Did you know in 2021-22

- Over \$4.4 billion was distributed to local taxing authorities with the School District of Palm Beach County receiving the largest amount, more than \$1.5 billion?
- Our Client Care and Research Center answers more than 230,000 telephone calls a year and responds to more than 32,000 email inquiries. The #1 inquiries are Driver License (calls) and Property Tax (email)?
- Our website has more than 1.9 million visits yearly?
- Our six service centers saw more than 719,000 clients. The Central Palm Beach Service Center in Greenacres had the most visits with more than 198,000. The #1 transaction was Motor Vehicle, more than 395,000?
- Tourist Development Tax collections were more than \$77,800,000 with April being the highest collection month?
- Palm Beach County Tax Collector employees donated \$17,594 to our two charity partners, Living Hungry and Making Every Day Count. Employees also raised more than \$2,400 to our Tax Collector colleagues in both Lee and Charlotte Counties, who were impacted by Hurricane Ian in September 2022?

For more information about our office, visit www.pbctax.com/annual-report.

OUT AND ABOUT

As an elected official and long-time resident of Palm Beach County, it is my honor and a privilege to serve this community. My community engagement team and I are always available should you ever need anything from our office. We take great pride in being active in the community and so far, this year, we have participated in more than 45 community events, ranging from the Palm Beach Pride Festival to the Jupiter Jubilee, Black Gold Jubilee, and many more. Our goal is to work collaboratively within our communities to achieve long-standing and sustainable outcomes and implement processes to increase the efficiency of each transaction for our clients.

Our dedication to driving positive change in the community extends well beyond our core services. Every two years, our employees select two non-profit organizations to support through our Community Involvement Program. Every dollar raised and/or item donated comes directly from our employees. This year's charities are Living Hungry and Take Stock In Children Serving Palm Beach County. In addition to supporting those initiatives, we also conduct fundraising activities such as bake sales and donation drives throughout the year. Our office remains dedicated to lending a helping hand in the community and providing exceptional customer service for our clients.

For more information on our community involvement, visit www.pbctax.com/about-us/community-involvement/.

Clerk Report - July

JOSEPH ABRUZZO, PBC CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER

Free Resources at the Clerk's Self-Service Center



As your Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller of Palm Beach County, it is my privilege to provide you with tools and resources to help you navigate the court system when you do not have an attorney.

Our Self-Service Centers are designed to offer you a user-friendly experience when visiting our offices across Palm Beach County. The

Centers are open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and are hubs of valuable information including knowledgeable staff, notary services, and access to computers and printers.

We offer more than 70 different form packets with step-by-step instructions for divorce, small claims, eviction and many other case types. Schedule a free appointment with one of our navigators, who can guide you in how to fill out the forms. While navigators can provide procedural information, they cannot give you legal advice or represent you in court.

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You may also find many of our services online through the Self-Service Center section of our website, mypalmbeachclerk.com/selfservice. Instead of waiting in lines or making multiple trips to our office, you can access court documents, search public records, download forms, purchase packets and more.

We understand that the courts and legal system may seem daunting or complex. This is why we have compiled helpful "how-to" webinars and videos on our YouTube channel, to provide you easy-to-follow

guidance on topics ranging from tax deeds, guardianship, searching official records, divorce, and how to collect on your money judgment. You can watch these videos at any time and subscribe so you are notified when new content is posted.

We remain committed to serving you both online and in person at any of our locations, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sign up for our monthly newsletter and follow us on social media at @ClerkPBC to stay up to date on everything we have to offer.

Organization News

Actors Studio 1: 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.

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.

American Legion Post 141 Attention Veterans!! And anybody connected to the military. Your service is needed again. Join the American Legion, Post 141 and help support our Veterans & community programs. For more info: Ron Rising, Commander, Post 141 561-460-5169, commanderpost141wpb@gmail.com.

Baby Boomers: will meet each month May-Dec., Clubhouse Room D, 3:30-4:30 pm to share upcoming events and visit. Contact dixiedugan13@gmail.com with questions.

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

Christian Club: Meetings first Wed. of month, 1 PM Clubhouse Party Room. For Club info call: Rae Boyle 561-254-2290. Figgy's Upcoming Trips: Aug. 5-13 Lancaster Show & Philadelphia trip, Closing date: June 2; Nov. 27-30 Amelia Island & St. Augustine, Closing date: Sept. 20. For additional info call: Figgy 561-707-6548 or 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 with others as a volunteer teacher. For info: email cvccwpb@gmail.com. For Website: <https://www.cv-computerclub-wpb.com/>

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 Mon. & Thurs., 6:30 pm, Clubhouse 1st fl. Craft Room. Further info: 832-819-7748, 631-889-2614.

Democratic Club of CV: Meetings 3rd Thursday each mo., 1:30 pm. 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, 1 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: Nov.25-Dec. 3, 2023 Bus Tour/ Branson Show Extravaganza, Dublin's Irish Tenors, special guests The Celtic Ladies, 6 shows. Rate starting at \$1,096 pp dbl. Jan. 29-Feb. 9, 2024 11-night Panama Canal & 6 Southern Caribbean destinations on new ship Celebrity Beyond, starting at \$2,702 pp dbl. March 4-6, Margaritaville at Sea, interior &

ocean view cabins start base rate \$139.00 pp dbl. + gratuities + fuel ch.+ port & tax. May 4-13 10-day 7 countries/land only, England, Belgium, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, France, Italy. Cosmos Budget Tour starting \$2,359.00 pp dbl. Sept. 22-30 9-day Dublin to London land only, Ireland, Wales, England. Cosmos Budget Tour starting \$1,839 pp. dbl. Nov. 12 Jungle Queen sightseeing cruise, all you can eat dinner, show, bus. Approx. rate \$98.00 pp. For info & reservations: Michelina 561-335-2576 michelinadg@hotmail.com or Beverly 561-283-9777 Bevspriggs@aol.com. All rates subject to change without notice.

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 Nov.-April, 2nd Friday of the month, 10 AM, Room C. Monthly Potluck, 5:30 PM, 1st Tuesday of month, Guest Pool, Nov.-April.

Shuffleboard Club: Summer Season May thru Oct. Play Tues. 6:30 PM, changed from previous yrs. Winter Season Nov. thru April, Tues., Wed., Thurs. Be ready to play at 1:15. 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 Marsha Love - mgmaita@aol.com

AUGUST 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
Actor's Studio	Meeting Room C	Every Monday	7pm-9pm
Baby Boomers (Summer)	Meeting Room D	4th Wednesday	3:30pm-4:30pm
Ballroom Dance Practice Group	Hastings Aerobic	Every Monday	2pm-4 pm
Bible Study Club in Spanish	Class Room A	Every Tuesday	6:30 pm-8:30pm
Bible Study	Meeting Room D	Every Sunday	3pm-5pm
Camera Club	Meeting Room C	2nd Tuesday	10am-12pm
C.E.R.T.	Meeting Room A	2nd Friday	1pm-3pm
Computer Club	Meeting Room A	1st Thursday	12:30pm-3pm
C.O.P.	Class Room B	2nd Thursday	10am-12pm
C.V. Crafter's Club	Meeting Room A	2nd & 4th Friday	9:30am-12pm
Dance Party	Party Room	Every Wednesday	7pm-10pm *
Falling Star Players	Meeting Room C	Every Tuesday	6:30 pm-8:30pm
Friends of Bill Wilson	Craft Room	Monday & Thursday	6:30pm-7:30pm
Homestead Exemption Outreach	Clubhouse Lobby	1st Thursday	1:30pm-2:30pm
Italian American Culture Club	will return in August		
Karaoke	Party Room	Every Saturday	6pm -9pm
Latin American Club Mtg	Meeting Room A	2nd Thursday	6pm-7:30pm
Latin American Club	Party Room	3rd Sunday	6pm-8pm
Line Dancing Club	Hastings Aerobic	Monday & Friday	12pm-2pm
Polish American Social Club	Art Room	1st Thursday	6pm-10pm
Quilting Club	Craft Room	Every Wednesday	1pm-3:30pm
Rummikub Club	Art Room	Every Monday	7pm-9:30pm
Russian-Ukraine Club	Meeting Room A	2nd Monday	4pm-7pm
UCO Delegate Assembly	Theater	1st Friday	9:30am-12pm

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A Tribute to Our Transportation System

BY DIANNA LAROSEE

Transportation Destinations
At first glance the Century Village (Academy) bus schedule looks complicated. But actually the routes and hourly time frames are simple and easy to follow. The schedule shows a variety of shopping destinations where the bus arrives and picks you up every hour Monday through Saturday. Sunday and Holiday schedules offer different times and destinations.

So I took a ride on the bus, located a bus stop near my condo, showed my Century Village I.D. to board, then was on my way to the Clubhouse.

This bus was labeled #2 and is one of three Internal buses labeled 1, 2, or 3 that navigate inside our Village and bring you to the Clubhouse. Routes are designed by street intersections nearest your address. My bus stop intersects between Kent and Elgin streets and repeats this travel to and from the Clubhouse every hour every day.
Once at the Clubhouse, I took an External bus that transports me to various locations outside the Village. There are two external buses labeled East Bound and West Bound which travel in both directions on Okeechobee Boulevard and bring you to locations such as supermarkets,

restaurants, the library, post office, and many other shopping malls along the East and West routes.
My journey boarding the bus was a pleasant experience from start to finish. The driver was courteous and helpful, seating was a comfortable ride in air conditioning, and each scheduled destination arrived on time. Traveling by bus is just one of the many terrific benefits offered to all the residents here at Century Village. Remember, your Century Village I.D. is needed to ride the bus.

Beware of FPL Outside Insurance

BY RICHARD HANDELSMAN

Many CV'er's have, and will continue to receive, a mailing apparently from FPL* offering "Exterior Electrical Line Coverage" for \$5 to \$9/month.

DO NOT PURCHASE
Throw Away unopened.

You are already insured. As part of your monthly assessment, your condo association, not you, is responsible for the maintenance and

operation of any electrical wiring in your walls and on/under the grounds around your building.
As stated in the fine print: "To be eligible, you must own both the residential single structure and the land it is located on...You are not eligible if your exterior water service line or electrical system is shared with a third party or covered by a homeowners association or the like..." A condominium is not a single structure, does not own the land, shares water and electric lines with other condos in the building, and is covered

by its association.
Ditto for any "Exterior Water Line Coverage" mailings you may receive:
Actually not from FPL: "This optional coverage is offered by FPL Energy Services... and not FLorida Power and Light Company... administered by HomeServe USA Repair Management (Florida) Corp....This service is not provided by your local electric or water utility... Your choice will not affect the price, availability, or terms of service from FPL."

WHERE TO GO:

WPRF MAIN CLUBHOUSE:

- WPRF ID CARDS: RESIDENTS/TENANTS/OCCUPANTS
- WPRF GUEST PASS
- MAKE WPRF PAYMENT/SIGN UP FOR AUTO DEBIT
- ORDER WPRF COUPONS
- THEATER TICKET SALES
- SIGN UP FOR CLASSES
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I read a Letter to the Editor in the UCO Reporter's July issue. There was a misrepresentation of information regarding the facts of an incident that occurred in the UCO Office. It was clearly mentioned at the Delegate Assembly, after Donald Foster read the statement from Attorney Rod Tennyson, that any unit owner could come to the UCO Office to view the video. Mr. Grossman, as all Officers, had the right to see this video. Mr. Grossman was at the zoom meeting with the attorney, regarding the incident. He did not comment at this meeting. From where I stand, I have not seen any unfairness in the UCO Office. There is no hostility between the Officers and Mr. Grossman. I am becoming irate over the fact that we are being accused of this nonsense of Mr. Grossman being mistreated. The Officers do not let personal feelings interfere with any issues.


VP Patricia Caputo

Hi folks:
Recently, there have been several deaths of CV residents who had no one responsible for their burial arrangements or the disposing of their belongings. The result is often contrary to their previously expressed desires. I urge everyone to have your wishes in writing and to designate someone to be responsible for your post-life affairs. Have your statement notarized.

*Les Rivkin
Stratford J*

I missed the meetings where Ed Grossman was censured because of his "behavior". I strongly suggest that the Officer's Committee, the Executive Board, and the Delegate Assembly be Censured for NOT accepting Ed's recommendations to purchase T Bills or CDs which would have provided thousands of free dollars in interest. Ed tries to make us money and for some inexplicable reason, our leaders find excuses to refuse free money. Heads remain in the sand fearful of progress.

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 **Sheriff Alerts**
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You arrive at your hotel and check in at the front desk. Typically when checking in, you give the front desk your credit card (for any charges to your room).

You go to your room and settle in. All is good.

The hotel receives a call and the caller asks for (as an example) room 620 - which happens to be your room.

The phone rings in your room. You answer and the person on the other end says the following: 'This is the front desk. When checking in, we came across a problem with your charge card information. Please re-read me your credit card number and verify the last 3 digits numbers at the reverse side of your charge card.'

Not thinking anything wrong, since the call seems to come from the front desk you oblige.
But actually, it is a scam by someone calling from outside the hotel.
They have asked for a random room number, then ask you for your credit card and address information.
They sound so professional, that you think you are talking to the front desk.

If you ever encounter this scenario on your travels, tell the caller that you will be down to the front desk to clear up any problems. Then, go to the front desk or call directly and ask if there was a problem.
If there was none, inform the manager of the hotel that someone tried to scam you of your credit card information, acting like a front desk employee.

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BY M.A. CAMPBELL

Some of you remember this article published August 2022.

“Why Is the Villages Known as ‘The STD Capital of America?’”

Sexually transmitted disease infections are on the rise nationally. But is the world’s largest retirement community really a hotbed for these diseases? By Associated Press

When I read that article it was an eye opener. I focused on the sexual health information for the older adult and decided to research this topic and share my findings.

Why the increase in STDs and the older adult?

Part of the increase is the result of a larger Baby Boomer population moving into the senior years, said Chris Skidmore, Whitman County Public Health director. Another is that older adults often underestimate their risk.

Healthy Relationships:

According to Wiser “I think a lot of people

underestimate the sort of mood benefits and relationship benefits of having a healthy sexual part of a relationship,” Wiser said. “I would emphasize that working on that sexual health means being able to talk about what makes that relationship healthy. And that means being able to talk about the good stuff, and also being able to talk about the risks in an open way, which is something we can do a lot better now than we could 20 or 30 years ago when sex education was non-existent.

Advance medicine:

Pharmaceuticals to treat erectile dysfunction also have extended many men’s sex lives, and in turn increased the opportunities to spread STDs. Because seniors don’t need to worry about unwanted pregnancy, they may also forgo condoms, which protect against STDs

Why take the risk of being infected:

“The spread of STD’s has negative downstream effects for any community, no matter the age group,” Wiser said. Limiting sexual partners,

using barriers including condoms and regular testing are all effective in reducing the spread of STDs. “Anyone engaging with a new sexual partner should talk to that person about STDs, and whether they’ve been tested,” Wiser said.

Testing Sites:

If you feel something is wrong call your Health Care Team. Go to a Walk In or Urgent care. There are Self-Testing Kits. Also, online you can type STDs testing in Century Village, FL. The information is endless.

In this short article, I just highlighted some STDs information. If you have more questions go on line and you can do your own research. Also, remember your Health Care Team is on your side.

Resources:” Killing the Mood”, Wiser. North West Public Broadcasting 10/2022. Whitman County public Health and Associated Press August 2022.



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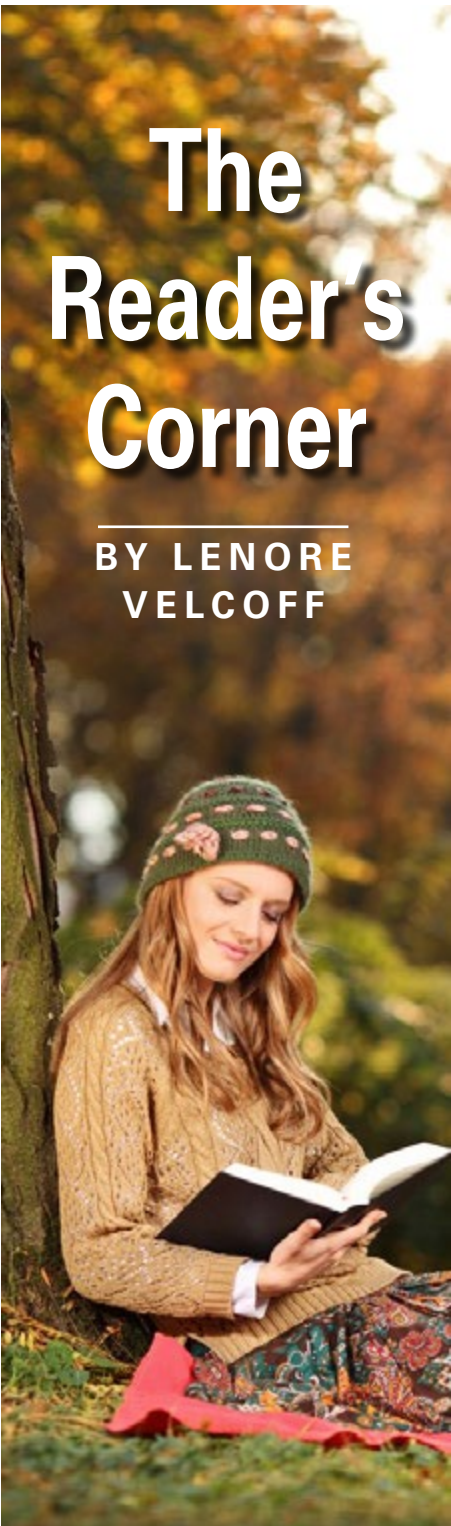


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The Reader's Corner

BY LENORE VELCOFF

Hang the Moon by Jeannette Walls

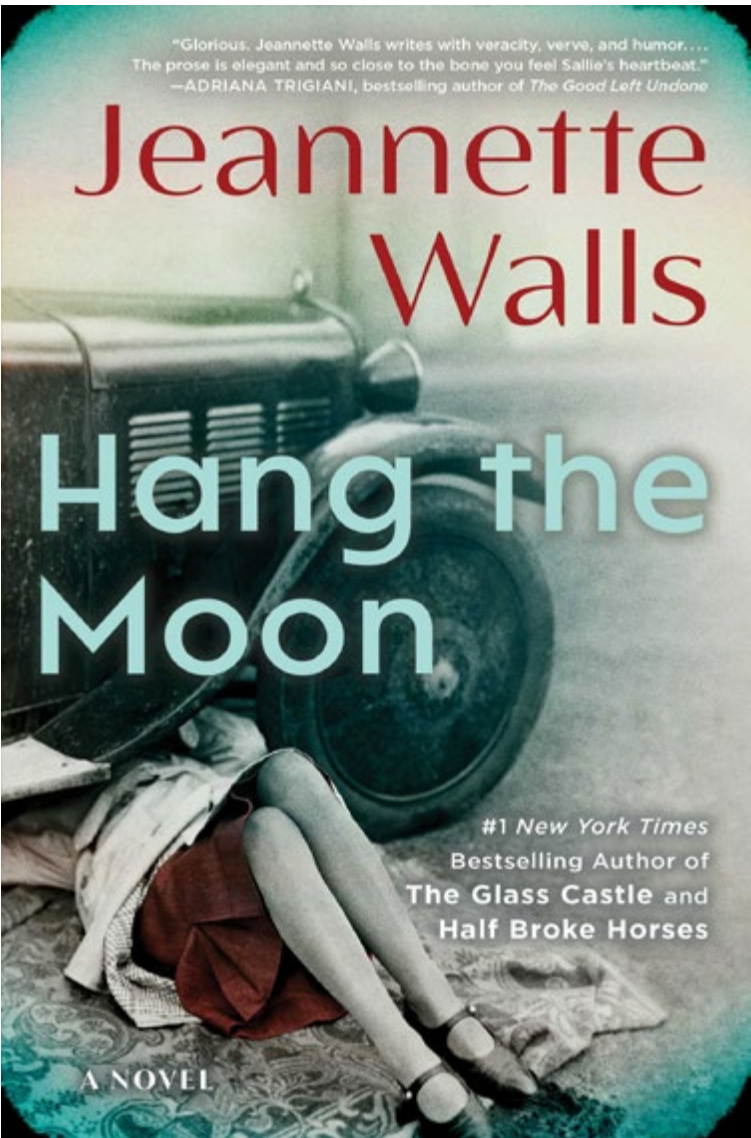
This book is set in rural Virginia with a petty dynasty run by Duke Kincaid, always known as “the Duke.” He has had several wives and their assorted children and hanger-oners. Although the Duke has controlled Claiborne County for decades, meting out justice and punishment with a flick of his finger, he used people up and tossed them aside. The novel focuses more on his daughter Sallie.

Prohibition banned the manufacturing, transportation, and sale of liquor, which was seen as immoral and ungodly and, therefore, needed to be eradicated. People were out of jobs and the quality of life further decreased for many middle- and lower-class people. Rural communities were hit hardest by these laws, even though a few supported Prohibition.

Sallie Kincaid, a fiery protagonist who has enough heart and grit to single-handedly carry her family business and her county on her back when given the chance. From her childhood exile, when she was sent to live with her aunt for nine years and then return to her hometown at age 18, to her adolescent angst over her brother Eddie, her young-adult escapades and the inevitable war for power, Sallie battles forces out of her control until learning that gaining control is the fastest way out of an existence rife with poverty, ignorance, crime and hatred. Yet, Sallie’s greatest threats reside within her own family.

We also learn why she doesn’t want to get married. Is she too independent? Is it because she’s not ready? Is it because she’s learned at a young age not to trust? As the author says, “There are two kinds of family, those you’re born into and those you put together from pieces that don’t go anywhere else, and this is one of those families.”

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Are You Vegan?

Are animals able to create bonds and feel emotions??

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If you get an opportunity to visit with the senior pigs, you will find them all fast asleep... snoring loudly and all! Don't disturb them but be assured that they love belly rubs regardless. So, how could you resist?! They are most comfortable and feel safe there. They have no concern when someone touches them to rub their bellies. They just stretch out their legs in enjoyment!

You will marvel at the resilience of the animals at a sanctuary. No matter what horrific past they might have had, they still have the ability to trust humans again. They are able to let go and give in to the safety that now surrounds them. And they know that every action, every touch, of the humans around them is filled with nothing but love. Gosh, we can learn so much from animals!



Speaking of pigs, are they as dirty as their reputation implies??

Nope! Pigs are actually one of the cleanest animals. They do not defecate in the same place as where they sleep, and they love to fluff up their sleeping quarters with dry hay. Pigs also do not have the ability to sweat much because they have a limited number of sweat glands in their bodies. That's why pigs love to keep cool by rolling around in mud, which also acts as a natural sunscreen.

What is the most consumed meat world-wide??

According to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, pork is the most widely eaten meat in the world, followed by poultry, beef and goat/sheep meat. In the US, the meat eaten most is chicken. The USDA has estimated that the average American ate over 250 pounds of meat in 2020. It is also estimated the 55 billion land and sea animals are killed each year to keep up with the consumption demand in the US alone.

If I stop eating beef and chicken, should I eat more fish instead??

No. Commercial fishing has already wiped out 90% of the large species of fish in our oceans and



it's estimated that the oceans could be entirely wiped out by 2048. Fish raised in factory farms face the same abusive conditions factory farmed animals face. They are raised in confinement and face horrific conditions that lead to disease, abuse, and fear.

Do cows produce milk just because they are cows??

Cows do not produce milk because they are cows, but because they are pregnant. The dairy industry impregnates female cows over and over to ensure they continue to produce milk. Once they are no longer producing a sufficient amount of milk, they are sold to slaughterhouses. Calves are immediately removed from their mothers after birth. Female calves are usually raised to produce milk on dairy farms. Male calves are sold to slaughterhouses for veal.

Why do vegans not eat eggs??

Chickens and other birds lay eggs as part of their natural reproductive cycles. Chickens farmed for eggs are raised to produce hundreds of eggs per year, which is far more than what they would naturally produce. Few male chicks born from fertilized eggs are raised to reproduce, most are killed right after birth.



What is the average life expectancy of animals used for food?

A chicken's natural life expectancy is about 8 years. If raised for food, 5-6 weeks and about 1 year for egg laying hens. A pig's natural life expectancy is about 21 years. If raised for food, 5 months. A cow's natural life expectancy is about 25 years. If raised for food, it is only 3-10 months depending on the type of meat they are being

raised for. A milking cow's life expectancy is about 4-5 years.

The main takeaway here is that animals raised for food have a much shorter life. They are often raised with hormones and antibiotics to speed up their growth, in order to be slaughtered for consumption within a very small amount of time.

But if we didn't eat meat, wouldn't the world be overrun with animals?

Absolutely not. Think about it, we have all of these animals in the world because they are being born and raised to eat. If we weren't eating them, there would be no need to farm them. The animals that existed in the world could then live their lives as naturally intended.

How many animals can I save by going veg-an??

It is estimated that choosing a vegan diet can save 1 animal every day. In one year, 365 animals. In ten years, 3,650 animals. It's sometimes hard to recognize the impact that there is by choosing to live a vegan lifestyle, but when you see those numbers... every day you save an animal, and that's extremely powerful.

What does the demand for animal products look like worldwide??

Unfortunately, the demand for animal products is only increasing. While it does look like the trend to more plant-based protein sources is increasing here in the US, other countries in the world (like China) are consuming more meat. Any progress we are actually making here is negated worldwide.

While this is obviously devastating to animals, it's also devastating to the environment and is just not sustainable in the long run. If we don't change, it is unknown what our world will look like in the next 20 years (or less). It's actually a very scary thought. The solution that will have the most substantial impact is choosing a predominantly plant-based diet. Thankfully, there is a solution available. We just need to be willing to make a change.



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June Sales

113 WELLINGTON B	2/2	SOLD	\$260,500	166 WELLINGTON J	2/2	PENDING	\$240,000
223 SOMERSET L	2/2	SOLD	\$295,000	10 HASTINGS A	1/1 1/2	SOLD	\$95,000
112 KINGSWOOD F	1/1 1/2	PENDING	\$105,000	231 COVENTRY J	1/1 1/2	PENDING	\$95,000
376 CAMDEN P	1/1 1/2	PENDING	\$131,000	22 ANDOVER A	1/1 1/2	PENDING	\$105,000

Recent Sales

301 WELLINGTON E	2/2	SOLD	\$209,900	135 CANTERBURY F	1/1 1/2	SOLD	\$136,000
57 SHEFFIELD C	2/1 1/2	SOLD	\$174,900	156 ANDOVER F	2/1 1/2	SOLD	\$125,000
50 PLYMOUTH F	1/2	SOLD	\$118,000	342 CHATHAM Q	1/1 1/2	SOLD	\$128,000
110 WELLINGTON A	2/2	SOLD	\$222,500	453 SOUTHAMPTON C	1/1 1/2	SOLD	\$88,900
227 SOUTHAMPTON B	1/ 1/2	SOLD	\$100,000	189 EASTHAMPTON H	1/1 1/2	SOLD	\$125,000
89 HASTINGS F	2/ 1 1/2	SOLD	\$139,000	9 HASTINGS A	2 /1 1/2	SOLD	\$149,000
19 CHATHAM A	1/1	SOLD	\$83,000	10 KENT A	1/1	SOLD	\$97,000
2 GOLFS EDGE E	2/2	SOLD	\$198,000	155 CHATHAM H	2/1 1/2	SOLD	\$180,000
155 STRATFORD L	2/2	SOLD	\$196,000	10 GOLFS EDGE A	1/ 1 1/2	SOLD	\$116,500
85 STRATFORD G	2/2	SOLD	\$211,000	209 WELLINGTON F	2/2 1/2	SOLD	\$175,000
241 CHATHAM L	2/1 1/2	SOLD	\$178,500	95 SOMERSET E	2/2	SOLD	\$195,000
111 PLYMOUTH N	2/2	SOLD	\$180,000	94 PLYMOUTH F	1 1/ 1/2	SOLD	\$125,000
100 ANDOVER D	1/ 1 1/2	SOLD	\$135,000	11210 GREEN LAKE DR	2/2	SOLD	\$279,000
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Around the Bases with IRWIN COHEN



Mike Donlin could be a colorful, charming, character when sober and a superstar baseball player. Drunk or sober, he was known by his nickname, "Turkey Mike." He got that title for his unique strut and flamboyant clothes.

Born in Erie, Pennsylvania, he eventually made his way to California and wound up playing baseball for a small town team. His baseball talent was so good that the St. Louis Cardinals bought his contract. With the Cardinals in 1900, Donlin hit .326.

Legendary manager John McGraw liked what he saw and lured him to Baltimore of the American League for the 1901 season and Donlin upped his average to .340.

A few weeks before the 1902 season, Donlin had too much to drink and made his way through the streets of downtown Baltimore. A musical based on "Ben Hur" had finished and Donlin followed an actress from the cast walking with her escort. He caught up with the pair, said something, and was asked by the escort to move on. Turkey Mike took offense and belted the escort in the face. The

actress pleaded, "please don't hit him." and Donlin punched her, too.

Realizing he was in trouble with the law, he caught a train to Washington, D.C., where he would eventually get arrested for getting into a fight on a trolley. Ban Johnson, president of the American League at the time, threw him out of the league and Donlin was sent to prison.

The Cincinnati Reds of the National League gave Donlin another chance in 1903 and he responded with a .351 batting average. During the '04 season, New York Giants manager John McGraw brought Turkey Mike to the Big Town. Donlin quickly became a fan favorite and Manhattan celebrity. His popularity increased in 1905 as he batted .356.

But the bottle got him in trouble before the 1906 season. On the way to Troy, New York, for an indoor baseball game exhibition, Donlin got smashed and scared passengers. The porter was scared out of his wits as Donlin put the gun to his face and said, "meet Mr. Gun." Donlin soon met the police who threw him in jail for the night.

After regaining his freedom he took a train to Memphis where the Giants were readying for the upcoming season. McGraw quickly suspended his hitting star and Donlin wanted to be his own boss and was able to make plans other than playing some baseball that year.

After batting .314 in 39 games, Donlin and his actress lady friend, Mabel Hite, married and paired to produce a song and dance team which proved very popular in New York. The show-biz magazine, Variety, said, "Mike Donlin as a polite comedian is quite the most delightful vaudeville surprise you ever enjoyed."

Donlin concentrated on the show and took off the 1907 baseball season. While the show ran on Broadway for three years, Donlin came back to the Giants in 1908, played the full season and batted .334. He took a baseball leave for the next three years as he preferred show business. The Donlins were one of the most written about couples in New York as they wore stylish and expensive clothing. Turkey Mike claimed he even gave up drinking.

"I've got a reserved seat on a crystal chariot and I'm not looking for a rain check either. Croton cocktails and cow juice is my limit."

The Donlins were a famous and happy couple. However, Mabel Hite, only 27, died of intestinal cancer in 1912. Giants manager John McGraw felt sorry for Donlin and offered him a contract and while he still could hit, age was taking its toll on his baseball skills. He hung around a bit longer and played for two minor league teams and had some small acting parts. He produced an excellent .333 career batting average during 12 years in the major leagues.

Donlin remarried and moved to California where his friend actor John Barrymore got him some work in the movies. Turkey Mike Donlin appeared in 53 movies and produced 20 films, before his death in Hollywood in 1933 at age 55.

Author, columnist Irwin Cohen headed a national baseball monthly for five years and interviewed many legends of the game before embarking on a front office career with the Detroit Tigers.



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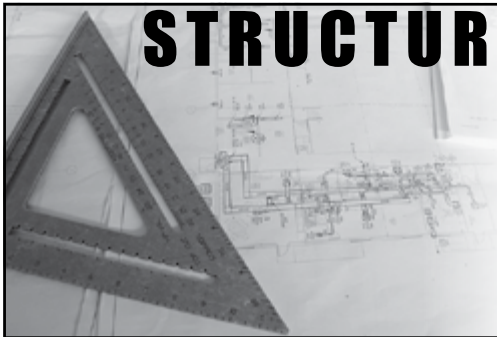
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Register Prior to the Start of the First Class

Register for Classes from Mon to Fri 9 to 12 & 1 to 4:15 in Class Office,
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Masks may be required for some classes at the Instructor's discretion

(***) This symbol indicates Materials Needed. Please Purchase Materials Prior
to Start of First Class.

THURSDAY CLASSES

Course Name	Start Date	Time	Cost	# Weeks	Room	Materials	Instructor
CANASTA FOR BEGINNERS						classes run 8/3 thru 8/24	
	08/03/23	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>							

These Classes are on Hiatus

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BALLROOM DANCE on hiatus till September

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on hiatus till September

CONTINUING LINE DANCE STEPS (Intermediate)
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LINE DANCE REVIEW on hiatus till September

STAINED GLASS on hiatus till the Fall

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LUNCH WITH LENORE

BY LENORE VELCOFF

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What a surprise! A little European-style café with a big taste. It's next door to a bigger restaurant, but don't pass it by. My companion had been there before, so she led me right to it. The atmosphere is charming and the wait staff attentive. They offer brunch, lunch and light dinners.

They have sandwiches, flatbreads, avocado toast, other items, and specials of the day. They also have 11 coffees for you to sip. Though listed as the soup du jour, my companion told me to order the soup, that I would love it. The tomato bisque soup was delicious.

We both ordered something unusual and are we glad we did! She had the Shrimp Salad Stuffed Avocado Half. And I had a Turkey Breast and Sliced Apple Sandwich on a toasted baguette with cheddar and cranberry chutney. Scrumptious!

They have several other unusual sandwiches and specials, such as The Best Breakfast Sandwich - Toasted croissant with Swiss cheese, 2 eggs and bacon or a Cuban in Paris - Toasted croissant



with ham, Swiss cheese, pickles and Dijon mustard. Maybe a Flatbread - Chipotle creamed honey sausage, bacon, red onion, bell pepper and cheddar cheese. Maybe a French Market Salad - mixed greens, roasted beets, goat cheese, walnuts with a balsamic vinaigrette

Perhaps you just want a relaxing place to enjoy an espresso and a delicious dessert such as their Lemon Bar or French Macaroons. (sigh) Just sit back, check the artwork. Bon appetit!



Nutrition and Health Under the Knife

BY JEANIE W. FRIEDMAN, MS RD LD/N

Taking care of your health is always an important task, especially when you are faced with the stress of surgery. For several weeks before the procedure, ensure that you are providing your body with as many nutrients as it needs.

BEFORE SURGERY Hydrate

While you have to follow your surgeon's instructions on when to stop eating and drinking prior to surgery, in the weeks leading up to the cut off, make sure you are well-hydrated. About 6-8 8 oz cups is a general guideline. Your body needs water in order to run smoothly.

A Well-Balanced Diet

Protein is a superstar when it comes to healing. It is needed for normal everyday growth and repair of tissue. After surgery, protein is a necessity while you are recovering. Not enough protein can result in slower healing time. Protein also helps your body fight off infections. Some medical conditions may require limiting protein. Follow

the instructions that your doctor or healthcare professional provides to you for your own unique health needs.

Prepare Your House

Preparing your house prior to surgery is also an important step. By taking care of chores or errands before you go into surgery, you can focus more on resting and healing afterwards. Make sure your refrigerator and pantry is stocked with healthy choices beforehand to alleviate stress and the negative impact that has on health and healing. Clean sheets and linens would make your recovery time more relaxing as well and offer a welcoming ambience.

AFTER SURGERY

Make sure to follow your doctor's post-operative instructions.

Lower Appetite

If you find that your appetite has not returned to normal yet, perhaps you can have smaller, more frequent meals so the idea of eating may seem

more feasible. Your body needs the calories and protein to heal.

Nutritious Foods

Healthy foods with lean protein can help you recover so you can go back to normal as soon as possible. Include a protein source at each meal. Some foods that are rich in protein include poultry or red meat, fish, nuts, tofu, dairy, and eggs.

Vitamin C is an important component of wound healing. It can help your body tissues rebuild itself. Bone health is also dependent on vitamin C. Great sources include citrus, as well as bell peppers and strawberries.

Constipation

After surgical procedures, it is quite common for people to become constipated as a result of pain medications. Anesthesia can also have the same effect. Having six to eight 8-oz cups a day of water can help move things along, in addition to some prunes or prune juice. Including whole grains with your meals, like whole wheat products,



oats, and brown rice would also help your bowels right themselves. It can take a few days for your body to adjust itself, so hang in there!

Remember to see your doctor to make sure you are healing properly. Your healthcare professional should be consulted first before taking any supplements, changes to your diet, adding protein, or engaging in any physical activity.

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

Fun Facts & Events for August

BY RUTH BERNHARD-DREISS

Your August flowers are the Poppy and Gladiola and your birthstone is the Peridot, created from molten lava. Your zodiac signs are Leo from 7/23-8/22 and Virgo from 8/23-9/22.

August 13th is National Left-handers Day. Right on, left-handers! A left-handed baseball pitcher is called a southpaw. And no, there's no such thing as a northpaw.

Some random facts: In the US, August is considered National Golf Month. The Olympic Games were originally held in August. The world's first roller coaster opened at Coney Island on Aug. 16, 1884 and the longest total solar eclipse of the 21st Century occurred on Aug. 11, 1999.

For your summer pleasure, how about a nice summer recipe? Try fresh summer corn cakes. Corn is typically harvested between August and October, so this would be a good time to make this recipe. These fresh Summer Corn Cakes capture the flavors of the season. Bursting with fresh sweet corn, we love griddling off these delicious bites for a light lunch or an unexpected appetizer. Pairing well with salsa and sour cream, kids love these corn cakes too!

Ingredients

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- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1/4 cup flour
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- pepper, to taste
- 2 cups uncooked corn, cut from the cob
(or 10 oz. frozen corn kernels, thawed)
- 1/2 cup chopped scallions
- 1/3 cup diced red bell pepper
- 1 tablespoon corn oil
- sour cream
- salsa

Instructions

1. In a large bowl, mix all ingredients except the last three.
2. Heat a skillet and grease with the oil.
3. Drop the mixture by spoonfuls into the skillet, making individual cakes about 3 inches across.
4. Cook 2 or 3 minutes on each side, just until golden.
5. Serve with sour cream and salsa.



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Common courtesy is a small gesture that makes a big difference and should be practiced as often as possible.

We often feel that we don't have the time or energy to extend ourselves to others with the small gestures that make up what we call common courtesy. It sometimes seems that this kind of social awareness belongs to the past. Yet when someone extends this kind of courtesy to us, we always feel touched. Someone who lends a helping hand when we are struggling with our groceries makes an impression because many people just walk right by. Even someone who simply makes the effort to look us in the eye, smile, and greet us properly when entering a room stands out of the crowd. It seems these people carry with them the elegance and grace of another time, and we are always thankful for our contact with them. Common courtesy is a small gesture that

makes a big difference.

An essential component of common courtesy is awareness and common sense—looking outside yourself to see when someone needs help or acknowledgment. As a courteous person, you are aware that you are walking into a room full of people or that your waiter has arrived to take your order. Then, awareness leads to action. It is usually quite clear what needs to be done—open the door for the woman holding the baby, move your car up two feet so another person can park behind you, acknowledge your sister's shy boyfriend with a smile and some conversation, apologize if you bump into someone. A third component is to give courtesy freely, without expecting anything in return. People may not even take notice, much less return the kindness, but you can take heart in the fact that you are creating the kind of world you want to live in.



Sunset from the Sailing Area

Notables Born in August

BY LENORE VELCOFF

MICHAEL JACKSON was an American singer, songwriter, dancer and philanthropist. Known as the “King of Pop”, he is regarded as one of the most significant cultural figures of the 20th century. During his four-decade career, his contribution to music and fashion, along with his personal life, made him a global figure.



BENJAMIN HARRISON was an American leader and political leader who served as the 23rd President of the United States from 1889 to 1891. He was a member of the Harrison family of Virginia – a grandson of the 9th president, William Henry Harrison and a great grandson of Benjamin Harrison V, a Founding Father.



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AUGUST 2023 WEST PALM BEACH *at the movies*



WHITNEY HOUSTON: I WANNA DANCE WITH SOMEBODY PG-13, 2 HOURS, 24 MIN.

Telling the story of Whitney Houston’s journey from obscurity to superstar, the film is a joyous, emotional, heartbreaking celebration of her life and music. The movie stars Naomi Ackie, Stanley Tucci, Ashton Sanders and Tamara Tunie.

Sun. August 06 1:45 pm



A MAN CALLED OTTO PG-13, 2 HOURS, 6 MIN.

Grumpy widower Otto Anderson meets his match when a pregnant, caring, quick-witted mother and her young family move into his neighborhood and involve themselves in his life. The movie stars Tom Hanks, Mariana Treviño, Rachel Keller, Max Pavel and Juanita Jennings.

Sun. August 06 6:30 pm
Mon. August 07 6:30 pm
Sun. August 13 1:45 pm



MARLOWE R, 1 HOUR, 49 MIN. (RATED R FOR LANGUAGE, VIOLENT CONTENT AND SOME SEXUAL MATERIAL.)

The year is 1939 and Marlowe, a down-on-his-luck detective, is hired to find the ex-lover of a glamorous heiress in this mystery/crime/thriller film. The movie stars Liam Neeson, Diane Kruger and Jessica Lange.

Sun. August 13 6:30 pm
Mon. August 14 6:30 pm
Sun. August 20 1:45 pm



TICKET TO PARADISE PG-13, 1 HOUR, 44 MIN.

George Clooney and Julia Roberts reunite to portray a divorced couple in this romantic comedy. They find themselves united in a mission to stop their lovesick daughter from making the same mistake they made twenty years ago. The film also stars Sean Lynch and Kaitlyn Dever.

Sun. August 20 6:30 pm
Mon. August 21 6:30 pm
Sun. August 27 1:45 pm



LIVING PG-13, 1 HOUR, 42 MIN.

In the 1950s, an overwhelmed and lonely civil servant in London receives a grim diagnosis. With the help of a decadent local and a vibrant woman, he decides to search for the meaning in life. The film stars Bill Nighy, Aimee Lou Wood and Alex Sharp.

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Mon. August 28 6:30 pm

(Continued in September)

Tickets are not required. An ID card for each person is required for admittance. Please refrain from saving seats for more than one person. No admittance once the movie begins. Movies will be presented with captions when available on the first Sunday at 1:45 pm of each new movie.

Century Village WPB Shows

Here's A Sample Of Our 2023-2024 Season With A Stunning Line-Up Of Exciting Shows

For a complete listing, please see the Season Brochure available at the Clubhouse and online at www.centuryvillagetheater.com/west-palm-beach. Resident tickets will be available to purchase online at <https://gateaccess.net> starting on Tuesday, September 12, 2023.

All programs are subject to change and/or modification.



Rhythm Is Gonna Get Ya! The Gloria Estefan Experience
Get Ready For Powerhouse Erika Najibo & The Rhythm Machine Band As They Belt Out Favorite Estefan Hits



George Wallace
The “New Mr. Vegas” Is Funnier Than Ever!



The Texas Tenors
Three Classically Trained Tenors Perform Everything From Country To Classical



Sincerely, Sondheim
A Musical Love Letter To Stephen Sondheim



Teenage Dreams And Magic Moments Starring Chris Ruggiero
Chris Takes You On An Exciting Journey Through The Golden Age Of Rock & Roll



Direct From The Las Vegas Strip “The Showman” Starring Frankie Scinta
With His Tremendous Ability To Entertain, Frankie Scinta Is Truly “The Showman”



Rita Rudner
A Comedy Genius Who Will Have You Laughing At Her Hilarious One-Liners!



Bette, Babs & Beyond
A Showstopping Tribute To Those Female Powerhouses Of Pop: Bette Midler, Barbra Streisand, Tina Turner & More



Human Nature - Back To The Sound Of Motown As Presented By Smokey Robinson
This Season’s Sleeper Has Soulful Harmonies, Slick Dance Moves & Good Looks



So Good! The Neil Diamond Experience Starring Robert Neary
Robert Neary Creates A One Of A Kind, Cut Above The Rest, Tribute



Daybreak - The Music & Passion Of Barry Manilow
Honoring The Music & Passion Of Barry Manilow’s Most Famous Hits



Neil Berg’s 50 Years Of Rock N’ Roll 2
Great Balls Of Fire, This Is One Hot Rock & Roll Show!



The Music Of Billy Joel And Elton John Starring Michael Cavanaugh
Hand-Picked By Billy Joel To Play Himself In The Broadway Musical, Movin Out



The 5th Dimension
The 5th Dimension Will Take You Up, Up And Away As They Let The Sunshine In!



Rhinstone Cowgirls - Legendary Ladies Of Country Music
Three Glamorous, Gorgeous & Glittering Women Celebrate The Legendary Ladies Of Country Music



The Doo Wop Project Presents “A NEW DOO”
A Century Village Favorite In A New, Jam-Packed, ‘Doowopified’ Show