



ACTIVITIES



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
• Henry Penas

As the saying goes, "It's one day at a time." Our Calendar (p8) is beginning fill up with in-person activities.

This month, it's more food! Doug Kent is hosting two additional meals. Ed Slough has found us another bargain for the Formal Dinner, as well. All the details are on Page 4.

Henry Penas leads Tennis and keeps an eye on Mixers at Matty's. Neal Clark guides more bowling at Margate and Bill Sandrik steers bowling at Manor Lanes. Dennis Camara leads us Walking through Palm Aire.

We may soon have "hybrid" In-person/Zoom sessions, too. Paul McNamara's Roundtables, Andrew Langley and Tom Daniel's Trivial Pursuits, Ron Grassullo and Edmund Witkowski's Collectors and Lou Wangberg's History sessions are candidates.

Keep the faith! We'll get there, yet! 🏄

By now you know that we have a nine-member Board of Directors.

Here is a short description of what each one does, specifically.

Carl Hill is Vice President and he is ever-ready to fill in for me if the need arises. He commandeered the kitchen for our Membership Meetings, decorated the tables and helped with set-up.

Jim Flora is our Treasurer and he handles everything that comes into our Postal mailbox. He deposits our checks, does all our bookkeeping and prepares all our financial documents.

Lou Wangberg is our Secretary. He takes minutes at the Board meetings and is also the chair of the History Group.

Stew Pepper is Membership Secretary. He
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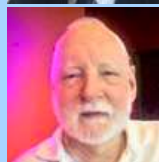
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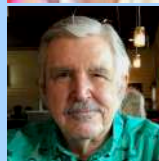
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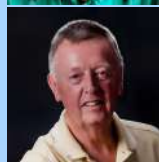
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maintains and updates a massive membership database. He also sends us our renewal forms and generates reports other members need to do what they do.

Ron Grassullo creates name tags for attendees at our dinners and is the one-man welcoming committee at our mixers. He chairs the Collectors' group as well.

Ken South comes with 16 years of experience as the President of the Washington D.C. Prime Timers and is the man behind the Man of the Month column in the *Surfer*.

Paul McNamara is a new board member. He is also a board member of SAGE of South Florida. One of his interests is to find more opportunities for our club and SAGE to work together. He is the chairman of the SAGE/Prime Gentlemen Round Table Group.

Ed Slough is also a new board member. He had just taken over the task of arranging our monthly Formal dinners when the pandemic began. He also ran the monthly Movies at the Pride Center. He organized our dinner in May and has June, July and August in his sights.

I do the Weekly Bulletin and Webpage. And oversee a bunch of other stuff.

Special mention should go to some members who are not on the board but do tasks that are equally important. Dick Huitema creates and edits the *Surfer*. I am in awe of how he manages to squeeze so much content into so few pages! Doug Kent organizes our two monthly luncheons and our field trips. John Dowd sends out dozens of greeting

cards every month. Auggie Azzarello picks up the *Surfers* from the printer and mails them to the members who paid the extra \$10 for that service.

These are just some of the activities and duties without which we couldn't function as an organization. We are very fortunate so many talented and willing members give their time freely and generously. 🏄

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ROUNDTABLE

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Watch your email from Henry Penas for links to these sessions:

Monday, June 14, 2:30 PM

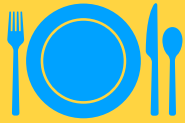
William Whitener - A Life in Dance

William started as a student dancer in Seattle and went on to a career as a performer and choreographer. He'll discuss his work with *Twyla Tharp Dance* and *The Joffrey Ballet* companies, as well as with Bob Fosse in the musical *Dancin'* and Jerome Robbins in the musical anthology *Broadway*. William will also talk about the transition to his role as Artistic Director for ballet companies in the U.S. and Canada.

Monday, June 28, 2:30PM

Brian McNaughton - Our Right To and Need Of Intimacy

The desire to touch and be touched are basic to most every gay man, no less so because of age. The challenge can be how to find the means to have our needs met, especially if we have a disinterested partner, we're recently widowed or we're single. Talking with others about it can feel difficult. But, let's talk. 🏄



FOOD AND DRINK



We'll have three(!) sit-down meals this month, a Diner Lunch, an Upscale Lunch and a Formal Dinner, plus a Mixer buffet every Monday. Join one or all if you're fully COVID-19 vaccinated. Be sure you're comfortable with dining out in this era. We comply with all recommended regulations in place at the time of our outing.

Diner Lunch - 1:00 pm, June 10 at *Lester's*, 1924 E Atlantic Blvd, Pompano Beach, FL 33060, which has been a diner lover's mainstay in Fort Lauderdale for years. To reserve call or text Doug Kent, 305-495-2978 or send him e-mail at

dutchwood@att.net. It'll be a fun afternoon!

Upscale Lunch - 1:00 pm, June 24 at *Shooters Waterfront*, 3033 NE 32nd Ave, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308. It's a charming restaurant on the inter-coastal waterway and is the perfect location for a leisurely afternoon luncheon with excellent food, good value and attentive service. Don't be left out. Make your reservation now by contacting Doug Kent, 305-495-2978 or sending him an e-mail at dutchwood@att.net.

Formal Dinner - Details are below. Send the stub at the bottom to save your spot!

TROPICS GRILLE

Thursday, June 17, 2021

Member: \$25

2000 Wilton Drive

5 - 6 pm: Cocktails (Happy Hr @ bar)

Guest: \$29

Wilton Manors, FL 33305

6 pm: Dinner (arrive by 5:40 pm)

(Tax & Tip included)

Starters served with Bread and Butter (choose one):

S1. House Salad S2. Soup Du Jour

Entrees (choose one):

E1. Filet Minon - 6 oz Barrel Cut Filet Grilled to your Liking

E2. Mahi Mahi Picatta - Sautéed Local Mahi with Lemon, Capers and White Wine Sauce

E3. Pork Rib Eye - Served with a Natural Cranberry Reduction

E4. Chicken Parmesan - Served with Spaghetti

E5. Angel Hair Bolognese - Classic Beef Ragout Tossed with Angel Hair Pasta

Desserts (choose one):

D1. Cheesecake D2. (sugar free) Berries & Cream

**Wear a mask
except when
seated. Others
will be there**



Fill in your name(s) and THREE choice codes:

Member _____ Codes: _____

Member _____ Codes: _____

Guest _____ Codes: _____

To cancel, call Ed Slough, 754-200-4060, by 5 pm, June 16.

RESERVATIONS CUT-OFF DATE: June 12

Write **Tropics** on your check.
Send it with this stub to: Fort Lauderdale Prime Gentlemen, PO Box 100666, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33310 or Go to: flprimegentlemen.org and click on Reservations to pay with a credit card



GENTLEMAN OF THE MONTH

• Ken South, interviewer

“My Fair Lady” opened on Broadway while “As The World Turns” and “The Price is Right” made their debut on black and white televisions across the nation. Young French mothers were delighted to start using a non-stick fry pan in the kitchen. Teenagers screamed in their living rooms watching Elvis on the Ed Sullivan Show and they lined up to see “The Ten Commandments” at their local movie theater. President Eisenhower announced his run for a second term.

All that occurred in 1956. In addition, on February 5th, an Aquarius baby, our Mr. June, was born the youngest of four boys to his family in Providence, R.I.



Mr. J attended elementary school and graduated from Pilgrim, HS in Warwick, R.I. in 1974. He enjoyed his time on the school’s hockey team and spending summers sailing on Narragansett Bay. He attended Ohio State for a while and then the University of Rhode Island, and grad-

uated with a degree in textiles in 1979. Between his junior and senior years, he took an adventure by hitchhiking from coast to coast.

Following graduation, Mr. J found himself in Manhattan working in the textile industry and men’s clothing business, with an assignment in Milan in 1994 and 1995. After living in Manhattan for 15 years and Ridgefield, CT for 8, all while working in the textile and apparel industry, he moved to Fort Lauderdale with a partner. He spent the next 20 years in the investment banking business and retired in 2020.

While in college, Mr. J enjoyed going to a clothing optional, gay getaway known as “Moonstone Beach” in R.I. He attributes his first coming out experience to an exciting afternoon spent with two other sun worshipers in a secluded area.

While he slowly unfolded his living as a gay man, he also continued to date women well into his 30’s. During this journey he met Bob and they had a relationship for 16 years, during which he came out to his brothers and parents.

Later he met Ray, who had just ended a relationship, at Tropics through a mutual friend. They have been together for the last 16 years and bought a house together in Wilton Manors in 2010.

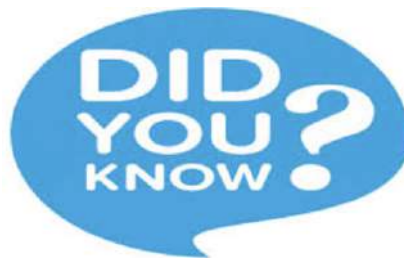
Since moving to South Florida, Mr. J has
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not only enjoyed his swim team and wind surfing, but has become a kind of “group-aholic”, as a volunteer, serving many organizations, including *The Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce*, and the *Business and Professional Group*.

Currently, he is on the Wilton Art Board, the Wilton Manors Advisory Board of parks and recreation and The Central Area Neighborhood Association (of Wilton Manors). Of course, he’s also a member of Prime Gentlemen.

Is that enough to identify him? If not, see page 7. 🏄



Caesar Salad was invented in Mexico by an Italian

When a popular Tijuana restaurant nearly ran out of food, owner Cesar Cardini asked his chef, Livio Santini, to do what he could with whatever was on hand. Later, a famous journalist from Spain returned to the restaurant and ordered the salad which she had greatly appreciated. The restaurant still serves the salad made from leftovers.

Doyle “Bill” Pryor

November 16, 1929 – May 7, 2021

Member Doyle “Bill” Pryor passed away Thursday, May 7, 2021, at home with his husband Kenneth McMeans by his side. Bill has been a member since June 2008 and has lived a long and fruitful 91 years.

He was born in St. Louis, MO and was raised in Pawhuska, Oklahoma on the Osage Indian Reservation. He was made an honorary member of the Mohawk Tribe.

Bill left the area of his birth and joined the Navy at a young age and served his country for over 20 years. During his career, Bill served on numerous ships

and traveled to many foreign and exotic places. Upon retiring from the Navy, he became a Civil Service worker and worked in the Washington DC area, retiring again after 10 years.



He was a friendly man, who never met a stranger. Bill was a thoughtful, generous, loving, and caring individual and

was dedicated to his husband, Ken and his close friends. Bill led a good life and will be always remembered as a handsome, man who was truly loved. He will be missed by many.

MILEPOSTS

BIRTHDAYS

Donald Harris 6/3
 Herbert Souza 6/4
 Leroy Sathre 6/4
 Andrew Young 6/4
 Richard Babik 6/5
 Ronald Grassullo 6/5
 John Pawlowski 6/6
 Edmund Witkowski 6/7
 Normand Leclair 6/8
 Richard Runge 6/8
 Dennis Camara 6/8
 Don Squire 6/9
 Dan Driscoll 6/10
 Mike Trask 6/14
 Bernard Donohue 6/14
 Allen Bozek 6/16
 John Buckle 6/20
 Herbert Slomowitz 6/20

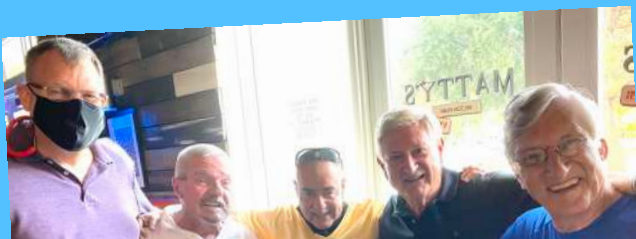
Martin Haberland 6/21
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 Henry Bernstein 6/22
 Clinton Finn 6/22
 Jerry Heaton 6/23
 Alain Lecusay 6/23
 Jerry Coffey 6/24
 Glenn Carroll 6/24
 William Niebles 6/25
 Edward Moskowitz 6/26
 Robert Blazina 6/26
 Jason Sapp 6/27
 Tom Gifford 6/28
 Harvey Eagle 6/28
 Jim Onessimo 6/29
 Ronald Goodale 6/30
 Peter Gavigan 6/30
 William Tadros 6/30

ANNIVERSARIES

John Fredricksen & Ralph
 Tanzi 6/5/1979 42 years
 Art Donley & Clint Finn
 6/22/1996 25 years



OUR FIRST IN-PERSON MIXER THIS YEAR



MAY 7,
 AT
 MATTY'S







MR JUNE

MATTHEW GILL



JUNE 2021 PRIME GENTLEMEN CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	Thu	FRI	SAT
<p>*LOCATIONS</p> <p>AL = AMF Margate, 2020 N. State Rd 7 33063 BP = Brummer Park, 3500 W Palm Aire Dr 33069 MA = Matty's, 2100 Wilton Dr 33305</p>				<p>ML = Manor Lns, 1517 NE 26th St. 33305 SC = Skolnick Ctr, 800 SW 36th Ave 33069 Zoom = Online meeting at zoom.us. See Henry Penas' email messages for links.</p>		
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