



ACTIVITIES

• Dick Huitema

Recent COVID developments have dashed our hopes for restarting all our in-person activities. Now, we don't expect them until the Delta variant and/or more recent COVID changes are under sufficient control to permit them.

Have no fear, though. We still have opportunities to be with each other. In addition to our Zoom sessions, these face-to-face opportunities continue:

Bowling on Wednesday mornings and afternoons

Formal Dinner (see page 4)

Mixers on Mondays

Tennis, on Tuesday, Thursday and weekend mornings

Walking on Thursday evenings

Get the rest of the details from our Calendar on page 8. 🏊‍♂️



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

• Henry Penas

Don't be shy. If you have any questions about our chapter, contact a member of the board. That's the reason why our telephone numbers and email addresses are plastered all over the place. We can be found on the Board Panel that appears in every issue of the *Surfer* (on page 3), on the roster that is on the "Contact Us" page of our website and in the Membership Roster that goes out to all members.

We are all very approachable and we play well with others. We are dedicated to making Prime Gentlemen better all the time and welcome comments and suggestions. It is your club and we are all in this together.

By getting feedback and keeping lines of communication open, our job becomes easier. When you let us know what we can

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and click on: *Membership*

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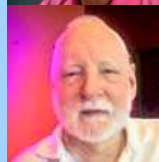
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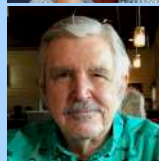
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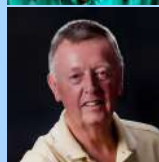
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do better, or share your ideas with us, it enables us to tailor everything this organization does to make it more relevant and meaningful.

The door is open for those of you who want to get more involved. Many of our activities started because one member had an interest in something and advertised it to see if others had the same interest. Because one member stepped forward, we now have these groups: Bowling, Collectors, History, Round Table, Tennis and Visiting Committee. We can always use more members on our Visiting Committee.

Once we are able to have our Monthly Membership Meeting in person again, we will need volunteers to help with set-up, serving the potluck and break-down.

Let us know if you have an interest in sharing a new activity group or in volunteering to help with any of the activities we already have. We look forward to hearing from you. 🏄

zoom
MEETINGS

Six groups (see Calendar, page 8) will hold sessions on the zoom.us platform.

You can reach each of them, except the Roundtable, using this Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5353298294?pwd=V0pDUjVHbEVtbzMxMHdiL1FPeU5rZz09>

Why not Bookmark it? 🏄



ROUNDTABLE

• Paul McNamara

September Roundtable sessions will be among the several meetings on our calendar to be held on Zoom. See the Weekly Bulletin email for the link.

Monday, September 13, 2:30 PM

Toby Johnson - A Gay Perspective on Spirituality and Religion

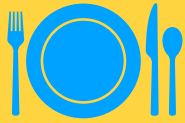
Toby is the author of ten books that deal with aspects of gay consciousness. He was formerly editor of the quarterly *White Crane Journal*. He will discuss his idea that being gay potentially imbues us with a talent for seeing life and human culture as an outsider, from over and above. Toby also believes that being gay may provide us with a "higher consciousness" of the nature of life, religion and "God."

Monday, September 27, 2:30 PM

Ed Slough - Climate Change Solutions and Sustainable Development

Our planet is currently facing severe environmental threats while at the same time the needs and wants of a growing population are further stressing the earth's finite resources. Sustainable development is meant to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. Ed will lead a discussion on how the goals of sustainable development can be achieved. 🏄

The way I see it, if you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain.
- Dolly Parton



FOOD AND DRINK



NO LUNCHES
this month



September Formal Dinner

LAS VEGAS CUBAN CUISINE

2807 E. Oakland Park Blvd
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33306



Monday September 20

Member: \$25

5:00-6:00 pm: Cash bar

Guest: \$29

(arrive by 5:40 pm)

(Tax & Tip included)

6:00 pm: Dinner

**Attend only if you
are fully vaccinated.**

Wear a mask except when seated.

Starter: Grilled Cuban Baguette

First Course: *Ensalada Mixta* - Mixed Salad

Entree (choose one):

All entrees served with white rice, black beans and sweet plantains.

E1. Filete de Pollo - Chicken Filet A flattened chicken breast marinated Cuban style. Cooked until golden. Topped with sauteed onions.

E2. Lechon Asado - Roast Pork Traditionally our national dish marinated in tasty tropical spices and mojo juice. Oven roasted, then grilled with sauteed onions.

E3. Ropa Vieja - Shredded Beef Thinly shredded flank beef cooked in tomato base sauce and marinated in garlic, bell peppers, onions and bay leaves. A Cuban tradition.

E4. Filete de Salmon - Salmon Filet Fresh salmon cooked on the grill.

Desserts (choose one):

D1. Flan A soft, creamy & rich baked custard glazed with caramel.

D2. Fresh Fruit (sugar free)

Beverages: Coffee, Tea, Iced tea (at table only)



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

Member _____ Codes: _____

Member _____ Codes: _____

Guest _____ Codes: _____

Make check payable to Fort Lauderdale Prime Gentlemen and write CUBAN in the Memo blank. Send it with this stub to: Fort Lauderdale Prime Gentlemen, PO Box 100666, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33310 or Go to: ftprimegentlemen.org and click on Reservations to pay with a credit card.

RESERVATIONS CUT-OFF DATE: September 16

To cancel, call Ed Slough, 754-200-4060, by 5 pm, Sept. 19



GENTLEMAN OF THE MONTH

- Ken South, interviewer

It was the dawn of the Baby Boomer generation: 1946. The UN General Assembly met for the first time in London, while, in NYC, John D. Rockefeller Jr. made a gift of the Manhattan real estate where the future UN headquarters would be built. Winston Churchill's "Iron Curtain" speech, delivered at Westminster College, Fulton, Missouri, warned of the seeds of the Cold War.

In Atlantic City, New Jersey, that year, Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis staged their first show as a comedy team. The Christmas classic "It's a Wonderful Life" film premiered in New York, and on Broadway, "Annie Get Your Gun" starring Ethel Merman and featuring "There's No Business Like Show Business" opened at the Imperial Theater.

Then, on March 3, 1946 in Gary, Indiana, Mr. September was born the first child in his family. A brother David and sister Connie arrived a few years later. Sadly, both have since passed away. Mr. S attended the Warren G. Harding elementary school in Hammond, IN and graduated from the Donald E. Gavit HS in 1964. He then went on to study at Ball State University in



Muncie, IN where he earned a BS degree. Further education included a MA degree from Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN.

He started teaching at the Morton High School in Hammond, IN in 1969 and thoroughly enjoyed teaching English and French for the next 35 years. During this time, he had the opportunity to attend the Sorbonne in Paris to hone his French language skills. He also had the chance to visit Edinburgh, Scotland and see the investiture ceremony of the Governor of Edinburgh Castle, filled with all its pomp and circumstance. He retired from teaching in 2004.

Mr. S also has enjoyed being an author. He has published seven books, all but one is still available through bookstores like Barnes & Noble and Amazon. Two of the most recent ones are *Growing Old in America: Notes from a Codger* and *Resisting Gravity: A Ghost Story*.

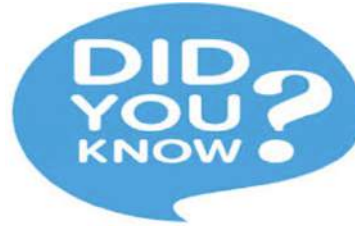
In 2007, Mr. S met Jim, on line, who was living in Denver, Colorado. After several trips to Colorado, Mr. S decided to move to Denver where they established a home together. Jim was Mr. S's third and current partner. They bought a condo in South Florida and would make frequent trips there to escape the rigors of the winters of the west. By 2016, they decided to leave

(see **MAN** on next page)

Colorado and make their permanent home in Fort Lauderdale. They rented out their condo and bought a home.

The couple found *Prime Gentlemen* through a Fort Lauderdale friend and have been active members ever since. Mr. S has been a dog lover all his life and the couple currently lives with a third senior citizen, Dudley!

If you haven't already recognized Mr. S, see page 7. 🏄



An espresso has less caffeine than a cup of coffee

A cup of drip brewed coffee has about 115 milligrams of caffeine, an espresso (and percolated coffee) about 80 mg. Decaffeinated coffee has about 3 mg of caffeine.

Jimmy Schill

July 22, 1939 - August 4, 2021

Fellow member and original founder of our organization passed away in the hospice unit at Holy Cross Hospital from the long-term effects of Parkinson's Disease.

He and Rick Rardon, after many years of being companions and partners, married eight months ago. Jimmy is also survived by one brother and two sisters.

Jimmy loved sports and as a member, had participated in our bowling, bocce and tennis groups. In fact, he started the bocce group and purchased all the equipment. He loved playing cards and was very fond of the Isles Casino. He was incredibly lucky and won more often than he lost.



Late in life he took up painting and became quite good at it. He once had an exhibition at the Pride Center and was successful at selling his paintings at local art shows. He also baked the birthday cake at every Monthly Membership Meeting. If you stood in the back of the room to have your picture taken, you were standing behind one of Jimmy's cakes.

To read more about Jimmy's life, go to this link: <https://tinyurl.com/wh4bdd4w>

Please keep Rick in your thoughts during this difficult time.

There is currently no information about a service.

"A good life is when you assume nothing, do more, need less, smile often, dream big, laugh a lot and realize how blessed you are for what you have." - Author Unknown

MILEPOSTS

BIRTHDAYS

David Gripp 9/1
 Jerome Overton 9/1
 John Dool 9/1
 Salvatore Vetro 9/2
 James Flora 9/4
 Roger O'Shea 9/4
 V. Gremillion 9/6
 Steven Palmer 9/6
 Dan Krocak 9/9
 Jack Almeleh 9/9
 Mike Freeman 9/10
 Peter Gallagher 9/13
 Francis DeStefano 9/13
 Peter Roukis 9/14
 Robert Morrow 9/16
 John Behan 9/16
 Gerhard Depken 9/16
 Jack Rosing 9/18
 Patrick Fischer 9/18

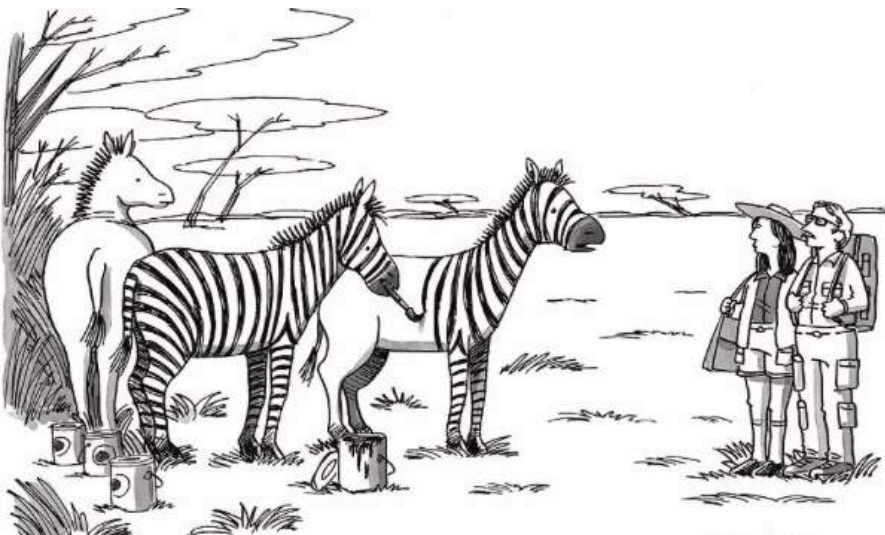
Clayton Raney 9/18
 David Parker 9/19
 Paul Sheffman 9/19
 Gary Luedtke 9/19
 Samuel Chalfant 9/20
 David Bisbey 9/21
 Ruso Perkins 9/21
 Charles Winey 9/21
 Nicholas Caputo 9/22
 John Martin 9/22
 Charles Walthall 9/27
 Michael Barcham 9/27
 Jerry Jensen 9/27
 Brian McCarthy 9/28
 Larry Ousley 9/28
 Joseph Guidetti 9/30
 Jim Gaffney 9/30
 Allen Koppang 9/30
 Luiz Basile 9/30

ANNIVERSARIES

Jim Beauter & Anthony Kulp
 9/7/1998 23 years
 Geoff Berry & Doug Carnahan
 9/22/2017 4 years
 Andy Horvath & Raymond
 Patterson 9/1/2018 3 years



MR SEPTEMBER
JOHN BOLINGER



“You weren’t supposed to see this.”

SEPTEMBER 2021 PRIME GENTLEMEN CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	Thu	FRI	SAT
<p>*LOCATIONS</p> <p>AL = AMF Margate, 2020 N. State Rd 7 33063</p> <p>BP = Brummer Park, 3500 W Palm Aire Dr 33069</p> <p>MA = Matty's, 2100 Wilton Dr 33305</p> <p>ML = Manor Lns, 1517 NE 26th St. 33305</p>			<p>1</p> <p>11:00 Bowling @ ML*</p> <p>1:00 Bowling @ AL*</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9:00 Tennis @ BP*</p> <p>2:00 Collectors @ Zoom*</p> <p>7:00 Walking @ SC*</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:00 Tennis (and/or Sun.) @ BP*</p>
<p>5</p> <p>2:00 Members Meeting @ Zoom*</p>	<p>6</p> <p>5:30 Mixer @ MA*</p> <p>6:00 Mixer @ Zoom*</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9:00 Tennis @ BP*</p> <p>2:00 Trivial Pursuit @ Zoom*</p>	<p>8</p> <p>11:00 Bowling @ ML*</p> <p>1:00 Bowling @ AL*</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:00 Tennis @ BP*</p> <p>1:00 Board Mtg @ Zoom*</p> <p>7:00 Walking @ SC*</p>	<p>10</p> <p>2:00 History @ Zoom*</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9:00 Tennis (and/or Sun.) @ BP*</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>2:30 Roundtable @ Zoom</p> <p>5:30 Mixer @ MA*</p> <p>6:00 Mixer @ Zoom*</p>	<p>14</p> <p>9:00 Tennis @ BP*</p> <p>2:00 Trivial Pursuit @ Zoom*</p> <p>5:00 Formal Dinner, p4</p>	<p>15</p> <p>11:00 Bowling @ ML*</p> <p>1:00 Bowling @ AL*</p>	<p>16</p> <p>9:00 Tennis @ BP*</p> <p>2:00 Collectors @ Zoom*</p> <p>7:00 Walking @ SC*</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9:00 Tennis (and/or Sun.) @ BP*</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>5:00 Formal Dinner (p4)</p> <p>5:30 Mixer @ MA*</p> <p>6:00 Mixer @ Zoom*</p>	<p>21</p> <p>9:00 Tennis @ BP*</p> <p>2:00 Trivial Pursuit @ Zoom*</p>	<p>22</p> <p>11:00 Bowling @ ML*</p> <p>1:00 Bowling @ AL*</p>	<p>23</p> <p>9:00 Tennis @ BP*</p> <p>7:00 Walking @ SC*</p>	<p>24</p> <p>2:00 History @ Zoom*</p>	<p>25</p> <p>9:00 Tennis (and/or Sun.) @ BP*</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>2:30 Roundtable @ Zoom</p> <p>5:30 Mixer @ MA*</p> <p>6:00 Mixer @ Zoom*</p>	<p>28</p> <p>9:00 Tennis @ BP*</p> <p>2:00 Trivial Pursuit @ Zoom*</p>	<p>29</p> <p>11:00 Bowling @ ML*</p> <p>1:00 Bowling @ AL*</p>	<p>30</p> <p>9:00 Tennis @ BP*</p> <p>7:00 Walking @ SC*</p>	<p>SC = Skolnick Ctr, 800 SW 36th Ave 33069</p> <p>SL = Stonewall Library, 1300 Sunrise Blvd 33311</p> <p>Zoom = Online meeting & may be in-person, too. See page 3 and the Weekly Bulletin email for details.</p>	