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JULY 2024



ACTIVITIES

Zoom Trivia
By Doug Kent

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Henry Penas



COVID struck and the majority of us were isolated at home with nothing to do or look forward to. For the most of us the only thing we had to do each week was a shopping trip to Publix. Andrew Langley and Tom Daniel put their collective thoughts together and came up with a fun, innovative idea that helped break the isolation of COVID. Zoom Trivia soon became the highlight of 13 or so Prime Gentlemen every week. We are celebrating our Fourth Anniversary this June.

Even though Zoom was relatively new to us all, 13 or so old queens struggled with the technical problems associated with a new software and somehow managed to

When Covid hit and we were all locked in our homes, I created the Prime Gentlemen Facebook page. I thought of it as a way for our members to stay connected with each other. I hoped that we would all post what we were doing to protect ourselves from the virus and what we found to keep us entertained during the shutdown.

Initially some members posted links to educational sites, YouTube videos and DIY projects. Others posted tips on how to get food delivered from the Supermarket, where to get tested or vaccinated and what they were watching on TV. After a while it morphed into just another Facebook page.

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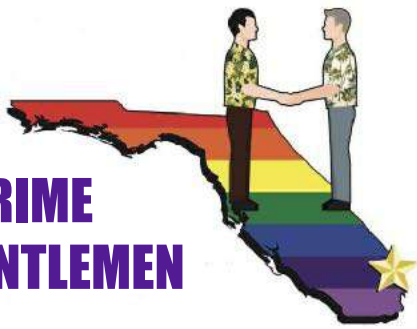
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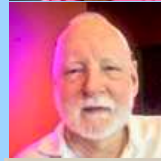
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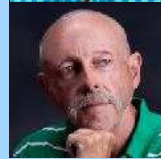
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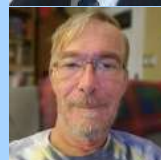
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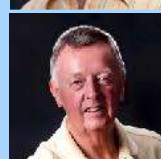
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ACTIVITIES

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get connected each week to play this brain testing, fun game. Andrew has maintained a perfect record of attendance and has not missed a week in the 4 years we have been playing. Even the week he was on a cruise in the Caribbean, he still managed to hold our weekly session. We all still look forward to our Trivia, and we have become very close friends as a result of our weekly meeting. We have all managed to meet together in person on several occasions, even with our members from Great Britain, Belgium and Canada. We all appreciate the effort that Andrew and Tom have put forth to keep us together. The game is still fun for us all and Andrew has managed to find several different versions of the game to keep it interesting and fun for all these years. Our Trivia family has stayed together through the dedication of our leaders, Andrew and Tom. We are very thankful to them for getting us together. As it looks now, we are all looking forward to our next 4 years.



Come visit us at Gumbo Limbo!



PRESIDENT

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Most of the posts were of cartoons, memes, jokes, and “look at me and what I ate today”.

A comment you often hear at one of our events is, “I never heard of the Fort Lauderdale Prime Gentlemen”.

Members Alex Meyer and Gustavo Marchini have been working closely with the Board of Directors to revamp our Facebook page and modernize our web page. Both vehicles will be used to spread the word of who we are and what we have to offer.

On both sites there will be postings of all of our events, with photos and videos. The webpage will make it possible to join the group and submit your payment and application to the treasurer and membership secretary.

Since we switched from PayPal to Square the number of members paying for meals and renewals has skyrocketed.

We are becoming more modern and more tech savvy too.

We are sure that once Alex and Gustavo completed their work, you will find it to your liking.

MOVIES

By Ed Slough



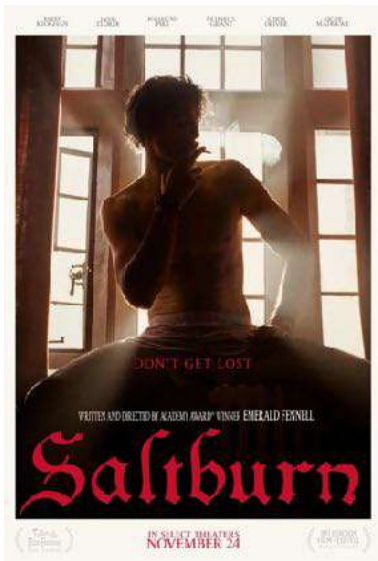
FREE MOVIES: "Saltburn" and
"Be Italian"

FRIDAY, July 19th at 1:30 PM

@ the Pride Center

FREE POPCORN AND SODA

A SAGE and Prime Gentlemen Event



"Saltburn" is about those gruesome human feelings of desire against the backdrop of a bright, sunny summer in England's most gorgeous castle, complete with a library and maze. The movie follows the first semester and summer of Oliver Quick, a student at Oxford who, like any other first-year, just wants to be seen. Everyone treats Oliver like a charity case to make themselves feel better, and Oliver wants nothing more than to have friends that love him.

This movie is easily a cult classic. It's weird and twisted, cinematically beautiful in every frame and, especially complex with its characters.

"Be Italian"



Broadway Backwards is the annual benefit concert celebrating the LGBTQ+ community via songs from musical theatre. The one-night-stand revue has been gender-switching famous show tunes for eighteen years.

In an Italian-American fever dream, Bradley Dean portrayed a Godfather archetype advising his son's suitor, played by Nicholas Park, to "Be Italian" in the signature song from Nine. Joined by a gaggle of gregarious gangsters, the full-out production number had the cast dancing sensually and sensationally amid red-checked tablecloths strewn with glasses of merlot.

05/17 Movie Goers!
50 attended



July Hero

By Ken South



Senator Joseph McCarthy was censured in 1954, bringing an end to his Communist witch hunt and The Supreme Court ruled on Brown v. Board of Education, making racial segregation in public schools unconstitutional. The words “under God” were added to the Pledge of Allegiance and Swanson introduced TV Dinners.

While in Japan, Emperor Hirohito continued on the Chrysanthemum Throne and the country’s Self-Defense Forces were established. The Prime minister was Shigeru Yoshida, a liberal democratic and Akira Kurosawa released the movie, Seven Samurai.

On November 12th of that year, Mr. July was born in Aichi Prefecture, Japan, the older of two sons. Sadly, his younger brother passed away some years later from cancer in 2005.



After attending college in Japan, Mr. J came to the US for additional education offered by a Japanese investment bank. He studied English in CA and MA before enrolling at NYU in NYC. For 15 years, Mr. J worked as an investment banker with the Japanese investment bank. His office was in a new building next to the World Trade Center where he worked for 10 years after obtaining his MBA.

Before he attended graduate school in NYC, Mr. J took summer school courses at U Mass, Boston. While in Boston that summer, he met Ed, an older American, with whom he had a 17-year, on and off relationship, until Ed’s sudden death in 1998. Ed was a devoted Zen Buddhist, collector of art, enjoyed antiques and good food with friends. His passion was to visit a Zen Temple in Japan.

Starting an antiques business was not their plan. On a trip to Kyoto, Japan, Mr. J saw a nice glass work of Dale Chihuly. He was very surprised to see an American glass work in the middle of the antiques area (Shinmon Zen street). He talked with the owner. Her shop was full of 2nd hand porcelain and glass dishes which he use to see in the US. So, he asked her if she would like to come to the US to buy. After a month, she arrived in Philadelphia and the antique business was formed.

"Night Out @ Tropics"
Wednesday July 24th @ 5 PM



Please email Ed Slough to let him know if you plan to attend
wildhybrid@aol.com

DINNERS ARE HALF-PRICE

You can check out their menu
<https://tropicsgrillefl.com/menu/>

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During her second visit, a pair of 17th century Japanese screens were found which enabled them to expand this new adventure exponentially. Until then Mr. J dealt mostly with Japanese dealers but, the business changed after his partner's sudden death and the 911 tragedy.

Mr. J. found a new direction for the business by watching Chanel buying back its old fashion items at antique shows. He started to collect vintage brand fashion accessories both in Japan and US. In 2004, he became a US citizen. Because of his younger brother's health problem, he had to make many trips to Japan. Each time he traveled, he purchased more brand accessories and accumulated quite a bit without much success until 2008.

In 2008, Lehman Brothers became bankrupt, and the big housing bubble burst. But Mr. J's business started to make money. Many US East coast, dealers started to wait for his new arrivals. By 2010, Mr. J had purchased a condo in Pompano Beach, but he also owned a house in Philadelphia and a townhouse in Flowertown, outside Philadelphia.

As a result of the Covid epidemic, Mr. J sold two of his properties and kept the one in Florida, and then moved to Florida permanently.

Mr. J is currently single and enjoys his time with Prime Gentlemen, he has many friends in the club, where he participates in tennis and the collector's group. He can also be found most Tuesday evenings at the Prime Gentleman mixer. He still visits Japan from time to time since his mother's passing last year, as he still has responsibilities to settle her estate there.

July Dinner Party

Myth Gastrobar
2211 Wilton Drive

Wednesday, July 17, 2024 at 6:00 pm

Order what you like from the menu. Pay by separate check
(cash gets you home faster!)
Guests are always welcome!!!

To reserve your seat/s, go to: Southy2222@gmail.com
Please send first & last names!

If you must cancel, call Ken South (301.461.4516) or Southy2222@gmail.com, no later than 5 PM the day
before the dinner.

Please try to arrive by 6:30 PM so our meals can be ordered properly.



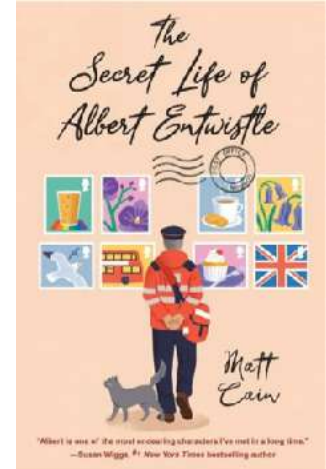
Book Discussion Group

By Paul McNamara



Matt Cain's *The Secret Life of Albert Entwistle* is a heartbreakingly sweet story about how times of crisis can trigger moments of rewarding growth. Melancholic and romantic, it charts one man's realization that it is never too late to live life to its fullest.

Albert Entwistle is a postman in an English country village, a creature of routine and privacy. Things are turned upside down when, on the eve of his 65th birthday, he is reminded of Royal Mail's mandatory retirement policy. He'll soon be without a job, without a routine. When events conspire to rip all his emotional supports away from him, he is forced to confront the question... who is the real Albert Entwistle? Albert has lived his whole life in the closet. As the novel progresses, the reason why becomes clearer. Albert has never dealt with a key traumatic incident in his past and has lived under the specter of his own shame for decades. But now, with nothing to lose, and the world changing around him quickly, Albert hatches a plan to change his circumstances; but change is never that easy.

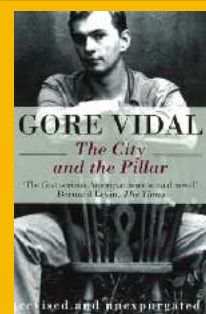


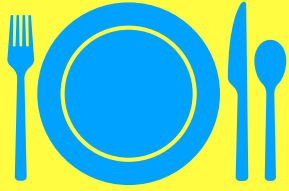
The *Secret Life of Albert Entwistle* has a cathartic edge to it, your emotions will be pulled from pillar to post(box) as you laugh, cry and cheer along with the characters. It's about as far from 'misery-porn' as you can get, while still having some emotional oomph behind it. A lovely, charming read.

The *Secret Life of Albert Entwistle* will be discussed at the next meeting of the Book Discussion Group, to be held on Saturday, July 13 from 11:00 AM to noon at the Stonewall Library, 1300 E Sunrise Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, and simultaneously on Zoom via this link: [Book Discussion Group](#) (Meeting ID: 275139 4844 and Pass code: 076609).

UPCOMING:

The August 10 meeting selection is:
The City and the Pillar,
by Gore Vidal





FOOD & DRINK



MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Sunday, July 7, 2:00 pm
Pride Center at Equality Park, Main Hall
2040 N. Dixie Highway, Wilton Manors, FL 33305
Bring a dish to share for our potluck meal

EARLY BIRD DINNER

Wednesday, July 10, 5:30 pm
Zuckerello's, 3017 E Commercial Blvd, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308
Contact Ed Slough at wildhybrid@aol.com so he can tell the restaurant how many to expect

DINER LUNCH

Thursday, July 11, 1:00 pm
Moonlite Diner, 6201 Andrews Ave. In Pompano Beach, FL 33309
Call or text Doug Kent at 305-495-2978 or email at dutchwood@att.net to reserve your seat

Monthly Dinner

Wednesday, July 17, 6:00 pm
Myth Gastrobar, 2211 Wilton Drive, FL 33305
To reserve your seat/s, go to: southy2222@gmail.com
Please send first & last names!

SAGE'S NIGHT OUT DINNER

Wednesday, July 24, Drinks: 5:00 pm, Half-Price Dinner: 5:30 pm
Tropics Grille, 2000 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL 33305
All are welcome, including all our friends from Sage and Prime Gentlemen
Please email Ed Slough if you plan to attend at wildhybrid@aol.com

REGULAR LUNCH

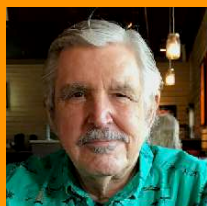
Thursday, July 25, 1:00 pm
15th Street Fisheries, 1900 SE 15th St., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316
Call or text Doug Kent at 305-495-2978 or email him at dutchwood@att.net to reserve your seat

MIXER

Every Tuesday, 5:00 pm
Tropics Grille Restaurant & Bar 2000 Wilton Drive
Wilton Manors, FL 33305
[No reservations; just pay for your drink\(s\) and enjoy the buffet!](#)

PRIME GENTLEMEN EXCURSION

By Ed Slough



Gumbo Limbo Nature Center
1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton, FL 33432

Saturday June 29th @ 10:30 AM

SAGE members are welcome

Admission is FREE

Parking at the Center is complimentary

Gumbo Limbo Nature Center is a place to enjoy an authentic outdoor Florida adventure. Twenty acres have been dedicated as a top marine life research and rescue destination for one of the ocean's most popular animals: the sea turtle.



Center Highlights include:

- Outdoor marine aquariums
- Sea Turtle Rehabilitation Facility
- Outdoor Marine Aquarium Feeding: Daily at 12:30-12:50 p.m., weather permitting
- Preserved Tropical Hardwood Hammock
- The Butterfly Garden
- Authentic Seminole Chiki

Contact Ed Slough at wildhybrid@aol.com to attend.

July
EARLY BIRD
DINNER

Wednesday,
July 10th
5:30 pm



Zuckarello's

3017 E Commercial Blvd,
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308

Zuckarello's has an extensive "early bird menu" with three course meals including soup or salad, entree, dessert and coffee or tea.

The quality of the food is excellent, the portions are generous, and the prices of the specials are very good.



If you would like to attend this dinner, Please notify me so I can give the restaurant a heads-up:

wildhybrid@aol.com.

Mr. July
Osamu Miyachi



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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Wayne Kelly	7/1	Donn Murphy	7/21
James McWilliams	7/2	Daniel Rosenblatt	7/21
Ken Brennan	7/3	Hans Hilgefort	7/22
Stephan Adelson	7/5	David Treece	7/23
Ralph Tanzi	7/6	George Hasandras	7/23
Dennis St. Jean	7/7	Roland Laperle	7/24
Roman Cisneros	7/8	Ken Gault	7/26
Timothy Kuehne	7/10	John Reid	7/26
Chuck Carroll	7/12	Thomas Valentino	7/27
John Hamwey	7/14	Ken Mylott	7/27
Rick Phillips	7/15	Roger Collins	7/29
Michael Nelson	7/16	Bill McDaris	7/29
Louis Heidel	7/18	Floyd MacDonald	7/30
John Dowd	7/18	Richard Padilla	7/30
Paul Olson	7/19	Myron Mikailian	7/31
Mel Beluscak	7/19	Louis Burkhardt	7/31
Norm Peters & Bill Woodward	7/15/1975	49 years	
Michael Loscalzo & Henry Bernstein	7/15/1985	39 years	
Steve Cooper & Ronn Schabinger	7/25/1986	38 years	
Deric Bownds & Len Walker	7/2/1989	35 years	
Dave Labbe & Stuart Geller	7/4/2010	14 years	
David Hughes & Peter Kelly	7/4/2011	13 years	
Chip Goodnight & Michael Goodnight	7/14/2014	10 years	

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- BP** = Brummer Park, 3500 W Palm Aire Dr 33069
- HA** = Haulover Beach, 10800 Collins Ave 33154
- ML** = Manor Lanes, 1517 NE 26th Street, 33305
- PC** = Pride Ctr, 2040 N. Dixie Hwy 33305
- SC** = Skolnick Ctr, 800 SW 36th Ave 33069
- SL** = Stonewall Lib, 1300 Sunrise Blvd 33311
- TR** = Tropics Bar & Grill, 2000 Wilton Dr 33305
- ZM** = See weekly email Bulletin for link.



EARLY BIRD DINNER AT GG'S OF NY - MAY 2024

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Attended



NIGHT OUT AT TROPICS - MAY 2024

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Attended



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Attended

MAY 2024 DINNER AT 5th ELEMENT INDIAN GRILL

