

Editors Issue



MESSENGER

Shine a light on the news

Do Two Negatives Make a Positive?

We have to agree that many of the articles we publish in the CV Messenger are in fact negative. But they are all based in reality. If the articles are seen as being negative in nature perhaps the issues we raise should be analyzed as to why they are seen as negative. Perhaps a response and a rebutal from those who make this criticism of the facts we publish would be in order. If any one would like to set the record straight by offering an article refuting the facts we publish, then they are welcome to do so. It's not enough to just say that The CV Messenger is negative. That's a pretty broad statement that does nothing to clarify anything. Put your objections in writing and state your case.

Ed Grossman was heavily criticized at the candidates forum for the nature of the publication. The fact is that the CV Messenger does not censor submissions from

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What are they hiding

And why are they hiding it ?

It is obvious that there is a deliberate and continuing campaign to prevent anyone other than a few members of "Team Dave" gaining access to the financial records.

You may or may not know that David Israel at one point agreed to allow Ed Grossman to conduct a forensic audit of the records. He agreed to this when he realized there was an outcry and a demand from the delegates assembly to allow it. A motion to make it happen was struck down when Israel said there was no need for a motion as he was saying it would be allowed and that he would be happy to open the records. Subsequently, after the assembly, Israel changed his mind and decided he wouldn't allow it. Leaving Dorothy Tetro and George Lowenstein who agreed to help, nonplussed and frustrated at this egregious action. How's that for fancy footwork?

With an election looming, "team dave" has again mounted a campaign to prevent Ed Grossman from getting access to the records. Israel's chosen puppet for the job is Ed Black, who really doesn't have the

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PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN GLASS HOUSES ARE THROWING STONES.

During election campaigns in Century Village, we have grown accustomed to seeing David Israel's blog filled with propoganda touting his preferred candidates and vilifying those who oppose him.

The latest addition to the hyperbole on his blog was added by an unknown person who signed his or her name as "interestedcver" Anonymous writings should be dismissed without giving them any credence. If there is any truth to the posting the author should step up and identify themselves. We suspect that this posting was placed by one of the usual suspects who wanted to make it look like Israel has more support than he really does.

Accusations that Ed Grossman "dropped a dime" on his neighbor" causing a lot of trouble with code enforcement over the lane and pavement markings,

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A Former UCO volunteer Speaks

Do not vote for David Israel Abstain !

Please take the time to read this as it is rather important.. I've noticed on what is referred to :The Other Blog, the one that was created for "Our Village" that does not reflect the views of all as only those SELECT FEW who share the creator's views are PERMITTED TO POST. Our current President has put out his WISH LIST requesting the Delegates vote for those he has endorsed..

As one who has served on Transportation, Security, Insurance, the UCO Reporter interviews on ch 63..chaired the Installation Dinner and of course was responsible for The First Thanksgiving Day Dinner, along with my fantastic committee(some no longer with us) I would be most appreciative if you would IGNORE his suggestion and consider the following..

DAVID BOAZ for VP....

EDWARD GROSSMAN ..for Treasurer

Although I admire JACK ADAMS and know he would do a fantastic job as President, his terms are not acceptable. Marcia Zicardy on the other hand in my opinion does not have the necessary qualifications. Our

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anyone and publishes articles as presented, unlike the UCO reporter which has consistently denied the publication of any criticism or objections to UCO activities. The complaint that Olga Wolkenstein called Bobby Levin is a distortion of the reality.

Olga published her opinion and stated that Bobby Levin's actions reminded her of the Capos in the Nazi death camps. it is not quite the same as calling her a Nazi. The capos were seen as traitors to their people. They were seen as people who would go to any lengths to please their nazi masters at the expense and the detriment of their own. Is this an instance where the truth hurts? here's a comment from Carole Szepesi about it:

*I do not dislike Bobby Levin, but I don't like that she made a comment about Olga that is not true, and people have to be aware that Olga did NOT call her a Nazi. In fact, **David is the person that calls people Nazis.** I am one of them that he gave this title to.*

The position of the officers who take the stance that anything published that flies in the face of their policies, their actions, or inactions is just negative is not a reasonable defence to the many issues raised in The CV Messenger.

Many people do not like to hear criticisms or opinions that differ from their own. But this is America folks! We have freedom of speech and freedom of the press enshrined as the foundation of this country.

The CV Messenger has published a lot of articles that could be seen as negative, we raised the issue of the going's on at Sheffield O, which is a story that detracts from the lifestyle here in the village. The result was the filing of lawsuits against Donald Kelly who was trying to terminate the association, that is very negative and would have a negative impact on the village. Should we just bury our heads in the sand and ignore it? Or should we raise the issue and demand action in the hope that some positive action be taken to rectify the situation?

We published our objections to David Israel's boorish, bullying behavior and threats to have the Sheriff remove speakers from the assembly. That is definitely negative and shows the village in a poor light. But the

outcome where David Israel stopped threatening and toned down his bullying behavior after being consulted by the Sheriff is a positive.

We published in depth articles about the poor condition of the water in the lake. Another negative, but absolutely true. Action to remedy the situation was undertaken shortly thereafter. That's a positive result to a story that could be said to be negative.

We published a series of articles entitled "SCANDALS, by Ed Ross, a noted and educated professional architect with many years experience in construction. The articles contain a huge wealth of information about the mismanagement, the misrepresentation of facts by the administration and the shoddy work performed by the paving company. It doesn't look good for those who were involved in the project and can be said to be negative to the image of the administration that UCO is portraying. Again: Should we in good conscience deny the facts and meekly accept that everything is rosy when it's not?

These are examples of the activities and the editorial policies of the Messenger Club, there are many more, but we hope you get the picture. Would you as an investor and an owner rather be denied the opportunity to read the facts just because someone who is screwing up the works does not like what is being published?

We would welcome a debate on this issue but we know that those who are in opposition are not really willing to debate the facts. it's easier to admonish the club and try to poison the well by avoiding the real issues and hide behind the sweeping statement that the publication is negative.

David Israel says this
paper is too negative.
I guess he's right!

We publish everything
he says and does.

misses the mark. Ed did call code enforcement because the parking lines were not conforming to the codes and actually caused people to be unable to park their cars. UCO didn't act on his complaints leaving no alternative but to take action to resolve the issue himself. M&M pavers were ultimately compelled to re-do the job and do it right. How that leads to Ed "dropping a dime" on his neighbors is beyond the pale. As for dropping dimes, lets not forget that David Israel dropped a dime and caused a lot of problems for the synagogue on Haverhill Road , The problem that Israel complained about was that a candidate for election had an election sign placed on the property. Code enforcement attended and found a couple of other violations that caused a whole lot of problems for the Synagogue.

Then there's the allegation that Ed causes a lot of disruptions at the delegates assemblies. Ed speaks frequently at the assemblies and is not shy about espousing his views. But that can't be construed as disruption . Can It? I mean the assemblies are for residents to have a forum and everyone is entitled to speak. If disruption means that someone is criticizing or challenging the executives I guess we should all just go there and sit nodding our heads in agreement.

The main cause of disruption is that David Israel is prone to rant and rave, threatens to have speakers removed, contravenes the rules of order on a regular basis and offers sarcastic remarks insulting the residents. Now that causes more disruption than anything else!

The allegation that the CV Messenger is so offensive that some residents refuse to read it is not quite true. The CV Messenger has seen circulation grow steadily over the years. We often get requests for inclusion on our mailing list that permits residents to read it online, the assertion that no one wants to read it is laughable. You are reading it right now, doesn't that tell you something?

Orchestrating a recall petition that ultimately failed is true. But it didn't fail because everyone was against it as suggested on the blog. It failed because the committee charged with investigating the allegations were mostly hand picked from among David Israel's cronies who refused to read the evidence, changed the procedures at the last minute, preventing the petitioners from submitting their evidence, causing the resignation of Randall Bochart, a very knowledgeable individual who resigned as chair .He said" I don't want to participate in a kangaroo court"

Randall has since declined to serve at UCO .

It is time to put someone in a position where a serious investigation of the financial dealings can be undertaken. Ed Grossman is the right man for that job. You can say what you like about Ed, but the figures don't lie. Could it be that the non co-operation promised by Israel if Ed Grossman is elected stems from his fear that the true state of the finances and the activities of the administration will be revealed?

Ed Black's comment that the books were a shambles left by the previous Treasurer is an about face on the previous statements made by the administration, and don't forget, Howard O'Brien was picked as the best candidate for "Team Dave" before he was elected. To impugn him now is reprehensible and falls into the category of negativity that the administration is loudly throwing at opponents. Since Howard's demise UCO has been unable to produce a decent financial report, at least not until they hired an accountant to do it for them, that speaks volumes about Ed black's competency. We were informed that the accountant is working under the supervision of Black, a frightful thought in light of his handling of the finances when he was elected Treasurer.

As for the criticism that Ed allowed an article comparing Bobby Levin to a Nazi to be published in

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ELECT
ED GROSSMAN CPA.
UCO TREASURER

The only candidate qualified to do the job !

Licensed as a Certified
Public Accountant for
over 50 years

Presently licensed in
Florida and New York
State

Member in good standing of;

The American Institute of
Certified Public accountants

The New York State Society of
Certified public Accountants

The Florida Institute of Certified
Public Accountants



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the CV Messenger. That is a distortion of the facts too! Olga Wolkenstein said that Bobby Levin's action in scheduling an event on the Sabbath reminded her of the capos in the death camps. That's a far cry from calling someone a Nazi. Not only that; Carole Szepesi claims that Israel actually did call her a Nazi. Here is her quote:

In fact, David is the person that calls people Nazis. I am one of them that he gave this title to.

Carole is a special kind of person who worked hard volunteering for the community until Israel decided she wasn't "Team" material and fired her.

Any thinking person will not fall into the trap of believing all this nonsense that David Israel and company trot out on the eve of every election. Credible residents, including George Loewenstein who publicly accused him of lying at the candidates forum, have frequently accused David Israel and Ed Black of lying and misrepresenting the facts. So let's elect Ed Grossman and find out the truth.

Like we said . The figures don't lie, and neither does Ed Grossman.

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current President, should NOT EVEN BE A CONSIDERATION.....in conclusion.. ABSTAIN....

As for the other positions, Corresponding & Recording Secretary 's no problems there nor with the Executive Board ...

Once more I urge you TO ABSTAIN on Presidential selection...

It has come to my attention our current President has stated if Ed Grossman is elected as Treasurer, he will NOT work with him. That is his choice should he be re elected. which I sincerely hope does not take place.

Thank you for taking the time to read my post...

Sincerely, Bettie Lee Bleckman,

Delegate..VP of Chatham M.

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qualifications to manage the finances, but has the unbridled support of Israel. Little wonder as Black is the leader of the Israel crony brigade.

PREVIOUS OFFICERS COMPLAINED THAT THEY WERE LOCKED OUT OF THE COMPUTER RECORDS BY ISRAEL WHEN THEY SERVED.

The real issue is being clouded by the laying of a vast array of red herrings being laid like mines in a war zone. The real issue is the concealment and evasion being perpetrated on anyone who asks the hard questions and demands the transparency we are entitled to.

It's up to the residents to see through the tangled web of allegations that really don't amount to a hill of beans and concentrate on the important issues. First and foremost : What are they hiding? And why are they so intent on hiding it? Second; Let's elect a Treasurer who knows what he is doing, and will not knuckle under.

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**Edward R Grossman C.P.A. WELLINGTON A. Running for UCO TREASURER
11 YEARS RESIDENCE IN CENTURY VILLAGE
CV EXPERIENCE**

2010: Elected Board member and UCO delegate for Wellington A Condo Assn.

2012 – present: Elected President and delegate of Wellington A Condominium Association Inc. .

Founder and President of: **The Century Village Messenger Club**, a group dedicated to seeking justice for residents of Century Village, the CV Messenger newspaper, The CV Messenger website and **Justice for Residents Inc. .**

Acted to motivate proceedings to curtail the attempted termination of the Sheffield O association.

Worked to bring an alternative cable provider into contract negotiations that resulted in the abandonment of plans by the administration to institute compulsory WIFI.

Brought the issue of the polluted, algae ridden condition of the lake to light.

EXPERIENCE

Practiced as a CPA for over 50 years. I am presently working and licensed as a CPA in New York State and Florida
Chief Financial Officer (Treasurer) of a jointly held Merrill Lynch Inc. and Kay Corporation both public and well-known financial corporations where I Managed over \$ 50,000,000 in credit lines and over 1,000 employees worldwide. I also formulated and instituted a computerized accounting program that is still being used by those corporations today.

President of a national wall covering manufacturer.

President of a successful commodities trading company.

Principal officer (CEO) of my own auditing firm for over 20 years.

Member of The Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York

Co-Publisher of three (3) weekly local Long Island newspapers.

Member in good standing of American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the New York State Society of Certified Accountants and the Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants

EDUCATION

1960 - Graduated: Bernard Baruch School of Business (City College of New York) B.B.A.

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Experience has given me a broad based knowledge of the intricacies of financial management. Creative solutions for maximizing earnings and sound financial strategies are my passion.

I have a deep and unwavering committment to social justice and never fail to stand up and be heard for what is right.

My computer skills are not limited to the spreadsheet. I vigorously pursue alternatives to problems through the internet, but do not confine myself to using it as my only tool. I derive great satisfaction in accomplishing my goals through consultation with others, and have a vast network of experts in many fields that I draw upon.

As a Certified Public Accountant I possess exceptional communication, organizational, time management, and decision making skills. I have a proven track record of consistently meeting and regularly surpassing demanding performance goals.

The most qualified candidate to run for the position of UCO Treasurer, Ed Grossman threw his hat in the ring at the February delegates assembly.

Not just a certified and practicing public accountant, but a tireless advocate for Century Village residents who never hesitates to stand up for what is fair and just.

“I want to bring back our **traditional accounting procedures** where budgeted expenditures and reserves are approved by the delegates and kept in separate accounts.” Says Ed.

“ I also look forward to making your money work for us by using my experience to make safe, US government guaranteed investments in T Bills that yield interest.” “ It’s a tactic that so far has been ignored by the current administration.” “Over the course of the Israel administration we have lost the opportunity to gain over \$200,000.00 in interest earnings”

“I intend to pursue creative means of generating income with the sole purpose of increasing our assets and thereby reducing our monthly condo fees”

UCO is a million dollar business. It needs a Treasurer who is a professional. Ed is that professional. He is a certified public accountant with many years experience. Being a past Treasurer my self, I know what the job entails. I therefore support Ed Grossman for the job of Treasurer.

George Loewenstein CPA.
Former Treasurer and Former President of UCO

Pre-Election Messenger Club Meeting

Learn the facts and have your say
**Wednesday 28 February
In the Party Room at the
main clubhouse 10.00am**

ELECT ED GROSSMAN CPA. UCO TREASURER

**EXPERIENCE
WHERE IT
COUNTS**



Don't Just Hope for a Better Future

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