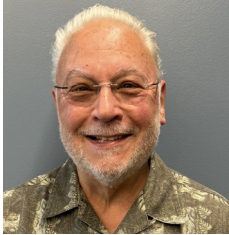




FROM THE EDITOR



The main article in this issue of **MEL Monthly** is from our Webmaster, Sheldon Kail. Titled "Did You Know You Could Do That On The Website?" he shares how every Melman can get the most out of this incredibly useful tool. You'll learn about (1) the links on the home page you can reach just by scrolling down, (2) receive a primer on the details available from the calendar, (3) discover how to use the Menu bar, (4) and how to get the most out of our

Member Directory, and (5) uncover what the MELLOWS email distribution list is for.

This issue is also filled with pictures including: the Photos of The Month, of course (this month black and white), plus Canasta, Pool, Bridge, Let's Talk Sports, and Pickleball. There's even proof of MEL's national reach.

Hope you enjoy it!

Gerry



LET'S TALK SPORTS – By Bruce Edelson

On Friday 9/27, 13 MEL fans talked sports at The Grill House on Dundee. Lamenting our not so wonderful local teams was sad. We did discuss the Bulls, Blackhawks, Bears, White Sox and Cubs before making our World Series predictions. Five teams were picked

to go all the way, but the most votes were the Phillies winning it all versus the Guardians.

Let's see how we did in a few weeks!



Did You Know You Could Do That On The MEL Website? (Go To menenjoyingleisure.org & save as a Favorite)

A. Explore Helpful Links on the main menu of the home page

1. Scroll down the home page to find QUICK links to several helpful pages on the website



Monthly Newsletter: Click to view and/or print monthly newsletters



History of MEL: Click to view a brief history of MEL



New Members Welcome: Click to understand MEL's mission and how we operate as an organization

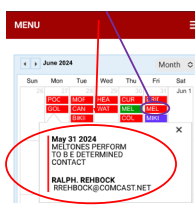
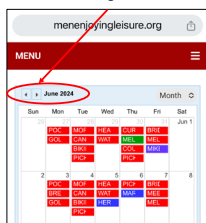


Upcoming Activities: Click to view a summary of MEL's upcoming activities

2. Scroll down the home page to the MEL Activity calendar

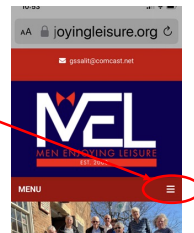
Click on left or right arrows to advance calendar to prior or following month

Click on event to display event details

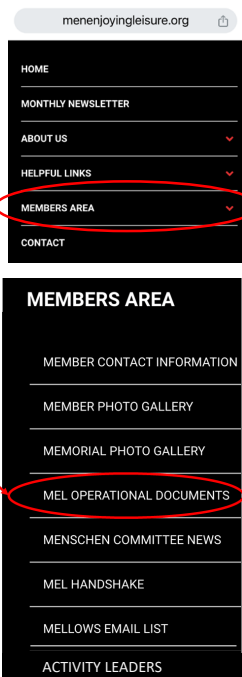


B. The home page has a MENU bar that can take you to the rest of the content on the website

Step 1: On your mobile phone tap on the MENU bar which is the 3 white horizontal lines in the red bar on the right.



Step 2: This will open up each of the main website sections. If the section you want to open has a red downward arrow to the right, click on the red arrow to open the subsection you want to view.

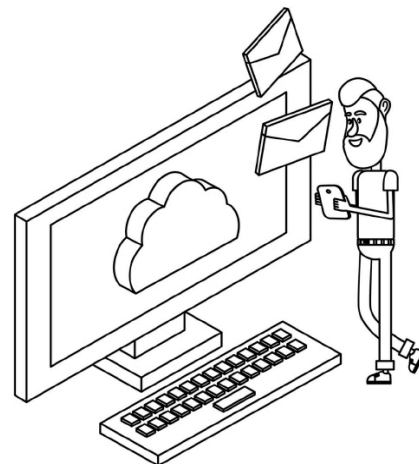


Note: The Members Area is password protected. If you are asked for a password type in **melmen** (all lower case).

Step 3: Next click on the subsection you want to view.

3. Mellows List

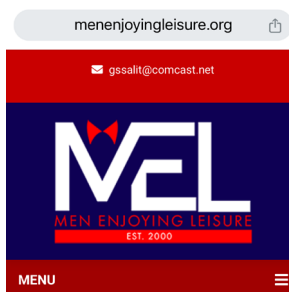
MELLOWS EMAIL DISCUSSION GROUP



This is a voluntary email discussion group. A number of MEL members have formed a separate mailing list within MEL which is named MELLOW. Since the main MEL list is to be used for MEL functions and business only, the MELLOW list is used as an outlet for opinion, philosophy, humor (some questionable) and for any other purpose, except commercial. If you would like to be added (or removed) to the list, please contact Sheldon Kail.

2. Examine Mel Operational Documents

- By-Laws, Code of Conduct, Financial Reports & BOD Minutes



TO VIEW OR DOWNLOAD MEL DOCUMENTS CLICK ON THE LINKS BELOW IN RED

[BY-LAWS](#)

[MEL BY-LAWS](#)

[POLICIES AND PROCEDURES](#)

[MEL CODE OF CONDUCT](#)

[FINANCIAL REPORTS](#)

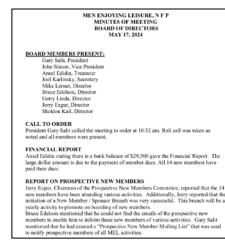
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MEN ENJOYING LEISURE CASH REPORT YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET
BEGINNING BALANCE	16,637.29	16,637.29
CASH RECEIVED:		
DUES	20,125.00	19,375.00
DINERS	2,525.00	2,500.00
	25,650.00	24,875.00
DISBURSEMENTS:		
RENT	1,815.00	1,800.00
COFFEE + MEETINGS	890.29	900.00
DINERS	13,674.00	13,600.00
DONATIONS	750.00	1,500.00
NET	1,500.00	1,500.00

Let's Explore a Few of the Menu Dropdown Links

1. Member Contact Information

- How to quickly create an email or call a member

Go to the MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION page & scroll to find the phone # you are looking for.

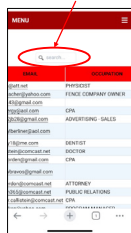
Tap on the phone number or email and a pop up will appear with the phone number in it. Press "Call" and the # will automatically be dialed for you!



- Explore the careers of MEL Members in the Members Area

Step 1: Scroll to the right of the contact info screen to find the SEARCH bar

Step 3: Type the attribute you are looking into the search bar. Results will automatically be displayed.



IT'S A SMALL WORLD



On Thursday September 12th, Bruce Edelson met up with Abby and Sheldon Kail at the Jordan Pond House in Acadia National Park, in Maine!

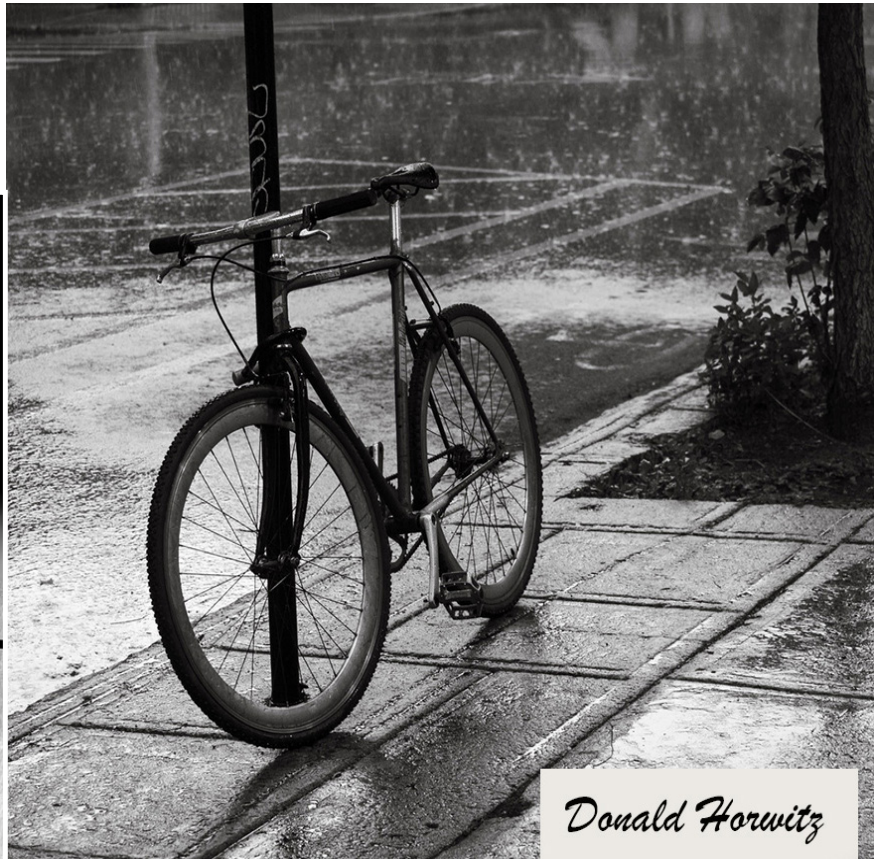
MEL PHOTOS OF THE MONTH

“BEST STORY”

“WILL YOU GO TO THE KINDERGARTEN PROM WITH ME?” TAKEN WITH A CELL PHONE AT SOUTH PARK SCHOOL ON SEPTEMBER 10TH. “I LOVE THE EXPRESSION ON THE LITTLE GIRL’S FACE.””



Joel Karlinsky



Donald Horwitz

“BEST PICTURE”

“WET BIKE.” TAKEN SEPTEMBER 7 IN MONTREAL CANADA WITH AN OLYMPUS. “WE WERE CAUGHT IN A FLASH RAINSTORM AND SAW THIS CONLEY BIKE FROM WHERE WE HAD TAKEN SHELTER.”



The MEL Hustlers. From left to right Bob Savin, Bill Blustein, Larry Fradin, Howard Katz and Gene Chaiken. Photo courtesy of Gene Chaiken



Melmen and friends who play bridge. Photo courtesy of Aaron Hershinow



UPCOMING SPECIAL AND SEMI-REGULAR EVENTS

- Oct. 17** Lake County Dunn Museum – True Crimes of Lake County and Bob Ross Paintings
- Dec. 12** Annual Couples Holiday Dinner at D’Agostino’s Wheeling



SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Sarge Hoteko
- 3 William Goldman
- 6 Stuart Goodman
- 6 Len Zacks
- 9 Alan M Magit
- 12 Sheldon Kail
- 13 Howard Weisbart
- 15 Julian Levy
- 16 Marvin Feinberg
- 17 Howard Levine
- 19 Steve Kardel
- 20 Peter Gruber
- 27 Paul Chester
- 29 Art Chapman



OCTOBER

- 2 Ralph Samuel
- 6 Jeffrey Wadler
- 9 Arnie Cohen
- 9 Ted Isaacman
- 11 Mark Garber
- 11 Les Sgnilek
- 12 Ulfur Thors
- 13 Steven Wasserman
- 22 Jack Myers
- 24 David Marcus
- 24 Jay Weintraub
- 26 Joel Goldberg
- 28 Larry Kominsky
- 31 Jack Marks
- 31 John Wolfson

