

The Prez Says

Fellow Prime Timers

Fall is here and with the most vibrant tree colors in several years. It is an invigorating time.

Last month's social featured John D'Emilo talking about his most recent book, *Memories of a Gay Catholic Boyhood*. It is an experience that many of us can relate with.



This month's social will feature Dr. Wil Burns from Northwestern University who will speak about "Environmental Policy and Culture." With the daily news constantly telling us about the effects of climate change, this is a very relevant topic.

Prime Timers celebrated Halloween in style. Our banquet at Gerber/Hart was a great success. We enjoyed good food and great conversation along with a library tour, which has a collection of over 26,000 volumes. Furthermore, it was an opportunity for everyone to network and strengthen the bonds with our gay community. We followed this event by participating in the Halloween Parade on Halsted Street. Everyone had a "gay" time.

As you are aware, in January a new board will assume the leadership for CPT. Many thanks to Russ B. for agreeing to chair the nominating committee. Four members will leave and four will remain, thus giving the new board the benefit of a legacy, so they don't have to reinvent the wheel, and the space for new ideas that will continue to foster the growth and vitality that is CPT. During this time of transition, I would ask that you consider who would be a good fit – perhaps you and/or a friend.

Thanksgiving is approaching, and some may not be able to be with family and friends for a number of reasons. CPT is a gathering of friends, and all are invited to a Thanksgiving meal at Andie's Restaurant at 2:00 p.m. on November 24. Please be sure to contact Bob C. This is very important because he needs an accurate count when he makes the reservations.

The best to all of you,

Message from Marvin

VISITING FLORIDA

Wayne and I waited until hurricane Ian had finished its romp through the Sarasota area before we headed down to our condo there. We also waited a few days because our Florida neighbors told us they were without power.

But eventually we headed south and got to Sarasota. No problems at our condo except the loss of a few items from the freezer. But looking around the area we saw lots of evidence of fallen trees, etc. Definitely happy to not have been here when the hurricane came through.



Pride seems to be celebrated here in November so there are several events to go to. We certainly plan to get to some of them. We also plan to get over to Ft. Lauderdale at some point.

A friend sent me a link which he described as "This could improve attendance". See for yourself - <https://www.nakedmalebutlers.com>.

We'll be here until late November, when we will head up to Bloomington for Thanksgiving with my son there. Then home until an all-gay cruise we've scheduled for mid-February.

Be well, greetings to all, hope you all stay in Prime health.

Chicago Prime Timers

We are the Chicago area chapter of Prime Timers Worldwide, which has over 75 chapters in the U.S., Canada and around the world. CPT publishes this newsletter for the sole use of its members. Contact us at

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Upcoming Events

Pizza and Politics

Tuesday, November 1, 6:00–8:00 p.m.



With the midterm elections fast approaching, **David Z.** has politics on his mind. He is hosting a Pizza and Politics event on Tuesday, November 1, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at his office at 1411 W. Wilson Avenue in Chicago's Uptown neighborhood. The office is on the ground level (there are four steps down.) ALL points of view are welcome. David will order pizza from [Munno Pizza](#) in Uptown. If you want to chip in for pizza, \$5 is suggested, or you can bring a sweet, side, or beverage. RSVP [here](#).

Wine and Cheese

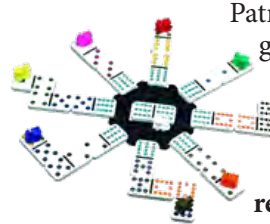
Sunday, November 6, 4:00–7:00 p.m.



Ron D. invites you to his home in Logan Square for an afternoon of wine, cheese, and conversation. **Please contact Ron** for directions and what to bring. Please note that Daylight Saving Time ends today.

Mexican Train Dominoes

Monday, November 7, 12:00 p.m.



Patrick C. will host the November games. As is the usual procedure, everyone will play against each other in the games but come together by ordering pizza and eating together. **Call Patrick to reserve.**

CPT Board Meeting

Monday, November 14, 7:00 p.m.

<https://zoom.us/j/8251754745>

Monthly Open Social

Sunday, November 13, 5:30 p.m.



Dr. Wil Burns

Join us for our monthly Open Social at Ann Sather Restaurant, 909 W. Belmont Ave. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner served at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$25, which includes a buffet dinner and tip. Dinner will be followed by a presentation on climate change by [Dr. Wil Burns](#), visiting professor with Northwestern University's Program in Environmental Policy and Culture.

Swim and Dine

Monday, November 14, 10:00 a.m.



At Edgewater Beach Apartments, 5555 N. Sheridan Road in Chicago's Edgewater neighborhood. We will meet in the lobby. Bring a swimsuit, towel, padlock, hair dryer, and togs. Swim in the beautiful, newly opened, large indoor pool.

Following our swim, join fellow Prime Timers for lunch at a nearby restaurant. Paid indoor valet parking is available. This event is limited to five participants, so **call Larry L. without delay** to reserve your spot. You must speak directly with Larry; do not just leave a message.

Neighborhood Dining

Thursday, November 17, 7:00 p.m.



Join us at [Replay Andersonville](#), 5358 N. Clark Street. Replay offers an eclectic cuisine, including chili, chicken, wraps, salads, tacos, quesadillas, burgers, and even Andersonville's best mac & cheese. You can expect to spend \$12-\$20 plus tax, tip, and bar. You can reach Replay via the #22 bus. On-street parking is available. **You must contact Ron D.** to reserve your spot.

Let's Do Lunch

Tuesday, November 15, 12:30 p.m.

Many of us are free to go to lunch on a weekday, avoiding the hustle and bustle of evenings and weekends. **Dan R.** has offered to gather a small group for lunch at [The Bagel](#), 3107 N. Broadway, in Chicago's Lakeview neighborhood. This establishment has been a popular destination for CPT's Neighborhood Dining events, and we look forward to returning, this time for lunch rather than dinner. There is a free parking lot on W. Barry Avenue. **Please call or text Dan** by end of day on Sunday the 13th so that he can make a reservation.



Widowers Group

Saturday, Nov 19, 1:00 p.m.

The November topic will be "They're Dead?" How often do you hear someone say, "Get on with life, they're dead" "Get rid of their reminders and start new" How do you react?

You can also reserve at the Meetup site <https://www.meetup.com/LGBT-Widows-and-Widowers-Support-Group-Meetup/>. (You must sign up for Meetup to fully use it.)

Join the Zoom Meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87823936401?pwd=c1ZVUG5rTndQelhNM1Fvb3NXc0huQT09>

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*Sunday
November 6*



Thanksgiving Dinner

Thursday, November 24, 2:00 p.m.

Enjoy your Thanksgiving dinner with fellow Prime Timers at [Andie's Restaurant](#), 5253 North Clark Street, in Chicago's Andersonville neighborhood. Andie's specializes in Mediterranean fusion, a flavorful, fresh, and healthy cuisine. Enjoy homemade pasta dishes, sauces, and dips while celebrating the holiday with friends. We will individually order from the menu and get separate checks. **Make your reservation by November 15 with Bob C.** so that everyone can sit together.



Nov. 05	Gregory A.
Nov. 05	John O.
Nov. 11	David C.
Nov. 11	David R.
Nov. 12	Ed L.
Nov. 13	Paul C.
Nov. 14	Patrick V.
Nov. 15	Jim R.
Nov. 17	John A.
Nov. 17	Carlos R.
Nov. 17	Chuck S.
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Nov. 25	Lewis P.
Nov. 26	Donald F.
Nov. 26	Jay Y.
Nov. 27	Dennis O.
Nov. 28	Mike K.
Nov. 30	David F.
Nov. 30	Larry L.
Nov. 30	Dale W.



Nov. 01	David L. & Jim R.
Nov. 01	Hal T. & Haruo K.

Films for Fall

by David Z.



Since it gets dark so early, and outdoor activities are curtailed, you may be looking for film ideas. Here are a couple of suggestions for events to go out for, and films to stay home for.

Dark and Sexy: For some of us, seeing [American Gigolo](#) in 1980 introduced us to Richard Gere. The film remains a love affair to his finely honed body, great wardrobe, hot cars, and music of Blondie. Today's [American Gigolo](#) on Showtime uses the same characters created by Paul Schrader and explores their histories and motivations. Jon Bernthal is the male hustler this time, with Rosie O'Donnell playing a featured role as a detective. It is worth the time if you like cop dramas.

Family Films: If you will watch films with kids or grandkids this holiday season, I enjoyed two films set in the Middle Ages with very light gay touches, but nothing overt. [Rosaline](#) is a new Hulu comedy about the woman Romeo jilted. If you love the original R & J, you may find yourself smiling at the sassy writing, the very gay Paris, and the extremely hunky leading man Sean Teale. Minnie Driver is also featured. A second film, [Catherine Called Birdy](#), is a fun look at teenage empowerment as Birdy fights to live the life she chooses. Lena Dunham makes it all feel fresh and fun. Look for it on Amazon.

Keep it Gay: Did you enjoy the gay films at Reeling and Chicago Film Fest? A new fest is the [Pride Film Fest](#) of which I am the director. You can stream the six programs of shorts and features from anywhere. The films are by emerging filmmakers and cover the whole spectrum of queer communities. A new program streams each Wednesday, now through December 11. Finally, [Black Alphabet Film Fest](#) is November 5 and 6 at the Logan Center at U of C, and they have films slated from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm both days. I am not sure if all of them are LGBTQ, but the company and facility are great. They also have an excellent list of [queer black films](#) on the website.

Other Prime Timers are welcome to submit articles about their areas of interest that they think may be useful and beneficial to the Prime Timer membership.

Buried Child

by Sam Shepard

Thursday, November 10, 7:30 p.m.



AstonRep Theatre Company presents *Buried Child* by Sam Shepard at [The Edge Theatre](#), 5451 N. Broadway Street in Chicago's Edgewater neighborhood. Dark secrets come to light in Sam Shepard's powerful Pulitzer Prize-winning play, which is set in America's heartland. Tickets are \$10 plus a \$4 service fee at [goldstar.com](#).

Hillary and Clinton

by Lucas Hnath

Sunday, November 20, 2:45 p.m.

[The Free Readers Ensemble](#) presents this political comedy at The Nineteenth Century Charitable Association, 178 Forest Ave, Oak Park, Illinois. In



an alternate universe, a presidential candidate named Hillary Clinton is trying to revive her faltering 2008 presidential campaign. Her campaign manager advises her to concede. Clinton turns to her husband, Bill, in a hotel room for advice. Admission is free. Street parking is available.

Tomáseen Foley's

A Celtic Christmas

Wednesday, November 30, 7:00 p.m.

At Athenaeum Center, 2936 N. Southport, Chicago. Now in its 27th season of touring nationally, Tomáseen Foley's *A Celtic Christmas* re-creates the joy and



innocence of a night before Christmas in a remote farmhouse in the west of Ireland. Neighboring families gather around the fire to grace the wintry night with traditional Irish Christmas carols, filling the night with music and laughter. Tickets are \$30 plus service fee at [goldstar.com](#).

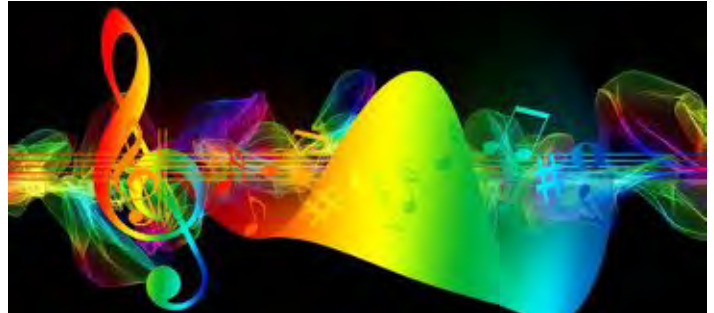
Silent film -

Douglas Fairbanks in Robin Hood

Thursday, December 1, 7:00 p.m.



Silent film with live organ accompaniment at the Music Box Theater, 3733 N. Southport Avenue, Chicago. See Douglas Fairbanks at the height of his athleticism and high jinks in this 1922 film. Admission is \$10.00.



Choral Concert

Sunday, November 20, 3:00 p.m.

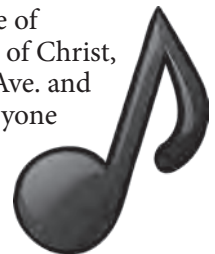


A choral concert by the [DePaul Community Chorus](#) titled "Italian Baroque Discoveries" featuring music of Vivaldi, Monteverdi, Martini, Caldera, and Galuppi. The concert will be held at the DePaul University Concert Hall at Halsted and Fullerton. The concert is free, but reservations must be made **with at Ron D.**

Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concert

Every Wednesday, 12:15 p.m.

Enjoy a delightful concert, free of charge, at the Seventeenth Church of Christ, Scientist at the corner of Wabash Ave. and Wacker Dr. After the concert, everyone is invited to lunch at a nearby restaurant. **Contact Ron D.** for more information.



In Memoriam

Francis X "Frank" M.



Former CPT member, "Frank" M, age 87, passed away on October 12, 2022. The death of his partner of 50 years, Paul C. Moore, preceded him.

Frank graduated from Saint Rita High School in 1953 and enlisted in the US Army, who stationed him at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri.

Frank was a witty, structured, routine person who always had the last jab. He loved receiving and giving kisses and hugs.

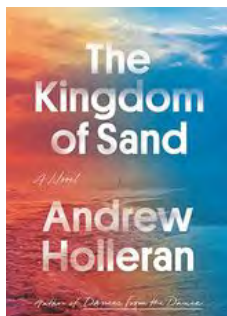
Book Discussion

The Kingdom of Sand

by Andrew Holleran

Thursday, December 1, 2:00 p.m.

Larry L. has offered to host a book discussion on *The Kingdom of Sand* (258 pgs.) by Andrew Holleran, author of *Dancer from the Dance*. The discussion will be held at Larry's apartment in Chicago's Edgewater neighborhood.



In this tale of desire and dread, the nameless narrator is a gay man who moved to Florida to care for his aging parents during the height of the AIDS epidemic and never left. He chronicles the indignities and loneliness of growing old in a small town. His one friendship is with Earl, an older gay man he met twenty years previously while cruising the boat ramp. They meet weekly to watch classic films and critique the neighbors. Now

Earl's health is failing. Our narrator must face that after Earl dies, he will be completely alone with only sexual encounters at the video porn store and visits to Walgreens. His reflections on illness and death are at once funny and heartbreaking.

The Kingdom of Sand is available at libraries or for purchase at Amazon. Order the book now and let Larry L. know that you will participate.

Gay Art Exhibition - Private Showing

The First Homosexuals: Global Depictions of a New Identity, 1869-1939

Thursday, December 8, 12:30pm

Gallery 659 - 659 W. Wrightwood

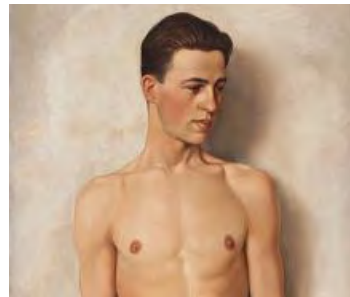
The term "homosexual" was first coined in Europe in 1869. Before then same-sex behavior was hidden. Now same-sex desire was viewed as the basis for a new identity category. Artists portrayed this new identity in their work. Twenty-three international scholars selected 100 artworks, many by major artists, for this exhibition. Some works have never left their home countries and private collections before.

Gallery 659 will open on a day they are normally closed: Thursday, December 8, at 12:30 p.m., for members of the Greater Chicago Chapter of the Victorian Society, Chicago Prime Timers, and Mensa's Rainbow SIG. Cost per ticket is \$15.

Send a check for \$15 made out to GCCVSA to:

Larry L.

Send it to me by December 1 as I must give the museum a list of attendees beforehand. Include your email address and phone number should the museum send me rules which I need to share. Last time they expected all attendees to arrive at the same time. Be



prepared to show your vaccination card with dates of vaccines and boosters. Bring a mask should the museum require it.

The museum is in the middle of the block, constructed behind the preserved facade of a three-story apartment building. You can walk right by not knowing you are passing a museum which won international awards for its architecture.



Public transportation or Uber is advised. Extremely tight street parking. SpotHero might identify parking garage spaces.

Out & About

Sunday Social



John D'Emilio (second from left) spoke about his latest book, "Memories of a Catholic Boyhood."

Halloween Party at Gerber/Hart



Erin Bell, the Interim Operations Director at Gerber/Hart, welcomed the Prime Timers and Paolo A. acknowledged Prime Timers who have contributed to the library's success.



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Board of Directors' Minutes

CHICAGO PRIME TIMERS
ZOOM BOARD MEETING
MONDAY 17 OCTOBER 2022

Present: **Scott B., Bob C., Ron D., Tom La., Larry L., Marvin L., Tom Lo., and Thomas N.**

Absent with notice: **Ray N.**

Guest: **David Z.**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 P.M.
The Agenda was approved by consensus.

Approval of Minutes of 12 September was moved by Larry and seconded by Marvin. The motion passed unanimously.

President's Report - 1) The majority of his time was devoted to formatting and publishing the newsletter. 2) He negotiated with Michael's Catering regarding the 29 October Dinner. The total cost will be approximately \$1,900.00. With the \$20 cost per person (\$700), leaving around \$1,200 for CPT to cover. 3) He met with David Z. who agreed to chair the Entertainment and Outreach committee.

Vice-President's Report - Scott reported the mailbox contained three payments for the Dinner and five membership renewals.

Treasurer's Report via email - Ray reported that the CPT Checking Account Balance is \$5,437.60. The Savings Account Balance is \$12,000.10. The total of all accounts was \$17,437.70.

Publicity Committee Report - Bob reported that we have reached the max of thirty-five for the 29 October Dinner. Still 10 to 15 email blasts are returning as spam.

Nominating Committee of Russ, Gil, and Frank are compiling a list of candidates.

New Business - David suggested a survey of membership as to what they want from the organization. Bob moved that we survey the membership, Ron seconded the motion to survey the membership. The motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting will be Monday 14 November at 7 P.M.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 7:44 P.M.
Respectfully submitted by **Thomas N., Secretary.**

November 2022

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