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“From Dream to Reality”



Archive Photo
September 1981

The above picture is one of the first aerial views of Sherwood Oaks 36 years ago. The road on the right side of the picture is the PA Turnpike and the road across the top center is Rochester Road. There was no Executive Drive or Laurelwood; just trees and fields. The Lake (toward the upper left corner of the picture) was filled with water and fish after this shot was taken.

Pictures for this series are suggested and selected by archivists, Joe and Peg Rychcik.

HELEN DOUGLAS

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Interviewed by Harriet Burress



A large happy-faced snowman greets everyone who visits with Helen Douglas at 322. Hanging on her front door, the snowman was created by Helen as she, her daughter and granddaughter attended a class at Artsy-Doodle in Beaver. Helen painted burlap white and gave her "greeter" a big bow of frothy netting. It takes creativity and talent to produce a craft so eye-catching and appealing. The three generations all look forward to their next workshop in Beaver, and we will anticipate another delightful finished product - perhaps on Helen's door. When asked about hobbies, she quickly responded "Crafts." To do them with family members is a bonus.

Helen has four children - all in the Pittsburgh area - ten grandchildren and two great-grands. Her husband, William, recently died after several years of declining health. "We had a wonderful life together and enjoyed many happy years. Traveling across the United States, first in a camper and then in a RV, was so much fun. Camping takes you to a different level of experiences - back roads, interesting people

from interesting places, etc." Paris is her favorite destination overseas.

William and Helen were both employed at Duquesne University. He was Director of Maintenance for 30 years, and she served as Publication Manager for 20. In that capacity she wrote Academic Journals and Newsletters.

Helen began the quest for her degree in education after she was a Mother. "My children and I would study together at the dining room table, and it encouraged them to do their best. One of my daughters and I returned to Duquesne for our Masters. Since there were few openings for teachers in the Pittsburgh Schools, I worked for Duquesne and loved it.

"After I retired, William and I started all over again and moved to Ligonier, PA. We were in the country and even bought a tractor, but after four years, I realized my husband's health was not the best. We moved to Cranberry for the second time." They had first lived in Danberry Farms where she published the newsletter. When they returned to 16066, their home was in Freedom Crossing.

Helen is really pleased with Sherwood Oaks, and although her children "pushed a bit for me to move, I am impressed with the medical staff, the friendliness of the staff and residents, the natural beauty of the campus, and the convenience of the location. I'm very happy here, and, she laughed, "I even bought new furniture and feel very good about it." She is already participating in the Grab and Go Book group, and the ACORN might be her next involvement. Please welcome our new neighbor and friend, Helen Douglas in 322.

SHEILA STEPP

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Interviewed by Betty Eichler

Wilbur and Mary Stepp, Sheila's husband's aunt and uncle, lived at Sherwood Oaks years ago. Sheila often brought her daughter and grandson to visit them. But that was much too soon for Sheila and her husband to begin thinking about living in a retirement community. Later, as a member of Hope Lutheran Church, Sheila had friends here, including Kim Good, Ed and Shirley Kappler, Ruth Grubb and Betty Tolbert. Sheila suggested she and her husband consider moving here, but he was not interested in moving from their home of 43 years in the Cranberry area; so thoughts of moving were put on hold.

Sheila grew up in Hazelwood, along the Allegheny River. Nearby was a large open area; Sheila remembers this as the location of the whole community's World War II Victory Gardens. As the only girl among numerous cousins, she remembers getting a new hat, purse, and gloves every Christmas from her God-mother. Her family attended St. Paul's Lutheran Church. She participated in Luther League and attended Taylor-Alderdice High School.

The family moved to Dormont where Sheila graduated from High School. She loved spending time at the Dormont Pool and park, where there were always lots of activities, including dances for teens. It was in this active, outdoor summer community where she met her future husband, Paul (Mel) Stepp.

The teacher of her commercial classes in high school was a professional business woman who not only taught from experience, but guaranteed that each graduate would have at least two job interviews. One

of these was successful for Sheila; she began her career with Tri-State Machinery Company, which made small engine equipment. She worked with billing, shipping and purchase orders, often moving on to more responsibility. The company did business with U. S. Steel, Mesta Machine, Alcoa, and far-away Brockway Glass. She and Mel married; Sheila quit work while raising their three children.

When the children were young, Sheila suggested that they take a family vacation. With only one income, money was tight. Mel said that if she could earn \$500.00 they would take a vacation. She got a job at Northway Mall, opening charge accounts for customers. She earned \$500.00; so the family enjoyed a week's vacation at Conneaut Lake. The hotel provided tickets for the amusement park and some restaurants. They had a wonderful and memorable vacation.

Sheila later worked for the Butler County News. One of the clients hired her to work in the office of Arcadia Controls, Inc. which represented two companies: one made small machines, the other made nuclear equipment, such as switches, batteries and control boxes. When the family lived in Philadelphia, Sheila worked for Allstate.

After her husband's death, Sheila again considered moving to a retirement community. Sherwood Oaks is ideal, given its proximity to Hope Lutheran Church, where she has been an active volunteer with Sunday School, the Social Committee, ushering, greeting, and the preparation of bulletins and newsletters. She continues to attend Yoga classes at the YMCA just up the road. Make sure you meet Sheila and welcome her to her new home.

LEE & PAUL WIERMAN

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Interviewed by Jean Henderson



Around the World with Lee and Paul Wierman

First Stops. Paul grew up in Steubenville OH; Lee in eastern WV.

Second Stops. Lee – WVU, Pitt, and Carlow BSN; Paul – Westminster College '53, Air Force during Korea, and Pittsburgh Theological Seminary '61.

Third Stop. The Altar, 1957. Three daughters: lawyer in MD, pastor in Beaver Co., and legal editor in Toronto; grand-daughter in Brooklyn, NY and grandson entering Hobart College in the fall.

Multiple Stops. Lee – RN, BSN at various hospitals including Shadyside (where Paul was born), Beaver, and medical practices – retired in 2000; Paul – 5 Presbyterian pastorates in Butler, Allegheny, Westmoreland counties, Delray Beach FL, and 17 years at Park, Beaver – retired in '96.

International Stops. Scotland (four clergy exchanges), Ireland, Brazil, Jerusalem, Scandinavia, Berlin, S. Germany,

Czech Republic, France, Switzerland, Netherlands, India (met the Dalai Lama), Anna Maria Island FL, and Rehoboth Beach, DE with Bill Paul's family for years.

Scheduled Stops. Movies, book shelves (Paul – non-fiction) (Lee – ask to see her book diary begun in 1980), choral singing, writing (Paul has published three pieces in the Post Gazette), and good restaurants.

Volunteer Stops. Lee: Home Health Agency; Paul: Peacemaking

Current Stop. Sherwood Oaks after 37 years in Beaver! Old friends here at SO include Bill and Nancy Paul (over 50 years), Alick Kennedy who succeeded Paul at Heritage Church, Jim Donnell, Deane and Jane Lavender, and Jean Henderson who worked with Paul at Park Beaver and whose great aunts taught Paul as a teen in Steubenville, chorus director Lyn Marsh who was a young member of a church Paul served...and many more.

Paul and Lee look forward to new friends joining their circle of friends here!

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FEBRUARY:

Short on days.

Long on reasons to celebrate.

February 2	Groundhog Day
February 14	St Valentines Day
February 16	Presidents Day
February 28	Mardi Gras

WHAT'S NEW WITH SORA?

HEADS UP!! You can find SORA news on the SORA bulletin board in the Mail Room near the Scooter Room! You'll find meeting minutes, lists of committees and activities, etc. Winter is a good time to get involved!!

"The mission of the Sherwood Oaks Residents Association is to promote the common interest of the residents of SO and to assist the PGH Lifetime Care Community in operating the SO facilities and in furnishing financial assistance to residents when the need has been established."

Reports and actions at the January 2017 SORA Board meeting included:

Finances: Gary Brandenberger reported a current balance in the Memorial/Special Projects Fund of \$60,348. 77% of residents donated to the 2016 Employee Appreciation Fund. The operating budget bank balance is \$27,750.87.

Trips and Tours: Eighty tickets were sold for the New Year's Eve Party.

Chapel: All services for 53 Sundays and special holy days in 2017 have been arranged with 39 clergy participating.

Program: Programs have been booked for all slots except for June.

Annette McPeek reported the new telephone system installation will begin January 20. Painting in the café and delivery of new furniture should occur in January.

activities to the PLCC Board in December. He continues his visits to committee meetings and activity events.

WINTERFEST will be held January 31, 1-3 p.m. at the Center— an event to introduce all residents to SORA committees and activities.

Next SORA Board meeting:
February 7, 2017.

Jean Henderson, Secretary
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EMPLOYEE THANK-YOU'S

On December 8, SORA board members distributed \$156,100 in gift checks to our employees at their annual holiday party. Each check was based on the number of hours worked. 77% of our residents donated to the 2016 Fund Drive. Here are a few quotes from the dozens of thank-you notes we received:

- ◆ What you residents do for us is unheard of today...
- ◆ Your gift is not only appreciated by me, but by my family too...
- ◆ I have worked at SO for 8 years and love working here...
- ◆ Awesome, Generous, Unselfish, Kind-hearted, Considerate...these are only a few words that describe the residents of SO...
- ◆ You made my holiday...
- ◆ Working with and for SO Residents is pleasurable and rewarding in itself; your thoughtfulness is especially overwhelming...

- ◆ Working here is my home away from home...
- ◆ Coming to work is a pleasure...
- ◆ You've made a huge difference in my college life; you make SO a great place to work...
- ◆ After 34 years here, I am retiring; thank you for the opportunity to 'be there for you...' I shall miss SO so much...
- ◆ In the past, your checks were the icing on the cake...after a difficult 2016, this year it was the cake; your generosity and kindness make SO feels like home and family...
- ◆ We are privileged to work here and be entrusted to care for you...
- ◆ Your generous gift is truly a blessing each year...
- ◆ Your generosity is absolutely amazing...
- ◆ Your gift allows my family to do some special things together that we couldn't afford to do otherwise...
- ◆ God Bless and Good Health to ALL of you...

A MEMORABLE BUS TRIP

It was Friday, February 14, 1969; my wife Sally and I had tickets for a neighborhood Valentine's Day Party at a fire station a few miles north of our North Hills home.

Rain started in late morning, changing to freezing rain in early afternoon and to a light snow by mid-afternoon. Looking out the window of our downtown offices around 5:00 pm my boss and I concluded it would take a while for the traffic jam to break; so we visited a nearby watering hole. After a few

martinis, we went our separate ways about 6:00 pm, he to catch a South Hills bus and I a McKnight Road bus. After buying a newspaper, I caught the 5:15 bus around 6:30, found a seat and took a nap.

I awakened around 7:30 and noted our bus was on Cedar Avenue on the North Side, in front of a "White Tower" eatery, I guessed about 1.5 miles from where I'd boarded it. I left the bus and walked to Wiegand's Restaurant (now James Street Tavern) for dinner. I ordered a martini at the bar and used the public telephone to call Sally to alert her that I would be late arriving home. When I returned to my barstool, I found that I'd been joined by two other bus occupants, who had seen me depart the bus and start walking toward Wiegand's; they thought I had a good idea. After another drink or two and a light dinner we walked up James Street to North Avenue and reboarded the same bus we'd departed over an hour earlier — just before it turned up East Street.

The bus passengers were tired and hungry, disgruntled that they had been on a bus that had progressed only a few miles in over two hours since they'd boarded it. In an attempt to bring some levity to the situation, I pulled out my newspaper and initiated a group crossword puzzle. Friday's puzzle is somewhat difficult and we had no dictionary or atlas to consult; so we didn't complete the solution until just before the bus arrived at a gas station at the bottom of the road leading to my neighborhood.

Jim Hollister

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RAISINS IN MY OATMEAL

The milk is skim and like the sky.
The toast is thin, and very dry.
The coffee's black as it can be
There's no caffeine in it for me.
But - I - find
Raisins in my oatmeal now and then.

Cholesterol may be my fall
Avoid I must the rays of sol.
The wine stays in the bottle tall
And booze for me is not at all.
But - I - can - get
Raisins in my oatmeal now and then.

My soda pop is sugar free
And I must count each calorie.
Still the salt stays in the shaker
And fresh donuts at the baker.
But - I - can - have
Raisins in my oatmeal now and then.

Tri-focals blur my vision
And wax plugs up my ears.
The only thing I don't forget
Is how to shift the gears.
But - I - remember
Raisins in my oatmeal now and then.

Young women I'm permitted to pursue.
I must be careful not to catch them
Because I don't
Remember what to do
But - I - catch
Raisins in my oatmeal now and then.

Three score and ten the good book says
Is man's allotted life.
Of these I've spent two score and more
With one beloved wife
And - she - still - puts
Raisins in my oatmeal now and then.

John Lord

*He and his wife Meriel (rhymes with cereal)
moved to Sherwood Oaks on Dec 20, 1987.*



Oatmeal photo by John Becker

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preferably by email.



CELEBRATING THE 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF SHERWOOD OAKS: CONSTRUCTION.....

FIRSTS FOR SHERWOOD OAKS:

- ***the first LOGO for Sherwood Oaks was designed by Robert Fantazier of Fantazier Creative in Pittsburgh
- ***the first ADDRESS was PO Box P in Wexford, PA 15090
- ***the first PHONE NUMBER was 412-935-6090
- ***the first EMPLOYEES were James Melhorn, Executive Director, hired in May 1979, Bobbie (Mastro) Cleland Secretary, September 1979 and Marketing Director, Harry Hinds, January 1980.
- ***probably the first CRIME COMMITTED on Sherwood Oaks property was reported on November 19, 1980 in the Pittsburgh Press. Cranberry Township police arrested four Ohio loggers and one township man for chopping down 35 oak trees valued at \$25,000 in the proposed Sherwood Oaks community.

It was noted in the OAK LOG issue dated September 21, 1981 that 150 future

residents and guests were the first to officially visit the Sherwood Oaks home models. The overall feeling was that the homes were even better than imagined. In a construction update in the same issue, of the 58 residential buildings, all have floor slabs in place. Exterior framing was up for over half the buildings. Asphalt had been laid for the perimeter road and most of the parking areas.

In The OAK LOG, issue dated February 1982, there was a Construction Update titled "Right Before Our Eyes." It reported number of things:

Progress in the community center was amazing:

- rooms were taking shape as partitions were completed
- some equipment was in place

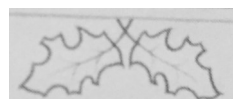
The view from the balconied rooms and dining room was a scenic overlook of the lake and the surrounding countryside:

- the lake was now full
- it would be ready for fish when the time came to stock it

In the Skilled Nursing Center area:

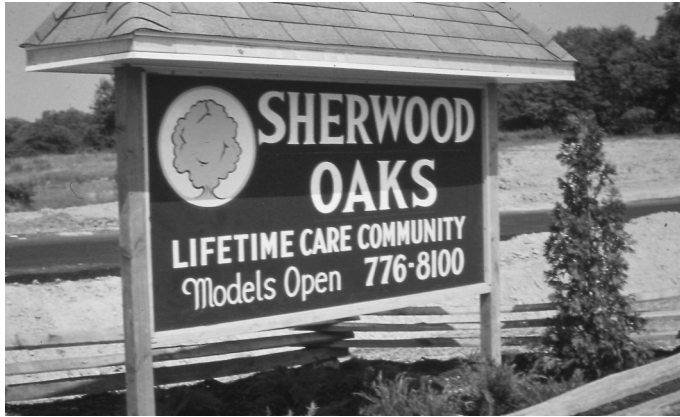
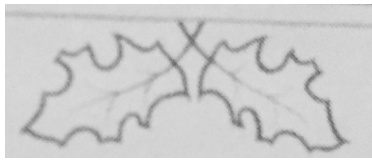
- rooms were dry walled and ready to be painted
- residential rooms were ready for dry wall
- much heavy equipment (boilers, holding tanks and generators) were in place
- the heating and cooling equipment in 90% of the patient rooms were installed and functioning

The swimming pool and whirlpool were in place in a room full of sunlight from the many windows and sliding glass doors



Julie Eden
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**FROM
THE
ARCHIVES**



Our first "official" sign with our "real" phone number.



The first employees from left to right: James Melhorn, Executive Director, hired in May 1979, resident, Dorothy Van der Voort; Bobbie (Mastro) Cleland, Secretary, hired in September 1979; and Harry Hinds, Marketing Director, hired in January 1980.



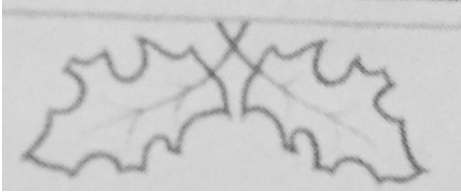
The outside maintenance/grounds/landscape building.
April 1981



The foundation is poured for the Health Center.
May 1981



The Health Center walls are constructed.
August 1981



***From Oakland to Cranberry Township
or 15213 – 15090 – 16046 - 16066***

In 1978, when Sherwood Oaks was still on the drawing board, the person to contact for more information about CCRC living in WPA was Jane Locke, head of the Admissions Committee, who lived on Neville St in Oakland, 15213, around the corner from The Friends Meeting House.

The first office was located in Wexford, right on Perry Highway, and the address was a P.O. Box. The office consisted of two rooms in a building that housed a physical therapy practice. Mail was picked up at the Wexford post office, 15090, each morning.

When the office actually moved to 100 Norman Drive, the address was Mars, PA, 16046. Bobbie Cleland says that the staff was given the choice of Zelienople (16063) or Mars. They chose the simpler word. And of course, they were confident that Sherwood Oaks would offer out of this world opportunities.

On May 16, 1994, the Cranberry Township Post Office celebrated its grand opening and 100 Norman Dr., was listed in Cranberry Township, 16066. Bobbie didn't need to move as much as a storage file.

Ruth Becker and Bobbie Cleland

CURIO CABINETS

"Africa" surely shows the breadth of our residents' travel experiences. Don't miss the hand crafted scissors from Morocco and the blow darts with quiver from Liberia, among other amazing objects.

Two years ago we displayed a selection of Winnie Dietz's museum quality painted china. In March we will repeat that showing with many new examples of her work.

The Africa display will be followed by Winnie Dietz's china on March 2.

Pickup times for Africa items:
Tuesday, February 28
10-12 PM
4:30-5:30 PM

Gussie Dimmick
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PAINTING CLASS

You can buy coloring books that attract the most sophisticated adult or the nursery set. You can dazzle everyone and yourself with your purchasing power (maybe) — or — you can dazzle everyone with your creativity. How? Come to the enjoyable resident activity called the Painting Class. We meet Mondays from 1 to 3 PM in the Painting Studio on the lower level near the woodshop. Whether novice or pro, you are most welcome. There is no fee. We have some supplies to help you get started. You need only bring yourself.

Dorothy Fitzpatrick
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SORA PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Our February program will feature musician Anna Shoenthal. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Donald Shoenthal and is a sophomore at Grove City College, where she majors in piano and vocal studies. She is involved in several ensembles, including Touring Choir, Chapel choir, and Orchestra. She recently accompanied several participants in the Annual Grove City College Concerto Competition. She was also selected to be the piano accompanist for the fall music production of Anything Goes. During Anna's elementary and high school years, she participated in the National Federation of Music Clubs' Festival Program. Her senior year of high school, Anna was honored to be one of only two recipients in the state of Pennsylvania to receive the Federation's highest honor, The President's Cup.

From a young age, Anna enjoyed making music and continues to do so, using her talents to witness to others and glorify God.

She will be playing a selection of piano music featuring a number of composers including Chopin and Rachmaninoff. All of these songs involve a range that spans from the classical era to more modern repertoire.

The program will be presented on Thursday, February 23 in the Auditorium at 7:30 PM.

Jim Miller
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SHERWOOD GIFTS

Sherwood Gifts has it!! What do you like? What do you need? Jewelry? Pretty Scarf? Cards for a friend or family? Stamps to send them? Need that extra something for your apartment? Out of tooth paste?

We hope that you saw our display at Winterfest and know that whatever it is you need or just want, we will likely have it at Sherwood Gifts. Oops! Forgot your money? We are more than happy to put it on hold for you.

At the end of the 3rd quarter, we found that our first order of Christmas Stamps sold in a minute, so we ordered more and they also disappeared. Christmas jewelry sold rapidly and we were pleased to see it adorning so many residents. Other Christmas items quickly left the shelves such as sundries and Granies attic items and, by the end of the quarter, shelves were ready to be replenished. The turnover of the annex keeps our volunteers there more than busy. With all this success, the Gift Shop, this quarter, was proud to be able to contribute \$7,000.00 to the SORA Memorial Gifts Fund.

With many thanks to all our volunteers, we are ready for another year. If you have a couple of hours a month (more if you like) to be a part of our group, contact Peggy Meister (157) or Kelley Noble (189). The next meeting of all Sherwood Gifts volunteers will be on Monday, February 13 at 4:00 PM in the Card Room.

Judy Batson
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Worth the Time
by Ed Vidt

Alistair Cooke's AMERICA by
Alistair Cooke (His)

Coo Since Cooke is not a native American, and since he was a really fine journalist, he brings a marvelously free lance view of all things American. Our often romantic views of our history in North America is, in this large and comprehensive book, salted frequently with the truth of how sordid and unnecessarily violent life was. Starting with the Indians, and going through our discovery by Europeans, plus our often stupid wars with ourselves, Cooke tells it as it really was! But as the truth will also show, we are most certainly often fine, thoughtful, and benevolent. This book was great fun to read, mostly due to what we would consider the contrarian views Cooke presents so well.

John Quincy Adams by Paul Nagel
(Bio) Nag

A curmudgeon! A thoughtful Secretary of State. A wonderful husband. All of those and much more. He was a poor President, but as he worked in the House of Representatives after his presidency, he provided excellent guidance for the establishment of the Smithsonian Institute, for the future abolishment of slavery, for rules that would

permit free speech in the House, and for many both helpful and practical laws. This book is a bit dull at times, but it also is often a source of pleasant and intelligent discussions on how our Democracy came to function as it should.

Thomas Jefferson and the Tripoly Pirates by Brian Kilmeade (His) Kil

So there we were, a new nation, but without a Navy. That was how things got so bollixed up when Jefferson was President in 1801. We were trading with Mediterranean Nations by sailing our commercial vessels through the Gibraltar Straits, and that trade gave us access to much in the way of food and merchandise that we wanted, but then came the Pirates. Jefferson established a Navy and then the Marine Corps (for protection on "The Shores of Tripoly" as the Marine's battle hymn says). They all took some years to get their act together, and to have leaders that could lead, but eventually the Pirates were skunked by our mostly unsung Navy. This is a story we didn't get taught in my school!



Laugh while you're at it...

The Alumnae-i magazine from my college arrived the other day. One of my college friends reported that she and her husband have moved into a CCRC. She calls it a "Finishing School."

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Spotlight on New Books
The Book Selection Committee

Tom Fararo, Chair

These recently purchased books are on the new book shelf in our library. If a book you seek is not there, you can fill out a reserve slip.

Moonglow by Michael Chabon. Fiction. Chabon is a 1984 Pitt graduate. His first novel "The Mysteries of Pittsburgh" was a bestseller and a later novel won the Pulitzer Prize. This new novel, based on the life of his grandfather, is "*a wondrous book that celebrates the power of family bonds*" (*Washington Post*).

Victoria by Daisy Goodwin. Fiction. It is 1837 when a young woman of 18 becomes the queen. Drawing upon Victoria's diaries, the book brings the young queen to life. "*Fun and romantic*" (*Kirkus*).

The Sleeping Beauty Killer by Mary Higgins Clark and Alafair Burke. Fiction. This mystery is said by *Publishers Weekly* to have "*a clever plot and a cast of intriguing characters.*"

Livia Lone by Barry Eisler. Fiction. Livia is a woman on a mission of revenge for her sister's long ago abduction by human traffickers. "*An explosive thriller ... filled with raw power*" (*Kirkus Starred Review*).

The Seventh Plague by James Rollins. Fiction. A deadly virus sets off a global crisis. The book features "*exotic locales, heroic quests, quixotic villains, and action galore*" (*Publishers Weekly* starred review).

Thank You for Being Late: An Optimist's Guide to Thriving in the Age of Accelerations. by Thomas Friedman. Nonfiction. The subtitle is the thesis of this *NY Times* columnist as he reports on the ever-increasing change in the world and how the USA can and must respond to the challenges.

FOCUS ON THE WORLD PRESENTS
"13TH"

Thursday, Feb. 16, 7 PM
Auditorium

Running time: 1 hr. 40 min.

"13th", the title of noted filmmaker Ava DuVernay's extraordinary documentary, refers to the 13th Amendment to the Constitution and how it led to mass incarceration in the U.S.

African Americans now constitute nearly one million of the total 2.3 million of the U.S. incarcerated population. (*NAACP Criminal Justice Fact Sheet*)

An impressive array of activists, politicians (including Newt Gingrich), historians and former prisoners testify to our prisons' present state, referred to as "slavery by another name".

So far this year the film has won 14 awards for best documentary and best director.

Nancy Paul
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SCENE FROM OUR PATIO

The scene is the same this month as last month and for the next few months until April when construction is planned to begin on six new houses.

Stuart Knoop
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**COLETTA MCKENRY LIBRARY
ACCESSIONS**

FICTION, INCLUDING LARGE TYPE:

Animal Farm

George Orwell © 1946.F/ORW

Carrying Albert Home

Homer Hickam © 2015.F/HIC

Chaos

Patricia Cornwell © 2016.F/COR

Crosswords and Chamomile

Elizabeth Adams © 2016.F/ADA

***Livia Lone**

Barry Eisler © 2016.F/EIS

***Moonglow**

Michael Chabon © 2016.F/CHA

Night School

Lee Child © 2016.F/CHI

Objection!

Nancy Grace © 2005.F/GRA

A Partial History of Lost Causes

Jennifer Dubois © 2012.F/DUB

The Perfect Christmas

Debbie MacComber © 2016.F/MAC

Select Edition - 2016/5

Reader's Digest © 2016.F/REAL.T.

***The Seventh Plague**

James Rollins © 2016.F/ROL

Sex, Lies & Serious Money

Stuart Woods © 2016.F/WOO

***The Sleeping Beauty Killer**

Mary Higgins Clark © 2016.F/CLA

***Victoria**

Daisy Goodwin © 2016.F/GOO

**NON-FICTION, INCLUDING
BIOGRAPHIES:**

**Constitution of the Commonwealth
of PA 2014. REF/342.02/CON**

**Dynamic Composition: Strengthen Your
Painting With**

Frank Webb ©1994.751.4/WEB

**Finger Painting Weekend Workshop:
A Beginner's Guide...**

Iris Scott ©2016.751.4/SCO

**German Pittsburgh: Images of America
Michael R. Shaughnessy ©2007. 974.83/SHA
If You Ask Me (And of Course You Won't)**

Betty White ©2011. Bio/WHI

Impressionism ©1990. 759.05/IMP

**Les Parisiennes: How the Women of Paris
Lived..**

Anne Sebba ©2016. 305.409/SEB

The Life of Thomas More

Peter Ackroyd ©1998. Bio/MOR

Master Class in Water Media

Edward Betts ©1993. 751.4/BET

My Favorite Things: Sister Wendy

Sister Wendy Beckett ©1999. 709/BEC

Outdoor Living Spaces

Susan Rademacher Frey ©1992. 712.6/FRE

Shrubs & Climbers

©1996. 635.9/EYE

The Stress Eating Cure

Rachael F. & Richard F. Heller ©2010.

623.25/HEL

***Thank You For Being Late: An Optimist's
Guide ...**

Thomas L. Friedman ©2016.

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** See Spotlight*

**SATURDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES
7:00 PM, Auditorium**

**Feb. 4 - Unsinkable Molly Brown
A Tribute to Debbie Reynolds
2hr. 8 min.**

**Feb. 11 - The Sting
(PG) 2hr. 9 min.**

**Feb. 18 - Crouching Tiger
(PG 13) 2 hr.**

**Feb. 25 - Dr. Strangelove
Intro by Dennis Lynch
(PG) 1 hr. 35 min.**

*Dave Moon
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CHAPEL NOTES

Leading chapel services during the month of February will be the following:

Feb. 5 - The Rev. Sarah Heppenstall, recently retired from Tydal Presbyterian Church.

Feb. 12 - The Rev. Mark Boyd, pastor, Park Presbyterian Church, Beaver.

Feb. 19 - The Rev. William Jamieson, retired, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Evans City.

Feb. 26 - The Rev. Kevin Gourley, Memorial Park Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh.

At the Winterfest event in January we invited others to join the chapel committee. This is an opportunity to provide spiritual resources to our community.

If you have not volunteered and are willing to spend an hour on a Sunday afternoon now and then to set up the Auditorium for the service or to assist in hosting the minister of the day, we welcome your help.

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IN MEMORIAM

Memories are precious possessions that time can never destroy. For it is in happy remembrance that the heart finds its greatest joy.

Louise Hollstein

December 25, 2016

Bruce Stewart

December 25, 2016

Helen Jane Kane

December 26, 2016

Elva Fisher

January 9, 2017

Jack Rinker

January 12, 2017

Memorial Service, Sherwood Oaks- March 25

ACTIVITIES IN THE CHAPEL

Women's Bible Study
First and Third Mondays
10:45-11:45 AM

Men's Bible Study
Weekly, Wednesdays
10:00-11:00 AM

Holy Communion, Episcopal Rite
Second Monday of the month
11:00 AM

Quaker Meeting for Worship
Fourth Sunday
10:30-11:30 AM

First, Second Third Fridays



No gatehouse, no Norman Drive; just dirt, dirt and more dirt...April 1981



Workers prepare the land for construction. Note: Sherwood Oaks bought the Gettings farm (pictured at the top) in 1984. The barn was razed and the 90 yr. old farm house was used by the Fire Dept. for fire practice. The small white garage is still on campus, it is our Summerhouse. May 1981



A small gatehouse was placed onto the paved roadway entering the community. The model homes/offices were placed in the area we now call "the Lake Parking Lot". Note: the paved roadway was not named Norman Drive as of this date. 1982



Patio home construction begins. May 1981



Finally, the Lake was full and was enjoyed by the residents. 1982