

# Medford Life Leas Life

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#### **FIT AT 93**

text and photo by Suzanne Frank

Not too many people can compete with **Ed McVaugh's** record in the world of tennis. He's still playing a couple of times a week, both here and at Lumberton, after an incredible 80 years in the game. Some of this amazing stamina may be a result of Ed's having exercised every day to keep a bad back at bay.

Ed's tennis career began when he wanted to find out just how far he could hit rocks with his racket. For a short stint he played with real balls on public courts, "but nobody really wanted to play on hard courts back then." At the age of 16, he became a member of the Riverton Country Club and played in the West Jersey Tennis League. In high school, he played for the George School team.

Ed joined the Army Air Corps and spent five years in Amarillo, TX, where he met and married his wife, **Mary Beth**. The Army assigned him to teach recruits how to repair B-17s and B-29s, which fit in with his continueing love of mechanics and racing and maintaining motorcycles. Off duty, he played tennis on concrete courts until 11 at night in his G.I. shoes because he couldn't afford sneakers. "I never took any lessons and never gave any lessons because I don't play well enough," he self-effacingly explained.

"For the first ten years after the Army, I was working too hard and did not play tennis at all." Ed and his brother had a building business mostly in the industrial sector. They got the contract to construct Medford Leas, but he retired at

a relatively young age before the campus was finished. "I have to say that my real passion was skiing. In the last two years of my working life, Mary Beth and I took three months per year in the winter to go to the Rockies or Europe. And in the summers, we'd drive to Alaska in our RV and fish for three months." He lost his wife last year. To sum it all up, Ed concludes, "I'm a lucky guy. I've had a great life."



Ed's tennis-playing buddies here are John Bartholomew, George Rubin, Whit Stearns, and Suzanne Frank. They would very much like it if others in the community would join them on the Medford campus tennis court on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, even those who haven't played in a long time. Just come and enjoy the camaraderie and the open sky.

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#### **JEREMY VICKERS**



Please welcome **Jeremy Vickers**, the new CEO of Medford Leas.

### **NEW ESTAUGH BOARD MEMBERS**

#### **Gregory Busch**



In August, Gregory H. Busch, DO, MS, CMD, filled the vacancy on the Estaugh Board left by Kitty Katzell. He brings to Medford Leas broad and substantive experience in the field of geriatric medicine and palliative care.

Currently, Dr. Busch is Medical Director Operations of both Virtua Berlin Hospital and Virtua Post-Acute Services in Marlton. In addition, he serves as Physician Champion and Executive Medical Director of Palliative Care Service at Virtua Health; as Co-Chair of both the Virtua Berlin and the Virtua Systemwide Ethics Committees; and as Section Chief, Division of Geriatrics, in the Departments of Family

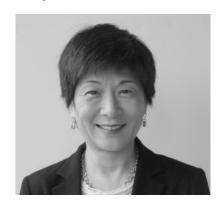
Medicine and Internal Medicine at Virtua Memorial Hospital in Mt. Holly. In academia, he is Adjunct Assistant Professor of Geriatric Medicine at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic and is in the MBA program of the University of Massachusetts.

Dr. Busch earned his BS in Biology and his MS in Biochemistry at the University of Scranton and his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. He is a board-certified in Family Practice, Palliative Care and Geriatics; a member of numerous medical associations; and the winner of multiple awards and honors. In 2008, he was voted a *South Jersey Magazine* Reader's Choice *Top Doc* in Geriatric Internal Medicine.

Dr. Busch grew up on Long Island. He and his wife Theresa live in Sewell with their three sons. He spends free time woodworking, learning to play the piano, and coaching his sons' soccer teams. Theresa is a PhD-level research scientist in the department of Radiation Oncology at the University of Pennsylvania.

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#### **Chiyo Moriuchi**



Chiyo Moriuchi is the youngest daughter of Tak Moriuchi, a founder of Medford Leas, and Yuri Moriuchi. She seems to have inherited her father's passion and readi-

ness to commit her knowledge and experience to the institution both of them love.

Chiyo has had a successful career in real estate investment and international business. Recently she returned to the United States after nine years in Japan where she was the Regional Director of Asset Management for LaSalle Investment Management and a key member of

the leadership team that established and grew the firm's business in Asia.

Before her 19 years with LaSalle, Chiyo worked at Copley Real Estate Advisors, Jones Lang Woolton Realty Advisors, and Bankers Trust Company. Pending full time employment in the Philadelphia area, she is exploring ways to make solar energy investments feasible for non-profit institutions.

As a volunteer, Chiyo serves on the Head's Council of Moorestown Friends School, the Finance and Investment Committee of the George School, and the Board of the Scattergood Behavioral Health Foundation. Formerly she was a Board Member of the Nisei Student Relocation Commemorative Fund.

Chiyo graduated from Moorestown Friends School, Mount Holyoke College, and Columbia University's Graduate School of Business. She lives in Newtown, PA, with her husband, Mark Haber, and son, Aaron. Her daughter Sarah, is a boarding student at the George School.

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#### Mary Ann Boccolini



Mary Ann Boccolini, BS, MA, is the President/CEO of Samaritan Hospice, South Jersey's largest hospice program.

Since becoming President/CEO in 2001, Mary Ann has overseen the introduc-

tion or dramatic growth of a diverse "family" of life-affirming services including the area's first Living with Heart Failure Program; the first comprehensive Pediatric Palliative Care Program developed in collaboration with Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; a Palliative Partners program for those not yet ready for hospice care; a Veterans' Outreach Program; and SeniorWise Care

management, a non-hospice geriatric care management program.

Prior to joining Samaritan Hospice, she was the Director of Oncology Services at Virtua Memorial Hospital and also worked for the VA Hospital in PA, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in NY, National Institute of Health in MD, and Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania.

Mary Ann has been honored with various awards including the 2001 Outstanding Woman of Burlington County Healthcare Award from the Burlington County Advisory Council on Women; 2002 TWIN (Tribute to Women and INdustry) Award presented by the Camden County YWCA; and the 2007-2008 Manager of the Year Award from Lockheed-Martin Leadership Association.

She lives in Marlton with her husband and two daughters. A third daughter is married.

# TRADITION, TRADITION

It's a Medford Leas tradition for each resident to put a signed holiday greeting card in a basket that will be at the Reception Desk starting on Monday, November 15. The MLRA Holiday Card Committee will begin to collect the cards on Decorating Day, Tuesday, November 30, and continue to collect them as long as they accumulate. They will use the cards to decorate the Atrium. The cards are not returned to the senders and should not be put in envelopes.

Think of all the advantages from this tradition! Only one card is needed, saving paper. People can't feel left out because they didn't receive a card. Time is saved that would otherwise be spent addressing envelopes and putting them in mail boxes. So select a card, sign it, and put it in the basket at the Reception Desk. Un-decorating Day will be on Tuesday, January 4, 2011.

The employee holiday show will be Thursday, December 16.

#### **KAYAK SURPRISE**

text and photo by Suzanne Frank

The creek was alive with almost a dozen lifevested residents raring to go, because Beverly Kannengieszer, Director of Fitness and Aquatics, had had a brilliant "lightbulb" idea. Having enjoyed kayaking herself, she thought some hardy and willing folks might enjoy a calm and restorative fall trip on the Haines branch of the Rancocas Creek bordering our campus. She was so right! After getting the residents and staff secured in brightly-colored kayaks, some looking like floating green frogs, Ed Ellis led this first-time expedition to who knew where. Having seldom been offered such an exhilarating chance to be on the water and to explore, the participants were appropriately silent, but inwardly excited by this new activity offered by Medford Leas.

This eager, yet somewhat hesitant, flotilla paddled its way up the creek. The water was glass-like, reflecting the overhead trees, and was sprinkled with floating leaves of every color. Shadows were everywhere. The staff-leaders made sure everyone navigated around the many submerged trees and branches. The kayakers gained confidence as they went.



It turned out to be a rare day on the water under the canopy of sun-filtering trees. Everyone was in high spirits, awed by the experience, and thankful to Ed for his superb leadership. The group was also grateful to Camp Dark Waters and Sandy Heath for lending the kayaks, as well as to employees Russell Pepe, Herb Minkus, and Dwayne Mathews for their caring assistance. All the kayakers hoped that the success of this spirit-lifting outing would inspire Beverly to schedule a repeat soon.

#### **CENTENARIAN CELEBRATION**

by Betsy Pennink

A new national day, National Centenarians Day, was celebrated in great style by the Therapeutic Recreation Department at Medford Leas, where eight residents are 100 or older.

The party took place in the Activities Room on September 22. While the honored guests gathered, along with various family members, **Tom Lang** played songs from the turn of the last century. Each centenarian was decked out in a corsage of pink carnations. Each had a long and interesting life to fete.

**Emily Taylor,** 105, keeps up with current events. She was once active in community affairs. **Evelyn Knowton,** 104, reads, gardens, and does crossword puzzles. She also researches genealogy.

**Connie Bacha,** 103, can play almost any musical instrument. She was very athletic and was in a diving event at the 1936 Olympic Games. **Adele Scull,** 102, creates beautiful flower arrangements. She recently tried Wii bowling for the first time.

**Josephine Morris,** 101, loves to dance any time she hears music. She danced throughout the Centenarian Celebration. **Toni Linneman,** 101, loves to walk outdoors and look at the flowers. She used to be an avid gardener.

**Mary Fenimore,** 101, an accomplished classical pianist, also enjoys theater, ballet, opera, and traveling. **Mary Domenico,** 100, knits, sews, gardens, and is found regularly in the Fitness Center.

The celebration program included a slide show of life 100 years ago. Then **Linda Schultz**, Therapeutic Recreation, read interesting facts from the lives of each centenarian; two life stories were read by sons who were present.



The cake arrived, proclaiming "100 YEARS." It was served with sparkling cider, while Tom Lang played the piano until the party was over.

#### **COMMUNITY DAY**

text and photos by Elsie Behmer

Since 2004, Medford Leas has welcomed neighbors and residents to a fun-filled block party. This year, on a hot and sunny September 25, about 1,000 people wandered the main parking lot enjoying the live music of the Merchant Street Jazz Band, eating hot dogs or hamburgers during the barbeque lunch, browsing the "used bookstore" and attractions, or people-watching while sitting under a tent (in the shade!).

Meanwhile, kids were jumping around in the "moon bounce," giggling with the clown balloon artist, having their faces painted, or applying a paint brush on pumpkins. Plant lovers were getting advice from the Master Gardeners, helping to plant pansies, buying chrysanthemums, or "making and taking" bouquets with Arboretum plant materials.

For the first time, residents and staff could rent a table at a Medford Leas' flea market and could display or sell their "treasures." "There was a lot of interest in these," said **Helen Flynn**, referring to her charming prints of children and school buses. She was staffing her table with her daughter Sally. "I'm showing the pictures in a framed, larger size, in smaller sizes, and as note cards. I'm hoping people will think of me when they are looking for holiday gifts."

A beaming **Barbara Trought** said: "In the first two hours, I sold 80% of the things I brought. What a great way to get rid of all that stuff in all those boxes that we moved here with and certainly don't need."

**Virginia Mattice** heartily concurred. "The things just flew off the table," she said. "I sold out of linens that I never use and a cuckoo clock. People bought the items almost as soon as I displayed them."

As the day wound down, their tables almost empty, Barbara and Virginia chatted amiably about the day. "Let's hope there is a flea market again next year," they agreed. "The buyers who got good stuff at good prices benefited, and we certainly benefited from less clutter at home!" The Employee Education Assistance Fund benefited the most of all, though, as book and DVD sales and table rental proceeds went to it.



Ruth Quakenbush and Gil Goering check out the used book sale



Barbara is pleased that her table is almost empty



Barbara and Virginia talk over the day

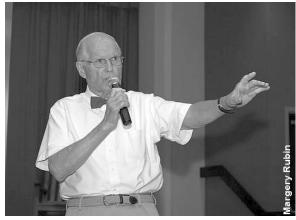


Sally and Helen with their prints

#### **TALENT SHOW**

"You had to be there!" The Talent Show is hard to explain to those who didn't attend, but a lot of residents (and some staff) did attend and enjoyed fine, light-hearted entertainment with **Bud Stratton** as master of ceremonies.

The program was the wrap-up of Active Living Month, but only the last entertainer was really active. It started with Kitty Katzell reciting two inanities that she remembered from high school days. She was followed by Eleanor Merrick, singing a humorous song. Karen McGreer, on the waiting list, and Warren Sawyer sang a duet, accompanied by Nan Hanslowe at the piano, and then Karen sang a solo. Toby Riley played his guitar and sang. Sally Klos recited poems she had composed about her cat. Russ Haley played a couple of "Piano Riffs." Sally Miller recited two of her "original poetic works." Gerry Stride, Director of Community Life, sang "We Have This Moment Today." Ariel Huyn, accompanied by Nan Hanslowe, led the crowd in singing "Happy Birthday" to Gordon Clift, Liesel Marcus, and Mary Cullen. Ariel went on to sing "Nature Boy" for Gordon Clift, followed by "You'll Never Know." Danielle Peterson, from Therapeutic Recreation, played a fine rendition of Brahms' "Rhapsody in B Flat Minor" on the piano. Gerry Stride and Ed Ellis, from Fitness and Aquatics, put on a skit. The program closed with Bud Stratton reciting "Casey at the Bat" from memory with the appropriate actions of the batter and the umpire. That really was Active Living!



Bud Stratton reciting "Casey at the Bat"

#### SUKKOT AT MEDFORD LEAS

by Ellen Stimler

For almost 4,000 years, Jews have observed the fall festival of Sukkot, building a temporary booth decorated with the symbols of the harvest and spending as much time as possible in that booth for eight days.

The Bible (Leviticus 23:42) commands Jews to "live in booths" decorated with named plants and to enjoy themselves. Originally, it was meant to memorialize the exodus from Egypt, but it is now celebrated as a Thanksgiving harvest festival.



At Medford Leas, Lili Wronker had the idea of building a sukkah and celebrating the festival. "There's a natural booth here already," she said, referring to the three-sided, lattice-enclosed structure on the terrace outside the Lounge. For the second year, Lili assumed responsibility for decorating the sukkah, organizing a service, and publicizing the event. She had help from her daughter and son-in-law visiting from Colorado. They covered the roof with pine branches donated by **Debbie Lux**, who also brought pots of purple chrysanthemums. The sides of the booth displayed special panels created by Lili and transferred by her children onto reusable weatherproof linen. She also had active participation by members of her synagogue, Temple Har Zion, and its Rabbi Richard Simon who climbed a ladder to hang some gourds and bundles of fall leaves.

On Sunday, September 26, Rabbi Simon conducted a service in the sukkah, explaining its history and commandments. Refreshments were provided by Lili.

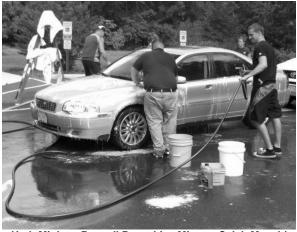
**IMAGINATION PAYS OFF** 

by Betsy Pennink

(More pictures on mlra.org)

A car wash at Medford Leas? A day to wear jeans to work? These are the two ideas that came out of the brainstorming of the Employee Wellness Committee, headed by **Ed Ellis**, Fitness and Aquatics, to raise sponsorship funds for the Alzheimer's Walk in Atlantic City on October 24.

Fourteen employees from seven different departments threw themselves into the washing of the 140 cars that came through the line in the back parking lot on September 24. Some volunteers lathered up the cars with special car soap on sponges; some manned the hoses to rinse the soap off; some rubbed and patted the cars dry and spotless with white towels.



Herb Minkus, Russell Pepe, Lisa Minuto, Caleb Mauchl

It was, according to Ed, "organized chaos, but lots of fun. Everyone did everything." Ed and **Lisa Minuto**, Operations Coordinator, worked closely together to organize the car wash and, at the end of the four hours, they had raised \$700.

The following Friday residents were startled to see 45 members of the staff wearing blue jeans, which is normally against regulations. Each had donated \$5 for the privilege and all enjoyed the casual feeling. This added \$225 to the total.

An extra boost was given by the Coffee Shop, which donated \$55 from a special sale on "Jeans Day" of pretzels and ice cream novelties.

(The ice cream was available until the end of October, with large bottles provided nearby for dropping in payment to go to the "Memory Walk.")



Heather Crow, Linda Kleer, Vilma Aldover Henry Green, Jamie Garthly, Casey Dean

#### SPIRITUAL ELDERING PROGRAM

"Spiritual Eldering: From Age-ing to Sage-ing" is a special program that considers end-of-life issues for anyone who wants to acquire tools for beginning or continuing positive, healthy aging. Using contemplative techniques from the world's spiritual traditions, students will learn how to come to terms with their mortality and transform the natural sense of loss that accompanies growing older into renewed purpose and inner peace.

Rabbi Richard Simon, spiritual leader of Temple Har Zion in Mt. Holly, will present the program on Monday afternoons from January 17 through February 21 and from May 16 through June 13.

Rabbi Simon will give an overview of the course on Monday, November 8, at 4:00 pm in the Holly Room. All are welcome.

#### MEDFORD LEAS IN THE NEWS

by Ellen Stimler

The October 14 debate between Congressman John Adler, Democrat, and his Republican challenger, John Runyan, in the Medford Leas Theater, made the next morning's news on TV Channel 6 and was reported in a long article in *The Courier-Post.* 

Contrasting the event with a yelling and screaming debate in Cherry Hill the day before, the *Courier-Post* reporter wrote that "civility broke out" at Medford Leas and that "for the most part the audience listened quietly as the two men outlined their policies." He quoted **Frank Snope**, who pointed out that "Medford Leas is a Quaker community with a preference for consensus over confrontation."

The Medford Leas Citizens Committee and representatives of the Burlington County League of Women Voters agreed that all questions from the audience to the candidates would be written and would be read to the candidates by the moderator. Before the debate began, cards and pencils were distributed. During the 30-minute question period, the moderator read selected questions, and both candidates had a chance to repond. After the debate, many residents, and the candidates themselves, said that the written questions contributed significantly to the atmosphere of civility.

#### 2010 GOLF OUTING



It was raining that Monday morning when the 2010 Golf Outing was scheduled, but most of the 72 registered golfers showed up to play at the Deerwood Country Club in Westampton. The Outing

is held annually to raise money for the Reserve Fund, which assists residents who have outlived their resources. So far nobody has won the car donated by Lucas Ford for a Hole-in-One, but two golfers did get prizes for coming closest to the pin on two of the par-3 holes.

The crowd swelled to 150 for the dinner and silent auction that evening. The 36 Items auctioned included golf clubs, store and restaurant gift certificates, arts and crafts, hockey memorabilia, a cake a month, and much more. For the third year in a row, **Julien Eysmans** won a wine and cheese party in the home of **Jane Weston**, Director of Community Relations, and her husband Nigel.

The generosity of its many sponsors helped make this year's Golf Outing a success. Once again, C&C Construction sponsored at the Gold level; Corporate Synergies, Darnell Flooring, and H&H Landscaping sponsored at the Silver level; and FCM Consulting, Penn City Elevator, Virtua, and Zinc Cafe at the Bronze level. There were also 38 hole sponsors and two beverage cart sponsors. Thanks to them all.

#### **NEW AT MLRA.ORG**

**Centenarians**: **Jessica Magdiziak** of Therapeutic Recreation has supplied photos of residents who are at least 100 years old. The photos are presented as a slideshow.

Talent Show: The photo essay of the Active Living Month Talent Show includes: photos taken by Margery Rubin; Sally Klos's cat poems; Kitty Katzell's recitations; Sally Miller's poetry; and the lyrics of Eleanor Merrick's song.

Display Case: Mike Carrell's photos and a description of Jeff Nixon's memorabilia comprise the photo essay about Jeff's extensive collection. Some items, like this egg-sizer,



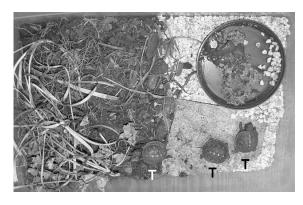
are easy to identify. Others are mystery items with question marks next to them in the display case. The photo essay has close-ups of those items and identifies them.

# **SAVING THE BABY TURTLES**

by Betsy Pennink

The turtles lumbering around among the plants in the Atrium garden are always a source of entertainment. When baby turtles were seen in early October, it was even more exciting, but also a cause for concern. The babies were so small that they could drown if they fell into the pond.

Jim Wolosin, Director of Maintenance, Security and Landscaping, and Lisa Minuto, Operations Coordinator, to the rescue! They entered the Atrium garden and scooped up three baby turtles. **Gene Marconi**, Landscaping, volunteered to take them home.



At Gene's house they live in a large container with vegetation planted in the compost and ground corn kernels on the bottom. They have a varied diet: cat food, tomatoes, and persimmons, which grow on the Medford Leas campus. A nearby parakeet keeps tabs on them and speaks out if they move around. Since the Atrium garden is already overcrowded with turtles, Gene will release his charges in the Meadow when winter is over.

#### **AN APOLOGY**

The winner of the 2010 Lois Forrest Scholarship is **Sandra Torres.** She was incorrectly identified in the article "Scholarships" in the October issue. We deeply regret the error and offer our apologies to Sandra.

#### **RUSHMORE SCULPTURE**



This nine-foot metal sculpture was donated by **Ro Wilson**, who named it *The Tomato Goddess*. It was installed by the Landscaping Department at the entrance to Rushmore.

# ART GALLERY NEWS

by Helen L. Vukasin

The new Resident Art Exhibit has opened in the Art Studio Gallery on the lower level of the Arts and Social Wing. About 100 people came to enjoy the home-made goodies and to see what residents have been painting.

In the Main Art Gallery, the annual exhibit of the South Jersey Camera Club will be mounted for November. A reception will take place on Thursday, November 18. Mike Pillows, President of the Club, has invited all residents and their friends.

At the Lumberton Art Gallery, more resident paintings are being exhibited, featuring the work of John Brzostoski, Alice Skidmore Culbreth, Pat Heller and Rita Keiper

Tuesday, October 12, was the first of a series of workshops on plant portraits led by Linda Murphy. There is a charge of \$30 per session. Call **MaryLou Morrow** for information, 654-3632.

The Smithsonian's History of Western Art video series continues in the Linden Room at 12 noon, with brown bag lunch:

- November 2 French Art in the 18<sup>th</sup> Century
- November 16 Neoclassicism and the Birth of Romanticism

#### LENAPE DISTRICT FALL PLAYS

The four high schools in the Lenape Regional District are offering four different productions in November and December in evening and matinee performances. Seniors can attend free with a gold pass or at "reduced admission." No school bus transportation is provided, so residents will have to drive in their own cars. The plays, dates, and times are listed below.

- **Lenape High School** *The Soapy Murder Case,* Nov. 18, 19, 20 at 7 pm, Lenape Auditorium.
- **Shawnee High School** *Our Town,* Nov. 11 at 7 pm, Nov. 12 at 7:30, Nov. 13 at 2 and 7:30 pm. Seniors admitted only to matinee with gold pass.
- Cherokee High School Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street, Nov. 26, 27, Dec. 3, 4 at 7:30 pm at the Performing Arts Center.
- **Seneca High School**, *Appointment with Death*, Dec. 9, 10 at 7 pm and Dec. 11 at 1 and 7 pm.

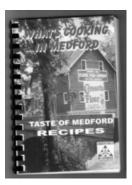
#### WEDDING ON THE TERRACE



Residents having lunch in the Colonial Room on Sunday, October 10 were surprised and delighted to see a wedding taking place on the Terrace. Emily Lux and Jon Hechtman of Marlton wanted a special outdoor site for their small ceremony. They chose Medford Leas, which they found searching online for a park or an arboretum setting.

#### **GIFT SHOP HOLIDAY BAZAAR**

The Gift Shop will hold its annual Holiday Bazaar in the Atrium on Wednesday, November 17 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Residents and staff can begin their holiday shopping by choosing from a variety of cards, gift wrap and decorations, as well as beautiful gift items including handbags, scarves, and jewelry. Sales volunteers will be available to help shoppers find that special gift for that "special someone"



A gift idea for the "special cook" might include *The Taste of Medford Cookbook.* It includes four recipes from Medford Leas' own executive chef, **Brad Mauger**, and will be available in the Gift Shop for \$10.

#### **WHO'S NEW**



Enid Pearce Pitman, Apt. 142, was born in England and came to the United States via Canada at age four. Her parents had settled on the Canadian side of Niagara Falls, but after their divorce, Enid's mother moved to the American side with her young daughter.

Enid married a high school classmate, John Pitman, after he returned from his Army service in Germany. She worked as a photographer in a local department store while John completed a BSc degree in mechanical engineering/business administration at the University of Buffalo. His first job was with a Philadelphia company, and the couple initially lived in Norwood, PA, but later moved to Moorestown. Once John had a good job, Enid's focus became their four children. "My home and my family have been my whole life," she said. Enid found time for volun-

teer work at the Moorestown Library, Trinity Church, and what is now the Virtua Hospital in Mt. Holly.

Enid lost her husband in 1998. She has six granddaughters and two great-grandsons, with a third on the way. She is still getting her strength back after a recent illness and hopes to volunteer here when she feels recovered.

Ellen Stimler

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Robert and Eleanor (Owens) Hill moved to 234 Woodside Drive from Cherry Hill. Eleanor was a PK (preacher's kid) and spent her early life in Methodist parsonages in Virginia. Bob grew up in Madison, NJ, until he went to the University of Pennsylvania to major in architecture. While

attending college, Eleanor worked in Richmond

for the Director of Young, Middle, and Older Adult Education of the Methodist Conference. In 1959, she met Bob, who was a resident architect in the Virginia office of a Cleveland firm. They married in 1960 and moved to Cleveland. Eleanor continued her studies at Case Western Reserve and



worked as executive secretary to the director of a foundation operating retirement and nursing facilities.

When Bob accepted a position as Vice-President of Ballinger Co., Architects and Engineers in Philadelphia, Eleanor became secretary to the head of the Dermatology Department at Graduate Hospital. She continued studies at Glassboro College and earned her masters degree in adult education at Temple. In 1976, Bob asked her to spend a year helping to establish his company, Hill Associates in Haddonfield, NJ. It specialized in the design of manufacturing plants, warehouses, offices, and laboratories.

Ten years later they sold the firm and retired.

Besides raising two sons and pursuing their careers, the Hills traveled with the Mexican Society of Philadelphia and with Friendship Force of Southern New Jersey, a non-profit cultural exchange organization that promotes friendship through home-stay exchanges. The Hills have established a small family foundation, which sponsors a scholarship program for Mexican teachers of English. Bob has served as Secretary and Eleanor as Vice-President of the Board of the Pan American Association of Philadelphia.

**Doris Brown** 

#### **ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL**

It was one of those damp, windy days early in October. **Donna Coonley**, Marketing Administrative Assistant, was delivering a fruit tray to new residents, who were in the process of moving into Bridlington. Outside their apartment, she saw a wet \$100 bill lying in the grass.

She took it to the receptionist, and phoned the people at their Mt. Laurel home to tell them what she had found. They had been having a yard sale that day, and at the end of the sale, someone had paid \$500 cash for the leftovers. What with packing, moving, and dealing with the yard sale, they couldn't find a paperclip when they got back to Bridlington, so they put five \$100 bills and a check on their car's dashboard. Because the car's doors were open, the wind blew the money away. This meant another four \$100 bills and the check were missing.

Donna phoned **Herb Minkus**, Arboretum Coordinator, who recruited **Jim Emerson** of Landscaping. They went to Bridlington to look for the missing items. Finally, Herb returned, soaking wet, and pulled a \$100 bill out of each of four pockets. The check was not found, but the couple was able to stop payment. Shakespeare was right, *All's Well that Ends Well*.

# NOVEMBER CRYPTOGRAM by Ariel Hollinshead Hyun

CX. JC NU JXUZU, KBPUZ JXU **IEHUBJ** IDZKOUI, QXUZU JXU QEPU, YKEUJ ULUBEBW PMZGUBI **QEJXCKJ** XMIJU/ CLUZ М IUM QEJX **PUMJX** MOYKMEBJUP, SUJ **VCZULUZ** OXMIJU.

### -- UPBM IJ. LEBOUBJ AEHHMS

Below is the solution to the October cryptogram by Alan T. Gaylord.

THE REVEREND HENRY WARD BEECHER/
CALLED A HEN A MOST BEAUTIFUL
CREATURE. THE HEN, MOST PLEASED
WITH THAT, LAID AN EGG IN HIS HAT, AND
THUS DID THE HEN REWARD BEECHER.
--OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES

The correct solution was received from the readers listed below:

Ken Anderson, Ruth Blattenberger, Catherine Barry, Mary Barth, Jane Bartram, Judy Braddy, Marion Burk Jody Cardona, John Caughey, Alice Culbreth, Doris Curley, Louise Evaul, Liz Dill, Betty Donahue, Linda Gorwood, Molly Haines, Neil Hartman, Herb Heineman, Barbara Heizman, Ariel Hollinshead Hyun, Patti Hopton, Sue Isaacs, Jean Jordan, Sally Klos, Mary Hope Mason, Alice Norcross, Helen Peterson, Ruth Quackenbush, Warren Reeves, Floann Roberts, Doris Salati, Florence Sawyer, Peg Scott.

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