



The Crosslands Library

Given the level of education denoted on the biographies of Crosslands residents, I would guess that one of the very first places new residents explore once they become residents (or perhaps even before they become residents) is the Crosslands Library. The cozy spaces allocated to the Crosslands Library are located just across the hallway from the Pond's Edge Café. Allison Butler, Chair of the Crosslands Library, may often be found in the office or at the desk just inside the door to the library, checking books out or receiving returned books.

The first library was founded even before the first residents moved in. The administration asked a few of the earliest applicants to begin organizing a collection to serve as a library, and it is from that early collection that the current collection has grown.

A substantial portion of the early collection came from resident naturalist Brooke Worth, who donated his private collection of bird guides and other natural history books to the young library. It quickly became apparent that the Brooke Worth collection was worthy of its own space, and so the Brooke Worth Room, currently located in

the basement, down the hall to the right after one gets off the elevator, was established as a satellite library space.

The annual CRA budget allocation for the library is currently at \$8500, the second largest allocation behind the Music Committee. About half of that amount is spent on five daily



PHOTO BY STEVE SANDER

newspapers. All magazines are donated by residents, as are the paperback books (fiction, mystery, biography, and nonfiction) which are available from the shelves on the wall across from the café entrance.

The library staff does an inventory each year in order to clear its shelves for new items. If something has not circulated for the preceding five years, it is a candidate for disposal, usually to the second-hand bookshop which supports the Kennett Senior Center, or the annual Unionville High School book sale, or, occasionally, the recycle box. However, a book by Jane Austen or William Faulkner or Donna Leon will not be given away, whether it has been read recently or not.

Among the library's holdings are some special collections from the early days, which are now stored on the high shelves:

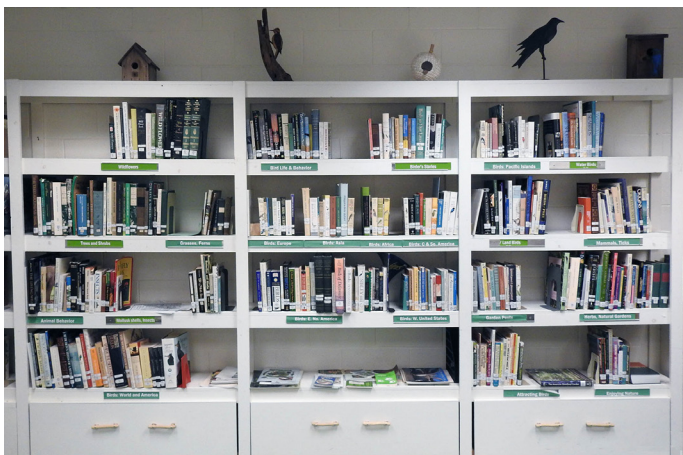


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Brooke Worth Room Natural History Collection

Library, Continued from Page 1.

Harvard Classics, Fiction, 51 volumes
 Harvard Classics, Nonfiction, 17 volumes
 Shakespeare, 37 volumes
 Mark Twain, 26 volumes
 Dickens, 20 volumes
 Walter Scott, 14 volumes
 Bayard Taylor's travels, 8 volumes
 Plutarch's Lives, 5 volumes

For readers who prefer large print, there are 450 volumes available in the stacks, with a rotating group of 60 volumes available, for 90 days each, from the Chester County Library. The Crosslands Library has recently added to, and freshened, the Large Print collection.



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Crosslands Library converted to a digital catalog in 2012, and Kendal joined as a branch of KCC Library in 2016. The digital provider is known as Alexandria.

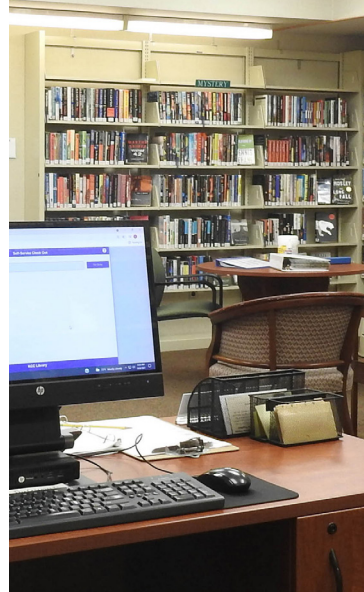


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The collection of volumes and discs available to Crosslands residents through its own library and at the Kendal library totals 19,000 volumes and discs, including (for those interested) 100 volumes on weaving.

The schedule of hours for the circulation desk is available on the website crosslandsres.org at the library tab. Books and DVDs can be renewed and "Holds" can be requested from home on the website. During the more difficult periods of Covid closing, the library allowed free circulation of items at the book exchange outside the Center entrance. Most of these items have been returned to the library, but Ms. Butler hopes that a few more will show up before much longer.

Larry Wood

MOTT DEMOLITION PHOTO BY PAUL STEVENS



*"There is nothing permanent
 except change."
 -Heraclitus -*

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From the CRA President

You and I may hear or read the same thing, but may perceive the message differently. This may, in particular, be true when considering long formal documents.

Recently, amendments to the CRA Constitution have been posted, discussed, and further revised. I am guided by this statement:

Any or all of the provisions of the Constitution may be amended or repealed by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Association attending any meeting duly convened at which a quorum is present. The call of the meeting shall include a statement of all proposed changes and shall be made public by posting a copy on the public bulletin boards and placing a copy in each resident's open mailbox at least 10 days in advance. (Article VII).

At the October 4 CRA Board meeting, the current and proposed amendments of four sections of the Constitution were displayed, and comments invited. The same information was posted on the website and bulletin board, and copies placed in open mailboxes.

How may the amendments be formally approved? at the annual meeting in June? at a meeting separate from a CRA Board meeting?

However, as noted above, this may be done at ***"any meeting duly convened"***.

Note that ***"The President may call a Special Meeting either by his/her initiative or upon the written request of at least 10 members of the CRA."*** (Section 2.04).

We may need to consider the number of people supporting the amendments, noting that at the October CRA Board meeting half the attendees were in-person, and half on Zoom (a total of 120).



Please note that the Constitution states that ***"Members may vote only in person"*** (Section 2.08). In order to comply, there would need to be at least 75 people (a quorum) attending in-person, with two-thirds of those present voting to support the proposed amendments.

Immediately following the November 1 CRA Board meeting, a 'special meeting' will be convened. If at least 75 people are present in-person, association members will be asked to approve the proposed amendments. Therefore, I would like to encourage you to attend.

Jane Roberts

Resident Moves

NAME	FROM	TO	DATE
James F. Manning	Apt 37	Audland 538	September 30
Catherine S. Manning	Apt 37	Audland 539	September 30
Joseph Harkins	Audland 548	Firbank 707	October 5
Margaret (Peggy) Ballew	Apt 116	Audland 507	

In Memoriam

H. Randolph (Randy) Schofield	October 16, 2021
Constance (Connie) S. Fleming	September 20, 2021

Moving Forward: Revitalization at Kendal~Crosslands

The dictionary defines revitalize as renewing, repairing, recharging, refreshing. Revitalization at Kendal~Crosslands encompasses those concepts. Why is revitalization needed? The infrastructure, including buildings and utilities, are showing signs of age at 45+ years and in some cases, starting to fail. Revitalization is not about expanding the number of units. It is about creating a better balance of large and small units while replacing units that have been removed from inventory over the last several years from unit combinations.

— March 2021 Chronicle

In November 2019, Lenhardt Rodgers Architecture + Interiors was engaged by Kendal~Crosslands to guide the community through the Revitalization process. Joyce Lenhardt and her team started work on the project January 7, 2020, by gathering information from our community. The last step in the initial process was the presentation of the Revitalization Plan to Kendal~Crosslands on October 7, 2021.

The Revitalization Plan contains options. It is a fluid plan, a living document intended to be revisited and updated regularly. The plan focuses on improving resident amenities and the functionality of the campus. The communities will make decisions step by step to develop options, and then evaluate a project's success, including its effect on the net number of cottages and apartments (and sizes) and the functioning of the campus.

The evaluation will help determine the next

steps in Revitalization. The number of homes will not dictate the decisions. Rather, it is expected the number will fluctuate as Revitalization occurs. The number will not increase beyond the number the Centers and Health Centers were designed to support.

As Kendal~Crosslands Communities take ownership of the plan, its Board, the Administration, and the Revitalization Committee will continually evaluate the plan and determine the next steps. Seth Beaver noted that the first "next step" is interviewing residents who were nominated to be on the Revitalization Committee, so they can start the process of identifying projects which will support the goals of Revitalization, including protecting our natural lands, improving transportation among the four campuses, providing strong, reliable WIFI, and evaluating opportunities to bring Kendal~Crosslands closer to net zero energy goals.

Diana Stevens

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Recycling Reminders

- Take your clean #6 clam shells to the collection spot in your trash room or designated carport area. NO bottle caps and NO small plastic containers should be placed in those collection containers.
- Small plastic containers used for condiments and some salads are #5 and should be put in blue recycling bins along with all #1, 2, 4, 5, and 7 plastic items.
- Plastic pie containers should be put in the blue recycling bins. They are #1.
- Green plastic takeout containers should be returned to the Center for sanitizing and reusing.
- Cardboard takeout and beverage containers are compostable, and should be put in the trash, NOT in the recycling bins. They are not recyclable and neither are the cardboard soup and ice cream containers.



Diana Stevens

New Marketing Cross Campus Collaborative Committee

If you would like to be one of the two Crosslands representatives on the new committee for marketing, please contact Renny Wood before November 5.

The Cross Campus Collaborative Committee for Marketing provides a two-way information channel between residents and marketing staff in pursuit of their shared goal of attracting residents who embrace the values and achieve the diversity goals of KCC.

In their advisory capacity, residents will collaborate with staff in identifying and meeting the marketing information needs of potential residents and current residents. Representatives will have:

- The ability to listen and be open to other residents and staff objectively and to put personal considerations aside for the benefit of the community.
- A want and willingness to learn about marketing practices and market trends.
- The ability to communicate effectively, both in communicating to the committee on behalf of the residents but also in communicating to the resident community on behalf of the committee.
- A willingness to learn about the competitive marketplace in which KCC operates.

Renny Wood

The 4CCC's New Administrative Forms Subcommittee

In 2019 the 4 Campus Communications Committee began working with KCC Administration to make resources and forms (e.g., the Resident Handbooks, the Away Form) available electronically.

The 4CCC recently created an "Administrative Forms Subcommittee" with the goal of producing, testing, and revising electronic versions of preexisting administrative forms submitted to KCC staff and informing residents and staff regarding these forms. The subcommittee plans to develop FAQ's and possibly online videos to help residents learn how to use the forms.

The subcommittee is chaired by Charles Hill from Kendal. Other members include James Craig and Connie Dille, representing the Administration, and Joe Savery and Elisa Barbis from Crosslands. It is hoped that one more Kendal resident can be added.

Elisa Barbis and Val Suter

Join A Team

- **New Cross Campus Collaborative Committee for Marketing.** Seeks two Crosslands representatives to pursue the goal of attracting residents to achieve the diversity goals of KCC. **Contact Renny Wood before November 5.** See above article for more details.
- **Showcase Committee.** Needs a resident to help develop new ideas for and help mount a new display every month or so in the showcase outside the Pond's Edge Café. **Contact Debby Kern.**
- **Chronicle Committee.** Two volunteers needed to distribute copies of the Chronicle to the open mail boxes in the Center and Audland at the end of each month. **Contact Julie Knobil.**



This new "Help Wanted" column will showcase jobs available to residents. If your committee needs help, please tell us what you need in a few lines.

“Snake” Wrestling in the Big Woods!

Our Big Woods south of Bennett’s Run are under attack from deer, invasive plants, climate change, and the spray from our wastewater treatment system. In one area along the Woods Trail, erosion from wastewater spray is undermining the roots of large beech, oaks, and tulip poplars.

Years ago, a silt fence was installed, but it had collapsed. So the Grounds Staff and Crosslands and Kendal Woodland

Workers are devoting three afternoons to remedy the problem. On September 24, Casey Groff, Terrance Stokes, and four residents each from Crosslands and Kendal began working to slow erosion. The collapsed silt fence was re-erected, and a shallow gully was filled with carefully placed logs and limbs.

On October 7, the real work occurred. Casey had purchased three silt socks, mesh tubes a foot in diameter and 110 feet long. These “snakes” were over three times the length of a large anaconda. The silt socks are filled with wood chips, and lain on the ground, they prevent erosion by trapping silt.

We had been told that two strong men could move them, but, stored too long in the open, they had absorbed water and become very heavy. Three staff members and a dozen residents

could not cope with a 110-foot-long snake! Even cut in half, they were too much.

So Nicole Delizzio got a chain and Terrance Stokes got the Bobcat skidloader. With chain, “Bob,” and person power, we carefully positioned the snakes across the slope and staked them in position. With “Bob” doing the hard work, half of the crew was freed to spread debris from a fallen tree across another portion of the slope. These limbs will trap autumnal leaves and help slow erosion.

Our last afternoon will be the “fun” conclusion to the project. Casey has ordered one hundred tree seedlings for us to plant

on the now protected slope — 25 black oaks, 25 each of sour gum, dogwood, and sweet birch. With big crews of volunteers from Crosslands and Kendal, these trees should be in the ground,

tubed, and staked in an hour. We look forward to when the deer fence is up, and we no longer have to protect tree seedlings with five-foot tubes.

Garry Stone



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Tree Peony Garden Takes Shape

Part of the late Ray Firmin's gift to Crosslands was designated for use by the Grounds Supervisor in consultation with the Arboretum Team to plant a grouping of shrubs. Martha Stephens, horticulturalist, conceived the idea of a tree peony garden to be installed near Parking Lot 12.

PHOTO BY PAUL STEVENS



She created an Asian plan by using the Yin Yang design. An existing Pagoda dogwood was incorporated into the design. There will be five Buxus "Franklin's Gem" boxwoods planted in the area as well as the following tree peonies: "Glorious Journey" (a one-year-old Chinese tree peony) and "Icy Heart of a Vast Ocean" (a Chinese tree peony).

The names of the different tree peonies may not mean anything to many Crosslanders unless they are into woody plants. However, the new tree peony garden, in memory of Ray and Pam Firmin, is something to visit the next time you come down to check out the Woolman Lodge construction.

Diana Stevens

New Residents Reception Returns to the William Penn Room

Since June, new residents from near (West Chester) and far (Florida, California, Vietnam, and Illinois) have moved to their Crosslands homes. Don't miss the Thursday, November 18, New Residents Reception, where you can greet and meet them, wearing name tags and masks, of course.

The Reception will be held in the William Penn Room from 4 to 5 pm. It will be the ideal opportunity to chat with — Frank Condenzio, Steve Vogel, Atala Toy, Deb and Randy Lyons, Ted Farraday, Linda and Steve Sander, Judith Greene, Dominick Giordano, Rhiannon Howell, Linda Leonard, Connie and Jim Strickland, and Sue Kelly — about your interests, hobbies, education, travels, etc., as well as theirs.

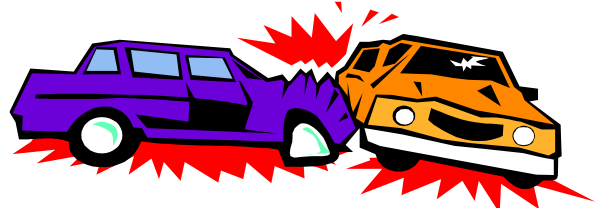
Diana Stevens

Safe Driving Course Offered

Would you like to take an AARP Safe Driving Course? Courses are presently only offered online. Just go to www.aarp.driversafety.org, where you will find the resources to take the course.

There is often a discount on the fee for the course. As a bonus, on completion of the course, you may be able to obtain a reduction in your auto insurance premiums — you need to contact your insurance company for eligibility. For more information, please call me.

Lois J. Reid



Vote!

Now is the time to make your plan to vote in the November 2 election.

This year's election, largely local races, is every bit as important as the 2020 Presidential election. It is your opportunity to send a very strong message that true democracy is people willing to act, exercising their voice by voting.

By the time this issue of *The Chronicle* comes out, the deadlines for registration (October 5), absentee ballot application (October 26), and recommended last day to mail your ballot (October 19) will have likely passed.



In-Person Voting. Our polling place will again be Chadds Ford Elementary School on Route 1.

Absentee Voting. Drop your ballot at the following (among others) locations and times:

Kennett Library. 216 State St, Kennett Square.....Mon-Fri 9 am-7 pm
Sat & Sun 10 am-2 pm

Chester County Govt Services Center. 601 Westtown Rd, West Chester
Drive-thru ballot box..... 24/7 until 8 pm on election day

Specific Chester County information may be obtained at: www.chesco.org/156/Voter-Services.

None of us knows what kind of accessibility we will have on Election Day. Make your plan to vote today. It is the safe and right thing to do.

What Does Vitalize 360 Health & Wellness Coaching with Lathie Gannon Look Like?

When I meet with residents, we explore what matters most. I know that sounds vague, but it is purposely so. We all have our unique priorities and how we envision our thriving self.

I have found that the easiest way to explain what I do is by sharing some comments residents have made about our work together.

"What a rich time we again shared!...Thank you again for being so open to rantings and ravings! You are helping me more than you may realize to rekindle my passion for living meaningfully."

"I have embarked on a big writing project. Talking about it with my coach keeps me from getting discouraged."

"She has inspired me to cope in more helpful ways to this ongoing COVID isolation, as well as the deep political turbulence and dangers. She

has become a valued and supportive friend."

"Thank you for spending time with me...I feel that it was a very helpful visit, as it got me seeing things in a different light."

"Our discussion has gotten me thinking differently about how I spend my precious time."

"I feel more energized to take action around my health and well-being."

So, you see, if you decide to contact me, I don't come to you with a "program". It is your design, your inspiration, your fuel that drives the conversation. I am simply there to ask questions, to listen, and to reflect what I hear. The conclusions reveal themselves to you in your own time. I am available by phone or at mlgannon@xlands.kendal.org.

Lathie Gannon

Bluebird Report

Each March groups of Crosslands residents start to monitor the activity in our 53 bluebird nest boxes. In winter, the boxes were cleaned out and repaired in readiness for the hoped-for new tenants. By March 30, there were nineteen nest starts and one complete with three eggs.

What does monitoring involve? Standing to one side of the box for safety, a gentle knock on the box alerts the birds that we are there and allows the hen to exit the box if she chooses. Then each box is opened with care using the side opening to disturb the birds as little as possible. Notes are taken: if a nest or nest start is present, if eggs or chicks (how many?) are there, or if there is anything going on that requires attention, such as an ant invasion or any box damage. The reports are collated each week by the team leader and sent to all members to alert them on what to expect on the next week's tour.

Other species like to use the bluebird boxes as well, such as tree swallows and house wrens. These species are also included on the weekly reports. Occasionally, house sparrows (a non-native invasive species) sneak into the boxes and are dealt with appropriately.

The number of bluebirds fledged over the past fourteen years is listed in the table. Although it looks like our success rate has increased, it is probably a result of an increase in the number of bluebird boxes over the years.

The bluebird season lasts up to 24 weeks with the last chick fledging (leaving the nest) on August 24 this year. Some of the boxes are used twice in the same season. Many birds that spend the winter often use the boxes as shelter from the cold.

The bluebird monitors are divided into two teams, each monitoring half of the boxes and switching routes every week. The monitors on the East Team include Bob Suter, Barbara Grove, David Camp, Karen Satterthwaite, Bunny Lawton, and Peg Parker. The West team includes Bob Shipman, Nancy Shipman, Jon Ford, Kris Arcuri, Ingrid Carls, Mary Barlow, and Julie Knobil.

Peg Parker

YEAR	NO. FLEDGED
2009	99
2010	96
2011	94
2012	138
2013	101
2014	116
2015	137
2016	148
2017	154
2018	123
2019	125
2020	166
2021	164



Sunflower Shop Ready for a Colorful Fall

Exercise leggings and support hose are new to the shop. The colorful longer tops we are showing look very stylish and give the leggings a new look for fall. Both are at special prices.

A selection of scarves is available to complement the fall selection of new blouses in all sizes. Choose handmade jewelry, gifts from Vera Bradley (special prices), Thanksgiving cards, as well as cards for other occasions.

Do you know someone who has not been to the Sunflower Shop? Invite them or a new resident to visit the shop with you.

Nancy Crowe



Cycling at Crosslands

When we were preparing for our move to Crosslands, I was seriously debating whether to bring my bicycle. After seeing the many hills and the high volume of traffic on the narrow roads just outside the campus, I almost decided to sell it. I'm so glad I didn't.

Since moving here I've really enjoyed biking in Crosslands, but I've also had the opportunity to explore options off campus. Early on I bumped into Debbie Haskell, a resident of Kendal, who invited me to join her "ad hoc" biking group. This group meets about once a month on a route planned by Debbie. Most of the bike trips are on "rail trails", trails converted from old railroad routes, and some are on canal "tow paths". These trails are free from auto traffic, have few if any hills, and are usually scenic.

Here's how it typically works: Debbie emails the details to interested parties and we drive to

an agreed-upon meeting place. After reviewing guidelines — during which Debbie Haskell gives final instructions — we hop on our bikes and cycle anywhere from 8 to 12 miles (about an hour), stop for lunch, and then cycle back to our cars.

Lunch is usually at a restaurant with outside seating, or we brownbag it. Anywhere from ten to twenty cyclists have taken part in these rides. Safety and camaraderie are top priorities, so we look out for one another, and no one is out to set any records.

If you would like to find out more

about these bike rides, contact Debbie Haskell or me. By the way, Debbie has a woman's bike, a ten-speed Free Spirit made in the 1970s in good condition to give away. It should be checked over before being ridden.

Jim Sharp



PHOTO BY JIM SHARP

Coming In December

Sarah Willie-LeBreton, Provost and Dean of the Faculty and Professor of Sociology at Swarthmore, will speak at Kendal~Crosslands on December 2 at 7:30 pm.

Last spring the KCC Diversity & Inclusion Working Group held a series of Listening Sessions. Sarah is excited about the summary the Working Group produced recently and plans to respond to resident and staff issues and concerns voiced therein.

If all goes well, she will be here in person at the William Penn Room to share with the KCC Community at the invitation of the Diversity & Inclusion 4-Campus Committee.

Judy Heald



Judith Greene # 75

With a sense that she could be happy and involved here, Judith moved into her Crosslands apartment on September 16 ready to hit the ground running (or at least walking fast!). Having her college roommate and husband at Kendal and her older son in Media made this a desirable location.

Judith was particularly drawn to the Quaker values on which this community was built, so when she began the search for a place where she could “age gracefully and healthily,” Kendal~Crosslands was at the top of her list. An important selling point was that her North Carolina son, his spouse, and their four-year-old daughter would be within a reasonable drive.

Some of her lasting recollections include her days of biking on her quiet childhood street in Fairfield, Connecticut, and later in college riding her bicycle from her dorm in Cambridge to classes in Harvard Yard. This 1961 Radcliffe grad also reminisces about singing in the Radcliffe Choral Society and performing with the Harvard Glee Club.

Judith still loves to listen to and play music (her piano and cello accompanied her to Crosslands). She also loves the memories of spending time in Vienna with her two young sons and her then-husband, who was doing research during a year’s sabbatical and then two half-years. That year-long stay gave Judith the opportunity to soak up the culture and begin to

learn German, while her two-year-old attended *krabbelstube* (crawling school) and the five-year-old went to kindergarten.

Judith’s education continued back in Indiana where she earned her M.A. from Purdue, commuting from Crawfordsville. She has taught high school history, as well as organizing and teaching at a Montessori oriented preschool.

In 1996 she received her M.Div. from the General Theological Seminary in New York City, becoming an Episcopal priest. She served two congregations, one as Associate Rector in Fort Mitchell, Kentucky, and another as Rector in Trumbull, Connecticut, until her retirement back to her birthplace of Bridgeport, Connecticut in 2011.

Following the Sandy Hook shootings in 2012, Judith became passionate about sensible gun control, joining marches in Washington, DC. She still considers herself a learner and an activist.

Judith looks forward to the joys of spending more time with family and traveling once more, including an upcoming trip back to Vienna to see long-time friends. Other pursuits include walking, swimming, staying up on current events, dabbling in art, and visiting art museums and botanical gardens. Loving to walk, Judith has already begun to explore Crosslands trails though she expects that her winter exercise will be in the warm pool.

Linda Helton



PHOTO BY BOB SUTER



**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS 2 AM SUNDAY
MORNING, NOVEMBER 7. DON'T FORGET TO
TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR.**

Ted Farraday #16

Opera54, the first seven characters in Ted Farraday's email address give clues about who he is. Ted is passionate about opera, because it feeds his soul. He views opera as the perfect art form, since it encompasses the human voice, music, drama, text, and visual arts as it portrays basic human emotions.

Ted's first experience with opera was as a ten-year-old when his father took him and his only sibling, a younger brother, to "Hansel and Gretel". The opera performance that hooked him was Verdi's "Il Trovatore." Ted's best-loved opera is "Norma" by Bellini, while his favorite opera singer is the late Joan Sutherland. Ted met and had a conversation with her when he was about 14. Per Ted, "That is a story for another day."

Besides opera, Ted loves classical music, American musicals, theater, and French and Spanish movies. One might say his tastes are eclectic, as he also enjoys travel, tropical fish, nature, and board games – he could play UNO for hours.

After graduating from Princeton, Ted thought about studying for a master's in international business administration. Instead, he decided to follow in his parents' footsteps — both of whom were Philadelphia area educators — and found that education was for him. It is about people, one human being talking to another about what

it means to be human.

Ted's career as a French and Spanish teacher and then school administrator took him from The Park School in Baltimore to SOUL Music and Performing Arts Academy in Saigon, Vietnam. Wherever he taught, whether it was at the Isidore Newman School in New Orleans, Moorestown Friends, or The Walnut Hill School of the Arts in Natick, Massachusetts, Ted thrived as he worked with and learned from talented heads of school and immersed himself in the culture of each location.

Ted was about to retire after ten years at the Interlochen Center for the Arts when he was offered a position at the SOUL Performing Arts Academy. Two things convinced him to take the position. One was Auntie Mame's words, "Life is a banquet, and

most poor suckers are starving to death!" The other was he knew his late father, who lived at Crosslands for 15 years, would say, "Go!"

Coming from three years in Saigon to Kennett Square has been a significant change for Ted not made easy by a seemingly ever-changing move-in date to a quick day trip to Michigan to retrieve documents needed to get a driver's license.

Creating another life here at Crosslands will include opera and travel when he is ready to once again pack a suitcase and get on an airplane.

Diana Stevens



PHOTO BY BOB SUTER

Corrections, Errors, and Omissions

- In the October issue, the *Chronicle* reported that Phoebe Driscoll's granddaughter works at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. In fact, it is Phyllis Wenner's granddaughter who works there. We regret the error.
- In the October issue, the lead article on the Native Plant Preserve neglected to add the name of the author. It was written and researched by Lyn Back, and we are embarrassed by the omission of her name.
- In the October issue, the article on the Showcase failed to indicate that the previous Showcase committee, while being chaired by Hollis Scarborough, was aided by a talented and hard-working group of residents. We regret the omission.

Events

Forum

What 'They' Think of Us, and Why It Matters

Ralph Begleiter

Rosenberg Professor of
Communication emeritus,
University of Delaware

Wed, Nov 3 7:30 pm Zoom/TV13

For many years after the September 11, 2001, terror attacks, public opinion about the United States declined around the world as the United States went to war in Afghanistan and later invaded Iraq. Opinion recovered a bit until the election of Donald Trump, when it took another nosedive.

Based on his extensive world travels as a former CNN correspondent, Ralph Begleiter takes a fresh look at "what 'they' think of us," considering recent events at home and in Afghanistan, and why opinion about the United States matters.



Diana Stevens

Camera Club: Photos of Creatures from Around the World

Emilie Barber

Fri, Nov 19 7:30 pm Wm Penn Rm/TV13

Emilie Barber, a Crosslands resident, is an accomplished photographer who has travelled to wonderfully scenic locations (Antarctica and Alaska, for example) as well as to places where wildlife is notable either for its diversity (Costa Rica) or its scientific importance (Galapagos Islands). Her photographic subjects include humans, other mammals, birds, sea life, landscapes, and abstracts. They are sure to satisfy most of our needs for beauty and visual stimulation.

Bob Suter

Forum

The Polarized Landscape of Rage, Fear, and Laughter in the U.S.

Dr. Dannagal Young

Professor of Communication and Political
Science, University of Delaware

Tue, Nov 16 7:30 pm Zoom/TV 13

Dr. Young will provide an overview of the research that culminated in the 2019 publication of her book, *Irony and Outrage*. The book explores

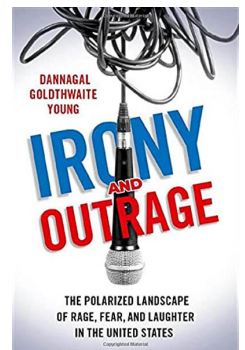


the genres of liberal political satire and conservative opinion talk and makes the case that both are logical extensions of the psychology of the left and right. In addition, it presents a conclusion about

which of the genres is more effective in mobilizing its target audience.

One of Dr. Young's students advises other students to "take any class you can with her." She has also been recognized for her scholarship as the recipient of the Dr. Robert M. Entman Award from the School of Media and Public Affairs of George Washington University, an annual award given to a researcher whose work is publicly engaged, related to topics vital to the health of American democracy, and of exceptionally high quality.

George Helton



Events

Tuesday Edition

Working with State Representative Chris Ross and Volunteering in the AARP Tax Assistance Program Wynne and Sam Wharry

Tue, Nov 9 11 am Zoom/TV13

Ever wonder what goes on in your local legislator's office? No, no, not that kind of expose! Here's your chance to find out. Wynne worked part time in Rep. Chris Ross' District Office for 16 years.

During that time Wynne and Sam volunteered in the AARP Income Tax Assistance Program, which was founded in 1968. Sam will discuss how this program was originally intended to assist, "low to moderate income senior citizens," with filing their federal tax returns and how it has expanded in scope. He will share how they became participants, and how we can be helped, too.

Nan Naeve

Great and Ancient Trees of the North Temperate World

Dr. Paul W. Meyer

F. Otto Haas Executive Director (Retired)
Morris Arboretum, U. of Pennsylvania

Thu, Nov 4 7:15 pm Zoom/TV13

Dr. Meyer will discuss northern temperate tree species that achieve great size and live for many centuries, focusing on trees that he has become acquainted with during his travels in North America and Europe, and on his numerous collecting trips to natural habitats in Asia. The talk will be illustrated with artful photos of outstanding specimens



both in the wild and in cultivation and will cover the natural history, garden adaptability, and economic uses of these great and ancient trees. Outstanding trees at the Morris Arboretum will also be highlighted.

Bob Shipman, Chair, KCA

Covid Boosters for Crosslands and Cartmel

When

- Wednesday, November 10

Where

- William Penn Room and Lounge

Who

- You are a Crosslands or Cartmel resident.
- You are 65 or older.
- You are 6 months out from your last COVID vaccination.
- You received the Pfizer vaccine.

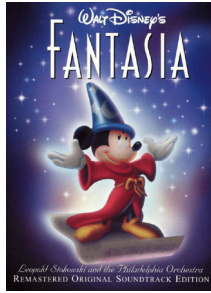
How

- Your appointment time will be scheduled, and you will be notified.
- Please bring your COVID vaccination card.
- After your shot, expect a waiting time of 15-20 minutes.
- More information coming from Resident Care.



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Movies



The Red Shoes (1947)

Sat, Nov 6 7:15 pm
Wm Penn Room/Zoom/TV 13

This classic film dealing with a ballerina's commitment to her art and the psychological pressures it creates was adapted from the fairy tale by Hans Christian Andersen. *The Red Shoes* stars Moira Shearer, Anton Walbrook, and Marius Goring and features some remarkable ballet scenes. The film was nominated for five Academy Awards and won two. 2 hours, 15 minutes, in English with subtitles.

Ron Broude

A Fish Called Wanda (1988)

Thu, Nov 11 7:15 pm
Wm Penn Room/Zoom/TV 13

Monty Python veterans John Cleese and Michael Palin team with American actors Jamie Lee Curtis and Kevin Kline in a heist comedy film. When the crooks find out that the jailed ringleader has hidden the stolen diamonds, they begin to double-cross each other to learn their location. Kline won the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor, and the British Film Institute rates the film 39th on its list of 100 Best British films.

George Helton

Fantasia (1940)

Sat, Nov 20 7:15 pm
Wm Penn Room/Zoom/TV 13

This innovative collaboration between Leopold Stokowski and Walt Disney brought classical music to mass audiences. Works by Bach, Beethoven, Stravinsky, Tchaikovsky, and others are performed by the Philadelphia Orchestra and accompanied by animation from the Disney studio. 2 hours, 5 minutes.

Ron Broude

Concerts

Wister String Quartet

Tue, Nov 9 7:30 pm Zoom/TV 13

Since its formation in 1987, the Wister Quartet has earned high praises from critics and audiences alike for superb musicianship and memorable performances. Named to honor Frances Anne Wister, founder of the Philadelphia Orchestra's Volunteer Committee, the members of the quartet have all had a long association with the orchestra. In addition to concerts in Europe and China, the Wister Quartet performs widely in the Philadelphia region. They have recorded for Direct-to-Tape Records and their first CD was nominated for a Grammy Award.

Tricia Reed



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Vivian Dozer and Diane Goldsmith **Cello and Piano**

Tue, Nov 23 7:30 pm Zoom/TV 13

Vivian Barton Dozer is principal cellist with the Academy of Vocal Arts Orchestra and VoxAmaDeus and is assistant principal with Opera Philadelphia's orchestra. A graduate of the Curtis Institute of Music, she has appeared with such distinguished artists as Yehudi Menuhin, Alexander Schneider, and Felix Galimir. She has performed in the Marlboro Music Festival and with the Philadelphia Orchestra, Orpheus Chamber Orchestra, Brandenburg Ensemble, and the Santa Fe Opera.

Pianist Diane Goldsmith maintains a busy schedule as a soloist, chamber musician, and vocal accompanist. She studied privately with renowned pianist Gary Graffman and holds a master's degree from Manhattan School of Music. She has been a classical and jazz music critic and arts editor at major newspapers and a staff accompanist at Westminster Choir College.

Tricia Reed

November 2021 Calendar

Mon Nov 1 NAME TAG DAY.

CRA Board Meeting. 10 am. Wm Penn Rm, Zoom/TV13. All are invited. There will be a meeting right after the CRA meeting to vote on constitutional amendments. A quorum must be present (75 members). See p. 3.

Tue Nov 2 Election Day. See page 8 for more information.

Wed Nov 3 Forum Committee. Ralph Begleiter, "What 'They' Think of Us and Why It Matters." 7:30 pm. Zoom/TV13.

Painting Class. 10 am-noon. Soft Pastels Demonstration at 10:30 am. Arts and Crafts Rm.

Thu Nov 4 November Birthday Celebration. 5:30-6:30 pm in the dining room alcove. See Phyllis Wenner.

KCArboretum. Paul W. Meyer. "Great and Ancient Trees." 7:15 pm at Kendal. Zoom/TV13.

Fri Nov 5 Continuing Education. "Constitutional Amendments." 9:30 am. Zoom (subscription only).

Sat Nov 6 Movie Committee. The Red Shoes. 7:15 pm. Wm Penn Rm, Zoom/TV13.

Sun Nov 7 Daylight Savings Time Ends. Turn the clocks BACK one hour at 2 am Sunday morning.

Mon Nov 8 Healthy and Wise. Weight Management. 11 am. Zoom/TV13.

Tue Nov 9 Tuesday Edition. Wynne and Sam Wharry. "AARP Tax Assistance." 11 am. Wm Penn Rm, Zoom/TV13.

Music Committee. Wister Quartet. 7:30 pm, Zoom/TV13.

Wed Nov 10 Covid Booster Shots. 8 am-5 pm. Wm Penn Rm and Lounge.

Crosslands Poetry Group. Reading Old and New. 3-4:30 pm. Wm Penn Lounge.

Kendal Piano Quartet. See Kendal website for link. 7:15 pm.

Thu Nov 11 Veterans Day.

Movie Committee. A Fish Called Wanda. 7:15 pm. Wm Penn Rm, Zoom/TV13.

Fri Nov 12 Continuing Education. "Constitutional Amendments." 9:30 am. Zoom (subscription only).

Sat Nov 13 Light & Lively. Bob and Sarah Amos. 7:30 pm. Zoom/TV13.

Mon Nov 15 NAME TAG DAY

Book Review. John Hurt reviews "Checkmate in Berlin". 11 am. Wm Penn Rm, Zoom/TV13.

Tue Nov 16 CRA Concerns Session. 10 am. Music Rm.

Forum Committee. Dr. Dannagal Young. "Rage, Fear and Laughter in the U.S." 7:30 pm. Zoom/TV13.

Thu Nov 18 New Residents Reception. 4-5 pm. Wm Penn Rm.

Crosslands Players. A Fall Evening of Poetry Reading. 4-5 pm. Wm Penn Rm.

Fri Nov 19 Continuing Education. "Constitutional Amendments." 9:30 am. Zoom (subscription only).

Dementia Steering Committee. Dr. Judy Pierson. "The Long Goodbye: Grief and Dementia." 1:30-2:30 pm. Wm Penn Rm, Zoom/TV13. Sign-up required.

Camera Club. "Creatures Around the World." 7:30 pm. Wm Penn Rm, Zoom/TV13.

Sat Nov 20 Movie Committee. Fantasia. 7:15 pm. Wm Penn Rm, Zoom/TV13.

Mon Nov 22 Healthy and Wise. Weight Management. 11 am. Zoom/TV13.

Tue Nov 23 Music Committee. Goldsmith and Dozer, piano and cello. 7:30 pm. Zoom/TV 13.

Thu Nov 25 Thanksgiving Day.



Venues, times, and other details may change. Please watch for announcements on the Crosslands website, bulletin board, and TV9.