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## BLESSED BY BLANKETS

We were very fortunate that Jan Wright was able to take time from her busy schedule with her downtown Lafayette antique store to come and speak here at University Place on January 13th. I asked Gerri Fish if she would share a thought with us since she introduced Jan that night. She thanked everyone for the donated blankets that we sent back with Jan, Jan was very excited! We will continue to collect them through the month of February, so if you would like to pass along a used blanket just bring them to the Pastoral Care office or the Concierge Desk.

--Nancy Eberhard

## Presentation by Jan Wright

Jan Wright, the owner of First Class Clutter downtown, is one of the co-founders and heroes of LAFAYETTE COVER. This organization provides donated blankets to those in need to our community. Jan, in her presentation to University stated that last year LAFAYETTE COVER provided 4,000 blankets to those who needed them. It came as a great shock to many of us to realize that there are that many homeless/needy people who live in Lafayette.

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For me, one story she shared stuck out. A young mother came to her with her two children, and asked how many blankets she was allowed. Jan told her to take as many as she needed. The young mother explained to Jan that they had managed to find an apartment but it didn't have any heat. She wanted the blankets to put over the kitchen table so she could put her children under the table with a blanket covering them. It would help keep them warm.

Jan feels that this experience has been so special to her because she has learned from it. She said that she has helped keep others warm and sharing the experience with them has kept her warm inside.

--Gerri Fish

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# FEBRUARY 2016 HAPPY DAYS



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 01 Barbara Hittle
- 07 Marion Baumgardner
- 12 Richard Shoemaker
- 14 Victoria Willis
- 22 Harley Frey
- 27 Luise Selke

and to all Assisted Living and Health Care residents.



Consider making a donation to the UPR Foundation  
in your friend's name on their special occasion



*"The sun himself is weak when he first rises  
and gathers strength and courage as the day gets on."*

~ Charles Dickens

Because the University Place population changes almost daily, if we did not include your happy date, we are sorry and would like to be notified of the omission. Regarding IL & GH call Beth Brunit, 463-0203; for AL & HC call Concierge, 464-5600.

## **FIRST FLOOR NEWS**

On January 9, 2016, BETTY WADE entertained her family at University Place: son Will, daughter-in-law Lorie, granddaughter Audrey and her husband Josh, granddaughter Loretta and her husband Jeremy for their late Christmas gathering. Beautiful and unusual gifts were exchanged, good food was enjoyed at UP Saturday evening and Brunch on Sunday before they left for their separate destinations. A fun time was enjoyed by all.

## **SECOND FLOOR NEWS**

### **Cookie Party**

December 14, 2015 baking aromas were flying throughout the second floor. These aromas continued for three days. Second-floor residents soon became aware of what was causing these aromas to exist.

On December 16th from 1:30-3:30 p.m., JANET STROUD and KAREN BOGAN welcomed guests into Apartment 223 to enjoy cookies. As happens each year, a steady stream of visitors came and went for two and a half hours, some coming extra early to get the Oreo Truffles. Laughter, crazy Christmas toy sounds and fun stories went throughout the group of people who crowded into the spacious one-bedroom apartment.

Beth Brumit was the "star" of the show with her colorful and funny attire and toys. Sam Postlethwait took pictures and Marion Baumgardner brought a large "garbage bag" hoping to fill it with leftover cookies. The crowd thoroughly enjoyed being together while trying to figure out which cookies to eat. They found out interesting facts about those who were present. Many mentioned how interesting it was to visit with people that

they didn't know quite as well as they would have liked. People who usually ate lunch at noon sat beside people who generally ate dinner in the evening. Everybody mentioned how much they appreciated this "tradition" coming about each year.

The only surprise Janet and Karen had was..."When what to our wondering eyes did appear... but 10 extra pounds on our hips, thighs and rears." Happy New Year everyone! Janet and Karen have an entire year to try to get those pounds off before next year's cookie party.

--Karen Bogan

At 6:00 this morning early in January the temperature was -4 degrees.

At 9:00 this morning I (GERRI FISH) saw the first sign of Spring - there was a pink balloon waving in the breeze, snagged on a limb in the tree in front of my apartment. I guess, for me, from now on the first harbingers of Spring will be a Robin, the first Crocus, and a pink balloon.

Hope is that residents on third floor and in their Garden Homes will contribute news items for the March UP Beat issue. We know everyone has been very busy enjoying the holidays, with surviving frozen water mains, and traveling to warmer climates. But please know you are in our thoughts wherever you had to be, whether in the hospital, with family attending some special or sad event, or hopefully just enjoying life.



Pictures of monkeys are often placed on walls and doors to bring good fortune. The monkey is a clever animal and is frequently compared to a smart person. People born in the year of the monkey are lively, flexible, witty and versatile with strong practical ability, love to be active, and they enjoy sports. Often highly intelligent, they are talented problem solvers, self-assured, sociable and innovative, love being the center of attention and have a magnetic personality.

creativity in their work, like challenges and love to succeed, although they can be discouraged if things don't go their way.

Monkeys are mischievous; masters of the practical joke, they can sometimes take things too far).

They tend to be healthy (probably due to their active lifestyle) but should remember to take a break from their busy schedule now and again.

Negative traits are that they can be jealous, suspicious, cunning, arrogant, and impatient, and tend to look down on others.

Leonardo da Vinci, Charles Dickens, George Gordon Byron, Alexander Dumas, Yao Ming, Celine Dion, Tom Hanks, Will Smith, Halle Berry, Christina Aguilera, Diana Ross, Elizabeth Taylor, Michael Douglas, Owen Wilson, Daniel Craig, Mick Jagger, Julius Caesar, Bette Davis, Annie Oakley, Eleanor Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman, Captain Cook, Cuba Gooding Jr., Patricia Arquette, Alyson Stoner, Christina Ricci, Mitchell Musso, Nick Jonas, Selena Gomez, Empress Wu Zetian of China's Tang Dynasty (618 - 907)





# THE BULLETIN BOARD



The next Tippecanoe Taizé will be at 7 p.m., February 16, 2016, at Central Presbyterian Church, Lafayette. Four to seven UP residents who regularly attend these inspirational, ecumenical worship services of Scripture, prayer, song, and silence invite you to join them. You may sign up for transportation at the Concierge Desk.



## UPR FOUNDATION

All residents are encouraged to attend the **ANNUAL MEETING OF THE UPR FOUNDATION on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11 AT 2:00 in the GREAT ROOM.** Projects and events of 2015 will be reviewed, and a current financial report will be presented. Three new Board members will be elected. Plans for 2016 will be discussed along with how you can become involved in suggesting and working on new projects.



## NOTE FROM THE FACILITIES AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Residents are urged to use the proper containers in the recycling/trash rooms for disposables. There is one container for recycling paper and cardboard, another for bottles-cans-plastics, and a third for non-recyclable trash. In addition there is a box for aluminum cans. There are signs on the wall above the three bins indicating what materials are to be placed in each. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

--William Weinhardt, Ch. of Facilities  
and Grounds Committee



## UNIVERSITY PLACE IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY!

### Making Blankets

Come and join us to make blankets on Friday the 5th of February and/or Friday the 19th of February in the IL ARTS and CRAFTS Room at 1:00 p.m. You don't need to bring anything with you, but join us in this fun and easy process of "tying" fleece blankets. By doing this project together we will provide a warm cover for someone of need in Lafayette. If you have any questions please stop by my office.

--Nicole McBee





## New Year's Eve 2015

The Dune Country Band, led by Jerry Vernon, returned this year for our traditional New Year's Eve party. New additions were Lesley's Photo Booth and an appetizer ring around the Christmas tree. With eighteen tables, we had at least 115 people coming and going, singing along with the band and dancing. Relatives who accompanied many residents added to the fun. We had all the verses to Auld Lang Syne to sing, and a champagne toast at ten o'clock to accommodate the early-to-bedders. Nicole, Leslie and Marvin gave us an evening to remember. We dined on little meatballs, tiny cocktail wieners, orange punch with orange sherbet, veggie/cheese rollups, cookies, baked chips and a large platter of crudités with dressings.

--Sandra Weinhardt

## STAGES OF SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

Cliff Swensen presented his research on Spiritual Development recently in the Great Room. He began with 14 New Testament quotations:

- 3 from Peter's letters
- 3 from the Book of Hebrews
- 1 from the Book of James
- 6 from Paul's letter to the churches in the Roman Empire
- 1 from the Sermon on the Mount by Jesus

Scott Peck stages of Spiritual Development, Leslie Hershberger 9 stages of Spiritual Development, St. John of the cross' teachings and Psychologist

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J.W. Fowler's stages of Faith were presented.

He finished with application questions by Fowler.

An extremely valuable and interesting session.

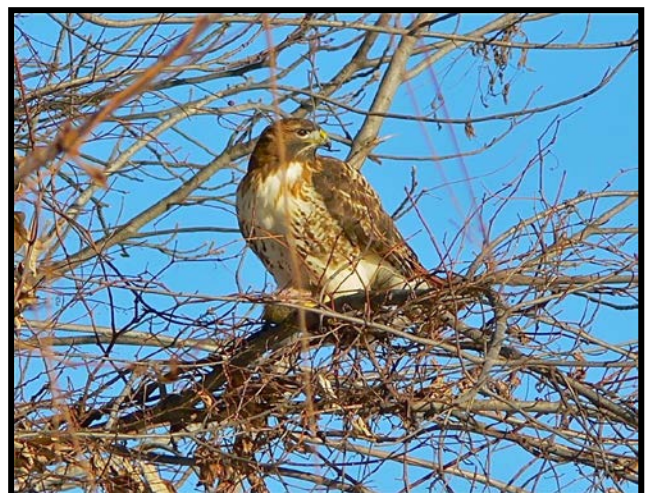
--Gene Soderberg

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Last night, Mayor Dennis had the honor of presenting Sam Postlethwait with a Distinguished Citizen of the State Award. In his acceptance speech, Sam reminded us all to be grateful for the existence of the Celery Bog. Sam AND the bog are true gems in this community!



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## DISPLAY CASE COLLECTION

I was very happy to share my salt and pepper collection. Although I've enjoyed them, I never dreamed so many people would be interested in them. I was about nine or ten years of age when I got my first set. It grew to 59 sets. Most were gifts from friends and family.

--Laura Belle Jackson







## **WINTER WALKING**

These tips minimize your chances of slipping and falling:

\*Wear appropriate footwear to increase traction on ice and snow. Smooth leather soles and high heels offer little traction on ice and snow and should not be worn.

\*Special over-the-shoe ice cleats can be purchased for as low as \$10 at local hardware stores or online. Remember to take them off when inside since they can damage floors or even be more slippery on tile or terrazzo.

\*Walk on surfaces that have been cleared or treated if possible. Avoid taking shortcuts across areas that have not been cleared.

\*Building entries can be wet or icy. Use handrails if walking up and down stairs, and keep at least one hand free for balance.

\*Slow down and take shorter steps so you can react to a change in traction more easily.

\*Avoid carrying heavy or awkward loads; use shoulder straps on bags and backpacks to keep your hands free for balance and to use handrails when walking on stairs.

\*Wear gloves to keep your hands warm and out of your pockets for balance.

Watch a two-minute video created by Wyoming Workforce Services showing some of these winter walking techniques: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=W0owgay\\_bQs](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W0owgay_bQs).

## **Art News**

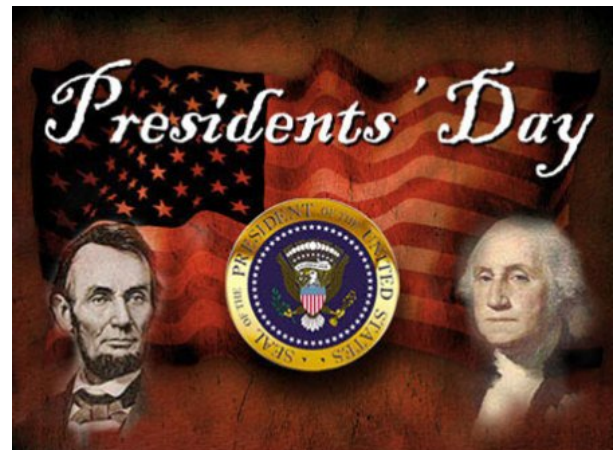
New residents, Max and Laura Belle Jackson, have loaned items from their art collection to the University Place Art Committee. These pictures have been hung in appropriate spots in the hallways of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> floors. Near apartment 208 you will see “Patchy Memories” by Mary Martin.

Two paintings depicting Indiana scenes, “A mid-summer morning” and “Autumn shadows” are near apartment 102. A giraffe, zebra and elephant can be seen near apartment 108. Two small pictures, one of lions and one of giraffes, are located near apartment 204. A depiction of a desert tree is near apartment 129.

In the display case on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor, there is a collection of salt and pepper shakers which are from the Jacksons as well. The management of the display case has been taken over by Nancy Hardy, a new member of the Art Committee, joining members Maralee Baumgardner and Barbara Becker.

The committee would welcome additional volunteers.

-- Barbara Becker





## **GETTING TO KNOW YOUR NEW NEIGHBORS**



Alfred (Al) and Ella Sheehan moved into IL #209 at the end of August from their home of the past five years at Raintree Square, a New Castle, IN, retirement community. Their daughter Mary had moved to West Lafayette where she has a child and grandchildren to enjoy with Al and Ella. Al grew up with two sisters and a brother, all older than he, on a farm halfway between Crawfordsville and Lebanon, IN. He was a basketball player for Darlington High School from which he graduated in the spring of 1941, and was then drafted into the U.S. Army that September. His high test scores qualified him for ASTP (Army Specialized Training Program) which sent him to the University of South Dakota for Mechanical Engineering training. On completion, Al expected to be sent to Europe but instead went to the Pacific Theater, and was on the northern Pacific Marianas Island of Saipan. At the end of the war he and two other officers worked at putting the local population to work. After he was discharged, Al began his career as an industrial purchasing agent for automotive industries. While in Michigan he spent \$183,000,000 at his job one year. He became President of the National Purchasing Agents Association. Having learned about farm horses from his childhood plow and

buggy days. Al's weekend hobby became showing five-gaited Saddle-Bred horses, and later he was rated as one of the ten best horse show judges in the U.S. He was a judge at the very first 4H Horse and Pony show in Indiana. Al and Ella stopped owning show horses when his judging became too time consuming; during 1986, his last year as a judge, he flew 41,000 miles to Washington, Oregon, California, Arizona, New Mexico and Wisconsin. He has a handsome plaque commemorating his service as an Arabian Judge at a Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto. He was also a 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree Mason and member of the Scottish Rite while living in Indianapolis.

Ella was born in Clay City, IN, and grew up on a farm with a sister, now deceased, and a younger brother. After graduating from Clay City High School, she worked for six years in manufacturing at Eli Lilly Company in Indianapolis, IN. During this time she and Al met through mutual friends. After marriage they first lived in Crawfordsville followed by moves to Indianapolis, Frankfort, spent 12 years in Michigan, then moved to New Castle. They have 3 children: Mary: is a retired Indianapolis teacher, now in West Lafayette, Carolyn, is a former teacher, in Montrose, Colorado, Michael, manager of a dairy equipment manufacturing company, in Ithaca, Michigan, her two grandsons, two grand-daughters, two great grand-daughters and two great grand-sons. Ella's favorite pastime is quilting. She has made large quilts but now prefers smaller pieces for door or wall hanging. Al and Ella, your new neighbors are happy that you are here, hope to see you more often and heartily say, "Welcome"!

## **Podiatry Program**

Introduced by Dick Shoemaker, Dr. Andrew Perry, podiatrist, presented an interesting program on December 9, 2015. Most 2-footed people, it seems, have the need of some kind of professional foot care from time to time, be it specific routine care prescribed for a diabetic, or more extensive attention to a bunion, hammer toe, or ingrown toenail. His is a conservative approach - he first asks a patient, "Does it bother you?" If not, Dr. Perry advises doing nothing; otherwise, more attention is needed. He discussed the physiology of the nail - fingernails grow 2x the rate of toenails; causes of fungus infections, split nails, and over-the-counter products available for treating various conditions. Medicare and Medicaid enter the picture, also. Unfortunately the doctor has no discretion as to what conditions will be covered. Take the case of the man who had lost both arms; he obviously couldn't cut his own toenails, yet coverage was denied, likewise someone who has debilitating tremors from Parkinson's . Prevention of infections seems to be a prime factor in coverage discretion. Despite the timeliness of the topic, the audience was small; at least 3 that missed it expressed regrets. Dr. Perry stood the whole time, speaking clearly and without notes. He seems to be very patient-oriented.

Podiatry is a 4-year course in a podiatry school, to be followed by an optional 2-year specialty residency, in perhaps Pediatrics, Wound Care, or Care of the Diabetic, among others. Without the residency, a podiatrist can do only routine foot care; with a residency, he is thus qualified to do some surgeries.

A lively question and answer

session followed this program near and dear to our hearts. If your feet hurt, it seems as though everything hurts.

--Deb Lindenlaub

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## **Laughter is the Best Medicine**



My wife says I'm unsophisticated and uncultured, so to prove her wrong, guess where I am taking her on Valentine's Day?

Hint: it starts with "B" and rhymes with "wallet".

## **Year of the Monkey Jokes**



Why did the monkey like the banana?  
Because it had appeal!

What do monkeys do for laughs?  
They tell jokes about people!

Where should a monkey go when he loses his tail?  
To a retailer!

Why don't monkeys play cards in the jungle?  
There are too many cheetahs there!

Where do chimps get their gossip?  
On the ape vine!

What key won't open any door?  
A monkey!

How do monkeys get down the stairs?  
They slide down the banana-ster!

Where does a 2,000 pound gorilla sit?  
Anywhere it wants!



**February UP Beat 2016**  
**Pope Francis, The Great**  
**Reformer**

Reviewed by Maralee Baumgartner,  
Wednesday 13 January, 2016.

Maralee gave a spirited review of "The Great Reformer; Francis and the Making of a Radical Pope" at the January Book Luncheon. Written by Austen Ivereigh, the book follows Jorge Mario Bergoglio from childhood in South America to his current prominence as Pope Francis. He is the first to be named pope from the western hemisphere.

Francis was born in Buenos Aires, In an aside, Maralee told us she and Marion spent two years there and loved the beautiful city and its friendly people.

Jorge was born in 1936, the son of Italian immigrants. He had a happy childhood filled with parties and lots of good food. In his youth he was a Boy Scout and worked to help the poor.

At fifteen he decided to become a priest: he was ordained in 1969. He was named a cardinal in 2001 and pope in 2013, at which time he chose his papal name, Francis. Jorge took the name Francis because he wanted to follow in the path of St. Francis of Assisi—ministering to the poor. He is admired for his ability to organize, charm, and lead, as well as lecture in Latin. He is revered for his humility; for example, he does not live in the Apostolic Palace, but rather in its guest house, He appeals to his listeners to love thy neighbor and work for the common good. Though he holds traditional views on issues such as abortion, homosexuality, and the ordination of women, he favors interfaith dialogue.

One of the most interesting (to me) bits of information, was that only

cardinals under the age of 80 can vote for the pope.

--Audrey Roberts

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The following is not the famous groundhog, Punxsutawney Phil, but a cute relative of him who lives in the Celery Bog near University Place. This groundhog was photographed by Sam Postlethwait for all of us to enjoy.

Below are pictures of the Celery Bog's groundhog :





## The Story of Hanukkah

On December 1st we were treated to a beautiful and intelligent discussion about The Festival of Lights (Hanukkah) by Rabbi Phil Cohen from Temple Israel of West Lafayette, IN.

He started his talk by telling a little about himself. He is here as a temporary Rabbi. Pollack left us for a new position in Canada. He will be with us at least another year.

His fascination with Hanukkah begins with the first touchstone which is external. The second touchstone is internal. The enduring religious side of Hanukkah is there are things and ideas worth fighting for and worshipping God.

The idea of light is a testimony to the idea of Hanukkah. God's light in the world is crucial.

Hanukkah provides us an opportunity to share our religious culture with our non-Jewish neighbors. Hanukkah in America has become an important moment of sharing Judaism with non Jews in a society exceptionally receptive to our sacred story.

That we have a relatively clear historical picture of the Hanukkah story (as clear as anything that took place over 2,200 years can be) allows us to speak of Hanukkah in a way not available to us with any other of our major festivals.

That story of the Maccabees going to war against a powerful Antiochus will always possess a resonance for us no matter where and when we live.

There you have it: Hanukkah as our way of uniting with our Gentile neighbors, as the means of evolving our self understanding, and as the way to increase light and thereby God's presence in our world.

--Sandy Pearlman

## National Inventors Day

Date When Celebrated : Always February 11

On February 11, 1983, U.S. President Ronald Reagan declared this day to be National Inventors Day. The date was selected, as Thomas Alva Edison, the greatest inventor in U.S. history, was born on this day in 1847 in Milan, Ohio. While Edison was perhaps best known for inventing the light bulb, he held over 1,000 patents!

National Inventors Day honors Thomas Edison and all inventors, recognizing the enormous impact inventions have on technology industry, and society worldwide. Just think about all the inventions, and the resulting new products, processes and procedures that you have seen in your lifetime. It readily gives us an appreciation for the inventors, that allowed these things to come into being.

On National Inventors Day, spend a few minutes to appreciate inventors, whatever their field.

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**Valentine's Day is a celebration of love and lovers.** The roots of Valentine's Day goes back to ancient times, when people paid honor to the Roman God of Fertility. This was known as the Feast of Lupercalia, and was celebrated even then on February 14th. The traditions of Valentine's Day are broad and many. It is a time to exchange cards or small gifts. Chocolates and jewelry are the big hits of this holiday as is romantic dinners. It is a romantic event for lovers and a fun event for kids and family. Many a couple become engaged or wed on this day. For others it is a day to fall in love.

COLUMBIAN PARK ZOO

MacKenzie, on December 15, 2015 again visited U.P with four animals from the Columbian Park Zoo. This time she brought two reptiles and two mammals but no birds or amphibians.

Blue was a BLUE TONGUED SKINK. A native of the grasslands of Australia this shy, docile reptile is thought to use its bright colored tongue to warn off potential predators. MacKenzie indicated that its being somewhat shaped like a snake might also frighten off some predators. Like other reptiles it is cold-blooded. It eats insects, plants, and even some small mammals. It reproduces by laying eggs. The multi colored pattern on its back helps to camouflage it.

The second animal shown, Brutis, was a very large DOMESTIC RABBIT. MacKensie estimated Brutis weighed about 15 pounds. This black and white French Lap rabbit, like most domestic breeds, was bred to be attractive to people. It lives on the Family Farm at the Zoo. Brutis eats fruits and vegetables with apples being its favorite. Brutis did not move much during its visit other than to twitch its whiskers while being carried around the room to be touched by residents.

The second reptile presented was Kenny, a KENYAN SAND BOA. This small, beautifully marked snake is a desert dweller. It burrows under the sand where it waves the tip of its tail to attract curious prey making it an ambush predator. Kenny is a constrictor.

The final animal shown was Pablo, a PATAGONIAN CAVY. MacKenzie said these cavys are the world's fourth largest rodent and are

closely related to guinea pigs. She indicated they live in the rain forest. While they live in groups as large as 40 they mate for life and will not nurse another cavy's young. Their teeth grow constantly. They shed frequently. They also defecate and then roll in the feces. They have up to three litters of young per year. They are herbavores. They are crepuscular, meaning they are most active in the early morning and late evening hours.

The U.P. residents got to touch all four of these animals if they chose to do so.

-- Karl Zollner



COLUMBIAN PARK ZOO

On a bitterly cold and windy January 19<sup>th</sup> Katie brought four animals from the Columbian Park Zoo to U.P. She indicated that they must warm the vehicle before bringing the animals in this type of weather.

The first animals shown were TIGER SALAMANDERS. They are amphibians, cold blooded animals with soft, permeable skins. They can both breathe and absorb water through their sensitive skin. Because of this Katie took them around the room in a terrarium with some water in it and we were not able to touch them. Like other amphibians their eggs are laid in water and pass through a larval stage before becoming adults. Some species spend their entire lives under water. Those living on land remain under rocks, leaf litter or in mud where they can keep their skin moist. Katie pointed out the skin on their sides was wrinkled to provide them with more surface area.

The second animal shown was Francisco, a CHINCHILLA. These rodents were from the South American Andes Mountains. Currently wild populations are only found on two Andean mountains. All others were hunted for their fur or as a source of food. Their whiskers are as long as their body is wide. They use them to determine if they will fit into a hiding space when danger threatens. Their large almost hairless ears help regulate their body temperature so they do not become overheated because of their very dense fur (60 hairs per follicle). Most chinchillas are now found on chinchilla farms where they are harvested for their fur. It takes over 200 chinchillas to make one full-length lady's coat. To avoid predators they use their long tails to brush away their footprints. Being hair shredders may also discourage some predators. They bathe in lava dust rather than in water.

As Katie finished taking Francisco around so we could touch its soft fur, the UP fire alarms went off to announce the recent water leaks. That delayed the program for a while.

The third animal shown was a PREHENSILE TAILED SKINK. It is also known as a SOLOMON SKINK. This South American reptile can hang by its tail. Like all lizards it has eyelids and ear holes, which snakes do not have. It is an herbivore and is arboreal. It is well camouflaged. Katie handled it carefully because its saliva is an anti-coagulant. She also stated it is 25 years old.

The final animal shown was the most spectacular. This was a COMMON BOA named Julius Squeezer. Katie thought he was about six feet long and weighed about 45 pounds. They can grow to 10 to 11 feet long but Julius is only eight years old. This constrictor is fed rats at the zoo. These constrictors are arboreal when they are young but later become too heavy to climb. They have backward facing teeth that makes it difficult for any prey they grab to escape. When the covering of their eyes turn milky white it indicates they are about to shed their old skins. When this occurs they are not handled. Released boas have become a problem in southern Florida. Katie let Julius climb on and entwine on a tree-like stand. Residents were fascinated watching Katie convince him to unwind and get back into his carrying bag. It was not an easy task. We all applauded her success.

--Karl Zollner



To: John & Larry

The Words (below) are just in from my friend Roda who has recently returned to California after 50 years married to a Frenchman. After his death she went back "home" to live near her daughter - just like yours truly. Rhoda was a classmate of Carol Burnett and Mike Farrell (MASH) at Hollywood High School. She met her husband when he was an international student at UCLA. At the time she was a freshman and never did finish her degree. You need to know that this friend of my retirement years in Paris, the 10 year period prior to my return to Indiana, was the source of many of the puns foisted on my long-suffering neighbors over my 11+ years at University Place. They are at long last mercifully free of my nefarious influence. You will surely both recognize Pun #12 - a variation on one I first heard coined by John Lindenlaub. It is one I am now free to spread in Texas. I think John will also recognize #20. Either of you is free to share this e-mail with Betty Wade as my first contribution to the UP newsletter in absentia.

A Note from Cordially, Tom Kelly

**CLEVER WORDS FOR CLEVER  
PEOPLE**

1. **ARBITRATOR**  
A cook that leaves Arby's to  
work at McDonald's
2. **BERNADETTE**  
The act of torching a mortgage
3. **BURGLARIZE**  
What a crook sees through
4. **AVOIDABLE**  
What a bullfighter tries to do
5. **EYEDROPPER**  
Clumsy ophthalmologist
6. **CONTROL**  
A short, ugly inmate

7. **COUNTERFEITER**  
Workers who put together kitchen cabinets
8. **ECLIPSE**  
What an English barber does for a living
9. **LEFT BANK**  
What the bank robbers did when  
their bag was full of money
10. **HEROES**  
What a man in a boat does
11. **PARASITES**  
What you see from the Eiffel Tower
12. **PARADOX**  
Two physicians
13. **PHARMACIST**  
A helper on a farm
14. **POLARIZE**  
What penguins see through
15. **PRIMATE**  
Remove your spouse  
from in front of the TV
16. **RELIEF**  
What trees do in the spring
17. **RUBBERNECK**  
What you do to relax your wife
18. **SELFISH**  
What the owner of a  
seafood store does
19. **SUDAFED**  
Brought litigation against  
a government official
20. **PARADIGMS**  
Twenty cents

Tom,  
I did receive the letter from Larry Ogborn.  
Thank you for your contribution for the  
February UP Beat. I will hope to receive  
more information about your new life for  
future UP Beats.

-- Betty Wade

## **CLEARER LANGUAGE** **FOR THE NEW YEAR**

The European Commission has just announced an agreement whereby English will be the official language of the European Union, rather than German, which was the other possibility.

As part of the negotiations, Her Majesty's Government conceded that English spelling had some room for improvement and has accepted a five year phase-in plan that would be known as AEuro-English. In the first year, <sup>x</sup>s' will replace the soft ^c'. Certainly, this will make the sivil servants jump with joy. The hard \*c' will be dropped in favor of the <sup>x</sup>k'. This should klear up konfusion and keyboards kan have one less letter .

There will be growing publik enthusiasm in the sekond year, when the troublesome ^ph' will be replaced with the \*f. This will make words like 'fotograf' 20% shorter. In the 3rd year, the publik akseptanse of the new spelling kan be expekted to reach the stage where more komplikated changes are possible. Governments will enkorage the removal of double letters, which have always ben a deterrent to akurate speling. Also, al wil agre that the horrible mes of the silent ^e<sup>1</sup> in the language is disgrasful, and it to should go away.

By the fourth yar, peopl wil be reseptiv to steps such as replasing 'th<sup>1</sup>' with <sup>x</sup>z' and V with V. During ze fifz yar ze unesesary 'o<sup>1</sup>' kan be dropd from vords kontaining <sup>x</sup>ou' and similar changes vud of kors be aplid to ozer kombinations of leters. After zis fifz yer, ve vil hav a reli sensibl riten styl. Zer vil be no mor trubls or difikultis, and evriun vil find it ezi tu understand ech ozer.

**ZE DREM VIL FINALI KUM TRU!!**

--Bruce Cooke (Borrowed)

## **The History of 'APRONS'**

I don't think our kids know what an apron is. The principle use of Grandma's apron was to protect the dress underneath because she only had a few. It was also because it was easier to wash aprons than dresses and aprons used less material. But along with that:

It served as a potholder for removing hot pans from the oven. It was wonderful for drying children's tears, and on occasion was even used for cleaning out children's dirty ears. From the chicken coop, the apron was used for carrying eggs, fussy chicks, and sometimes half-hatched eggs to be finished in the warming oven. When company came, those aprons were ideal hiding places for shy kids.. And when the weather was cold, Grandma wrapped it around her arms. Those big old aprons wiped many a perspiring brow, bent over the hot wood stove. Chips and kindling wood were brought into the kitchen in that apron. From the garden, it carried all sorts of vegetables. After the peas had been shelled, it carried out the hulls. In the fall, the apron was used to bring in apples that had fallen from the trees. When unexpected company drove up the road, it was surprising how much furniture that old apron could dust in a matter of seconds. When dinner was ready, Grandma walked out onto the porch, waved her apron, and the men folk knew it was time to come in from the fields to enjoy a hot hardy dinner.

It will be a long time before someone invents something that will replace that 'old-time apron' that served so many purposes.

### **REMEMBER:**

Grandma used to set her hot baked apple pies on the window sill to cool. Her granddaughters set theirs on the window sill to thaw. They would go crazy now trying to figure out how many germs were on that apron.

I don't think I ever caught anything from an apron - but love.



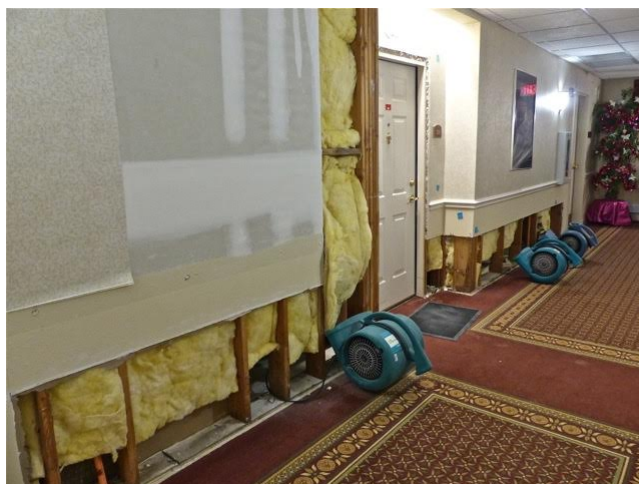
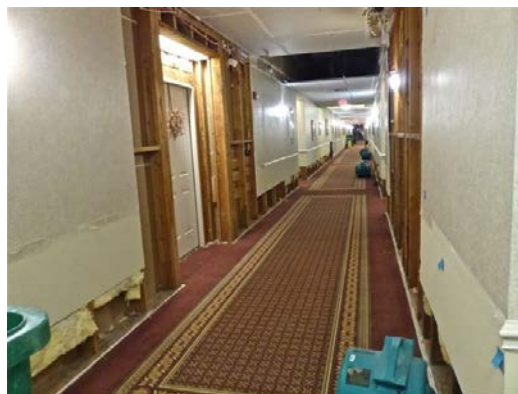
## MIDWINTER MUSIC

West Lafayette Musicale “like the Wabash running through our community, we continue to give ‘musical gifts’—as we have since 1915”. gave its 1 p.m., January 22, 2016, gift to nearly fifty UP residents and guests in the Great Room. After a welcome from President Peg Bryan, Vice-President Lynn Griffin led the audience accompanied at piano by Marla Stanton in singing the old hymn “Work for the Night is Coming” which was inspired by Scripture in John 9:4 when its words were written by an 18 year old British girl in 1854; its music was written in 1864. Next West Lafayette music teacher Amy Weaver accompanied 13 year old West Lafayette 8<sup>th</sup> grader Christina Shi who beautifully performed the 3<sup>rd</sup> movement of a Mendelssohn violin concerto although the piano seemed too loud. Amy then accompanied West Lafayette voice teacher Caitlin Thomas, a soprano, in three contemporary songs from opera, Rogers and Hammerstein and a haunting 1998 art song written by Steve Marzullo with words by 19<sup>th</sup> C. British poet John Clare. Caitlin’s operatic experience including a Carnegie Hall debut made an outstanding performance. Performing next were Elisa Johns of Delphi and her teacher, Beth Purhiser, Wabash College, McCutcheon High School and private teacher, who played the third part of a six part clarinet duet by Mozart. Concluding the varied 45 minute program, Christina Shi skillfully performed at the piano Bach’s Italian Concerto’s first movement. She has been a previous and current winner in both

violin and piano competitions but will admit that violin is her favorite. The West Lafayette Musicale is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and welcomes tax free donations to help sponsor competitions and awards which may be mailed to West Lafayette Musicale, c/o Leslie A. Bryan, Jr., 2134 Robin Hood Lane, West Lafayette, Indiana 47906.

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### DAMAGE DUE TO FROZEN PIPES





## **WINTER BLUES**

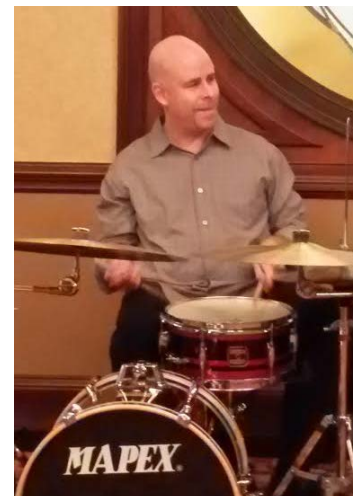
Marty Sammon, born in 1977 to an Irish family on the south side of Chicago, was a musical prodigy. He learned keyboard early in his childhood and learned traditional Irish folk songs while listening to records with his Chicago police officer father Martin Sammon, Sr. Besides piano lessons, he developed his musical ear by listening to many styles of music and competed in contests including winning the World Championship Old-Time Piano Players in 1994 and 1995. By age fifteen Marty was performing with L.V. Banks, guitarist with his own blues band for over three decades in Chicago clubs and a mentor to Marty. Then for five years Marty performed with Otis Rush, a blues musician, singer and guitarist whose sound became known as West Side Chicago blues. For over a decade Marty has toured the world performing with Blues legend Buddy Guy. On October 14, 2015, he performed with Buddy Guy and Tom Hambridge at The White House for “A Celebration of American Creativity: In Performance at the White House” to Commemorate National Endowment for the Humanities' 50th Anniversary. Our new UP Sales and Marketing Counselor Lisa Ackerman introduced Marty Sammon and his drummer, Tim Wilsey to around fifty residents and guests at 7 p.m., January 27, 2016, in the Great Room. Tim, from Downers Grove, IL, performs, has had over nineteen years experience in Senior Healthcare, and is a member of the faculty at Benedictine University Center for Lifelong Learning in Naperville, IL. Marty reminisced about the last time he

played in West Lafayette; it was 2012 at Loeb Playhouse with Buddy Guy. Marty and Tim performed for us eighteen familiar, old favorite toe- (and cane-) tapping songs. “Sunny Side of the Street” sounded as though it was being sung by “Satchmo”; so did “When the Saints Go Marching In” which ended with a drum solo. The audience sang along with “Side by Side” “Bye, Bye, Birdie” and Heart of my Heart” and in honor of the approach of Valentine’s Day: “It Had to be You”. Less familiar was “I’m Alone Because I Love You”, Marty’s father’s favorite song. The hour ended with “Good Night, Irene”, punch and dessert in the main lobby, many smiling faces and joyful comments such as “I used to Jitterbug to that song”!



**Marty Sammon**

**Tim Wisely**





WE WISH TO EXTEND  
OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY TO  
DEBORAH LINDENLAUB ON  
THE DEATH OF HER SISTER  
AND TO THE FAMILY AND  
FRIENDS OF

**MARGARET ANN**  
**LANDGBREBE**

Margaret Ann Landgrebe, a University Place resident, was born December 16, 1930, in LaGrange County, Indiana, and died January 9, 2016, in Lafayette. She graduated from Manchester College, later earning a Masters degree in Education from Purdue. Ann and David Landgrebe were married 56 years ago. She taught school in South Bend, Fort Wayne and in Lafayette at Tecumseh Jr. High. Ann was elected three times to the West Lafayette School Board and served for 12 years from 1986-1998, including being President of the Board from 1990-1991. She is survived by her husband, Dave, son J.D. and daughter-in-law Sue, daughters Carole and Mary, two grandchildren, two sisters, and a brother-in-law.



Vera Conkright, a University Place resident, was born February 4, 1922, in Lafayette, Indiana, and died January 13, 2016 at University Place. She graduated from Lafayette Jefferson High School. Vera was married to Art Conkright on November 20, 1941. He preceded her in death in 2010. She served many years as the school secretary for Lafayette's Murdock School. Surviving Vera are daughters Suzi, Sally, Cindy and Sara, three sons-in-law, five grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.



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The date for the Chinese New Year in 2016 is February 8th.



This is the year of the Fire Monkey.

The fact that the date of Chinese New Year varies within about a month is a clue that it's linked to the new moon. A rough and almost infallible guide is that the Chinese New Year follows the second new moon after the winter solstice. The winter solstice always falls on December 21st, the next new moon was on January 10, 2016, and the second new moon will be on February 8, 2016.

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