

# Meadowood Messenger



*Our Monthly Calendar of Activities & Events*

*Activities Hotline (812) 330-4375, extension 155#*

*March 2011*

## *Moving to a Retirement Community*

By Kathy Norris

Senior citizens who are contemplating a move to a retirement community face many decisions, not the least of which is choosing the type of living situation that best meets their needs. But they also face the challenges of listing and selling a home and of downsizing possessions to fit into a new, smaller home. Many seniors wonder in today's economy if selling now is the right decision.

Fortunately for Bloomington and Monroe County residents, according to economic indicators, the news overall is very good. According to the Bloomington Economic Development Corporation, which presented the "state of the local economy" in February, income and economic output are growing faster here than in the rest of the state. The employment market is improving, the housing market is strong, tourism is thriving, enrollment at Indiana University is at record levels, and Ivy Tech has increased its enrollment 280% in the last eight years.

According to Scott Owens, a local realtor with Re/Max Realty Professionals, sales of homes in the month of January 2011 were within one unit of being the same as last year. That is good news, because there were tax incentives last year which are not available today. Owens said, "There is a lot of action in the housing market; properties that were stagnant for the past 12-18 months are suddenly getting a lot of showings. There are good things happening in Bloomington." Owens went on to say that even when there was negative news in the real estate market generally across the nation, properties in Bloomington maintained their value. "It's sustainable here. We don't grow too quickly, and people don't make a killing in real estate – it's just very good steady growth." In his 37 years in real estate, Owens honestly feels he has been able to say that Bloomington is a good investment.

However, Owens appreciates how overwhelming the task of getting a house ready for the market can be, particularly for older people. He would advise them to invite a real estate professional to help de-clutter and to stage the house. That may include removing wallpaper, pulling out older carpeting to expose wood floors, painting walls in neutral colors and sometimes even simplifying the window treatments. "Many people have lovely homes which are just too big for them as they get older. They decorated the home to their taste and are happy and comfortable with their surroundings," said Owens. "But they often don't realize that today's younger buyers want a simpler look because their lives are already so busy. They may not have the interest or time to make a lot of changes or improvements to a home."

A realtor will often refer the homeowner to other professionals who will help them work through the process of moving, liquidating, and getting a home market-ready. And it is a process that is more manageable if taken in steps. Sorting and packing can begin months ahead of the decision to move to a retirement community. The downsizing process is a good time to identify things that will be passed down



Nancy Owens and Maxine Dillard on New Year's Eve.

to heirs or other relatives or dear friends. Items can be marked with stickers or packed up and given away ahead of time. Lists can be made of items that will be kept and moved to a new home.

A realtor can also recommend a reputable appraiser to evaluate antiques, art, and collectibles, or refer the homeowner to an auction company to liquidate excess household items, or even sell an automobile. Local charities can be selected for donations, such as books to the local library; wood, shelving, tools and home improvement supplies to Habitat for Humanity; clothing to local charitable thrift stores; furniture to the Red Cross or Salvation Army, and so on. Many of these organizations will pick up large items and all will provide the donor with a receipt for tax purposes.

Those who have gone through this process understand what it takes to lighten the load to move to a retirement community. Bob and Nancy Koons put their house on the market in 2009 when the housing market was first declining. They weren't in a hurry to sell and assumed it would take several months. Much to their surprise, they had an offer the first day. Within two weeks they rented an apartment at Meadowood, contacted an auctioneer, and arranged a moving van for the items they would bring to their apartment. "We had a pretty good idea of what would fit into our new home, and our children didn't want everything, so we called an auction house. They helped us sort and mark items, then they packed it up and moved it all to their auction pavilion."

Bob has been retired from Indiana University for about 20 years. The Koons looked at three other local retirement communities before selecting Meadowood. When asked what attracted them to Meadowood, Nancy said, "We were friends with (resident) Jean Peters, and we had talked with her about it quite a bit. Bob had worked with Jean's father years ago. I had recuperated at [a different retirement community] following a hip surgery, and knew I didn't want to live there. Another of the facilities didn't allow cooking in the unit, and I still wanted to prepare some of our meals and be able to cook for our family on occasion. Meadowood was the best fit for us."

Lois Martin's situation is somewhat different from the Koons'. She moved to Meadowood this past

July even though she still owned a condo in Bloomington and a home in Florida. She and her husband had wintered in Florida for several years, but he passed away about three years ago. When she returned to Bloomington in the spring of 2010, she felt that it was time to sell her homes. Lois explained that one day she was in the area, and just stopped to inquire about Meadowood. Her thought was to join the wait list, but Leasing Coordinator Mark Schneider showed her an apartment that was available and that she liked very much, so she leased it. She used a local moving company to move what she needed to furnish her new apartment, her children took what they wanted, and she gave a few things to friends. An auction company took most saleable items and Backstreet Mission picked up the rest. When her house was empty, it was cleaned and put on the market. After a trip to Florida to remove a few items from that house, she put it on the market also. The Florida home sold in November and she had an offer on her Bloomington condo in December.

Asked if she were happy with the outcome of her decision, Lois said, "Things went about as I expected. I thought it would take a few months, and I am relieved that both homes sold. I've been so busy these last months that I haven't gotten too involved with the activities at Meadowood, but now I can participate more."

Lois is not alone in her approach to the move to retirement living. Many residents do move to Meadowood before selling their current home, and say it gives them an opportunity to sort and move at their own pace, and to go back and forth for awhile to smooth the transition. And sometimes they move something and change their mind, or realize they



Bob & Nancy Koons at lunch at Meadowood.

have room for items they didn't expect to bring. As well, each apartment comes with a locked storage area and most garden homes have a storage area for items a new resident may not be ready to part with.

Scott Owens also speaks from the point of view of a child of an older parent needing to move into retirement living. His mother, Nancy Owens, moved to Meadowood in 2009. "I know how hard it is for people to make this transition," said Owens. "But ultimately, moving to Meadowood has been phenomenally good for my mother. She's reconnected with people she hadn't seen in years. I think if people stay in their homes too long they become more isolated." Owens knows many other Meadowood residents, some of whom are former neighbors of his mother's. "By and large, everyone I've talked to who has moved to Meadowood has not looked back. I see how vital and youthful people look out there. The vitality they gain by letting go and moving into retirement living is a liberating experience; it can be so positive for them."

One of Nancy Owens' friends from her old neighborhood is Jane Bloom. She had Scott as a pupil when she taught school, and helped Nancy see the benefits of moving to Meadowood. Jane, who moved to Meadowood nearly 12 years ago said, "Oh yes, I would have come at least two years sooner had I known how very much I would enjoy it. Moving to Meadowood was the smartest thing I ever did." Jane cites an interest in the social life and available transportation to local events as two things she most appreciates. "It was getting difficult for me to go to games, fight the traffic, park and walk to the stadium. Many of my friends who still live in their own homes have stopped going."

The children of the elderly can provide a tremendous support system for them, but those without children or whose children live far away can find the help they need from nieces and nephews, a trusted younger friend, or from professionals. Always ask for references or seek referrals from those who have already gone through the process. If you are contemplating a move to Meadowood and need help, you can ask Mark Schneider or Marketing Director Brooke Aloe for a referral to a realtor, appraiser or remodeling specialist. Be patient with yourself and know that this process can be an emotional one. It may become easier if you use the time going through items to reminisce about earlier

days. As Meadowood resident Barbara Reichle put it, "I got rid of the things, but I kept the memories."

As a realtor, Owens is sensitive to the sentimentalities of his older clients. He tries to help them understand that making changes to their homes to appeal to the broadest segment of the market is not personal. "My mom would see the changes I made to her condo and think I didn't like her taste. But obviously the goal is to create a clean slate so the buyer can begin to visualize themselves in that home, to mentally see their furniture in that space." He added, "They see the possibilities and start talking themselves into it instead of talking themselves out of it. It's our job to help the client get the things done that will remove barriers and get the buyer to make an offer. We try to ease that transition as gently and kindly as possible."

Questions about the housing market can be referred to Scott Owens at [sowens@homefinder.org](mailto:sowens@homefinder.org) or 322-6888.

## Welcome New Residents!



RUDY & DOROTHY POZZATTI

To 1025 Sassafras Circle  
From Bloomington

**May your thoughts be as glad as the shamrocks,  
May your heart be as light as a song,  
May each day bring you bright, happy hours,  
That stay with you all the year long.**



Ward & Louann Dillon say, "Let the show begin"—*Hairspray* at Beef & Boards

## Save the Date – Upcoming Events



*Spring Style Show at Meadowood*  
Fashions by Peg Ann's Boutique  
Tuesday, April 5, 2:00 PM

Beef & Boards – *Annie Get Your Gun*  
Wednesday, April 6



*Miller House & Garden Tour*  
Columbus, IN  
(To be scheduled) 3<sup>rd</sup> week in May - TBA

Outing to the *US Air Force Museum*  
& *Presidential Hangar*  
Last week in May - TBA



*Baseball Outing to Victory Field*  
& Lunch at Shapiro's  
Wednesday, June 1

*Day at the Races*  
Churchill Downs Millionaires' Row  
Sunday, June 5



Guests welcome. Call Kathy at 330-4375, ext. 302 to save your spot for any of these events & outings!

## Pure Michigan Trip Highlights

June 12-18

Grand Hotel - Truly grand, for more than a century  
Grand Hotel has always embraced its rich history, but kept up well with the times. The hotel's original architecture, charm and relaxing ambiance have been preserved. Contributing greatly to the hotel's ambience is the relaxed atmosphere of Mackinac Island, where cars are not allowed and the horse and carriage and bicycle are favored modes of transportation (two nights).

### Lake Shore Resort

Overlooking beautiful Lake Michigan from atop a spectacular shoreline bluff lays the Lake Shore Resort. Only minutes from charming downtown Saugatuck, Michigan, your stay is enhanced by wooded surroundings, nature trails, spacious landscaped grounds and a private beach. Relax and enjoy the breath taking views of Lake Michigan from your room, poolside, lake bluff viewing decks, or sunset view fire pits. (three nights).

### Saugatuck

Tucked between the rolling sand dunes of Lake Michigan is a unique resort town which has been thriving for over a hundred years. It is no wonder why Saugatuck is often referred to as the "Art Coast of Michigan" with well over 35 galleries and studios.

**Contact Mark at 330-4375 ext. 302.**

## A Sweetheart of a Valentine's Dinner Party



## And the Oscar Goes to... Meadowood's Oscar Social Hour



# Out and About

Please sign up in the Activities Log Book for any of the following events.

## Tuesday, March 1

### Men's Breakfast

Departs 8:00 AM to Wee Willies West

Breakfast is prepared to order from fresh ingredients. Try the hand-formed sausage patties and American Fries – delicious!



### IU Continuing Studies Class

Departs 6:30 PM to DeVault Center

*Strike Up the Band: Music and IU Athletics.* This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> of 3 Tuesday Classes.

### *The Chieftains*

Departs 7:30 PM to IU Auditorium

Since its debut album in 1962, the Irish band The Chieftains has brought Irish music to the masses, melding traditional Celtic music with the modern for a sound like no other.

## Wednesday, March 2

### Women's Lunch

Departs 11:15 AM to Bella Cucina

From authentic matzo ball soup to Reuben's to delicious chicken salad, you will have a great meal at Bella's for under \$10. The menu is not extensive, but everything is fresh and home-made in this small, tucked away restaurant.



### IU Journalism Lecture

Departs 6:15 PM to Buskirk Chumley

*Pulitzer Prize Photographers Panel* – A discussion of photojournalism featuring Pulitzer Prize winners Melissa Farlow, BA'74; Michel du Cille, BA'85; and Bill Foley, BA'07. This is the first of the school's spring Speaker Series, which will feature notable alumni this year in celebration of 100 years of journalism at IU. Free.



### Symphony Orchestra

Departs 7:15 PM to Auer Hall

Arthur Fagen, conductor: Needham: The Body Electric (2010 Dean's Prize); Reinecke: Harp Concerto, Op. 182 – Emily Levin, harp; Liszt: Les Preludes; Sibelius: Finlandia, Op 26

## Thursday, March 3

### IU Theatre & Drama

Departs 7:00 PM to Ruth Halls Theatre

Shakespeare's *Winter's Tale*. In one of the bard's most sweeping sagas, violent jealousy turns a king into a tyrant and tears apart families and friendships. Tickets on your own at IU Auditorium.

### IU Basketball vs. Wisconsin

Departs 8:15 PM to Assembly Hall



## Friday, March 4

### IU Opera Theatre

Departs 7:30 PM to MAC

*Faust*. Set in 16<sup>th</sup>-century Germany, the immortal tale of the man who makes the ultimate deal – he agrees to forfeit his soul to the devil, Méphistophélès, in exchange for youth and pleasure. Faust then cuts a broad swath of seduction, humiliation, murder, madness, and death in his heinous joyride to hell. Tickets at MAC Box Office, 855-7433.

## Saturday, March 5

### IU Authors Series

Departs 9:30 AM to DeVault Center

Author Audrey McCluskey will talk about the book she edited: *Richard Pryor: The Life and Legacy of a "Crazy" Black Man*. Registration required: \$15 per author at 855-9335.

## Sunday, March 6

### Movie Outing

Departs 6:00 PM to IU Cinema

*The Wedding Song* (2008, 100 min). Tunis, 1942. Nour and Myriam, 16, have been friends since childhood, sharing a house in a modest neighborhood where Jews and Muslims live in harmony. Each secretly desires the other's life: Nour wants to attend school, and Myriam dreams of a romance. Then the German army arrives, and the realities of the new Nazi regime radically change Myriam's prospects for love. This is a free, ticketed event.

## Monday, March 7

### Jazz Ensemble

Departs 7:30 PM to MAC



Guest Carolyn Doty with Margaret Hathaway at *Hairspray* to Beef & Boards

## Wednesday, March 9

### **Pub Crawl**



#### **Departs 5:15 PM to Irish Lion**

In its 29<sup>th</sup> year, the locally-owned Irish Lion offers a true taste of Ireland. A restored historic 1882 vintage brick tavern, with cast iron columns, stained glass windows, 1860 front bar, it will be sure to remind you of the old country. With an extensive wine list and full bar featuring over 100 whiskeys, it has been voted “Bloomington’s Best” in several categories.

### **Philharmonic Orchestra**

#### **Departs 7:30 PM to MAC**

David Efron conducts Elgar: Cello Concerto in E Minor, Op. 85; and Shostakovich: Symphony No. 11 in G Minor, Op. 103 “The Year 1905”

## Thursday, March 10

### **WWII Honors Day**



#### **Departs 8:45 AM to Binford Elementary**

This is a day-long event that celebrates the research and study of the Binford School Sixth Grade Students about the World War II era. Even more, this is a day when they can honor you and your generation for the great accomplishments and tremendous sacrifices that you made on their behalf during the World War II era. (If you are not a WW II Veteran, you are invited to attend and observe the Tour and the Veterans’ Presentations and Assemblies and to be honored as a member of the Greatest Generation on the Home Front). Sign up ASAP so we can RSVP to Binford for lunch. Return to Meadowood at 2:00 PM

## Sunday, March 13

### **Movie Outing**

#### **Departs 2:30 PM to IU Cinema**

*Another Year* (2010, 139 min). Mike Leigh’s newest ensemble piece focuses on relationships – newly formed, longstanding, and those yet to occur. The story centers on a stable couple whose circle of friends and family weave in and out of their lives over the course of a year. When their 30-year-old son is introduced to a friend with a less than perfect love life, it has unintended romantic implications for them both.

## Tuesday, March 15

### **Hiking Outing**

#### **Depart 10:00 AM to Olcott Park**

This 1/2-mile, accessible looping trail skirts the Olcott playing fields and crosses briefly through a small wooded area.

## Wednesday, March 16

### **Co-ed Breakfast**



#### **Departs 8:15 AM to Uptown Café**

Whether you prefer Michael’s home fries, biscuits and gravy, one of several signature omelets, or corn-meal pancakes, breakfast at the Uptown will be delicious.

## Thursday, March 17

### **Hiking Outing**



#### **Departs 10:00 AM to Miller Shows Park**

Originally the Jacob & Loretta Miller Homestead, it was purchased by the city in 1929 for \$1. It contains two notable sculptures: “Axis” and “Red, Blond, Black, and Olive”. A .6 mile accessible, multi-use trail circles the Park and allows views of the ponds and sculptures from all sides. A pier, pedestrian bridge, and interpretive signage complete the picture.

## Saturday, March 19

### **Met Opera Live in HD**

#### **Departs 12:30 PM to AMC 11 East**

*Lucia di Lammermoor*. Natalie Dessay triumphed as the fragile heroine of Donizetti’s masterpiece on Opening Night of the 2007–08 season in Mary Zimmerman’s hit production. Now she returns to the role of the innocent young woman driven to madness, opposite Joseph Calleja, who sings her lover Edgardo. Tickets are \$22 at the door.

### **Movie Outing**



#### **Departs 2:30 PM to IU Cinema**

*Mon Oncle (My Uncle)* (1958, 111 min). Jacques Tati wrote, produced, directed, and starred in *Mon Oncle*, the second of three films featuring his character M. Hulot. Young Gérard lives in an ultra-modern home with his parents Charles and Madame Arpel, while his uncle Hulot lives on the top floor of an old apartment building. The technology-driven lives of



The food and martinis were great at the **Fun Spot Outing** to Serendipity Martini Bar in February.

the Arpels contrast with Hulot's simple existence – until Charles decides Hulot needs to improve himself. This version, restored by the Tati estate, features additional footage filmed for American audiences; the limited dialogue is in English.

### **Sunday, March 20**

#### **Movie Outing**

##### **Departs 6:00 PM to IU Cinema**

*Lady Chatterley* (2006, 168 min). An unlikely love affair teaches Lady Chatterley (Marina Hands) to accept her own beauty and sensuality and open herself to the world around her. As this emerging woman undertakes an intense journey of self-discovery, Ferran's artistic focus on the natural scenery enables the audience to completely experience Lady Chatterley's transformation.

### **Tuesday, March 22**

#### **'Diners, Drive-ins & Dives' Lunch**



##### **Departs 11:00 AM to Gnaw Bone**

We will eat lunch at a converted gas station, home of the famous breaded tenderloin. After lunch, we will stop in Nashville for about one hour of shopping or walking around (assuming good weather).

### **Wednesday, March 23**

#### **Fun Spot Outing**

##### **Departs 5:15 PM to Longhorn Steakhouse**

The menu showcases fresh, never frozen steaks like the signature hand-seasoned Flo's Filet and the bone-in Outlaw Rib eye. There's more on the menu than just steaks, like grilled fresh fish and fresh chicken. Enjoy specialties such as LongHorn Salmon, and Parmesan Crusted Chicken. Freshly made salads, soups, hearth-baked bread and irresistible desserts are also available.

### **Thursday, March 24**

#### **Hiking Outing**



##### **Departs 10:00 AM to Bryan Park**

The Fitness Loop is a paved, wheelchair-accessible loop that follows the perimeter of Bryan Park (8/10 mile).

#### **Mystery Tour around Bloomington**

##### **Departs 1:00 PM**

Well, it's a mystery to us all, but you will enjoy learning about some tucked-away spots and possibly even re-visit one or two old favorites. Ending with a bit of refreshment, this trip is only \$5 charged back, and will last about 2 hours.



Lifting a glass at the Pub Crawler to Nick's.

### **Friday, March 25**

#### **Spring Ballet**

##### **Departs 7:30 PM to MAC**

*New York, New York: Sophisticated Staples of the Big apple.* Enjoy three acts: *Lilac Garden*, *Cloven Kingdom* and *Who Cares?* Purchase tickets at the MAC Box Office or phone 855-7433.



### **Saturday, March 26**

#### ***This is Tango Now***

##### **Departs 5:30 PM to Waldron**

Artango Dance Company & Minetti Productions welcome you to *This is Tango Now*, an experience that will "shake your soul and awaken you to the longings of the human spirit." Featured are Tony Award Winners and Tango World Dance Champions Fernanda Ghi and Ghillermo Merlo. Tickets are \$25 at 323-3020.

### **Sunday, March 27**

#### **Bloomington Bach Cantata Project**

##### **Departs 2:30 PM to St. Thomas Lutheran**

A collaboration between BLEMF, Bloomington area musicians and the Jacobs School of Music, with participation by students and faculty of the Early Music Institute, Musicology, Choral Conducting, Organ and Voice Departments. Repertoire: WV 54 – Widerstehe doch der Sunde.

### **Tuesday, March 29**

#### **Historic Indianapolis Day Outing**

##### **Departs 8:30 AM**

History comes alive when we visit the Indiana History Museum. Step into another era in *You Are There. 1968 Robert F. Kennedy Speaks: Experience a Night that Changed History*. Senator Kennedy's April 4 Indianapolis campaign rally changes course when he announces the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to a stunned crowd. Revolutionary hologram technology allows you to be swept up in





that historic moment with him and his supporters in the park that evening, mourning the loss of one of the world's greatest civil rights leaders. Visit other exhibits in the Cole Porter Room, Lilly Hall, and Destination Indiana. After lunch at the Columbia Club which is itself in a historic building, we will meet our guide and walk across to Monument Circle and Christ Church Cathedral. Learn about the Circle City's significant buildings, monuments and attractions on a 2-hour bus tour by the Historic Landmarks Foundation, which will include a stop at James Whitcomb Riley's grave in Crown Hill Cemetery. Many sites of interest will capture the city—past and present. Cost is \$15 plus lunch, charged back.

**Thursday, March 31**

**Hiking Outing**

**Departs 10:00 AM to B-Line Trail**

Abandonment of the former CSX railroad corridor afforded the City a unique opportunity to transform a noisy eyesore into a community asset. The B-Line Trail begins at Adams Street and ends at the north side of Country Club Drive, a distance of three miles. The trail is 12' wide asphalt with park benches and artwork.

**Chamber Music Concert**

**Departs 6:30 PM to Ford-Crawford Hall**

Enjoy a free program offered by the Early Music Institute.



**IU Theatre & Drama**

**Departs 7:00 PM to Wells-Metz**

*Language of Angels* – This haunting cycle of ghost stories investigates the circumstances surrounding a young woman's disappearance inside a cave in rural Appalachia, and the frightening, inter-woven fate of those who survive her. Tickets at IU Auditorium, 855-1103.



Alvera Paskell & Barbara Corns at the 'Diners' Lunch to The Cabin in February.

**Springtime in Chicago**

**April 13-15, 2010**



Join Meadowood on a memorable trip to the Windy City in springtime. You will enjoy Science & Industry, the Architectural bus tour, tour of Robie House (Frank Lloyd Wright), Chicago History Museum, Science & Industry Museum, Historic Marshall Fields Tour, Chicago Art Institute, musical *Working*, 2 nights lodging at the Historic Palmer House Hilton.

Price of \$595 per double and \$805 per single (guests add \$30) includes Meadowood motor coach transportation, 2 nights lodging, 2 breakfasts, 1 box lunch, 1 dinner, admission to 7 attractions & tours, Broadway in Chicago ticket to *Working*, escort, and snacks and drinks on the bus

*Note: this trip is nearly sold out. Call now!*

**Call Kathy Norris, 330-4375 ext. 302 for more information about the Chicago trip.**



**Mardi Gras Buffet**

**Tuesday, March 8, 2011**

**Oyster Bar**

**Cajun Slaw**

**Sautéed Frog Legs**

**Soft Shell Crabs**

**Bourbon Street Chicken**

**Baked Cheese Grits**

**Red Beans & Rice**

**Fried Okra**

**Bread Pudding with**

**Banana Whiskey Sauce**

**Beignets with Powdered Sugar**

**Guests Welcome \$23.95**

**Reservations Recommended**

**Contact Glen Inman at 330-4375 ext. 327**

## FROM THE BOOKSHELF . .



One Book One Bloomington and Beyond is a project of the City of Bloomington and the Monroe County Public Library. Its goal is the discussion of a single book and the issues therein to encourage literary reading and to build community by encouraging conversation and the sharing of ideas by members of the community. This year the book chosen is *Let the Great World Spin* by Collum McCann

One of the discussions will be at Meadowood on March 22 at 1:15 PM in the Terrace Room to share insights into. There are three copies available in our library donated by Jim Walden's daughter, Laurie Pellerite. It is a very different story that will generate strong feelings in readers as it follows some unusual people in New York in the 1970's. It is based on an actual incident that occurred then: a tightrope walker, Phillipe Petit, found a way to string a wire between the twin towers of the World Trade Center in August, 1974. He then walked, danced, reclined and ran back and forth on the wire to the amazement of spectators below and to the chagrin of the police. The novel is not about him exclusively but presents characters whose lives are being lived at that time and how the event affected them. Not an easy concept for a novel and many found it impenetrable but the author cleverly pulls these diverse people together as the story moves to a conclusion. You are urged to give it a try and attend the discussion to share your impressions.



Bill Lacey and John Schneider enjoyed their first trip to Nick's on a Meadowood **Pub Crawler**.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

*to all residents whose special day is in March!  
Celebrants are invited to be guests at a Birthday  
Dinner held in their behalf on **Monday, March 21**  
at 5:30 PM in the Dining Room.*

- 02 Maxine Snider
- 03 Patricia Doyle
- 05 Geneva Spencer McQuigg
- 11 Sally Kuzma
- 13 Jean Schwartz
- 23 Alvera Paskell
- 25 Winifred Wickes
- 26 Patricia Hassid
- 29 Angeline Matthews
- 30 Jane Bloom
- 31 Doris Brineman

## St. Patrick's Day Buffet

Thursday, March 17, 2011



Chopped Salad with Fennel, Apples & Pecans

Poached Salmon

Shepherd's Pie

Roasted Corned Beef

Parslied Potatoes

Broccoli, Carrots, Cauliflower

Sautéed Cabbage



Irish Soda Bread

Fresh Fruit with Brandy

Irish Cream Cheesecake

Guests Welcome \$18.95

Reservations Recommended

Contact Glen Inman at 330-4375 ext. 327

*These events take place on the Meadowood campus.*

# *Inside Information*

## **Tuesday, March 1**

### **Piano Recital**

**7:00 PM in the Terrace Room**

Doctoral student Orla McDonagh who teaches at the Royal Irish Academy in Dublin will offer a piano recital.



## **Wednesday, March 2**

### **Issues & Experts**

**12:15 PM in the Terrace Room**

Jeffrey Bransford, associate director at the Eppley Institute for Parks and Public Lands at Indiana University will discuss "The Outlook for the National Parks System."

### **Euchre Games**

**2:00 PM in the LL Apt. Lounge**

Come to the lounge in the Lower Level of the Apartment Building (across from 024) any Wednesday at 2:00 PM to play euchre.

## **Thursday, March 3**

### **Bridge Review Class**

**10:00 AM in the Card Room**

This weekly class is open to all, and will help you brush up on your game.

### **Cuisine Task Force Meeting**

**2:30 PM in the Terrace Room**

This is open to all Independent Residents who may wish to ask questions or give comments about the cuisine at Meadowood. Please sign up at the Activities Credenza.

### **IU Continuing Studies Class**

**3:30-5:00 PM in the Continuing Education Room**

*Poetry: Five Kinds of Attention* will meet 3 Thursdays. Fee is \$55 to 855-9335.

## **Friday, March 4**

### **Kitchen Tour**

**2:30 PM in the Kitchen**

Alex Hobbs, Food Services Director will show you behind the scenes of food preparation at Meadowood. Limit to 25 people – sign up at Activities Credenza.

## **Sunday, March 6**

### **WTIU Documentary**

**3:00 PM in the Terrace Room**

*Hoosier Hospitality: Craft Beer* – Hosted by brewing expert Anita Johnson, *Hoosier Hospitality: Craft Beer* is a travelogue and informative television documen

tary on craft beer and micro-brewing in Indiana. WTIU will air the film at Meadowood ahead of the television debut.

## **Monday, March 7**

### **Meadowood Lecture**

**7:00 PM in the Terrace Room**

Malcolm Abrams, Editor and Publisher of Bloom Magazine will give a talk.

## **Tuesday, March 8**

### **Mardi Gras Coffee**

**10:00 AM in the Terrace Room**

Join us for a piece of King cake and learn a little more about the traditions and history of Mardi Gras.

### **Resident Council Meeting**

**3:00 PM in the Continuing Education Room**

### **Mardi Gras Party**

**4:45-7:00 PM in the Terrace Room & Dining Room**

Wear your masks and beads, and enjoy Cajun food and some Dixieland-inspired music at our annual event that is a resident favorite. Guests welcome.



## **Thursday, March 10**

### **Women's Fellowship**

**10:00 AM in the Terrace Room**

All women of Meadowood are invited to this monthly program.

### **Bridge-O-Rama Dinner**

**5:30 PM in the Terrace Room**

If you have participated in this popular activity you will receive an invitation to the dinner where scores are revealed and prizes awarded.



IU Athletic Director Fred Glass, who spoke at Meadowood in February, is pictured at dinner.

**Friday, March 11**

**Friday Musicale**

**7:15 PM in the Terrace Room**

Residents are welcome to attend the recital.

**Monday, March 14**

**Follies Meeting**

**2:30 PM in the Terrace Room**

If you are participating in the Follies, you or a representative from your group should attend this meeting if possible.

**Armchair Travel**

**7:00 PM in the Terrace Room**

*Cairo: Up Close and Personal* from one who was involved in the demonstrations. Barbara Lethem-Ibrahim is resident Elaine Lethem's daughter and lives in Cairo.



**Tuesday, March 15**

**Men's Coffee & Donuts**

**9:00 AM in the Founders Room**

All the men are invited to enjoy coffee and fellowship courtesy of Meadowood!



**Great Decisions**

**1:15 PM in the Terrace Room**

*Global Governance* – How has an increasingly interconnected and shrinking world affected the viability of existing agreements and institutions? What economic, social, political and security concerns are currently on the agendas of intergovernmental bodies, and what is the future U.S. role? Note date change.

**New Resident Orientation**

**4:00 PM in the Card Room**

If you are new to Meadowood, you will receive an invitation to attend this important class to learn more about your new home.

**Voice Recital**

**7:00 PM in the Terrace Room**

Daniel Lentz of the IU Jacobs School of Music will offer a voice recital.

**Thursday, March 17**

**IU Hearing Clinic**

**1:00-2:30 PM in the Founders Room**

A clinician will check your hearing aid batteries and remove wax from the device and/or perform a hearing test at this free walk-in clinic.



Fitness Specialist Alyssa Hinnefeld leads the Balance Class on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

**St. Patrick's Day Dinner**

**4:45-7:00 PM in the Fireplace Lounge, Terrace Room & Dining Room**



Reservations are encouraged (Glen at ext. 327) for your seating time at this fun annual buffet themed dinner party. Music provided by *Culchies*. Guests are welcome at \$18.95.

**Friday, March 18**

**Meadowood Yard Sale**

**12:00 PM in the Continuing Education Room**

Residents may donate items to this sale, and are welcome to shop beginning at noon. But hurry, it ends at 1:00 PM.

**Bottle Pool**

**1:00 PM in the Lower Level Lounge**

The pool table has been out of commission since the remodel, but the hope is it will be available by today and play will resume.

**Monday, March 21**

**Birthday Dinner**

**5:30 PM in the Dining Room**

If your birthday is in March, you will be invited to this dinner in your honor. RSVP to Glen at ext. 327.



**WW II Film Series**

**7:00 PM in the Terrace Room**

*Saving Private Ryan* (1998, 169 min) Following the Normandy Landings, a group of US soldiers go behind enemy lines to retrieve a paratrooper whose brothers have been killed in action; stars Tom Hanks as Capt. John H. Miller. Binford teacher Curtis Shedlak will give the introduction to the movie, which is rated R for graphic sequences of war violence and language.



**Tuesday, March 22**

**General Residents Meeting**

**10:00 AM in the Terrace Room**

All residents are invited to attend this monthly informational meeting. Please arrive at 9:45 AM for coffee and continental breakfast.

## **Piano Recital**

### **7:00 PM in the Terrace Room**

Amanda Gessler, student at the IU Jacobs School of Music will give a piano recital.

## **Wednesday, March 23**

### **Issues & Experts**

#### **12:15 PM in the Terrace Room**

Richard Wilk, professor, Department of Anthropology will present, "Belize and the Mayan Struggle for Land Rights."

## **Thursday, March 25**

### **Just Men Hour**

#### **4:00 PM in the Founders Room**

All men of Meadowood are invited to this monthly gathering of drinks and conversation.



### **Documentary Film**

#### **7:00 PM in the Terrace Room**

*Chopin Letters* was produced by Jacobs School of Music Alumnus Paul Swiko-Bajon. It is a documentary about the relationship between two Polish men and their homeland. One is the world renowned 19<sup>th</sup> century composer Fryderyk Chopin, and the other a contemporary pianist performing Chopin's music. Paul Swiko-Bajon will introduce the film.

## **Friday, March 27**

### **Game Day**

#### **1:00 PM in the Terrace Room**

All residents are invited to attend this monthly event to play card and board games and make new friends. This month everyone will again play Bingo, so bring your quarters for cards!

## **Monday, March 28**

### **Meadowood Follies**

#### **7:00 PM in the Terrace Room**

*Spring Follies* is a variety show put on by residents. Enjoy comedy, dramatic readings, music, and skits. This is a must for all residents who like to see and hear things beautiful and perhaps even a little bizarre. This year's event will be dedicated to the memory of Rod Ludlow, who began the event several years ago. See John Schneider for more info.



## **Tuesday, March 30**

### **Piano Recital**

#### **7:00 PM in the Terrace Room**

Joni Chan and a second pianist will play Beethoven's 3rd piano concerto on two pianos.

## ***Let's Go Travelers***

~Upcoming Meadowood Trips~

### ***Pure Michigan***

Lilac Festival Mackinac Island  
The Grand Hotel, Lake Michigan  
Petoskey, Frankenmuth & Saugatuck  
**June 11-18**

### ***San Francisco***

**August 2011—TBA**

### ***Fall Foliage***

Fallingwater, Gettysburg,  
Hershey, Harrisburg, and The Wilds  
**Oct 9-13, 2011**

### ***Branson Christmas***

Featuring - The Osmonds, Bloomington's  
Diane Bish, George Dyer and  
Acrobats of China  
**Nov. 27-30, 2011**

### ***St Martin/Anquilla/St Barts***

**January 21-28, 2012**

### ***St Augustine***

**May 2012**

Call Mark Kraner, 330-4375 ext. 304 for prices and trip itineraries.



Olimpia Barbera visits with guest Lennie Newman at the **Friends of Music Dinner** in February.

# The Meadowood Cinema



View a great film each week-end on the big screen in the Terrace Room. The microwave popcorn and bowls are in the cart in the wet bar area. Help yourselves and enjoy!

## **A Very Long Engagement** (2004, 137 min)

Saturday, March 5, 1:15 & 7:15 PM,

Audrey Tautou reunites with director Jean-Pierre Jeunet for this drama, set during the darkest days of World War I and its immediate aftermath. Mathilde (Tautou) is a pretty but frail young woman who lives in a small French village with her Aunt Bénédicte and Uncle Sylvain. She is engaged to marry Manech, the son of a lighthouse keeper who is fighting with the army near the German front. Manech is one of five soldiers who have been accused of injuring themselves in order to be sent home. In order to discourage similar behavior among the ranks, the five are sentenced to death, and are marched into the No Man's Land between the French and German lines, where they are certain to be killed. Mathilde receives word of Manech's death, but in her heart she believes that if the man she loved had been killed, she would know it and feel it. Convinced he's still alive, Mathilde hires a private detective (Ticky Holgado) after the end of the war, and together they set out to find the missing Manech.

## **How Green Was My Valley?** (1941, 118 min)

Saturday, March 12, 1:15 & 7:15 PM

Spanning 50 years, director John Ford's *How Green Was My Valley?* revolves around the life of the Morgans, a Welsh mining family, as told through the eyes of its youngest child Huw (Roddy McDowall). Over the years, the family struggles to survive through unionization, strikes, and child abuse. As they do so, their hometown and its culture begin to slowly decline. Donald Crisp portrays Gwilym, the patriarch of the Morgan household, who dreams of a better life for young Huw. Based on the novel by Richard Llewellyn, *How Green Was My Valley?* won five Academy Awards in 1941, including Best Director, Best Supporting Actor (Crisp), Best Art Director, Best Cinematography, and Best Picture. The book was later adapted into a 1975 BBC miniseries.

## **A Shot in the Dark** (1964, 102 min)

Sunday, March 20, 1:15 & 7:15 PM

A murder has been committed at the palatial Parisian residence of Benjamin Ballon. All the evidence

points to sexy, wide-eyed housemaid Maria Gambrelli (Elke Sommer). Police inspector Dreyfuss (Herbert Lom) is prepared to make an arrest -- and then the gloriously inept Inspector Clouseau (Peter Sellers) arrives on the scene. Clouseau may have difficulty getting through the day without knocking people cold with opened doors, and pocketing flaming cigarette lighters, but his instincts are right decides that Mme. Gambrelli is being framed. Even as the murder victims pile up, Clouseau is determined to prove Mme. Gambrelli's innocence. As he cuts a bumbling, destructive swath through Paris, Clouseau drives Dreyfuss literally insane. While we first met Inspector Clouseau in *The Pink Panther*, *Shot in the Dark* was actually filmed first and is the film that established the Clouseau mythos: the festive clumsiness, the convoluted dialogue ("You shot him in a rit of fealous jage!"), the Fractured French ("A beump on zee head!"), the twitching lunacy of poor Inspector Dreyfuss, the unexpected "judo lessons" of Clouseau's houseboy Kato (Burt Kwouk), and of course the hilariously macabre jokes involving dead or seriously injured bystanders. You'd never know it, but *A Shot in the Dark* was inspired by a standard three-act stage comedy by Harry Kurnitz.

## **Return to Me** (2000, 113 min)

Saturday, March 26, 1:15 & 7:15 PM

In this romantic comedy, a man loses the love of his life, only to find her heart beating in the body of someone new. Architect Bob Rueland (David Duchovny) is happily married until his wife Elizabeth (Joely Richardson), a zoologist, dies in an auto accident. A year later, Bob is still dealing with his loss when he meets Grace Briggs (Minnie Driver), a woman who waits tables in an Irish/Italian restaurant run by her grandfather Marty (Carroll O'Connor). Bob falls for Grace at first sight, and she's attracted to him as well, but what he doesn't know is that a year ago Grace was the recipient of a heart transplant -- and that Elizabeth was the donor. *Return to Me* was directed and co-written by actress Bonnie Hunt, who also appears in a supporting role as Grace's best friend Megan; the cast also includes Robert Loggia, James Belushi, and David Alan Grier. It is set in Chicago; the *Alan Gresik Swing Shift Orchestra* appeared in the film .

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