



**Join us in Heiser Lounge
for the KORA Social Hour
Thurs., Sept. 14, 4:45-5:45pm**

Enjoy nibbles and a refreshing cup of infused water, and learn about some of our KORA committees that are currently in search of new members. Representatives will be on hand to answer your questions. And, if possible, sign you up!

- **Auditorium Audio-Visual Committee** - We'll train you to run the A/V equipment in Heiser Auditorium or to train presenters.
- **Environmental Concerns** - Are you interested in environmental sustainability and leaving a smaller footprint on our fragile earth?
- **Fitness and Wellness** - Help have an impact on wellness activities in our community. And have fun! We sponsor Fun Fitness Week.
- **Food Committee** - We need new members with new ideas to help relay our desires for healthful, delicious, attractive meals to the administration.
- **Hospitalization Notification** - Kendal residents may designate fellow residents to be told when one is hospitalized. Our group maintains a list of these designees and notifies them when Social Services reports a resident's hospitalization.
- **Medical Companions** - Accompany fellow residents to medical appointments; no driving is involved.
- **Nutrition Committee** - Are you interested in food and where it comes from?
- **Sports and Recreation** - Help promote bocce, croquet, shuffleboard,

LWV VOTING 1-2-3

Step 1: Register to vote by the October 10, 2017, deadline.

Registration forms are available in the Kendal Library.

If you moved within Ohio, you can change your address online at the Secretary of State's website:

<https://olvr.sos.state.oh.us/ovru/Modify.aspx>

You can check if your registration is up to date at:

<http://www.voterfind.com/lorainob/vtrlookup.aspx>

Step 2: Decide how you want to cast your ballot.

Vote by mail – Fill out and send in an absentee ballot request form (available in the Kendal Library). Or you can request one by calling the Lorain County Board of Elections.

Vote early in person – Registered voters may vote early at the Lorain County Board of Elections. **Early voting will begin on October 11** for the November 2017 general election.

Vote at Heiser Auditorium on Election Day – Election Day is **Tuesday, November 7, 2017**. Polls are open from 6:30am to 7:30pm.

Step 3: Make sure you have an acceptable form of ID.

- Ohio driver's license or state ID card with your name and photo. The card must be current (not expired), but it can bear an old address.
- U.S. Military ID with your name and photo (address not required).
- Unexpired government ID with your name, current address, and photo. Student ID is not accepted.
- Original or copy of your Kendal at Oberlin monthly statement.

**COFFEE HOUR
WITH
BARBARA THOMAS
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
9:30AM - LANGSTON**

**AFTERNOON
EXCHANGE
BARBARA THOMAS
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21
4:00PM - AUDITORIUM**

and more. We sponsor sports for fun and hold annual tournaments.

- **Supporting Friends** - Provide companionship and assistance to residents in Stephens Care Center.

Visit, read aloud, or push wheelchairs?

- **Web Committee** - Can you help other residents with their computers and other electronic devices? Or do you want to learn programming?

KNOW YOUR KORA COUNCIL

Life takes time, and change is slowly building beneath our feet even when we can't see it. ~Maria Andren

At August's KORA Council Meeting, 78 people were in attendance, including many first-year residents. Your participation in Council meetings and Association activities is valuable to the life of our community. Thursday, September 21, at 10:00am, Council meets again. Hope to see you there. During the August Meeting, Council members and residents commented on the suggested changes to the KORA bylaws. The revisions with a few changes were approved by Council. The draft now goes to legal counsel for review. Once this is completed, Council will consider the revisions again. The goal is to bring the revised bylaws to the KORA Association Annual Meeting in November for final approval. A big shout-out is in order to the Bylaws Revision *ad hoc* committee for time spent on this project and also for their willingness to take on KORA policy revisions and updates. The focus on leadership continues with the work of the KORA Nominating Committee. Requests for nominations were made at KORA Council meetings and in the August *Kendalight*. Now the committee is developing a slate of candidates which will be submitted to the KORA President and announced at the October 19 KORA Council meeting. The slate will be printed in the November *Kendalight* along with the proposed 2018 KORA budget and the agenda for the November 9, 2017, Annual Meeting. According to the KORA Constitution, nominations for the officers of Council, for Councilors, and for open positions on the Nominating Committee must be received

LifeLong Learning Classes – September and Beyond

The LifeLong Learning Center at Lorain County Community College (LCCC) sponsors classes in the Heiser Auditorium during fall, winter and spring terms. Oberlin College is an affiliate sponsor of the program at this location. The phone number for information and registration is **440-366-4148**. Copies of the course catalog, which includes a registration form, can be found under the Town & Gown bulletin board.

Classes in September 2017

News & Views: Foreign Affairs. Gayle Sherry will present a talk on **The Future of Europe** on Friday, **Sept. 8** (see p. 3). No fee or registration.

Emily Dickinson's Poetry. David Young, Longman Professor Emeritus of English at Oberlin College, will lead the class through a chronological study of Dickinson's work, looking at 20-25 poems at each of three sessions. Using the text "Final Harvest," Thomas J. Johnson, ed. (available at Mindfair Books), class discussion will be encouraged and each participant will be invited to memorize a poem for each session. The poems are short and pungent, but sometimes tricky to negotiate. And, despite a tragic outlook, they are fun! Tuesdays, 10:00am to 11:30am: **Sept. 19, 26; Oct. 3**. Fee: \$20. (Class #4417)

Later in the Fall Term (More details in coming issues of *The Kendalight*): **News & Views: Foreign Affairs, Oct. 6, Conflict in the South China Sea; Nov. 3, Nuclear Security; Dec. 1, Prospects for Afghanistan and Pakistan.** No registration or fee.

Fiction into Film, three sessions, **Oct. 17, 24, 31; Opera Preview, "The Marriage of Figaro,"** one session, **Oct. 26** (performances at Hall Auditorium, Nov. 1, 3, 4 and 5); **Listening to Music**, four sessions, **Nov. 8, 15, 22, 29.**

No News & Views: Domestic Issues is scheduled during this fall term. A mistaken entry appeared on the bottom of p. 19 in the Course Catalog.

one month prior to the Annual Meeting. There may be nominations from the floor at the Annual Meeting as well. To nominate someone, first speak to that person about their willingness to serve, then give your nomination to Elizabeth Aldrich, Co-Chair of the Nominating Committee, Box #157.

Finally, I bring to your attention the KORA annual budget appeal. In mid-September, you will receive a letter asking you to consider a donation to support KORA activities.

All expenses of the Association are covered by your voluntary contributions. Committees, special interest groups, donations to community organizations, and more require financial support to cover expenses,

and for new activities and initiatives to emerge. This year's budget goal is \$31,000. We ask that you consider a contribution to help KORA meet that goal.

With all the changes that transpire at Kendal and all that is happening in the wider world, I find self-care a necessity. Walking on the perimeter path early in the morning or late evening, strolling under the protective canopy of the trees on Tappan Square, or sitting with a friend in a Kendal garden or by Heiser pond are some of my favorite activities, providing me with peace and hope. At times this place, this world can be overwhelming. I hope you are finding ways and taking time to nurture yourself.

~Ann Francis, KORA President

PROGRAMS

No First Thursday Health Lecture on September 7

Third Thursday Lecture: Diversity Forum on Hispanic/Latino Issues Sept. 21 - 7:15pm - AUD

Victor Leandry, executive director, El Centro de Servicios Sociales, will discuss the impact, the needs and the accomplishments of the Latino community in our area, and the difference between "Hispanic" and "Latino." Sponsored by Kendal's Diversity Awareness Committee.

Big Bus Trip in September to Cleveland Museum of Natural History Monday, September 18 10:45am - 5:15pm - Cost: \$42

**Only a few seats remain.
Don't miss out!**

To reserve a place for this trip:

- Sign the sheet in front of the mailboxes.
 - Place check for \$42 payable to KORA in Gary Olin's Box #136. (A place is reserved only with a payment in full.)
- Trip coordinator: Gary Olin.

Oberlin College Convocation

An Evening with Professor Robert Spano '84 Thurs., Sept. 14, 7:30pm, Finney Chapel - Free, no ticket needed

Conductor, pianist, composer and teacher, Robert Spano is known worldwide for his intense artistry and distinct communicative ability. Now in his 17th season as music director of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, he is responsible for nurturing the careers of numerous celebrated composers, conductors, and performers. Currently on the faculty at the Oberlin Conservatory, Spano is one of two classical musicians inducted into the Georgia Music Hall of Fame.
Sign up for Kendal bus.

Lunch Bunch: Clementine's, Olmsted Falls Wednesday, September 13

This charming Victorian restaurant at Grand Pacific Junction serves soups, quiche, a good choice of salads, and an array of sandwiches for every taste. Bus leaves Heiser at 11:30am, returning about 2:00pm. Place check to KORA for \$8.00 in Box #157 by Monday, Sept. 11.

Lunch at your expense

Sean Kelly, CEO, President, The Kendal Corporation Mon., Sept. 18 - 7:15pm - AUD

Sean Kelly returns to Kendal at Oberlin on his second "listening tour" to connect with residents, staff, and board. Sean is making the rounds of all Kendal affiliates this fall, as he did in September two years ago on his first "listening tour." Come hear the latest updates on Kendal activities and affiliate news. He promises for at least half the meeting to listen to your questions, observations, and aspirations for Kendal.

In anticipation, read the just-published 2017 Kendal Annual Report. Reference copies are in the library.

Play Readers: "Lettice and Lovage" Fri., Sept. 29 - 1:30pm - AUD Sat., Sept. 30 - 7:15pm - AUD

This wacky comedy by Peter Shaffer ("Amadeus," "Equus") pits romantic flights of fancy against plangent practicality -- until the clashing forces decide to join forces. Lettice is a flamboyant tour guide who unhesitatingly embellishes history. Lotte Schoen tries to burst her bubble but gets sucked into it. After **the play begins, there will be no admission until the first scene break.** ~Rachel Fordyce

News & Views: Foreign Affairs Fri., Sept. 8 - 10:30am - AUD

Kendal resident Gayle Sherry will present a talk on **The Future of Europe**. The outcome of the United Kingdom referendum on EU membership sent shockwaves across the globe. The European Union has helped secure peace in Europe for the past 65 years. Now it faces an uncertain future. Amid a refugee crisis, lingering financial recession and the constant specter of right-wing radicalism, unity seems even more imperative. But the Brexit vote underscores the need for Europe to deal with the complexities of integrating an extremely diverse continent. What will post-Brexit Europe look like, and how will it adapt to this changed situation? No registration or fee. **All are welcome.**

Courtyard Garden Concerts

Listen to music before dinner on Fridays in September at 4:00pm. (The rain/heat location will be the Gathering Room.)

- Sept. 1 - Doug McClennen, folk songs
- Sept. 8 - Marlynda Dziak, guitar/vocals
- Sept. 15 - Recorder small group
- Sept. 22 - Recorder large group

Sunday Movies in Whittier at 7:00pm

Sept. 3 - **The Iron Lady (2011)**

As an elderly Margaret Thatcher (Meryl Streep) talks to the imagined presence of her recently deceased husband, struggling to come to terms with his death, she remembers scenes from her past life, from girlhood to her days as Prime Minister. PG-13.

Sept.10 - **Where the Red Fern**

Grows (1974) With the help of his two beloved hounds, a young Oklahoma farm boy struggles to help his family get by in the hard times of the 1930s. G.

Sept. 17 - **Bedtime Stories (2008)**

Hotel handyman (Adam Sandler) gets an unexpected surprise when he discovers that the tall tales he has been telling his niece and nephew are somehow coming true. Hoping to make the most of the mysterious phenomenon, he spins one outlandish yarn after another. PG.

Sept. 24 - **Away From Her (2006)**

Devotion of a long-married couple (Julie Christie, Gordon Piment) is tested by her struggle with Alzheimer's disease. Her husband must deal with her growing attachment to a male patient after she moves to an extended-care facility. PG-13

Saturday Night Documentary Sept. 16 - 7:15pm - AUD

20 Feet from Stardom (2013)

Learn about the lives and careers of some of the backup singers for Bruce Springsteen, Sting, Mick Jagger, Stevie Wonder, and Bette Midler. Even if you never enjoyed Pop, R&B, and Rock, you are bound to enjoy this entertaining video. Stay after and discuss whether this program changed your mind about popular music and entertainers. PG-13.

~Donna VanRaaphorst



Art Gallery News

Have you seen the magnificent new sculpture in the lawn area outside the Patterson lounge on Heiser Circle? It was created by Richard Nord and purchased by a resident who donated it to Kendal.

All of our galleries have new exhibits. Now featured in the **Kendal Gallery** are works by the Cleveland Museum of Natural History's Guild of Nature Artists. Their reception is scheduled for Friday, September 8, at 4:30pm in the Heiser Lounge.

Kathleen McNamee, whose prints and encaustic paintings are installed

in the **Community Gallery**, gave an informative talk on August 19 about the process, showing us the materials and equipment she uses. She will return to Heiser Auditorium on September 4 at 4:00pm to give a detailed PowerPoint presentation on the history of encaustic painting.

"Wanderlust: Images of Asia and Africa" in the **Friends Gallery** is composed of striking photographs by Selina Bartlett. She will discuss her work in the Friends Corner at 2:30pm on Friday, September 15.

The Curio Cabinet now displays the Coluccis' charming collection of small porcelain houses that depict traditional domestic architectural styles from places they've visited all over the world. Enjoy it all!

Finally, remember to attend the art sale on September 21

Art Sale - West Corridor - Thurs., Sept. 21 - 9:00am to 3:00pm

The Art Committee is having a "de-accessioning" sale. Kendal has accepted donations of art from residents who have found that they did not have space for some of their pictures and who have given their art for use in the public spaces in Kendal. We have found that there is not a proper place for some of these works and have decided to offer them at reasonable prices at this sale. Proceeds will go to the Art Committee for use in the repair or reframing of some valuable pieces.

Saturday Foreign Film Sept. 9 - 7:15pm - AUD

The Seventh Seal (1956) A knight and his squire are home from the crusades. The knight seeks answers about life, death, and the existence of God as he plays chess against the Grim Reaper during the Black Plague. A film of imaginative concept and powerful content, written and directed by Ingmar Bergman, twice honored by the International Jury at the Cannes Film Festival 1956 and 1957. Swedish with English sub-titles.

~Dwight Call

Genealogy and History Interest Group "Why Swedes Emigrated: Pox, Peace, and Pestilence" Tues., Sept. 12 - 7:15pm - AUD

This month we will have the pleasure of hearing Betsy Young give her presentation "Why Swedes Emigrated: Pox, Peace, and Pestilence."

Many of us have interesting stories to tell of our family history. Join us to hear Betsy's and consider presenting a program in the future on your heritage.

Remember! Wear your name tag so newcomers (and old-timers) can tie your name to that face!

Our New Name is “Thoughtful Health Conversations”

The Conversations Working Group, a subcommittee of Thoughtful Medicine, has changed its name to **Thoughtful Health Conversations (THC)** to clarify its purpose: to help all residents have a series of thoughtful conversations about health issues with **Family, Friends, Wellness Partners, and Healthcare Professionals**. We believe it is important for residents to think through their health priorities and to communicate them clearly to their support group before a medical emergency occurs.

A current project encourages the idea of **Wellness Partners** – local people who can be trusted to help with daily needs and decisions and to keep distant family or HCPOAs informed about health needs and choices.

We will hold two workshops about Wellness Partners this month: **Thursday, September 14, at 10:00am and Friday, September 22, at 4:00pm in the Education Center Training Room**. Interested? Sign up on a clipboard in front of the open mailboxes. Send questions to Elizabeth Hole, Thoughtful Health Conversations Chair.

“Dancing with Dementia” Book Groups Update

Last June, six book groups began discussing “Dancing with Dementia,” a book written by a person living with dementia. Each book group, combining staff and residents, discussed the book and related it to their own experiences. The depth of understanding and empathy was impressive.

A big thank you to everyone who participated, and special thanks to staff for their willingness to help, give up break times, and read the book after hours.

Later this month, we will begin two more book groups discussing “Dancing with Dementia.”

Jill Tvaroha and Priscilla Steinberg will host one on Fridays at 1:00pm, beginning September 22.

Lynn Ensinger and Sandi McClennen will host another in the Stephens Care Center.

Watch Channel 27 for the specific times and locations. Books will be available from the group facilitators. If you can't attend one of these new groups but would still like to participate, contact Elizabeth Hole, Chair, Thoughtful Health Conversations, to see if there is enough interest to begin another group.

Here's Your Chance to Tell us About Your Committee

Would your committee like to promote its work and perhaps solicit new volunteers? Committee chairs or their spokespersons are welcome to schedule a brief presentation at a KORA Council meeting or one of Barbara Thomas's Exchanges. You can also submit a short item about your committee's needs to *The Kendalight* at klite600@yahoo.com

To schedule a two-minute presentation about your committee at a KORA Council meeting or an Exchange, please contact a member of the KORA Coordination Committee: Marjorie Porter, Jean Slonneger, or Chair Al Carroll.

Upcoming Kendal 2018 Budget Meetings

- **Thursday, October 12 – Budget Update Meeting on Budget Process, 4:00pm, Heiser Auditorium.**
- **Thursday, November 16 – Final Budget Meeting with Residents, 4:00pm, Heiser Auditorium.**

~Ann O'Malley, CFO, KatO

First Thursday Evening Hours Allen Memorial Art Museum Sept. 7 - 5:00-7:30pm Program at 5:30pm in the King Sculpture Court

Oberlin Shansi and the Museum present an evening of Chinese classical music to mark the opening of fall exhibitions.

Weichih Rosa Lee will perform selections from the Chinese classical repertoire on the guzheng, a stringed instrument similar to the zither. Lee has received many awards, both in her native Taiwan and in the United States, including the 2014 Heritage Fellowship Award from the Ohio Arts Council. A reception will follow the performance. **All are welcome.**

Tuesday Tea at AMAM September 12 - 2:30pm

Andrea Gyorody, the Ellen Johnson '33 Assistant Curator of Modern and Contemporary Art, expands on themes of the exhibition “This is Your Art: The Legacy of Ellen Johnson.” Gyorody will discuss the late Oberlin professor's close friendships with major artists of the 20th century. **All are welcome.** If you need a ride, meet at Heiser Reception Desk at 2:10pm to carpool.

Vision Impaired

Low-Vision Support Group Webcast:

**“Transitioning to Blindness”
Thursday, September 14
4:00pm - Green Room**

**Reading of *The Kendalight*
Friday, Sept. 1, at 11:00am
in Whittier Lounge**

Barbara Bruer will read the current issue of Kendal's newsletter.

All are welcome!

More About Kendal's New Residents

Suzanne McDougal



Although born in Chicago, I was raised in Ohio (North Jackson and Youngstown). After earning a degree in math at Youngstown State University, I lived in a variety of places, including New Jersey, Michigan, Texas, Maryland, and Virginia. I have no children, so chose to move back to Ohio after I retired, to be closer to my brother and his family.

In 1969 a natural career path for a math major was computer programming. I learned "early" software languages such as COBOL, Assembler, and FORTRAN, and worked as employee or contractor for interesting companies such as Alcoa, Prudential, University Microfilms, Comshare, and Medtronic Data Systems. Then I evolved into a technical writer/editor, with my specialty being able to understand computer geeks. Several interesting jobs later (General Motors, Birmingham Computer Group, IBM, TEIR, World Bank, Government Agencies, etc.) I retired to the wonderful world of volunteering at historical organizations and goofing off. My favorite hobbies include: Reading (mostly historical mysteries and science fantasy); Watching TV; Singing; Music (pop, early, and classic); Scottish activities (country dancing, music, MacDougall Society, Gaelic); Local history (wherever I am).

As a desktop publisher, I have helped publish several books and am layout editor for the quarterly newsletter

of the ACGA (the American Scottish Gaelic society). I have traveled to Egypt, Austria, Scotland, Canada, and the Canary Islands, but prefer closer destinations these days.

I am a Unitarian-Universalist and a Humanist/Atheist.

Nancy Snyder



I grew up in a small town near Princeton, NJ. My parents liked to take vacations, and my love of travel was instilled at an early age as we toured both coasts. After graduating from Princeton High School, I went to Cedar Crest College (Allentown, PA), where I majored in biology. Jobs were scarce in 1958 when I graduated, but I secured a position in a lab in Boston. First, I indulged my love of travel on a ten-week tour of Europe with three classmates. It was a wonderful, carefree interval between college and career.

I had met my future husband Jack my senior year. He had graduated a year earlier and was employed at nearby Bethlehem Steel in Pennsylvania. Our courtship was on hold while I traveled and then was long distance until we married and settled in Bethlehem for 57 years.

We had a son and daughter and that started me on many years of volunteer work, in the schools and in the community through AAUW, Junior League, Historic Bethlehem, and Cedar Crest. When some major changes occurred in tax law, Jack encouraged

me to take a tax course to see how the changes would impact our personal taxes. At the end of the course, I was offered a job as a tax preparer and spent the next 17 years working seasonally.

Our family was our main joy over the years, but we also enjoyed travel, the theater and reading. Sadly, my husband's health declined rapidly, and he passed away in October 2016 before we could both come here. With the love and support of my daughter and son-in-law who live in Oberlin and my son and his partner in New York City, I followed through with our plans, and I know it was the right choice.

Irene "Renie" Smith



I am a native Clevelander. My father was a family practitioner with patients who lived nearby. I first left Ohio to pursue my studies at Wellesley College near Boston. Marriage to my high-school best friend took us to Los Angeles where I continued my career in IBM's Education Department. After two more advanced degrees for Dave, we chose to return home to Cleveland (except for a three-year stint in Portland, OR, with a magnificent view of Mount Hood from our living room window). Our exhilarating dozen-year period in Cleveland focused on raising our three children, thanks to babysitters, with my being able to revel in such passions as gardening; book clubs; weekly trips to "the country" (as we called it then) to hike or ride horseback; as well as many activities to support the nearby Cleveland

Museum of Art or Severance Hall, where several of our neighbors played in the Cleveland Orchestra. During these years we traveled a great deal as a family, particularly to a beloved ranch in Montana.

After Dave's retirement we often joined friends to visit our favorite country, Turkey, as well as most of Europe. Two of our three children, Greg and Ellie, live on the East Coast with our four teenage grandchildren, while our third, Claire, is happily married and living my dream as a conservationist, delightfully nearby on the west side of Cleveland.

Early on, perhaps in college, I became a passionate environmentalist, but I've never been able to live in a green-energy home, which makes Kendal at Oberlin even more attractive to me.

As a recent widow I do not come here solo, but am cheerfully accompanied by a trained companion dog, Thumper, a friendly old-fashioned Wire Fox Terrier.

Upcoming Move-Ins

Marilyn Sweet will move from Akron, OH, to a Kendal Cottage in early September.

Recent Transfers

Betty DeWitt moved from Whittier to Patterson in late August. Phone number remains the same.

Rosti Didchenko moved to Whittier in late July. Phone number remains the same.

Ernie and Jane Eddy have moved to Whittier. Phone number remains the same.

IN MEMORIAM

GORDON DOBLE
AUGUST 7, 2017

WILMA WEBER
AUGUST 15, 2017

Betsy Young



I lived most of my first 20 years in Oxford, OH, and most of my past 50 in Oberlin. My greatest joys in life are my three sons, their three wonderful and loving wives, and my two amazing grandchildren. For six years I commuted monthly between Oberlin and California to help raise the little ones, with whom I am still very close -- so close, in fact, that the oldest spent her senior year with me attending Oberlin High School and Oberlin College.

For three decades, after my sons were launched, genealogy has been a passion. I have documented ancestors whose stories fascinate me: one helped settle Jamestown, several fled persecution as Mennonites, and one was a Stewart family by-blow, contemporaneous with Mary Queen of Scots. Perhaps my love of prowling archives and databases comes from having lived on four college campuses; primary research has taken me to a dozen states and scores of specialized databases. While discovery is great, the chase is even better. I also enjoy gardening -- both the

labor and the fruits of my labor, whether decorative or edible. Traveling -- along with its planning, particularly to places that bring history to life for me -- remains deeply satisfying. I traveled for three months every summer with my family during my childhood. While the trips I've taken with my children, grandchildren, and friends have been considerably shorter, they have been equally memorable. Over the years, I've gladly served my Oberlin community, volunteering in the schools, public library, voting drives, etc. To me, belonging to a community means caring for it.

Those at Kendal who know me may remember me from my work as Assistant to the President of Oberlin College, or perhaps from my work as a travel agent. I'm a proud Oberlin College alumna. And I'm excited to be joining the Kendal community.

Recent Moves

Bill and Sandy Siebenschuh moved from Cleveland Heights, OH, to a Kendal Cottage in late July.

Tom Van Nortwick and Mary Kirtz Van Nortwick moved from Oberlin to a Kendal Cottage in mid-August.

Kendal Kryptogram #152 - by Nina Love

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~OXLTANH LEHTSH

Solution to Kryptogram #151: "When the well is dry we know the worth of water."
~Ben Franklin

**Report from
the John Bartram Arboretum:
More about Elms at Kendal**

Twice in the last decade, groupings of beetle-resistant elm trees have been planted here at Kendal as gifts from the Nord family and Kendal residents. The first were planted just north of the stop sign where you turn south toward Heiser in the area some of you will remember as the rose garden, and others were planted in the Phase 2 area. All are the Valley Forge American Elm cultivar.

The four in the rose garden area surround the tulip tree planted on the occasion of our first Arboretum Day. These are near the bench and very visible from the walkway and roadway. The characteristic “vase-shape” of the elm is pleasantly in evidence in these young trees. Planted in 2010 they are doing fairly well despite the drought. The first ones planted in Phase 2 have not thrived, even though they were watered by resident Don Reeves. A second group was planted about a year later in Phase 2 Drive East and many of those are also struggling. The soil conditions along the Phase 2 Drive are poor. This again shows us the importance of preparation of planting sites as construction compaction of our soils have made growing conditions very difficult. Several individuals have also planted elms near their cottages.

In Kendal’s Woodshop book “What Wood Is That? A Manual of Wood Identification,” elm wood is characterized as having irregular pores, as shown on a cross-section as zigzag lines between annual rings and as wavy lines on longitudinal surfaces. Wood is brownish, sapwood is whitish, and the rings are distinct. The bark of the elm is thick and furrowed. Examine the elm plaque on exhibit this month on the table in Heiser Lounge. This piece, made from an elm tree which died when the Dutch Elm Disease hit Oberlin in the late

fifties, regularly hangs on the west wall in the Kendal Marketing Office and is a gift from resident Ed Long. Ed cut the slice near the base of the tree, let it season, then sanded and varnished it as a decorative hanging. Elm is a hard wood to work with and often was used for items which do not have to be smoothly finished such as window sills in barns. It does not split easily, so it made good chair seats into which legs and backs could be driven. It was a favorite of carvers and turners as its remarkable grain can be exposed artistically on wood sculpture.

Do any of you have a piece made of elm which could be added to the display table?

More than 175 elm cultivars for use in North America have been introduced since 1964 as researchers work to find some which will thrive and live into old age. It will be some years until we know whether one has been found. We hope future generations will again enjoy the majesty of the fully grown elm tree.

~Anne Helm, Arboretum Committee

Note: Don Reeves provided information for this article. Any inaccuracies are mine.

**School’s Back in Session!
Now Kendal Needs
Storm Day Volunteers**

Calling all residents who can participate as Storm Day Volunteers and offer an hour or more to support Kendal staff children when local schools close. This enables staff to come to work at Kendal when schools are unexpectedly closed. We will have an orientation on Wednesday, October 11, at 10:00am in the Whittier Game Lounge for all current and interested volunteers. Please give me a call, send an email, or see me if you can help or if you need more information.

~Donna Baznik

**Highlights of July 2017
KatO Board Meeting**

Independent Living Occupancy

The figure remains at 93% compared to budget at 94%. An unusually high number of deaths has contributed to the lower census. The Stephens Care Center occupancy is lower than budgeted primarily due to the construction of Jameson House. Staffing costs have been less than budget as a result of taking those beds out of use during construction.

Finances

An improvement in “NOM” (Net Operating Margin) continues to be a focus for all Kendal affiliates, assuring operations are efficient and effective and we can sustain competitive operations.

IRS Document 990

Kendal recently filed its 990 with the IRS. This document is reviewed in detail and made available to the board before it is sent out. It takes a while before it is publicly released.

**Staying up to Date
with Health Care Changes**

The board continues to stay abreast of impacts on changes in funding health-care, with both federal and state actions in flux. Ultimately, we expect these changes will affect Kendal and we will continue to study for relevant action.

KORA Action

KORA was commended for the letter it submitted to the State of Ohio regarding proposed changes primarily affecting Medicaid recipients. This was posted for all board members to read.

Generative Discussion: “Ageism”

This discussion was planned and presented by Board members and well-received by the full board.

~Barbara Thomas, CEO

Kendal Resale Shop Talk

Benefitting Kendal Resident Assistance Fund and Community Charities

As of the writing of this article, Kendal Resale Shop (KRS) is conducting an on-site apartment sale, which has been going well. We earned over \$1,400 in the first three days (i.e., opening week-end) and still have a week to go.

It's become rare for KRS to have an on-site sale. With Kendal at Oberlin's 93% occupancy rate and a robust waiting list, it's often difficult to hold a cottage or apartment vacant for very long. New residents are eager to take occupancy, and the contractors must complete their work in a timely manner. Our KRS volunteers need access to the vacancy for AT LEAST a month: two weeks to prepare the site for a sale, ten days to conduct the sale, and one week to clear the site so the contractors can begin their work. It can be very intense. I'm so grateful to our fine volunteers who work so hard to make our on-site and showroom sales a success.

Resale Shop deposits to the Residents Assistance Fund for the month of July totaled \$3,804.50. Thanks to all our donors and shoppers!

DID YOU KNOW? I have been chair of the Kendal Resale Shop Committee for over a year now. I think I may have finally got the hang of it, thanks to the knowledge, patience and kindness of my fabulous KRS teammates and the Kendal at Oberlin staff.

THANK YOU! Keep those donations coming and keep shopping the KRS!

~Nancy Lombardi,

Chair of the Kendal Resale Shop

Kendal Open House Saturday, September 16 - 9:00am-4:30pm - Crossroads Room

Kendal will hold an open house in conjunction with Oberlin College's "Alumni Reunion Planning Summit: Encouraging Engagement Through Reunion." Join us in welcoming family, friends and visitors.

Authors Among Us

Many Kendal residents are already familiar with Cathryn Bacon's Elmo stories. For those who are not, in recent years Cathryn has been writing little stories for children about Elmo the Elephant, who discovers Kendal and becomes a valued employee here.

His many exploits include installing the new islands for Farmer's Pond and giving rides to children in his howdah, which is stuffed with all the gluten people can no longer eat.

Under pressure from friends to do so, Cathryn has put her Elmo stories into a little book which will soon be available in the Cardinal Shop. Watch for "Elmo," by Cathryn Bacon.

Newcomers Reception Sept. 27 - 4:00pm - AUD

All Kendal residents are invited to welcome our new friends and neighbors! Enjoy refreshments and live music as you chat with our new-comers -- and old-timers, too.

Wear your name tag! Our new residents want to get to know each other and the rest of us.

KatO Resident Insurance Workshops - 10:00-11:00am Education Center Training Room with KatO Insurance Coordinator Donna Weber Sept. 20 - Things to Consider during Open Enrollment

Open Enrollment Specifics for:

Oct. 4 - STRS

Oct. 11 - OPRS

Oct. 19 - Oberlin College

Oct. 25 - Anthem/BCBS Plans

Nov. 1 - Aetna

Nov. 8 - Traditional Medicare/Medigap Plans

Transportation Talk

Transportation Meet and Greet:

On Thursday, September 28, join us at 10:00am in Heiser Auditorium to meet our Kendal drivers.

There will be a brief introduction of new Kendal Transport drivers and a review of current Kendal Transportation opportunities.

Watch our Kendal Dogs Show Off their Tricks!

The Pet Project committee is presenting a Dog Play Day in front of the Patterson patio on Tuesday, September 12, from 9:30am to 10:50am.

Pet owners will bring their dogs into a fenced-in area for them to play on agility equipment and show off their tricks. The Kendal Early Learning Center kids will be joining the fun. All are welcome to come and watch Rain day: Friday, September 15.

~Kathy Caldwell

Celestial Event in September

The Full Corn Moon Celebration will be at 8:15pm on September 6 at the base of Wildflower Hill with the moon rise at 8:22pm. Bring a song, a chair, or a nibble to share.

Please note that this year the Harvest Moon is not until October 4.

~Dick and Donna Bazzyk

Table Tennis Update

With school start near, in mid-August visiting grandchildren and their parents kept the table tennis scene hopping. Their spillover to the apartment building table added still more numbers to its use. Of late, too, Occupational Therapy has employed the table to treat balance problems of Stephens Care Center residents.

Likewise in August, we gained yet another novice player from among the newest residents. And a devotee who started from scratch just three months ago bravely visited an out-of-state club, introduced herself there and practiced for two hours. That's an accomplishment!

Coach Doyle Harbaugh came three times and, as always, brought out the best in us. Afterward, a player remarked that Doyle's visits highlight the week for her. And he declared that seeing us improve from week to week rewards him most of all. We're lucky to have a coach so devoted to advancing us from "ping pong" to table tennis!
~*Sidney Rosenfeld*

UU Kendal Gathering "Faith in Public Life"

Rev. Mary Grigolia
Wed., Sept. 20 - 4:00pm
Education Center Bldg.

In the public/political sphere what does faith look like for UUs? How are you weathering the attacks on inclusion and civil rights? What are you doing in response? Where do you turn for comfort, guidance, wisdom? In your concerns and actions for justice, do you "come out" as a person of faith to non-UU's? (And what do you mean by "a person of faith"?) How are we called to respond collectively as UU's?

Program facilitated by Rev. Mary Grigolia, minister of the Oberlin Unitarian Universalist Fellowship.

Saturday Walks

If you would like to experience walking off the Kendal campus, come join us on Saturday mornings. Our walks are leisurely ones, 1 to 3 miles in length.

Be adventuresome! Give it a try! We will meet at the Heiser Reception Desk at 9:00am to car pool. Questions? Contact Jerry Berner.

Sept. 2 - Black River/Bur Oak

Sept. 9 - Carlisle/Equestrian Trails

Sept. 16 - French Creek/ Nature Center

Sept. 23 - To Tappan Square for Alzheimer Walk

Sept. 30 - Wellington Reservation

First Church United Fellowship, Sat., Sept. 9 - AUD

9:30am - Fellowship and food

10:15am - Laurel Price Jones

The chair of the First Church History and Heritage Task Group will present the history of First Church and the Meeting House, 175 years after the laying of the cornerstone of Oberlin's oldest building standing on its original site. **All are welcome.**

RELIGIOUS SERVICES AT KENDAL

Episcopal Service

Due to scheduling conflicts, there will be no service on Saturday, September 9.

First Church Service

Sunday, September 17, 4:00pm,
Gathering Room

Roman Catholic Mass

Friday, September 15, 10:00am,
Crossroads Room

Society of Friends

Sundays, 10:30am, Education Center



Bridge Results

MONDAYS

July 31: 1st, Joe Colucci; 2nd, Eileen Dettman.

Aug. 7: 1st, Carol Ganzel; 2nd, Eileen Dettman.

Aug. 14: 1st, Eileen Dettman; 2nd, Joe Colucci.

Aug. 21: 1st, Rachel Fordyce; 2nd, Carol Ganzel.

Aug. 28: 1st, Carol Ganzel; 2nd, Rachel Fordyce.

Call 775-9868 to hear announcements and menus of the day.
Or find them on our website:
www.kaores.kendal.org

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Dining and Nutrition Services

Monday, Sept. 4 - Labor Day

Regular hours for meal service are in effect in all Kendal at Oberlin dining rooms on Labor Day.

Tuesday, Sept. 26 - Ninde Scholars Reception - 5:00pm - AUD

Watch for sign-up sheets for Solo Diners and SPINACH:

SPINACH: Wednesday, Sept. 13, 5:30pm, Penn Room.

Solo Diners: Thursday, Sept. 14, 5:30pm, The Den.

Dining Services Notes from Ann Pilisy

• **Fox and Fell New Hires:** Please welcome Ella Brantley and Inel Washington -- June; Coby DeLeon and Thayer Preston -- July; Kaitlyn Frazier, Rachael Henry and Jennifer Caicedo (an Oberlin College student) -- August. Catherine Mavrich will return to Kendal after a year in Brazil and attend Oberlin College. Miranda Schaum will attend Oberlin College and stay on staff.

• **Kitchen Tours:** Tours of the Kendal kitchen are scheduled for Wednesday, October 18, and Friday, October 27, at 2:00pm. Sign-up sheets and tour instructions will be posted.

Join our Foreign Language Tables in the Fox and Fell

Kendal at Oberlin has a long tradition of foreign language tables in the Fox & Fell dining room. These groups usually meet in the Den (but occasionally are relocated elsewhere in Fox & Fell if another group needs the Den). Consider practicing your language skills at one of our tables. Please join us at the German, Spanish or French table -- or join us at more than one if you like.

Looking forward to seeing you. Sie sind willkommen! Estas bienvenido! Vous etes bienvenue!

• **German table, Tuesdays, dinner in The Den.** Contact: Sidney Rosenfeld.

• **Spanish table, Wednesdays, dinner in The Den.** Contact: Don Parker.

• **French table, Thursdays, dinner in The Den.** Contact: Irv Lewis.

AAA Safe-Driving Course Offered at Kendal

A two-day AAA safe-driving course will be offered again at Kendal on Monday, October 30, and Wednesday, October 31, from 10:00am to 12:00 noon and 1:00 to 3:00pm both days in the Kendal Education Center. Cost: \$10.00 for AAA members; \$15.00 for non-members.

Test drives will be arranged with the instructor during class.

A sign-up sheet will be posted by the mailboxes during the third week of September. A registration form with payment instructions will be placed in your mailbox. Please send in your fee at least one week before the course begins. Participants receive a certificate of completion to submit to their insurance companies (usually good for three years). Some companies may offer a discount on insurance after proof of AAA course completion. ~Barb Barna

Intergenerational Gathering: Thurs., Sept. 14, 3:15pm, Langston. Purple Imagination! We will be forming a story using Imagination stones and, of course, enjoy purple goodies to eat.

Walk to End Alzheimer's Sat., Sept. 23 - 9:00 am Tappan Square

Join the Kendal at Oberlin team of staff and residents to help a cause that is near and dear to all our hearts. We are delighted that, for the second year in a row, the Walk to End Alzheimer's will take place here in Oberlin. Bring your family or friends to join in the fun. All are welcome! Contact Laurie Dupee (775-0094, ext. 346) to register with our KatO team by Sept. 8. We'll be glad to assist you with the registration.

The Langston will sponsor Purple with a Purpose Fridays in September. All proceeds will benefit the Alzheimer's walk on September 23.

Sept. 1: Rice Krispie treats, \$1.00

Sept. 8: Fancy chocolate-covered pretzels, \$1.00

Sept. 15: Chow snack mix, \$1.00

Sept. 22: Cotton candy, \$1.00
Order forms for gourmet caramel apples will be available in the Langston on Saturday, September 2. Price: \$6.00 each. Please return order form to Langston by Monday, September 18. Pick up on Friday, September 22.

Talking Tuesday with the Kims Sept. 19 - 12 noon - The Den

Join Kim Preston and Kim Peters, Kendal's Social Services Associates, over lunch from 12 noon to 1:00pm in The Den in the Fox and Fell for the monthly luncheon. They meet on the third Tuesday of the month to talk about your interests and concerns. Bring your own lunch or purchase one at Langston.

