

# THE ACORN

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*"The flowers that bloom in the spring, tra la,  
bring promise of merry sunshine."  
Happy Valentine's Day*

## DAVID AND PENNY RUSSELL

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*Interviewed by Marianne and J.U. Davis*

The Russells returned from Beaufort, South Carolina where they had lived for 14 years, to their native Western Pennsylvania roots welcomed by a blizzard ... with record low temperatures.

David grew-up in Indiana, Pennsylvania. Marion (Penny) Stephens moved there for her high school years. After two years at Kiski Prep, David went off to Bucknell. Marion majored in art at Indiana State Teachers College. They met in Indiana, but dated and attended events at Chautauqua, where Marion studied art and worked during her vacations.

After their wedding, David graduated and was drafted into the army. After Marion graduated, she joined him in Germany, where David was in an Engineer Aerial Photo Reproduction unit. They lived with German families, first in Wiesbaden and then Kaiserslautern. Their daughter, Cheryl, was born in Wiesbaden.

Back in Indiana, David's career moved from aerial mapping for PennDot to managing the credit department at Brody's Department Store. Son David S. was born here during this time.

Penny returned to teaching, and both of them completed Master's degrees in Education at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. The family lived in Sewickley. Penny taught art and David taught social studies at Quaker Valley High School. With summers free, they traveled, camping in 48 states with their kids. After

Penny inherited a farm near Dilltown in Indiana County, they started the Pine-Sylvania Tree Farm, growing Colorado Blue Spruce Xmas trees.

At retirement they moved to Dilltown, PA and, with a partner, created the Dillweed Bed & Breakfast. The B&B and its trailside shop is alongside the Ghost Town Trail, by Blacklick Creek. Later, as lovers of the natural world, they donated many acres to Indiana County Parks to create the Blacklick Valley Natural Area.

Fourteen years ago, with their daughter's encouragement, they moved south to the area of Beaufort, SC, residing on several different islands there. Daughter, Cherie, still lives there.

While considering "returning home" to Pennsylvania, they remembered visiting Dot and Earl Dean years ago at Sherwood Oaks! This area would be closer to their son, David, in St. Paul, MN. and Cherie's two children in Pittsburgh. Furthermore, Cherie and her husband plan to retire to the Pittsburgh area in a few years. So...a move back "home" seemed sensible. The circle is being completed.

Penny has created an extensive collection of beautiful watercolor and acrylic paintings. Other mixed-media artwork of hers is displayed on a wall of shelves in their patio home. And she is already enjoying the painting class. David has found the SO library, is busy identifying rocks from their collection and continuing his genealogy research.

Welcome home, Russells.

## JOSEPH WIDMER

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*Interviewed by Betty Eichler*

For eighteen years, Joe Widmer and his wife vacationed in Aruba in January, where the temperature was generally 85 degrees and there was no snow. This January, that would have been a good place to be. However, having lived in Rochester for the past fifty years, Joe is used to our winter weather. He is happy to be warm and cozy here at Sherwood Oaks.

Joe grew up in Connellsville, PA, with five brothers and one sister; their father was a railroader. All six brothers became military officers. Joe served in the Air Force in Japan from 1948 to June, 1950, coming home five days before the beginning of the Korean War. "The Japanese people were very cooperative and respectful of the American occupation troops; they treated General MacArthur like royalty." Later, in the Reserves, he served two years in Germany. He then attended Geneva College on the G.I. Bill and met his wife there. Aloha died a few months ago after 58 years of marriage .

Having earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering, Joe began work for the Michael Baker Engineering Firm in Beaver County. "I was their computer guru in 1956 when computers were very new." At the IBM School, he was trained in the first computer system in Pittsburgh and became Director of Computer Operations for the firm. He wrote programs for engineering applications and was involved with USS and J&L steel companies and also with MIT. He was a Registered Professional Engineer in the states of Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia.

In 1974, Joe established his own engineering design firm, Widmer Engineering, Inc., which now has offices in Beaver Falls, Connellsville and Washington, PA. The firm is now run by Joe's son. Their work is in civil and municipal engineering: designing bridges, etc., but not involved with construction. Joe has been a member and officer in the Beaver County

Society of Professional Engineers and National Society of Professional Engineers. Earlier in his career, "when I had more free time", Joe served on the Rochester School Board, the Rochester Township Board of Commissioners, and for five years was Board Chairman for the Beaver County Board of Commissioners.

"My major interest is hiking," Joe says, and he takes it very seriously. Beginning with hikes from his home in Connellsville to Ohiopyle, along the Pittsburgh to Washington, DC trail, he went on to hike along the Appalachian Trail. He has hiked at least half a dozen times down into the Grand Canyon. He has also hiked in the Alps in Switzerland and Austria. He once took his three teenage granddaughters to hike in the Alps, but says, "this was a gentlemen's hike", having grand dinners and spending the night in a posh hotel. "My wife did not go hiking with me, but we did enjoy a cruise to Alaska and many trips to Europe and Hawaii."

Joe's immediate family consists of his son, who lived next door to him in Rochester, his three granddaughters and three great-grandchildren, two of whom are just a few months old. Of six siblings, only Joe and one brother still survive; so every year Joe hosts a family reunion in Connellsville for his own family and all his nieces and nephews and their families. This adds up to quite a few people and lots of good times.

Joe's wife was in rehabilitation at St. Barnabas three years ago; then they were both in Masonic Village for six weeks. He was chair of the Board of Directors at Asbury Heights; so he knows retirement communities. He is still in the process of readying his home for sale. "My wife was a school teacher and saved every scrap of paper she ever touched." We welcome Joe to Sherwood Oaks. He has already expressed interest in Trips and Tours and will participate in the trip to Niagara on the Lake.

## WHAT'S NEW WITH SORA?

January SORA Board report:

**Treasurers' Reports** – A bequest from the Hess estate added \$23,674 to the Reserve Fund. Profits from Sherwood Gifts increased the Memorial/Special Projects Fund by \$7,501. \$140,000 was distributed to employees through the Employee Appreciation Fund – thanks to all who contributed.

### **Liaison Reports**

Focus on the World conducted a collection for the Food Bank in January; the next collection will be April 13 -19.

Dining Services Committee has a new member from Personal Care who reported some of the concerns from that area. There have been some problems with meal delivery due to a problem with the voice mail, which has now been resolved. Residents may call the kitchen to verify that their orders have been received.

*Note: Many committees did not meet in December; so there were fewer reports in January.*

### **Management**

- A Focus Group met on December 30 to share and discuss resident input on using the lower level of the Oak Grove Center (now a storage area) near the Cranberry Lake Grill for group exercise and/or indoor games. The idea of a walking track was also discussed. Access to that area, i.e. parking space, is an issue to be resolved. This input will be considered during capital budget discussions.

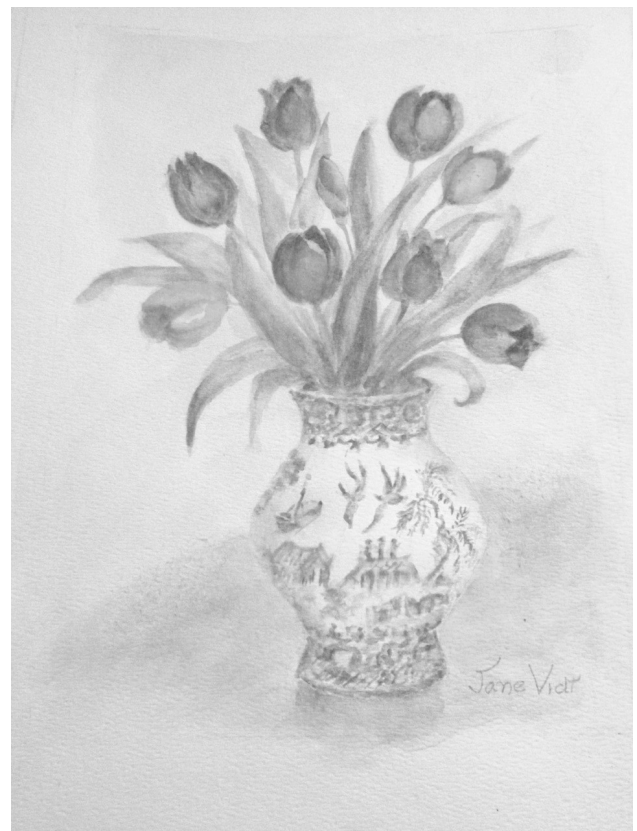
- Two proposals have been received and will be reviewed regarding the sound system in the auditorium and card room.

### **New Business**

A committee will be appointed to re-search the issue of copyrighted material for community use: such as music for chapel, chorus, bell choir and plays and readings for drama club, etc.

By consensus, the Board agreed to send a letter to Sherwood Oaks Managers and Staff, on behalf of the residents, expressing appreciation to all employees who braved the winter's severe cold and snow to come to work and do the many tasks that insure our safety, comfort and well-being.

*Betty Eichler*  
Reporter



Jane Vidt



**Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays**  
**March 4 through 27**  
**10:30 - 11:30 AM**  
**In the auditorium**

Be sure to reserve these March mornings for presentations on subjects ranging from colonial history to Broadway musicals. The popular Resident Careers presentations by our Sherwood Oaks' friends will be featured every Wednesday. Watch for a program schedule in your mailbox.

Come, learn, enjoy!

*Nancy Paul*  
 Continued Learning

**HELP NEEDED**

Volunteers to become co-treasurers of Sherwood Gifts are needed. Persons should be comfortable in the use of personal computers. Familiarity with Quick Books is desirable but not necessary.

Contact Ken Mundell at 724-553-5227 or Tom Shepard at 8102. Sherwood Gifts, sometimes known as the Gift Shop, operated entirely by volunteers, is part of the Sherwood Oaks Residents Association (SORA), a non-profit corporation.

Please strongly consider offering your help to keep this important operation going. It adds greatly to the ambiance of

the lobby and provides a quality-of-life service help to residents, staff and visitors. Earnings are contributed to the SORA Memorial/Special Projects Fund, thus benefiting the entire community.

We are also in need of volunteers to act as cashiers a few hours a week. Call Juanita Manley at 8243 for more details.

In 2013, volunteers contributed 5,243 hours to the operation of Sherwood Gifts. Help us maintain this worthy operation by joining the ranks of volunteers.

*Tom Shepard*

**CURIO CABINETS**

Response for the request for "Tea Party" items to be displayed in the curio cabinets was overwhelming! Tosh Suyama's Japanese and Chinese items and Neptune Bazmi's Iranian items provide an interesting display. The teeny-tiny tea set was hand painted by Winnie Dietz. Barbara Ronksley provided the child's tea party set. She enjoyed playing with this set when she was much much younger. There are many beautiful, exotic things to feast your eyes on until February 25th. Enjoy!

On Thursday, February 27, we'd like both curio cabinets overflowing with your heirlooms, antiques and anything you treasure. Please write a brief, one paragraph, descriptive story to be displayed with the item(s) you submit so that everyone will know its history and what it means to you.

Pick-up and drop-off times:  
 10 AM to noon  
 4:30 to 5:30 PM

*Fran Borrebach*

## INSPIRATIONS

*Valentine's Day is not just about hearts and flowers and romantic love. Valentines are also those special people who lift our spirits and inspire us to live better lives ourselves. This Valentine's Day let's remember and give thanks for the "people-gifts" we have or have had in our lives. Here are a few examples...*

*Sally Donnell*

Agnes Peebles is a walking demonstration of how to live retirement years with purpose and meaning. At Sherwood Oaks among her other activities, she chairs the Chapel Committee, securing clergy for weekly and other worship services, and ensuring that all other necessary worship details are in place. Bereaved families who want to have memorial services at Sherwood benefit from Agnes' caring assistance as she goes to great lengths to see that their needs are satisfied.

Agnes is also involved in the community outside our gates. She's an active member at her Zelenople church and the Beaver-Butler Presbytery. She volunteers at a fair-trade organization, SERRV, and also gathers and takes clothes and linens to an area shelter for women and children.

Has she encountered adversity? A broken hip last year and a recent broken kneecap have had Agnes back on the scene in surprisingly short times.

With her pleasant, positive attitude and her focus on helping others, Agnes Peebles is a true "spirit-lifter".

*Nancy Paul*

There are many inspiring people at Sherwood Oaks; one who is outstanding is Olive Tiller. She has used her considerable talents and deep concerns to serve others in important and helpful ways through the years. Now in her 90's, she continues to challenge me to be involved in social justice causes, continued growth and learning and working to meet the needs of others.

Margaret McCoy had a profound influence on me in the three years I knew her. I was introduced to her vision for Sherwood Oaks that included a democratic, personal, humane life style that has inspired me. Her concern for each resident was genuine and non-judgmental, laced with humility and generosity. It is a model for my relationships today.

*Ellie Castle*

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Every time I see Kim Good she greets me with a happy smile and shining eyes. It's like being greeted by a heavenly angel.

She is the most "people-oriented" person I've ever known. Her entire life appears to be dedicated to showing warmth and love to other people. It is a joy to watch all of her family as they come here each summer to participate in the yearly family reunion. It's obvious that everyone has benefitted from her warmth. She gathers people in Skilled Nursing to have dinner together in the Dining Room. She is quick to recognize when folks need to feel part of a group.



Although Kim is 97 years old, she has a cell phone and she deals with her computer just like a professional. It is my pleasure to eat Sunday Brunch with Kim. Kim makes sure that everyone joins in the conversation and enjoys the time together.

Kim taught in Baltimore, Oil City and then in Franklin as a Reading Specialist. Now she reads to a Montessori Kindergarten Class (They come to Sherwood Oaks.) once a month. One day of another week she reads to the Montessori First Grade.

*Shirley Kappeler*

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Mimi, the antiphony for the discordant me! Me! Me!...Orchestrates her life and muted ego around family, friends and musicality.

She and Joe Fleming, her maestro and erudite husband have, via parental concert, synchronized the maturation of their sons.

Whose professional integrity resounds emphatically with super symphonic apiomb...perfectly pitched.

As were the church hymns and lullabys, Mimi has sung to the delight of their beguiling grand-daughters, forever innocent...eternally young.

For Mimi, enduring friendships cultivate melodic rapport nurturing souls and allegiances into perpetuity.

Music, loyalty and integrity, the Counterpoints of Mimi's composition serve, in tandem, as finely tuned catalysts for her ecumenical anthem—an inspirational overture echoing Mimi's classical heartbeat.

So instrumental for the inclusive human dynamics of this syncopatingly effervescent... Do-Re-Mimi.

*Tom Horan*

*Gentle readers, consider your own lives and the people who have touched and inspired you. We hope to present a series and will welcome your contributions in the months ahead.*

*RBB & SCD*

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**March deadline is  
February 15.**

## **STRANGE ENCOUNTERS**

by Ralph Peabody

To ask myself the question, “who influenced me in my choice of career?” I know the moment I made the choice, I was in the Club Car on a train. I know how I was influenced, but I don’t know who it was that influenced me. From the start, it was somewhat a strange route beyond my control.

As an undergrad I changed majors every time I met someone that sounded interesting. At the end of my Junior year, still undecided and almost 20 years old, I convinced my parents that I needed a break. They agreed, I should take a term off and visit Southern California. I don’t believe I had bothered to make it clear to them I was moving, not visiting.

Toward the end of my first week, I was roaming the streets of downtown Los Angeles. Thoroughly enjoying the semi-tropical atmosphere, when a rain storm hit, the likes of which I had never seen. Instantly water was flowing over the curbs. I immediately took to the lobby of the Southern California Gas Company for shelter. While standing there, I became uneasy as a security guard kept eyeing me. Seeing a sign, Personnel Department, 3rd Floor, I made a quick decision. It would be kind of kicky to be a meter reader. It was still raining too hard to leave; so I went to the Personnel Department and started completing application forms. This, of course, included a battery of tests and an interview. I was staying at the YMCA; they couldn’t hire me without a permanent address. Otherwise, they had a position for me starting on Monday.

No problem: as it was Thursday, I had lots of time to find a room or apartment. After giving me more information, they asked if I had any questions. I assured them I was pleased with the prospects; but, I asked, “what is IBM?” This was 1948. Why would a kid my age know about IBM? The world of Data Processing became my world.

This was a wonderful opportunity; I had a very good paying job. It led to a better job at Lockheed Aircraft. My next career “change” was being drafted on the first day of the draft for the Korean War. The Army needed and wanted me to set up data processing units and train operators. I particularly enjoyed training others, including being sent to Japan to help train indigenous personnel in the occupation there and to set up a unit. Great as this was, I kept having moments of misgivings: I knew if I went back to Lockheed, I would die of boredom in an office. I was beginning to recognize I was a people person not a machine person.

After two years, my return to the states included 20 days on a troop ship with little to do but look at the ocean. However, it also gave me an opportunity to look at myself. I knew I had to teach, but I didn’t want secondary school and men weren’t hired for elementary school in those days. I also thought I would like a more one-to-one teaching opportunity. So I decided I would return to school and complete my work in speech correction. I also decided, while facing that ocean, that it was time to find Del and hopefully get married.



After returning to and resigning from Lockheed, I was soon on my way to Michigan to complete my degree work. My trip included a stop in Denver to court my Del. On the train, one afternoon I went to the Club Car to pass time. I entered and heard kids giggling and I thought, this is the end of my pleasant relaxation. Naturally, the only seat available was next to those kids. After sitting down, I realized the children were blind; so making my presence known, we started talking and they asked me to help them with their homework. Although I have always prided myself on a good memory, I have no memory of that afternoon. I don't know what we did; as I indicated, I don't even know how many children there were. I have no idea where they went to school. Everything is a blank, except I knew my life had been changed. I now knew my purpose: I would teach visually impaired children.

When I told Del, she was delighted and at that moment decided to quit her teaching job in Denver, return with me to school and we would both be teachers of visually handicapped children, hopefully working together. Those children on that train, though unknown, were possibly the most personally influential persons I would ever meet in my lifetime.

### **ANOTHER TRIP**

After moving back to Michigan, getting married and returning to school, all was going quite well, except...it was October: we would graduate in December and no jobs. Nepotism ruled in most school districts. We could not work together.

Life was interrupted by the death of my grandmother. We returned to my home town for a large funeral, three days of visitation, services in town and at the cemetery: The "works" for the times.

I took a short break and took the bus to Detroit, hoping they might have openings. They did, but not together. After interviews at the Special Education Offices, I was sent to the Board of Education Office to make applications. I couldn't find the Board of Education sign. A very nice lady there told me I was in the County Office not the City, and they didn't hire teachers. She asked me what I was looking for. When I told her that we wanted to teach young, blind children and would like to work together, she actually startled me by almost shouting "Don't you move". She ran back and then two ladies ran out. I explained that I was lost and got into the wrong place and thanked them and started to leave. The second lady then informed me that they had been looking for over three years for two teachers to start a public school pre-school for blind children. For over nine years, Del and I worked together in that pre-school watching our children grow and enter public school programs.

### **NEXT STOP**

My job at the University of Pittsburgh?? I got lost again - this time in Pittsburgh - and stayed 25 years here.

If only those kids on the train could know.



Sally Donnell

### A Sonnet

A sonnet is for lengthy winter thoughts.  
 Long days of cloistered introspection  
 ought  
 Combined with slow emotions from the  
 chill)  
 Cause philosophic iambs then to spill  
 From pens with pent up energy to spend.  
 Thus do dreary winter days extend  
 Through fear of boredom, to unlettered  
 men,  
 A deep desire to lift a rusty pen.  
 And so in chilly rooms with scowling  
 clocks,  
 Those who in summer didn't write a line  
 Are hoping for relief from verbal block  
 The fresh frontiers of culture to define.  
 But as I sit here in my woolen sox  
 My muse refuses me a single line.

Eleanor Bauer STRIPTease

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### WOULD YOU BELIEVE?

The Sherwood Oaks dining room serves  
 more hot tea during the "bitter" cold than  
 "normal" cold?

## WAYS TO STAY WARM DURING A POLAR VORTEX

Knit a cap with Sew-n-So, write a poem or  
 make some soup...

### CARROT GINGER SOUP

2# carrots, peeled, chopped  
 1 tsp fresh ginger, minced  
 1 potato, peeled, chopped  
 1 clove chopped garlic  
 1 sm. Onion, chopped  
 1 tsp fresh lime juice  
 1 cup fresh pineapple  
 3 cups vegetable stock

Bring all ingredients to boil, lower heat &  
 simmer till veg. are soft. Puree and serve.

Serves 6.

### COUNTRY POTATO SOUP - serves 4

2 cups diced raw potatoes  
 ¾ cup minced onion  
 ½ cup diced celery  
 1 tsp. Salt  
 Combine with 2 ½ cups boiling water,  
 cover & simmer 15-20 minutes

Make white sauce of:

4 T. oleo	1 ½ tsp. Worcestershire
4 T. flour	2 cups milk
½ tsp pepper,	1 tsp. Salt,
½ tsp dry mustard	

Melt oleo, add flour & seasonings, "bubble"  
 1 min., stir in milk & Worcestershire. Stir till  
 thick & add to potato/water mixture. Add 1  
 cup canned tomatoes, cut up in pieces (or  
 used diced) and 1 T. parsley

DON'T LET IT BOIL, ONLY SIMMER

*recipes by Sally Donnell*

# Bob the Builder, Episode V

## MAKING PROGRESS

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Photos by Joe Asin

## CONCERNS ABOUT CRIME AND VIOLENCE

Focus on the World will present a program on "Reducing Gun Violence: Challenges and Solutions" in the Auditorium at 7:15 PM on Thursday, February 20. The speaker will be Dr. Jane Siegel, who chairs Temple Sinai's task force to reduce gun violence. She is an active member of the related task force of the Pennsylvania Interfaith Impact Network (PIIN).

Dr. Siegel has met personally with State, County and City officials as well as law enforcement representatives during the past year to address initiatives to impact the gun violence situation in the U.S. and especially in Western PA. Her presentation will provide a summary of the situation in Pittsburgh, Allegheny County and the nation and will describe initiatives that citizens may want to act upon during 2014.

*Betty Eichler*  
Focus on the World



**Worth the Time**  
By Ed Vidt

**The Emperors of Chocolate**  
Joel G. Brenner (338.7 Bre)

A mouth-watering tale of deception, deceit and advertising obfuscation between the two U.S. candy giants, Hershey and Mars. How really fine boutique chocolate, first made and sold in Europe, became the candy treat of the

masses in the U.S. via the evolution of milk chocolate, the invention by the Mars family of the candy-coated chocolate M&M's and the invention by Milton Hershey of those delicious foil-wrapped "Kisses."

*Ed. Note: Don't forget about Wilbur Buds (But you will need to go to Lititz, PA, for them.).*

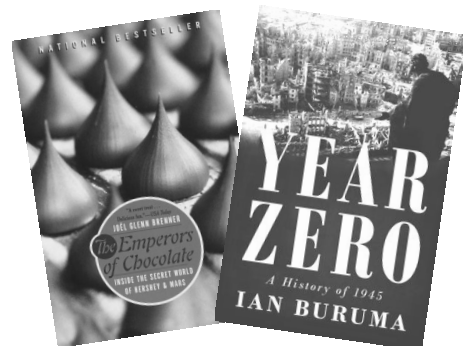
## Year Zero

Ian Buruma (940.53 Bur)

A history of the year 1945! This is really a difficult read. The year was a huge success for us here in the U.S. But for the rest of the world, although it was a success for the Allied nations, it quickly became a huge disaster for every country. Tens of millions of people had been killed and tens of millions of people were left with no home, no work and no way to obtain food. The majority of the Jews who had not been killed were still not allowed into Israel by Britain. The Germans and Japanese, sent back home by European countries and China, had no work and no place to live. A DISASTER that makes this a great history book, but also a stark tale of woe!

*Note: It was China's desire that all Japanese troops and civilians in China be repatriated to Japan. The U.S. Navy transported a million and a quarter troops and almost two million Japanese civilians back to Japan in early 1946.*

*George W. Mallory*



## BOOK REVIEW

### THE GUNS AT LAST LIGHT (THE WAR IN WESTERN EUROPE 1944-1945)

by Rick Atkinson Henry Holt 2013

For readers interested in World War II, this book is a must read. It's hard to imagine a more lucid description of the war to end the Nazi domination of western Europe. The New York Times called it: "A monumental achievement...Unforgettable....Densely researched but supremely readable."

The author sets the stage for the titanic struggle with a prologue describing life in Great Britain during the war. Sunset till dawn blackouts were mandatory in all the major industrial centers. Tens of thousands of Londoners sheltered each night in seventy-nine designated stations in the city's Underground. The sculptor Henry Moore described their atmospheres as so fetid that each resembled "the hold of a slave ship". By June 1944, fifty thousand lives had already been lost to German bombings. Widespread shortages of food and medicines were common. And if all that wasn't enough, there was the challenge of integrating a million and more young, rambunctious American GIs who were labeled as "overpaid, over-sexed and over here."

You will wince when reading Atkinson's coverage of the D-Day battles, especially the Omaha Beach fiasco. From Normandy on to the end of the war (May 1945), he zeroes in on the war's main events: the St. Lo breakout, the Falaise Triangle missed opportunity, the Market Garden campaign disaster, the fall of Paris, the Hurtgen Forest blood bath, the decisive Battle of the Bulge, the breaching of the Siegfried Line, the Rhine River crossing and the race across Germany toward Berlin. The

descriptions are vividly detailed and may be unsurpassed for a general reading audience.

For added measure, Atkinson explores the personality foibles of the leading military and political leaders on both sides. Included is the self-absorbed style of the leading British general, Bernard L. Montgomery. Monty's barbed criticisms repeatedly challenged the leadership of the supreme Allied Commander, General Dwight Eisenhower. American General Courtney H. Hodges is described as "aggressive, touchy, and high-strung". His documenting of human failings includes the three most significant Allied national leaders. They, too, come under Atkinson's literary fire in his summary of the roles each played at the February 1945 Yalta Conference. Churchill's petulance, Roosevelt's frail and declining health and Stalin's obstinacy played a major role in the war's end, but also set the stage for the Cold War that followed.

If there is a more graphic and gripping portrayal of the dehumanizing viciousness of total war, I have yet to read it. Atkinson lays the myth of battlefield glamor to rest. He demolishes thoughts of all-out war as anything but brutal. Under the stresses of battle, occasional acts of selfless heroism (demonstrated on both sides) are matched by acts of human degradation perpetrated by otherwise good men. Upon the liberation of the Dachau death camp, one soldier is aptly quoted: "In war we see humanity at the end of its tether."

*Reviewer's Opinion: Given the global circumstances existing by the late 1930's, this war was inevitable and had to be fought. Only life under Nazi tyranny, though, could have been worse.*

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**FICTION INCLUDING LARGE TYPE:**

**78 The Fourth Estate**

Jeffrey Archer © 1996.F/ARC

**The Blossom Sisters**

Fern Michaels © 2013.F/MIC

**Change of Heart**

Jodi Picoult © 2008.F/PIC

**Cross My Heart**

James Patterson © 2013.F/PAT/L.T.

**Dark Witch**

Nora Roberts © 2013.F/ROB/L.T.

**The Kill Room**

Jeffery Deaver © 2013.F/DEA/L.T.

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**No Less Than Victory**

Jeff Shaara © 2009.F/SHA

**The October List**

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**Beyond Iraq: The Next Move**

Michael D. Evans © 2003. 172/EVA

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**Forty Chances**

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**The High Middle Ages**

The Great Courses © 2001. 909.07/GRE/  
DVD

**The Men Who United the States**

Simon Winchester © 2013. 973/WIN

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Rosemary & Donald Crawford © 1997.  
Bio/ROM

**The Opposite of Fate**

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**That Woman: The Life of Wallis  
Simpson...**

Anne Sebba © 2011. Bio/SIM

**Tyrannosaurus Lex**

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City Ballet**

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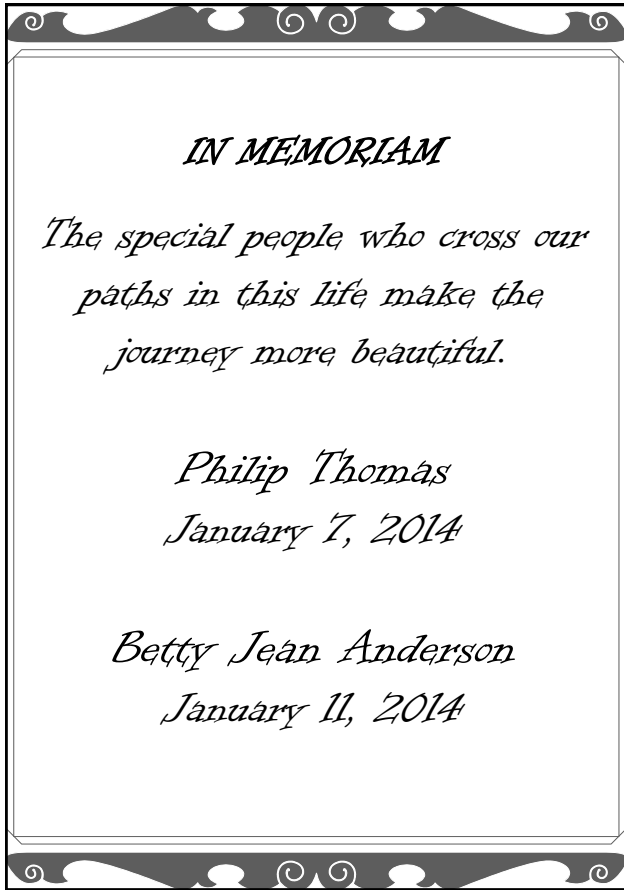
**Ten Top Tenors**

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Jane Vidt





## CHAPEL NOTES

Chapel services at 2:00 PM each Sunday in the auditorium provide an opportunity for members of the Sherwood Oaks community to spend a brief time together in worship. Ministers who lead these services come from a wide arrange of denominations. You are invited to participate.

Leading the services in February:

**Feb. 2** - The Rev. Dr. Harold Lewis, retired, Calvary Episcopal Church, Pittsburgh

**Feb. 9** - The Rev. James Moran, Cranberry Community United Presbyterian Church

**Feb. 16** - The Rev. John Jefferis, Harmony-Zelienople United Methodist Church

**Feb. 23** - The Rev. Dr. Charles Partee, retired, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, resident of Sherwood Oaks

Ash Wednesday falls on March 5. There will be a service on that day in the auditorium, and Eucharistic ministers from St. Ferdinand's will be distributing ashes in the chapel. Check the bulletin boards and the *March Acorn* for details.

*Agnes Peebles*

## ACTIVITIES IN THE CHAPEL

Women's Bible Study  
First and third Mondays  
10:45-11:45 AM

Men's Bible Study  
Weekly, Wednesdays  
10:00-11:00 AM

Holy Communion, Episcopal Rite  
1st Tuesday of the month  
11:00 AM

Quaker Meeting for Worship  
Fourth Sunday of the month  
10:30-11:30 AM



**NEW RESIDENTS**  
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David and Penny Russell



Hang in there, Spring's a comin'!

