



ONLINE NEWSLETTER <u>March 2016 Edition</u>



BULLETIN BOARD

- Class Luncheon March 17th, St. Patrick's Day!! Mark your calendar today so you can enjoy a great luncheon with your Leprechaun Pals from 1957! Proud of you for the response to our Christmas Luncheon – Good Show! If we ever break 100, I will bring my Chippendale pals and we will perform at the luncheon.
- Don't forget Daylight Savings Time March 13th.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Dick Baker



Becky Goetz



Sylvia Harshman



Sara Sites

Terry Strock

Dick Hykes



Dick Troup



Dave Unger





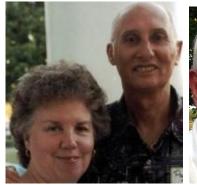
Rosalie Wolf



MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

Paul & Dixie Bohn

Ron & Barbara Carbaugh



Ron & Elaine Finniff



Ron & Virginia Lashley



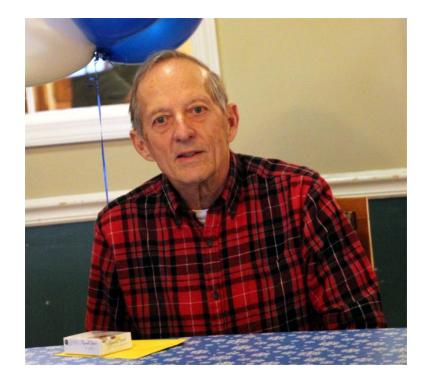
Harry & Rose Marie Nigh Barger



CLASSMATE ACTIVITIES

Polly Fitz

Here is a photo taken of Gordie Sanders on his birthday- February 7. A group of us from Grace Church, many members of the class of 1957, met Gordie and Connie at Western Sizzling' for an enjoyable lunch. Then we went to Somerford Place for a small celebration including balloons and cake. What a good time with our very special long-time friend!



Terry Strock, Dick Knode & Jim Carnes



Having dinner in the "Old People's Capital of The World" – Florida. 4th dude is Leo Burke, Hagerstown High grad of '51.

Gary Stenger

In partnership with the Barnesville School, Gary Stenger is teaching 130 students (grades K-8th) how to carve and paint a laughing gull decoy. When finished, Gary will take them to the Ward World Championship Wildfowl Carving Competition in Ocean City, MD in April. After the first class of kindergarten and first graders we both agreed. ..it was controlled chaos. The rest of the day could only get better.



Alice Ann Lindsey

Remember how we used to have to write book reports? I joined a book club in our Providence Park neighborhood here at Willow Valley Communities. No, we don't have to write book reports, but we do read and discuss one book a month. I've read some books I don't think I would have chosen and found the discussions illuminating! Hope you will enjoy some of these that we've read.

<u>The Boys in the Boat</u> by Daniel James Brown This book was a favorite of all the women in the book club as well as all of our husbands. It is a story of personal and corporate triumph. Nine American working class boys form an eight-oar-crew at the University of Washington and begin an epic quest for the gold at the 1936 Olympics in Berlin.

<u>The Zookeeper's Wife</u> by Diane Ackerman Another WW2 setting about Polish Christian zookeepers who managed to save over three hundred people in the ravaged remains of their zoo in Poland.

<u>I Am Malala</u> by Malala Yousafzai and Christiana Lamb An inspirational look at life in Pakistan through the eyes of Malala who put her life on the line as she campaigned for the rights of girls to have a proper education. She was shot point-blank by a Taliban man, but defied death as successfully as she did the Taliban.

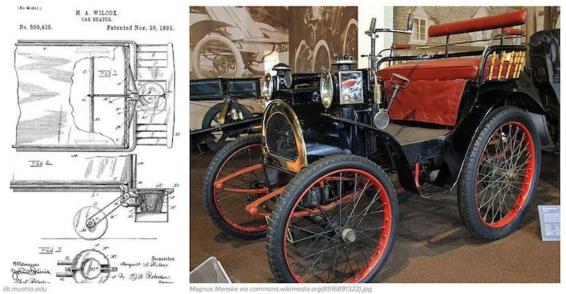
<u>I Always Loved You</u> by Robin Oliveira An inside look at the beginnings of the Impressionist art movement, Mary Cassatt and Edgar Degas are at the center of this historical fiction. Oliveira vividly renders 1870s Paris and its gossipy enclave of radical artists including Renoir, Manet, Monet, Morisot, Pissaro, as well as Cassatt, and Degas. I Always Loved You is a beautifully composed and extensively researched blending of art, history, vintage travelogue, and good storytelling.

<u>Being Mortal</u> by Atul Gawande Dr. Gawande is a surgeon at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, a staff writer for The New Yorker, and a professor at Harvard Medical School. If you don't read anything else, read this book. Dr. Gawande's excellent writing makes his chosen topic palatable and life changing. "When it comes to the inescapable realities of aging and death, what medicine can do often runs counter to what it should. Through eye-opening research gripping stories of his own patients and family, Gawande finds people who show us how to have the hard conversations and how to ensure we never sacrifice what people really care about. Riveting, honest, and humane, Being Mortal shows how the ultimate goal is not a good death but a good life -- all the way to the very end."

EDUCATION CORNER

Inventions created by women

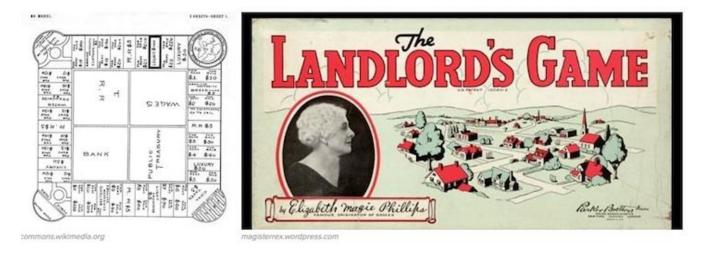
1. The Car Heater



We all owe our thanks to Margaret A Wilcox who invented the car heater in 1893!

(Margaret also invented a combined clothes and dishwasher)

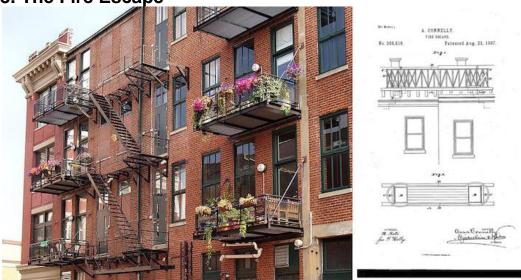
2. Monopoly



This popular board game was designed by Elizabeth Magie in 1904, originally called the Landlord's Game.

The purpose of this game was to expose the injustices of unchecked capitalism. Her game was ripped off by Charles Darrow who sold it to Parker Brother's 30 years later.

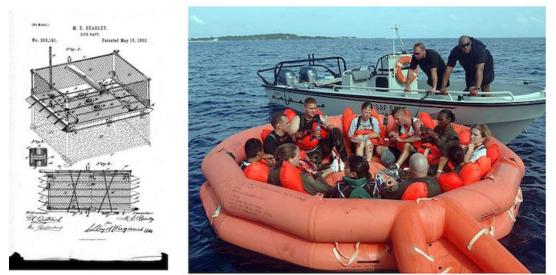
However Parker Brothers later paid Elizabeth \$500 for her game. Gee Thanks!



3. The Fire Escape

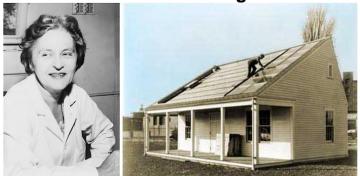
The fire escape was invented by Anna Connelly in 1887

4. The Life Raft



The life saving Life Raft was invented by Maria Beasely in 1882. (Maria also invented a machine that makes barrels)

5. Residential Solar Heating



Solar heating for residential housing was invented by Dr Maria Telkes in 1947. Dr. Telkes was a Psychiatrist in addition to being a Solar-Power Pioneer 6. The Medical Syringe



The medical syringe which could be operated with only one hand was invented by a woman by the name of Letitia Geer in 1899

7. The Modern Electric Refrigerator



The electric refrigerator was invented by Florence Parpart in 1914 (Florence also invented an improved street cleaning machine in addition to the refrigerator)

8. The Ice Cream Maker



The ice cream maker was invented by a woman named Nancy Johnson in 1843. Her patented design is still used today!

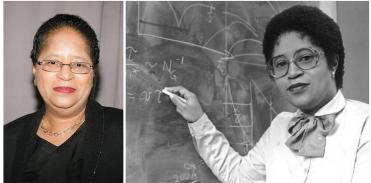
9. The Computer Algorithm



Ada Lovelace is essentially the first computer programer due to her work with Charles Babbage at the University of London in 1842.

In fact her notes was an essential key to helping Alan Turing's work on the first modern computers in the 1940s.

10. Telecommunications Technology



Some of the Telecommunication Technology developed by Dr Shirley Jackson include portable fax, touch tone telephone,

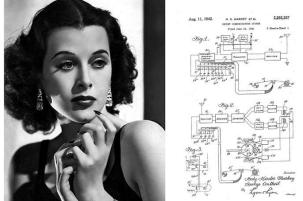
solar cells, fibre optic cables, and the technology behind caller ID and call waiting.

11. The Dishwasher



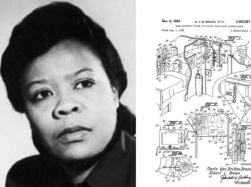
The Dishwasher was invented by Josephine Cochrane in 1887. Before her time, she even marketed her machine to hotel owners and even opened her own factory without the help of a man!

12. Wireless Transmission Technology



Hedy Lamarr, a world famous film star, invented a secret communications system during World War II for radio-controlling torpedoes. This Technology also paved the way for everything from Wi-Fi to GPS

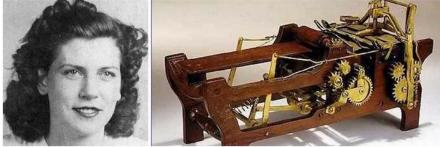
13. Closed-Cercuit Television Security (CCTV)



Marie Van Brittan Brown invented CCTV because of the slow response of police officers in 1969 to help people ensure their own security.

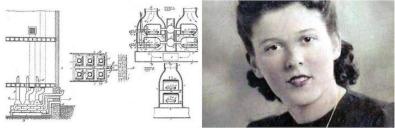
This invention influenced modern CCTV systems used for home security and police work today.

14. The Modern Paper Bag



Margaret Knight invented a machine that makes square bottomed paper bags in 1871. She almost didn't get credit when Charles Anan tried to steal her work claiming that it wasn't possible for a woman to create this brilliant invention. (Margaret also invented a safety device for cotton mills when she was 12... that invention is still being used today)

15. Central Heating



Although Alice Parker's invention in 1919 of a gas powered central heater was never manufactured.

Her idea was the first that allowed for using natural gas to heat a home, inspiring the central heating systems used today

16. Kevlar



This life-saving material that is 5 times stronger than steel and used to make bulletproof vests was invented in 1965 by Stephanie Kwolek.

17. Computer Software



Dr Grace Murray Hopper was a computer scientist that invented COBOL which is the first user-friendly business computer software system in the 1940's. She was also a rear admiral in the U.S. navy and the first person to use the term "bug" in reference to a glitch in a computer system when she literally found a bug (moth) causing problems with her computer.

So who said it's a man's world?

Life was so much simpler back then......I miss it.

Remember Slow Food?

'Someone asked the other day, 'What was your favorite fast food when you were growing up?'

'We didn't have fast food when I was growing up, all the food was slow.'

'C'mon, seriously. Where did you eat?'

'It was a place called 'at Home," I explained. !

'Mom cooked every day and when Dad got home from work, we sat down together at the dining room table, and if I didn't like what she put on my plate I was allowed to sit there until I did like it.'

By this time, the kid was laughing so hard I was afraid he was going to suffer serious internal damage, so I didn't tell him the part about how I had to have permission to leave the table.

But here are some other things I would have told him about my childhood if I figured his system could have handled it :

Some parents NEVER owned their own house, never wore Levis, never set foot on a golf course, never traveled out of the country or had a credit card.

In their later years they had something called a revolving charge card. The card was good only at Sears Roebuck. Or maybe it was Sears & Roebuck.

Either way, there is no Roebuck anymore. Maybe he died.

My parents never drove me to soccer practice. This was mostly because we never had heard of soccer.

I had a bicycle that weighed probably 50 pounds, and only had one speed, (slow)

We didn't have a television in our house until I was 18.

It was, of course, black and white, and the station went off the air at midnight, after playing the national anthem and a poem about God; it came back on the air at about 6 a.m. And there was usually a locally produced news and farm show on, featuring local people.

I was 19 before I tasted my first pizza, it was called 'pizza pie.' When I bit into it, I burned the roof of my mouth and the cheese slid off, swung down, plastered itself against my chin and burned that, too. It's still the best pizza I ever had.

I never had a telephone in my room. The only phone in the house was in the living room and it was on a party line. Before you could dial, you had to listen and make sure some people you didn't know weren't already using the line.

Pizzas were not delivered to our home but milk was.

All newspapers were delivered by boys and all boys delivered newspapers, my brother delivered a newspaper, six days a week. It cost 7 cents a paper, of which he got to keep 2 cents. He had to get up at 6 AM every morning.

On Saturday, he had to collect the 25 cents from his customers. His favorite customers were the ones who gave him 30 cents and told him to keep the change. His least favorite customers were the ones who seemed to never be home on collection day.

Movie stars kissed with their mouths shut. At least, they did in the movies. There were no movie ratings because all movies were responsibly produced for everyone to enjoy viewing, without profanity or violence or most anything offensive.

If you grew up in a generation before there was fast food, you may want to share some of these memories with your children or grandchildren



MY TRAVEL PLANS FOR 2016....

I have been in many places, but I've never been in Kahoots. Apparently, you can't go alone. You have to be in Kahoots with someone.

I've also never been in Cognito. I hear no one recognizes you there.

I have, however, been in Sane. They don't have an airport; you have to be driven there. I have made several trips there, thanks to my children, friends, family and work. I would like to go to Conclusions, but you have to jump, and I'm not too much on physical activity anymore.

I have also been in Doubt. That is a sad place to go, and I try not to visit there too often.

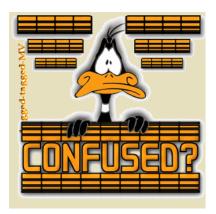
I've been in Flexible, but only when it was very important to stand firm.

Sometimes I'm in Capable, and I go there more often as I'm getting older.

One of my favorite places to be is in Suspense! It really gets the adrenaline flowing and pumps up the old heart! At my age I need all the stimuli I can get!

I may have been in Continent, but I don't remember what country I was in. It's an age thing. They tell me it is very wet and damp there.





1. Is it good if a vacuum really sucks?

2. Why is the third hand On the watch Called the second hand?

3. If a word is misspelled In the dictionary,How would we ever know?

4. If Webster wrote the first dictionary,

Where did he find the words?

5. Why do we say something is out of whack? What is a whack?

6. Why does "slow down" and "slow up" mean the same thing?

7. Why does "fat chance" and "slim chance" Mean the same thing?

8. Why do "tug" boats push their barges?

9. Why do we sing "Take me out to the ball game" When we are already there?

10. Why are they called "stands" When they are made for sitting?

11. Why is it called "after dark" When it really is "after light"?

12.. Doesn't "expecting the unexpected" Make the unexpected expected?

13.. Why are a "wise man" and A "wise guy" opposites?

14. Why do "overlook" and "oversee" Mean opposite things?

15. Why is "phonics" Not spelled The way it sounds?

16. If work is so terrific, Why do they have to pay you to do it?

17.. If all the world is a stage, Where is the audience sitting?

18. If love is blind, Why is lingerie so popular?

19. If you are cross-eyed And have dyslexia, Can you read all right?

20. Why is bra singular And panties plural?

21. Why do you press harder On the buttons of a remote control When you know the batteries are dead?

22. Why do we put suits in garment bags And garments in a suitcase?

23. How come abbreviated Is such a long word?

24. Why do we wash bath towels? Aren't we clean when we use them?

25.. Why doesn't glue

Stick to the inside of the bottle?

26. Why do they call it a TV set When you only have one?

27. Christmas - What other time of the year Do you sit in front of a dead tree And eat candy out of your socks?

28. Why do we drive on a parkway And park on a driveway?

I dunno, why do we?

Clever Sayings

1. My first job was working in an Orange Juice factory, but I got canned. Couldn't concentrate.

2. Then I worked in the woods as a Lumberjack, but just couldn't hack it, so they gave me the axe.

3. After that, I tried being a Tailor, but wasn't suited for it -- mainly because it was a sewsew job, and people liked to hem and haw about the price.

4. Next, I tried working in a Muffler Factory, but that was too exhausting.

5. Then, tried being a Chef - figured it would add a little spice to my life, but just didn't have the thyme.

6. Next, I attempted being a Deli Worker, But any way I sliced it.... couldn't cut the mustard.

7. My best job was a Musician, but eventually found I wasn't noteworthy.

8. I studied a long time to become a Doctor, but didn't have any patience.

9. Next, was a job in a Shoe Factory. Tried hard but just didn't fit in.

10. I became a Professional Fisherman, but discovered I couldn't live on my net income.

11. Managed to get a good job working for a Pool Maintenance Company, but the work was just too draining.

12. So then I got a job in a Workout Centre, but they said I wasn't fit for the job..

13. After many years of trying to find steady work, I finally got a job as a Historian - until I realized there was no future in it.

14. My last job was working in Starbucks, But had to quit because it was the same old grind.

15. SO, I TRIED RETIREMENT AND I FOUND I'M PERFECT FOR THE JOB - LOVE IT