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All in the Family...continued

As we celebrate our 55th anniversary it is a good time to reflect upon the impact our founder The Reverend Clarence W. Sickles had on so many families. Sharing the stories of our multi-generational residents is a great way to do so. Our *All in the Family* series kicked off with the Halliwell's story in the summer edition of the Voice. We continue the series in this edition with the article below from resident Pat Taylor. If you have a similar story you wish to share with us, please call the Housing and Marketing office at 908-684-5006.



The Taylors and Tyrell Heath Village story...

Through family we learned about Heath Village. David's mother and father came to live with us when they could no longer manage their home. Like so many, they were not happy leaving the town they had lived in most of their married life, and they missed their church. Thinking they might be happier in a community where they could meet new people, David and I started to look for a place. After their visit, they chose Heath Village. Unfortunately, Father Sickles, who was Director at the time, did not have an apartment for them. In 1974, after quite some time, one finally became available in the Cloisters (now Cherry Blossom Court). They were content, and family visited often but, sadly, in less than four years both had passed away.

Then in 1981, my mother, Henrietta Tyrell, who had been living in Florida until my father died told us she was moving to Heath Village. We were surprised but very pleased. She enjoyed 10 wonderful years here enjoying all the clubs and activities that were offered.

Two different paths but we learned the same lesson from both...DON'T WAIT! Move here when you are still active and able to enjoy all that is offered; so that is what we did. David and I enjoyed 12 great years together here at Heath before he passed away; I'm still here, still involved and having fun, and very grateful for my Heath Village family.

Story by Pat Taylor

Photos provided by the Taylor family



*Jesse Taylor (1892-1978) and
Anna M. Doscher Taylor (1894-1977)*



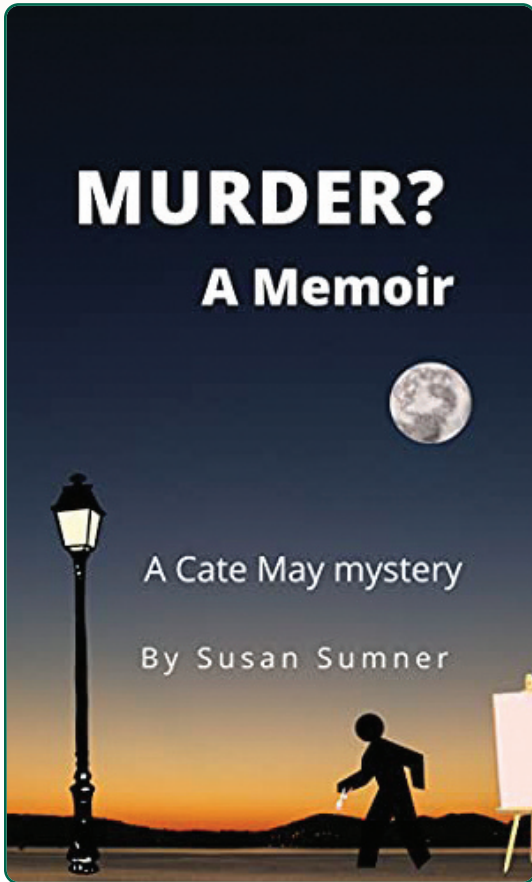
Henrietta Benson Tyrell (1908-1991)

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Murder? A Memoir: A Cate May Mystery

I've known Susan Sumner for several years as a neighbor, a very kind person, and a talented impressionist painter. I was delighted to hear that she has added mystery-writing to her "skill set," and that I was to interview her about her book. "Interview" doesn't seem quite the right term, however. We had friendly chats—one in the swimming pool, one in her lovely sunroom, and one by email.



Murder? A Memoir is a nice reading treat! It's a quick read, mostly lighthearted, and lots of fun. The setting is at "Golden Oaks," a fictitious retirement community bearing a lot of resemblance to Heath Village. This author won my heart right away with the "punny" name of the fictional white-haired sleuth: Cate May. I asked if Susan had fond memories of vacationing at Cape May. Indeed, she does, especially when she went there with her three grandchildren.

As you enjoy her book, you may recognize some of the people in it, with both their strengths and their foibles a bit exaggerated. Susan carefully got the permission of each one who appears in the book. Each of them got to choose a fictional name; and each received a signed copy as a thank you. Susan assured me that I am not in the book. (That was good news because there is a character named Carol.)

Even though there's a lot of laughter and silliness in ***Murder? A Memoir***, it also contains useful information for anyone considering moving to a retirement community.

Since she used amazon.com to self-publish the book, I was curious to know if that experience was positive or painful. She feels she was treated fairly, understanding that she has no illusions about getting rich from this venture.

This charming sleuth throughout the book also throws in some rather profound little bits of wisdom about human nature and life in general. Cate May, like the author herself, is passionate about art

and loves to paint. My favorite quote comes near the end of the book: *In my paintings I try to capture a mood, but details can get in the way of seeing the big picture. Maybe life is somewhat like an impressionistic painting.*

To purchase the book, please visit amazon.com. If you don't have access to a computer, feel free to stop by the Housing and Marketing office for assistance. You may also borrow a copy from the Heath Village library.

Article by: Carol King

Book Cover: Designed by Caitlin Sumner, Susan's 11-year-old granddaughter.



Did you know that Heath Village is on Facebook? Where else better to let the world know what a wonderful place Heath Village is to live and work? We hope that if you are on social media that you will "like" our page and encourage your friends and family to do the same. www.facebook.com/heathvillage.

Lunch on the Town



Sixteen residents cheerfully boarded the Heath Village bus August 31 for a 45-minute drive to Easton, Pa. Destination was the 3rd & Ferry Fish Market, a popular seafood restaurant.

Offered a choice of Caesar salad & lobster bisque, Angus burger, lobster roll, fish tacos, fish & chips, or fried calamari, the selection process took a lot of thought (and anticipation!). The restaurant staff were very friendly and helpful -- a considerable task since they also had the usual lunchtime crowd to serve!

The lobster roll, packed fully with lobster meat and topped off with a delicious mustard aioli sauce, seemed to be the choice of many Heath residents. For dessert, guests had a choice of artisan ice cream flavors from the local Bank Street Creamery.

The return trip to Heath Village was somewhat subdued, as all the food (and perhaps a beverage) prompted many to nod off! The group arrived back at the Village at 3 p.m.

Article by Frank Reitz

Photos by Daisy Dauch, Activities



Staff Announcements

It is the staff at Heath Village that makes our community such an outstanding one. Our average length of service for our employees is 10 years. We truly become a part of one another's family. However, sadly, on occasion, a few good ones find it necessary to say goodbye. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I want to take this opportunity to thank them and wish them the very best.



We begin with a very special acknowledgement to **Janice Cipriani** who retired in June after an incredible 37-year career at Heath Village. Her first day on the job was on June 18, 1984. She served as the Director of the Housing & Marketing Services Department since 1990. Janice has touched the lives of nearly every resident at Heath Village and played a vital role in the community's expansion. We thank her for her many years of dedicated service and wish her a very happy and healthy retirement!

We also extend our best wishes to our Director of Rehabilitation **Jonathan Manuel** who resigned his position in July. He and his family have decided to relocate to Texas. Jonathan had been at Heath Village for 10 years. Quick to laugh and smile, Jonathan had a special talent for making the rehabilitation process easier and better for our residents. We hope he and his family enjoy their new home.

While both Jonathan and Janice will surely be missed, we are pleased to announce their replacements. **Melissa Nichols**, a member of the Housing & Marketing department for six years and a familiar face to most residents, has been promoted to Director. **Alyson Slezak**, a physical therapist, began her new Heath Village career in August. Please join me in wishing them both good luck in their new positions.



Article by Mary Ellen Bove, COO

Club Spotlight: The Art Club



Top of the mornin' to you. It's a pleasure to share some information about one of my favorite activities at Heath Village – The Art Club. The group meets weekly on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Activities Room. Our meetings last about an hour and what really brings us together is a shared love for all types of art.

We don't really keep to a set agenda, rather participants bring their own projects and supplies to draw, paint, or design. There is lots of laughter, encouragement, and praise for one another's work. We teach each other new skills. And, thanks to Activities, there are usually extra supplies available if a new participant or one of us wants to give something different a go.



Pencil sketches, watercolors, acrylics and oil paint, every medium you can imagine is used. Some even use their iPads (tablets) to draw. Subjects vary from landscapes to portraits. Inspiration comes from many sources.

Talent is secondary to the love of art. It's just a jolly good time. We hope you will join us.

Article by: Carmel Bourneuf

Photos by: Housing & Marketing Staff



The Market Place

This year the Residents' Council Special Events Committee was excited to present a new fundraiser for the Clarence W. Sickles Friendship Fund. Instead of our annual bake sale, we organized a Market Place at which residents could not only purchase baked goods but so much more. There were beautiful handknit items, stunning artwork, and a variety of other handmade craft items on sale. Fresh produce and flowers from the community garden were available for purchase. People could also buy new and popular Friendship store items.

The day also included Andy Sutton demonstrating how he makes his unique fly-fishing flies. You could even buy one of his pins! Rich Kennedy was selling handmade wooden toys that he made in the wood shop.

The event was a huge success, raising just over \$1,000 for the Friendship Fund. It would have never been possible without the help of my planning committee members Marion Hillsdon, Grace Kelly, Mary Jane Purdy, and Jody Teaze. I also want to thank the many volunteers who staffed the event as well as the countless bakers for their donations. I also wish to give a shout out to the Activities staff for their assistance and enthusiasm.

I hope everyone enjoyed the Market Place. I would love to hear your comments and suggestions about the day. Please feel free to send me a note or call me.

Article by Paula Benson, Residents' Council Special Events Chair

Photos by Kara Olsen, Marketing Coordinator



Newcomers

Paul Conigliari,
from Flagstaff, AZ
to Apt. AC 14/15

Joan Cullen,
from Califon, NJ
to Apt. 100

Joan Fuscaldo,
from Boonton, NJ
to Apt. AC-11/12

Beverly Lalley,
from Belvidere, NJ
to Apt. AC-25/26

Anna Mae Leyburn,
from Asbury, NJ
to Apt. 42

Josephine Yuresko,
from Demarest, NJ
to Apt. 219

Joseph Zinkann,
from Asbury, NJ
to Apt. 2

Mary Zinkann,
from Asbury, NJ
to Apt. 2

Summer Fun in the Sun!

Summer is a great time to get outdoors. Activities organized some terrific events that had everyone out and about the community. From golf to swimming to "cruising the Mediterranean" or enjoying a good old-fashioned country hoe down, there sure was something for everyone.



Kicking off the summer with a fun and tasty Country Hoe Down!



Who is this masked man?



Party at the Pool!



New this summer, the Chip & Putt (Par-Tee) club has become popular.



A lovely "vacation" to the Greek Isles.



In Memoriam

Curry, Park
Reagle, David
Forrest, Ruth
Oakes, Elizabeth
Killian, Sylvia

6/24/21 Anna Caravella
6/26/21 Walter Goldt
7/8/21 Alice Petty
7/27/21 Laney Quodomine
8/4/21

8/25/21
8/25/21
8/26/21
9/3/21

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The Friendship Fund Charitable Gift Annuity

Making an annuity gift: You irrevocably transfer money or securities to our Friendship Fund. In exchange, we pay you (and another, or a survivor, if you like) a fixed amount annually for life. In effect, your transfer is doing two things -making a charitable gift and purchasing a fixed income for life.

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Age**	Rate
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76	5.6 %
77	5.8 %
78	6.0 %
79	6.2 %
80	6.5 %
81	6.7 %
82	7.0 %
83	7.2 %
84	7.4 %
85	7.6 %
86	7.8 %
87	8.0 %
88	8.2 %
89	8.4 %
90+	8.6 %

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