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# Petit Point, Embroidery, and Stitchery - Art Form and Cultural Clue

The exhibit of the art of petit point, embroidery and stitchery currently in the Gallery makes us stop, look, and look again. Those of us who have ever threaded a needle step back for a moment and catch our breath! Wow, that took strength! Petit point in particular takes time, patience, and a sense of both beauty and precision. It is an exacting, design-oriented art form. Precision and an appreciation for geometry are part of its aesthetic. Needless to say, looking at the size and exactitude of the stitch, patience, and lots of it, are basic requirements. The simple tools are needle, thread, and stitchery hoop.



We have what may be one of the more comprehensive private exhibits of stitchery around, since our talented residents number many more than any one sewing circle. The themes of the work are popular, informal (playing cards, for example!) and individualistic. Thank goodness this critic does not have to determine awards!



We have an exemplary piece by Lynn Kern's mother, Elsa S. Williams, who was not just a professional designer of embroidery but a lone woman in the field. She was an entrepreneur in a business that was totally male. Her work was used

in the White House when Julie Nixon Eisenhower wanted to raise funds to redecorate a room there. The money was

used for the room, and Lynn Kern's parents had lunch in



the White House with Julie!

Petit point, embroidery and stitchery are woven into our

culture firmly. Go back a century or more and we find that, as we became settled and interested in marriage and family, a carefully executed embroidery, a framed piece of petit point, displayed in the home, was an indication that the young miss was proficient in one of her future occupations, sewing. A woman had to know how to cook and sew. Who else would make the clothing? Go back to using a hoop and stitching a quilt, embroidering the whole piece. Rugs carry the stitch further, and women wove those as well.



The exhibit of stitchery is astounding. It takes time to look closely at all the designs.
We are grateful to those who worked

those who worked on an antique art form to bring joy to those of us who might never have known its role in our culture.

Ann Richardson

# FRI NOV 1 EDUC. COMM. PRESENTS JAZZ 10-

11:30 - MH

Biff Smith will present part 2 of a 2-part multi-media presentation, "A Brief History of Jazz."

SUN NOV 3 SET CLOCKS BACK AT 2 AM



**SUN NOV 3 MOVIE – 1:30 – MH (see BB) WED NOV 6 MOVIE – 7:15 – MH (see BB)** THU NOV 7 HALF-FAST WALKERS PLAN TO **WALK – 9** 

Walkers will head for **Palo Corona**. Sign up on BB. Jim Riesenfeld will lead.

FRI NOV 8 MUSIC ON THE MENU – 6-7 – DR Bob Phillips will play for our listening and dancing enjoyment.

**SUN NOV 10 MOVIE – 1:30 – MH (see BB)** SUN NOV 10 DAYTRIPPERS GO TO CHOPSTIX

Chopstix Vietnamese Restaurant is in Rancho Carmel Center (near Crossroads, Carmel). It is an inexpensive, cozy cafe serving authentic Vietnamese food & noodles, boba teas, appetizers, soups, sandwiches, desserts, & more. It also has a large vegan menu. Manor bus leaves at 4:30 and returns at 6:30.

### MON NOV 11 VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION – 10:30 - MH

Residents will observe Veterans Day with a short tribute to those who served in our Armed Forces. Details appear in the next column.

**TUE NOV 12 SYMPHONY PREVIEW – 11 - MH** 

Music Director, Maestro Max Bragado-Darman, and President of the Board, Lee Rosen, will be our guests to talk about the upcoming concert, featuring renowned pianist, Kun Woo Paik, performing works of Mozart and Brahms. Everyone is welcome.

**WED NOV 13 RESIDENTS' ANNUAL MEETING -**10:30 MH

All residents are encouraged to attend our annual meeting and Appreciation Fund kickoff.

**WED NOV 13 MOVIE – 7:15 – MH (see BB)** THU NOV 14 HALF-FAST WALKERS PLAN TO WALK - 9

Walkers will head for Salinas River. Sign up on BB. Steve Brooks will lead.

FRI NOV 22 MUSIC ON THE MENU – 6-7 – DR Bob Phillips will play for our listening and dancing enjoyment.

**SUN NOV 24 DAYTRIPPERS GO TO GOLDEN** BOUGH

See a matinee performance of "CHICAGO," the hit musical! Details in the next ACCENTS. Sign up on the BB and pay \$34 to Laura Pasten by November 11.



Starting at 10:30, in the Meeting House, service songs will be sung to the accompaniment of the Army Band and Chorus. Veterans & family are invited to stand during the playing of their song. A slide show with photos of our resident service members will be displayed in the Meeting House, and pictures will be displayed in the Lobby.

## Food for Thought



#### Tour our Kitchen!

When? Every third Monday How? Sign up at the Reception Desk Cost? FREE!

## Dining Room Hours:

Breakfast: 7:30 - 9:30Lunch: 11:30 - 1:30Dinner: 5:30 - 7

#### **CVM Foundation**

Remember the fairy tale of Jack and the Beanstalk? Well, we have our own beanstalk

And it is no fairytale.

Jack is going to climb up the beanstalk As our Carmel Valley Manor Foundation grows. Follow his progress as he climbs higher and higher. It will be posted on the bulletin board and elsewhere. (The Foundation has a link to Amazon Smile, so if you buy something on Amazon and choose Smile, our Foundation will get a small contribution.)

	NEW/SOON-T	O-BE RESIDENT	<u>S</u>			
Janet McDanie Thomas & Son Alexander & J Marlene Wood	nja Hout erian Crosby	James & Betty Kasson Martin (Marty) & Karen Wiskoff Nancy Wright Jeffry & Marilyn Riehl Sandy Storm				
	HAPPY	BIRTHDAY				
11/2	Rosemary B.	11/7	Terese W.			
11/2	Blair H.	11/8	Jean C.			

Ramona S.

Geneva W.

Skip K.

11/12

11/13

11/3

11/5

11/7

Betty H.

Paula A.

Sandy R.

#### **ONGOING ACTIVITIES**

See also Master Schedule of Ongoing Activities (C 10,11 Residents' Handbook)

MON	Chair Exercise MH Monday Morning Fort Advanced Exercise MH Duplicate Bridge GR Dominoes GR	8:30-8:45AM 10:30AM 11:00-11:45AM 1:00PM 7:15PM	THUR	Chair Exercise MH Half-Fast Walkers Adv. Water Exercise S Games GR Tai Chi MH	P	8:30-8:45AM 9:00AM 9:30-10:15AM 1:00PM 1:00PM*	
TUES	Chair Exercise MH Council Meeting (2nd) Adv. Water Exercise Sl Worship Services (1st) Communion Services ( Tai Chi MH	9:30-10:15AM H 10:30AM		FRI	FRI Chair Exercise MH Bookmobile Every other Friday (November 1 Lawn bowling PG Yoga MH Social Bridge GR		8:30-8:45AM 12:45-1:15PM 1) 1:15-3:15PM 3:00-4:00PM 3:00PM
	Ukulele Class WP Lawn Bowling PG Sing For Fun (1st) WP		1:00-2:00PM 1:15-3:15PM 2:30PM	SAT	Chair Exercise MH Putting (2nd) PG Ice Cream Social (1st)	8:30-8:45AM 10:00-11:30AM Noon	
WED	D Chair Exercise MH Advanced Exercise MH Communion Service (2nd) WP Mahjong Movie Night MH		8:30-8:45AM 11:00-11:45AM 11:15AM 2:00-4:00PM 7:15PM LOCATION	SUN * NEW			5:30PM 1:30PM
CR	Conference Room(s)	DR	Dining Room	FC	Fitness Center	GR	Game Room
Н	Hillcrest	HC	Health Center	HG	Hall Gallery	L	Library
MH	<b>Meeting House</b>	PDR	<b>Private Dining Room</b>	PG	<b>Putting Green</b>	PL	Pavilion Lounge
SP	Swimming Pool	WP	West Parlor	BB	Sign-up and/or Information on Bulletin	n Board	

# LIBRARY NOTES

BOOKS SELECTED FOR NOVEMBER 2019

**Fiction** 

**Mystery** 

THE DUTCH HOUSE\*\*
BLOOD OF VICTORY\*

Ann Patchett Alan Furst

Deborah Crombie

A BITTER FEAST

Biography
LIFE UNDERCOVER\*\*\* Amaryllis Fox

THE EDUCATION OF AN IDEALIST
Samantha Power

"A Guest of the Reich:" THE

HONORED PRISONER
(Gertrude Legendre)

(Gertrude Legendre) Peter Finn

Reference

WHO'S WHO IN AMERICA 2019\*

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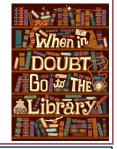
**DVDs CHOSEN FOR NOVEMBER 2019** 

**CHERNOBYL** 

THE CENTRAL PARK FIVE

FOSSE/VERDON

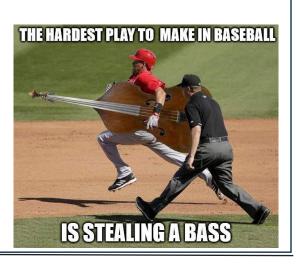
**MAIDEN** 



# In case you haven't noticed, it's World Series time...









Marlene Wood

If you love antiques, you must meet this charming woman with the sparkling blue eyes and smile and see what she has done to her 13E! Being greeted in the hallway and upon entering her home, I am amazed to see the space she has created in her kitchen entrance hall. One can tell she is an exquisite designer. Her antiques fill her rooms with memories. Her memories started in England.

Marlene Ashworth was born in Lancashire near the Lake District. Her two brothers still live in England, but Marlene had the spirit of adventure in her DNA. Her real adventure started when she was introduced to a young man outside a town hall. She was only fifteen, but that "old" nineteen-year-old man fascinated her and she, him. Although her friends and family said he was too old for her, they did date. He had to do his two years of National Service and was sent to Wales. They continued dating during his time in Wales, as he went home every weekend to see Marlene. When his Service was over and he was an even older twenty-four-year-old, he married twenty-year-old Marlene, and she became Mrs. William Wood.

William had a school chum who then lived in Burlingame, California - William Johnson. (Marlene always referred to the two of them as *William the First* 

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and William the Second.) William the First and Marlene wanted adventure, so they immigrated to California. The happy newlyweds, both loving antiques, went into business together and opened Tea Caddy Antiques in Burlingame. Three times a year they would bring back from England, in their three large containers, 17th, 18th and 19th century antiques. After 21 years, loving their work and working together, William was diagnosed with Alzheimer's. They moved to Portola Valley, where the pace was slower and their property was near secluded trails, where William could walk (or they could ride their horses) and still know where he was. They scaled down their antiques and moved their Tea Caddy shop to Menlo Park. "We had a wonderful time together," said Marlene, "but it was not easy to work full time and also take care of William as his disease progressed."

After he died in 2004, Marlene continued to work. One day she came to Carmel to deliver a piece of furniture to the Oak Twig house in Carmel. The owners did not want her to deliver it until 7 p.m., so what should she do while she waited? She picked a realtor to see what was on the market. The realtor said, "stay overnight and I will show you." Marlene called a friend to open up the Tea Caddy for her in her absence. She stayed three nights and bought a house in Carmel. Business was not the same without William, so she closed the Tea Caddy, moved to Carmel, and worked for Jan De Luz for thirteen years. She was on call (and still is) if someone wanted advice on an antique.

During this time, William the Second came back on the scene. She had known him and his family as long as she had known William the First. William the Second moved to Carmel and became Marlene's significant other. When he passed in 2014, Marlene sold her home and bought a little cottage in Carmel. There she tended her garden and 75 roses. "I miss my roses and my garden, but I am glad to be here at the Manor."

We welcome you, Marlene, and are glad you are here too. You will enjoy our spring gardens and the roses in our own cutting garden.

Jane Upp