

# THE LATEST WORD

*Peach Festival, Cornwall UMC bus Friday, 4:30 pm*

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"Death is nature's way of saying, 'Your table is ready.'"—ROBIN WILLIAMS

## CHANGING TIMES

Here we are partway through renovating Freeman Community Center, with "Erector Set" additions taking shape on the facade, office staff scattering hither and yon, and milk and soda cooling in the MultiMedia Room. Say goodbye soon to bakery and fruit sales, at least for now. The Wood Shop is moving off premises to cohabit with Model Trains, after the "Beauty Shop" morphs into a "Hair Salon." "Collectibles" and "Curiosity Shop" aim to relocate and sell reusables under a new name, "Memorables?" Ping-pong paddles off to The Woods. Come Fall, anyone seeking postage, or use of the copy machine, may inquire at the "Front Desk," which will then be relocated to next door the Bank, temporarily.

Not all change is progress; yet most residents seem to be getting along okay in this "Summer of Discombobulation." What takes patience is visualizing how all this demolition comes together after the painters go home. Will the added parking, a modern weather-protected entryway into a welcoming atrium, a more efficient juxtaposition of shops, sitting rooms, culture venues, dining and other places where people meet, and wait, settle into a new vision of comfort and care for the customers? Administration clearly has no doubts. **Join the President and his VPs at 2 pm Wednesday, Freeman Auditorium,** for an insider analysis of a maelstrom in process.

*Also this week ...*

8/13.... SUNDAY, 7 pm. Watergate burglars, worrisome tapes, plus the midnight firing of a special prosecutor, all land in the President's lap. The Court proves Supreme in a nasty fight leading to the Chief Executive's resignation. Sound familiar? Relive **Nixon's melodrama on DVD in Bradley Hall.**

8/14.... MONDAY, 1:45 pm in Freeman, LVC Biology Professor Courtney Lappas escorts us on a visit with the Human Genome, the genetic blueprint found in each of our cells. It's a tantalizing promise of new and better treatment for disease, from cancer to Alzheimer's, diabetes, and Parkinson's, arguably the most important discovery of our time. Refreshments.

8/15.... James Correnti, Director of Keyboard at Eastern Univ., returns **TUESDAY, 2 pm**, as a circuit-riding pianist of the area. He's given 6,000 concerts and classes at colleges, churches, and retirement homes like the Manor, produced 11 CDs, and served 28 years as pastor of Fleischmann Memorial Baptist Church, Phila. A graduate of Juilliard, he soloed with Garden State Philharmonic, and Plainfield (NJ) Symphony, while teaching piano on the Main Line.

8/16.... WEDNESDAY, 8 am, the special **Men's Breakfast** in Freeman Hall draws upon Michael Deveney, Master of the Manor's Senior Games, for a discussion of the Wellness Center and the role it plays in this Continuing Care Community.

.... also, WEDNESDAY, 10 am, Rev. Tom Bare's "Bible Study Plus" in Zerr Chapel notes how **"One Nation under God,"** came to be inserted into the "Pledge of Allegiance." Ike's doing.

8/17.... THURSDAY, How does your garden grow? All things colorful and living are invited for exhibit in Laurel Place Lobby, 9 to 3. **Call Dotty Wychock, 717-277-5547**, for a display spot. Also, Bradley Hall Courtyard's Container Gardens are open to admire.

.... also THURSDAY, 10 am. Are you considering a question for Congressman Costello? **Call Stacia at 717-675-1514** by Tuesday, for a Gateway Lounge seat with Ryan, and light refreshments.

8/18.... FRIDAY, 2 pm in Freeman Hall. Up from Peabody Institute in Baltimore comes a young **Classic Guitarist, Mark Edwards**, described as a player “effortlessly strumming, plucking and picking masterpieces with clarity,” currently completing his Doctorate in Music.

.... also FRIDAY, 6 to 9 pm, if you're old, wise and lively, enjoy a taste of wine, beer and BBQ, plus a **tour of the Cornwall Iron Furnace, \$40. Call 717-272-9711.**

8/19.... SATURDAY, 1:30 pm, Freeman movie screen. James Stewart witnesses a murder through Hitchcock's *Rear Window*.



Photos Attached:

**Dr. Reynolds Ferrante scans the “little Manor Shoppe” ensconced in the MMR for sundries surviving the switch-and-squeeze move last week. All groceries and personal items, including talking dolls, made the cut. In another photo, Pianist James Correnti is set to open Tuesday in Freeman Auditorium. He’s a regular contributor to the Manor musical agenda. — RWK Photos.**