

# Harbor Light

February 2009

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## The Cynthia Caper

Imagine a luxury cruise ship anchored in Sarasota Bay near the yacht club.

As a resident of Plymouth Harbor you receive a special invitation to inspect this "floating condominium" for discerning passenger owners, plus lunch at the yacht club -- free, no obligation! Do you go?

Well, if you are in a Howard Buermann comedy play, you do! What happens has many possibilities .....



Three  
Performances  
in  
Pilgrim Hall



Thursday ~ February 26 ~ 8:00 pm  
Friday ~ February 27 ~ 2:00 pm & 8:00 pm

Traditionally a sell out, please call Resident Services at Ext. 252 to make your reservation early.

While you are at it, call Ext. 258 to make a reservation for a special menu buffet dinner in Mayflower Dining Room before the play.

## Reflections from Chaplain Jerry O'Connor ...

I write this article as the inaugural events of January 20 wind down following the day on which our nation honored the memory of Martin Luther King, and just a few weeks before the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth, February 12, 1809. Lincoln ended slavery in our nation and confirmed the words we find in our Declaration of Independence, "...that all men are created equal." Yet, we know we have not always treated our brothers and sisters as equal. Much of what we treasure as a nation was built on the backs of men and women who were not considered equal. Martin Luther King made us aware that God had other plans for us, thus we now have a Black President and the words of Jesus in Matthew 20:16 have come true: "...the last will be first, and the first last." Jesus included these words in a parable comparing the kingdom of heaven to a vineyard owner who hires workers throughout the day, some beginning their work at the break of day, others as the day is ending, yet all are paid the same wage. It sounds unjust to those who worked the longest, but as Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin (1890-1984) wrote the following parable as a reflection on Abraham Lincoln:

God does things in his own peculiar way. When he wants a liberator, he goes into a desert and picks out a shepherd who stutters. When he is seeking a great artist to sing poems of faith, he picks out another shepherd, David, and makes him a king. When he is looking for the first king of Israel, he picks Saul, a farmer boy plowing between oxen.

One day God parted the clouds with hands and looked down. He said to the angels, "Do you see what I see?" One of them said, "All I see is a little log cabin in Kentucky, and I hear the cry of a baby." Then God said, "Go down and kiss that child for he will be an emancipator and leader of men."

So the angel went down and kissed the child, and the child grew up. And one day he stood on the battlefield at Gettysburg and made a speech. He said, "The world will little note nor long remember what we say here." But the world does remember and always will. And this is the glory of America and mankind.

Yes, "... the last will be first, and the first last." May these words keep us humble and help us to set aside our differences -- political, religious, racial, economic and social -- and support the one who has been chosen to lead us. "God does things in his own peculiar way" in your life and mine, in the life of our nation and the world!

## In Memoriam



**Peggy "Muff" Johnson**  
January 2, 2009

**Leonore vonGrossmann**  
January 28, 2009





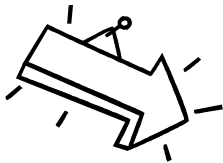
## To Save Energy, Turn It Off

Saving energy is something we are all trying to do. For computer users, there is an easy way — at night, turn your computer off! If it is morning and you are through for the day, turn it off. Do not put it to sleep. Turn it off!

The computer is not the only place where electricity is being used all the time. All those little blinking lights, all those lighted numbers -- they are being brought to you courtesy of Florida Power and Light. TVs and DVD players are drawing power as long as they are connected. If you plug home electronics into a power strip, you can turn them off easily. What about that cell phone charger that is left plugged in? Unless the plug is pulled out at the wall, it is using electricity, even if the phone is in your pocket. And for those who are really determined not to waste energy, there is always the microwave. You can pull the plug at night if you would like an extra green star for your efforts.

If each of us saves a little, all of us, together, will have saved a lot.

- Ad Hoc Energy Conservation Committee -

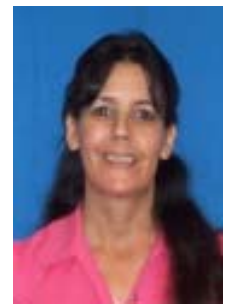


**Residents Meeting**  
**Tuesday February 3 3:00 pm**  
**in**  
**Pilgrim Hall**

### Employee of the Month January 2009

#### Charlotte Kimball of Housekeeping Services

A co-worker nominated Charlotte Kimball "because of her dedication to her job as a housekeeper, her loyalty to Plymouth Harbor, her ability to perform 'under fire,' her excellent attendance, her wonderful sense of humor and her great attitude. Charlotte's great attitude and special smile really make you feel good when you see her. She is definitely a good example for others and worthy of this recognition."





## New in the Library (\* indicates a gift)

### FICTION - Regular Print

**2666** by Roberto Bolano & Natasha Wimmer  
**Netherland** by Joseph O'Neill  
**Plum Spooky\*** by Janet Evanovich  
**Scarpetta** by Patricia Cornwell

### FICTION - Large Print

**The Bodies Left Behind\*** by Jeffery Deaver  
**The Gate House\*** by Nelson DeMille  
**The House on Tradd Street\*** by Karen White  
**The Independence of Miss Mary Bennet**  
     by Colleen McCullough  
**The Pagan Stone\*** by Nora Roberts  
**Salvation in Death\*** by J. D. Robb  
**Your Heart Belongs to Me\*** by Dean Koontz

### NONFICTION - Regular Print

**The Bitter Sea\*** by Charles N. Li  
**Dreams from My Father** by Barack Obama  
**How the States Got Their Shapes\***  
     by Mark Stein  
**In Spite of Myself** by Christopher Plummer  
**Things I've Been Silent About** by Azar Nafisi

### NONFICTION - Large Print

**With Wings Like Eagles** by Michael Korda

### DVDs

<b>The Bucket List</b>	<b>John Adams</b>
<b>A Passage to India</b>	<b>P.S. I Love You</b>
<b>The Scarlet Pimpernel</b>	<b>Tom Jones</b>
<b>Up the Yangtze</b>	<b>The Young Philadelphians</b>

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## Mezzanine Gallery SHOWING

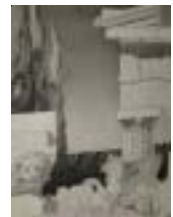
February 3 to March 10, 2009

### *Drawing the Line: A Lifetime of Exploration*

The Work of William J. Murtagh



Artist Reception  
 Tuesday February 3  
 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm



Plymouth Harbor resident William J. Murtagh has held pivotal positions in the field of historic preservation for almost 50 years. He served as the first keeper of the National Register of Historic Places, Department of the Interior, and was vice president of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. He is a founding and active member of the Preservation Roundtable in Washington, D.C.

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## SILL Lectures

### The Thursday Global Issues Series

(Simulcast in Pilgrim Hall)

#### LECTURE 5

#### **NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA: CAN THIS LONG DIVORCED COUPLE EVER GET TOGETHER AGAIN?**

**FEBRUARY 5      SPEAKER:   STEPHEN DACHI**



Stephen Dachi asserts that South Korea has become Asia's fourth largest economy while North Korea and its freakish leaders cover bankruptcy, banditry and famine with nuclear blackmail. The stakes are high and Korean unification is a long way down the road.

#### LECTURE 6

#### **UNDERSTANDING IRAQ**

**FEBRUARY 12    SPEAKER:   DR. PETER BECHTOLD**



A close-up look at Iraq's political culture of ancient heritage vs. modern incoherence; Arabs vs. Kurds; secular vs. religious; nationalism vs. regionalism and tribalism; and, economic potential vs. regional interference will be provided by Dr. Bechtold.

#### LECTURE 7

#### **THE SUPERCLASS: WHO IS RUNNING THE WORLD?**

**FEBRUARY 19    SPEAKER:   DAVID ROTHKOPF**



David Rothkopf is CEO of Garten Rothkopf, an international advisory firm specializing in transformational global trends, notably those associated with energy, security, and emerging markets, discusses the subject of his new book.

#### LECTURE 8

#### **THE KOFI ANNAN LEGACY FOR AFRICA**

**FEBRUARY 26    SPEAKER:   DR. GWENDOLYN MIKELL**



Dr. Gwendolyn Mikell, Professor Anthropology and Director of African Studies, Georgetown University, asserts: Major contribution of Kofi Annan was bringing Africa into the center of dynamics of the UN; creating new peacekeeping and development initiatives; and, persuading Security Council to join his efforts. Balancing national interests vs. threats was key.

# For Your HEALTH & WELLNESS ...



## HEALTH MATTERS: The Aging Heart

presented by Samuel Kalush, MD

Wednesday ~ February 11

3:00 pm

Pilgrim Hall



### Complimentary Hearing Aid & Ear Check Clinic

(Low Vision Resource Center)

Tuesday, February 3 AND Tuesday, February 17

Please call Home Care at Ext. 210 for an appointment.



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## The Civic Affairs Committee presents ...

# CITY COMMISSION CANDIDATES FORUM

Tuesday ~ March 3 ~ 7:45 pm ~ Pilgrim Hall

On Tuesday, March 10, 2009, there will be a city of Sarasota election. Nine candidates for the two at-large seats have been invited to come and give an overview of their positions on issues facing the city of Sarasota. The March 10 ballot will also include a Charter Amendment which would expand the City Commission from five members to seven, adding an elected mayor and an additional at large commissioner.

### Centering Prayer Group

Led by Rev. Rosemary Gremban

In her apartment 1905

Tuesdays at 1:30 from March 3 to April 7

Sponsored by the Chapel Committee



## The Program Committee Presents ...

### HIPPO BEACH

Thursday ~ February 5 ~ 7:45 pm ~ Pilgrim Hall

Think you know all about hippos? Think again! Enter the world of the hippo, where there is a right way and a wrong way to do just about everything, and the rules of social etiquette are strictly enforced. For a boss hippo bull - aka "beachmaster" - success is measured in real estate and family. Life is a beach. But keeping it that way is no picnic!



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## PRESIDENTS & THEIR FIRST LADIES

### Our Major Presidents

### The Monroes and The McKinleys

Thursday ~ February 12 ~ 7:45 pm ~ Pilgrim Hall



Many generals have been elected president, but only two majors - Monroe and McKinley. Monroe nearly matched Washington's record of being unanimously chosen president by the Electoral College. McKinley was a handsome Civil War hero who was much beloved and admired in part for his affectionate caring for his ill wife.



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## PIATIGORSKY CONCERT

Wednesday ~ February 18 ~ 3:00 pm ~ Dining Lounge

Enjoy an intimate and enchanting concert featuring two amazing artists -- Erika Wueschner, soprano, and Jeffrey Grossman, pianist -- both from the Piatigorsky Foundation in New York. Their musical performance and commentaries will give you an unparalleled understanding of the musical pieces and composers.

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# MOVIES

Showing in February

2:00 pm Sundays 7:30 pm

- Feb. 1**    *The Boxer*  
1997    Color    114 minutes    Rated R
- Feb. 8**    *Appaloosa*  
2008    Color    115 minutes    Rated R
- Feb. 15**    *Brick Lane*  
2007    Color    102 minutes    Rated PG-13
- Feb. 22**    *Frozen River*  
2008    Color    97 minutes    Rated R

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Do you have a MOVIE request?  
Please Call Ext. 252 to let us know  
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2:00 pm Tuesdays 7:45 pm

- Feb. 3**    *Tea with Mussolini* (7:45 pm ONLY)  
1999    Color    117 minutes    Rated PG
- Feb. 10**    *The Earrings of Madame De...*  
1954    B&W    105 minutes    Not Rated
- Feb. 17**    *Easy Living*  
1937    B&W    88 minutes    Not Rated
- Feb. 24**    *Run Silent Run Deep*  
1958    B&W    93 minutes    Not Rated