



October Branch Meeting
Anticipating the Future:
Pittsburgh Architecture in the Twentieth Century

Louise Sturgess

Executive Director of Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation

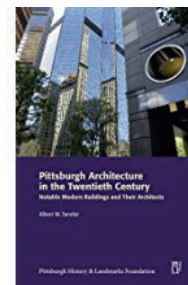
Thursday, October 12, 2017 9:30 AM

Murrysville Community Library Meeting Room


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Our speaker this month will guide us on an informative and interesting journey through Pittsburgh's architectural evolution from 1903 to 1996. Louise Sturgess, executive director of Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation, will show slides of more than 50 sites in Allegheny County to illustrate this evolution. Her presentation is based on a guidebook, ***Pittsburgh Architecture in the Twentieth Century: Notable Modern Buildings and Their Architects*** by Albert M. Tannler, published by Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation in 2013. The book was edited by Louise Sturgess and she took many of the photographs. Ms. Sturgess is a fifth generation Pittsburgher and has been employed by Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation since 1981. She shares much of the credit for its innovative and award winning education programs.



This program is offered in partnership with the Murrysville Community Library and is open to the public. Invite your friends, neighbors and family members to join us as we expand our knowledge of our nearby city.

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Book Sale
at Murrysville Community Library

November 9 – 11, 2017

Donate books throughout October at the library

President's Letter

I wasn't "seen" at our fabulous September Brunch meeting because I was away. However, I understand the speaker, Natalie Bencivenga, SEEN Editor for the *Post-Gazette*, gave a great talk about covering many diverse events, plus explained her various other endeavors. She emailed afterwards that she was happy to come and it was very "fun!"

I was sorry to miss her, as well as our always delicious brunch offering! Many thanks to Michele Clarke for handling speaker details as well as running the meeting in my absence. Thank you, also, to everyone who helped with set-up, food, beverages and décor. What a group!

Do join us in October for what is sure to be an interesting presentation on Pittsburgh architecture in the 20th century. A week later, you can take a tour of special places downtown. What a great time of year to stroll around! Hope you can make it. Details appear elsewhere.

I imagine our very warm Indian Summer days will have turned cool and crisp by the time you read this. Enjoy the colors of autumn days. I'm thinking apple cider and pumpkins... (Is there anything that doesn't have pumpkin in it these days?)

And...collect those books!



See you at the October meeting,

Susan Petrie

Membership

Welcome to our newest member:

Rajani Shetty



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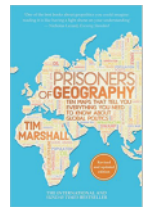
Downtown Walking Tour

October 19 9:45 AM

Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation (PHLF) will guide us on a 2-hour walking tour called "*Downtown's Best: Special Places and Spaces*". PAID reservations (\$18) are required by October 12. This is the Branch meeting date, so checks can be brought to the meeting or mailed ahead of time to assure your reservation. Make checks payable to Betty Hollingsworth and mail to her. Tour participants will meet to carpool at the Pat Catan's sign, 8:45 AM on October 19. We will have lunch in the city following the tour, if your carpool wishes to do so. Contact Betty with any questions.

Reading for Pleasure

#1 bestselling author Tim Marshall presents an overview of modern geopolitics through the lens of geography. ***Prisoners of Geography: Ten Maps That Explain Everything About the World*** provides a brief history of the world's major geographic regions and powers and how geography has both shaped events and as well as defined current relationships.



Join us as we discuss this timely book on October 26 at 10:00 AM at the home of Nancy Veyo. Please RSVP to Nancy.

Sally Haleen

Problem Solver Update

The entry for Bill Voza under appliance repair is invalid. Both phone numbers are disconnected.

Judy Johnson

AAUW Book Sale 2017

We are beginning to get ready for another successful annual AAUW Book Sale and will continue to partner with the Murrysville Community Library. The book sale will be held over a three day period beginning on Thursday, November 9th and ending on Saturday, November 11, 2017. We will begin collecting books at the library on Monday, the second of October, in the following categories:

- Best Sellers (Fiction & Non-fiction)
- Biographies
- Books on CDs
- Children and Young Adult Books
- Classics
- Cookbooks, Crafts and Gardening
- History and Science
- Holiday Books and CDs
- Mysteries



We **cannot** collect books, due to limited space, in the following categories:

- Coffee Table Books
- Condensed Books
- Harlequins & Silhouettes
- MUSTY or MOLDY Books
- Religious, Self Help, Sports
- Textbooks, Manuals, Encyclopedias
- Cassettes, Record Albums
- Videotapes, DVDs



Thank you in advance for donating the best of your books. This certainly will not be a successful sale without your help. Please tell your family and friends we would appreciate their donations as well.

We need all of the help we can get. Please let me know if you are able to volunteer to work on this year's book sale. We will do book culling on Saturdays, October 14 and 28, from 9 AM until 1 PM at the library. We especially need help on Wednesday, November 8th and throughout the days of the sale, November 9 – 11. So far, we have a wonderful group of volunteers.

I am looking forward to working with each and everyone of you.

Marsha Wong
Book Sale Chair

Public Policy

Election Day is Tuesday, November 7, 2017. The deadline to change your registration or to register, if you have moved from another location, is October 10, 2017. You may go online to the Westmoreland County Bureau of Elections to print an application form.

For those of you who travel, or who might not be able to get to the polls on Election Day, the Absentee Ballot is the way to go. Even if you're not sure if you'll be away (and we all know about the "surprise" of illness), applying is a good "ace in the hole." If you eventually don't need it, there is no penalty or adverse effect for not using it.

To apply for an Absentee Ballot, you may do this in person at the Election Bureau, or go online to:

<http://www.co.westmoreland.pa.us/1526/Absentee-Ballot>

where you can print off a copy of the application.

Return the application to

Westmoreland County Election Bureau
2 N. Main Street, Suite 109
Greensburg, PA 15601

Additional information is available at *County Information Link* at www.VotesPA.com
Absentee voting deadlines are as follows:

Applications: The last day to apply for a civilian absentee ballot is 5:00 PM on Tuesday, October 31, 2017 – please note that **POSTMARKS DO NOT APPLY** and original applications must be received (no facsimiles or emails).

Voted Ballots: All civilian voted ballots must be returned to the County Board of Elections Office by 5:00 PM on Friday November 3, 2017 – please note that **POSTMARKS DO NOT APPLY**. If hand delivering, only the actual voter may return their ballot.

Susan Greenberg



October 2017

5	Thurs.	9:30 AM	Board Meeting – Murrysville Community Library Meeting Room†
12	Thurs.	9:30 AM	Branch Meeting – Murrysville Community Library Meeting Room†
12	Thurs.		RSVP – Last day to RSVP and pay for Pittsburgh Landmarks tour
16	Mon.	9:30 AM	Focus Deadline – Email articles to Donna Beard
19	Thurs.	8:45 AM	Tour – We will meet to carpool at the Pat Catan's sign for the Pittsburgh Landmarks tour.
26	Thurs.	10:00 AM	Reading for Pleasure – at the home of Nancy Veyo. Please RSVP to Nancy if you plan to attend.
27	Fri.	10:00 AM	Duplicate Bridge – at the home of Loretta Panian. Please RSVP Loretta if you cannot attend.

† The Murrysville Community Library Meeting Room is located at the entrance to the Murrysville Community Library, 4100 Sardis Road.



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