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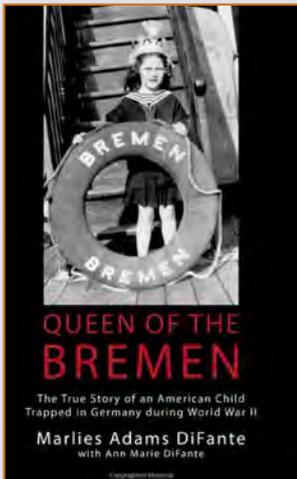
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JOIN US FOR SPECIAL EVENTS AT FERRIS HILLS

Peg Rayburn Drive, Canandaigua

Wednesday, November 7th

Queen of the Bremen



Join Naples native and *Queen of the Bremen* author Marlies Adams DiFante at **3 p.m.** as she shares her harrowing and yet inspirational childhood experience of traveling from America to Germany with family and having what was intended to be a three-month stay turn into a seven-year struggle to stay alive.

Saturday, November 17th

Beethoven's "Archduke Trio"

The Cayuga Chamber Orchestra, the "Official Orchestra of the City of Ithaca," has been performing live classical music in the region since 1976. Ferris Hills is thrilled to welcome a small group of orchestra members for a **3:30 p.m.** concert. The musicians will be performing Beethoven's Piano Trio in B-flat Major, Op. 97. It is commonly referred to as "Archduke Trio."



Wednesday November 21st

Exploring the Year 1989

Back by popular demand, Sarah Hodgson will give a **2 p.m.** presentation on 1989, a year full of explosive and far reaching changes. Nations around the world struggled with the removal of communist control in Eastern Europe, continued efforts at decolonization in Africa, challenges to authority around the world, and the death throes of a superpower. As Hodgson will detail, this year also saw key technological developments that ushered in the technological revolution we are currently experiencing. Hodgson teaches AP World History at Greece Arcadia High School and earlier this year led a series on "The Revolutionary Progress of Human History" at Ferris Hills.



Sunday November 25th

Traveling Cabaret

The Traveling Cabaret will be bringing song, dance and comedy to Ferris Hills at **2:30 p.m.** This Broadway, movie & pop musical revue will have a holiday twist to start the festive season.



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Keep Calm and Call Housekeeping

The housekeeping team at Ferris Hills at West Lake includes, left to right, Samantha, Erin, Kellie, Nadine and Bonnie.



After more than four years in Dining Services for Ferris Hills at West Lake and its enriched living community of Clark Meadows, Erin Mowry knows a thing or two about going “above and beyond,” and it’s that commitment to unparalleled customer service that Mowry is bringing to her new role as Environmental Services Supervisor for the senior communities.

Leading a team of seasoned veterans, Mowry says the housekeeping staff members have excellent rapport with the residents and strive to offer much more than keeping their apartments spick and span.

“We’re willing to help move furniture, water plants, help with laundry or just lend a helping hand or listening ear,” Mowry says, noting the residents are like family. “The respect and care we display to one another is genuine.”

Also genuine is the appreciation residents have for no longer having to spend time on mundane household chores, instead enjoying more freedom to delve into the things they really love.

“It’s no wonder – our residents have worked hard all their lives and are now at a point where it’s all about what we

call ‘the good life,’” says Ferris Hills/Clark Meadows Executive Director Aimee Ward. “Whether they want to work out in our fitness center, hike our trails, visit museums, attend concerts or all of the above, not having to worry about scrubbing a floor, vacuuming or dusting is a welcome change for a lot of people.”

Weekly housekeeping and flat linen services are among the many amenities included in monthly fees at both Ferris Hills and Clark Meadows. For more information on the others, visit www.FerrisHills.com or call (585) 393-0410.

‘Queen of the Bremen’ Author to Visit



Author Marlies Adams Difante, who will visit Ferris Hills on Nov. 7, is shown with her brother in Naples in 1939, shortly before their family traveled to Germany to visit her ailing grandfather.

When Wood Library in Canandaigua approached Ferris Hills at West Lake Resident Services Manager Claire Watson about doing a book review, Watson was first intrigued by the fact that *Queen of the Bremen* author Marlies Adams Difante hails from Naples, the community where Watson now lives.

The Naples connection was just the beginning of Watson’s fascination, however. She wound up being so taken with the memoir that – thanks to a Ferris Hills resident who knows the author – Difante will soon visit Ferris Hills to personally share her incredible story with residents and guests.

“It is an amazing story,” Watson says. “If it were fictional you would read it and think ‘Okay, enough now...’ as the hell just goes on and on.”

As a child in August 1939, Difante accompanied her family to Germany for a three-month stay that turned into a seven-year struggle to stay alive. As Poland came under attack, World War II began. All ports and borders were closed. What was intended to be

a three-month stay did not end for seven years, and Difante has said the atrocities her family experienced and witnessed in the Nazi-controlled country are “forever burned into my memory.”

However, Difante’s message is ultimately one

of hope and resilience. As she wrote in her online biography, “As long as you have faith in God, respect, and love for each other, you can make it—no matter what.”

Difante’s Ferris Hills presentation is scheduled for 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 7. If you would like to attend, just call (585) 393-0410 to RSVP.

Recent Events at Ferris Hills

