



IN MEMORIAM KARL VOGELSBERG



Karl Vogelsberg

Karl Vogelsberg died on August 20, 2022 after a short illness. He was 83. Karl and his wife, Jerry, moved to Springton in 2017. Karl went to the University of Pennsylvania, originally studying architecture but transferred to the Wharton School. He worked at United States Rubber Company, Uniroyal, B.F. Goodrich and Michelin. He was the head of industrial engineering and involved with safety and strategic planning. He was in the United States Air Force Reserves.

We soon learned that he was a Renaissance man. It seemed that he could do anything. He was wise and level-headed, a man of quiet integrity. Everyone respected him. He was an accomplished woodworker who created beautiful and practical furniture. He had a great sense of humor. Karl liked to buy and sell stocks which was a perfect fit when he became Treasurer of the Board of Directors of Springton Lake Village and was very successful for us.

Karl was devoted to his wife Jerry, his daughters Yvonne and Vanessa and his grandchildren.

In a relatively short time, Karl became a very important figure in our lives. He contributed a great deal to Springton and will be missed. His death is a huge loss to his family and his Springton family.

IN MEMORIAM JOHN GILLIS



John Gillis

John Gillis died on August 22, 2022. He was 76. John and Marge moved to Springton from Wallingford in 2019.

John grew up in Baltimore. He had a Master's degree in Business from Loyola. He worked in Human Resources and developed retirement plans. John enjoyed helping people. He liked to read and was a Bridge player.

John was very quiet but solid and contributed thoughtfully to conversation. I knew John from playing Bridge before he and Marge moved to Springton. He was very easy going and pleasant. Nothing seemed to bother him. He had a smile for everyone. John was charming and kind spoken.

Marge and John had three children. Marnie lives in D.C. and has three children. Eileen lives in Wallingford and has two children. Their son, Andrew, died in 2009. We will miss John and regret that more Springton people were not able to get to know him better, in part due to the pandemic.

WELCOME TO MARY LOU AND JOHN LABOWS



Mary Lou was born in Bath, Maine and grew up in Hazleton Pennsylvania. She moved to Wilkes-Barre, where her father was a veterinarian, in 1952. She went to high school in Wilkes Barre and met her husband there. They married in 1954.

Mary Lou was in Nurses' training and is an LPN (Licensed Practical Nurse). She was in the business program at Wilkes College. She worked as an executive secretary for an insurance company. Mary Lou was a nurse for 25 years at Ambler Medical Center. She was a shot nurse and receptionist and became the triage nurse. She retired in 2005. She loves to sew, quilt and do smocking. She also enjoys cooking and baking.

John grew up in Wilkes Barre. He earned a chemistry degree in 1963 at Lafayette College and then a PhD in organic chemistry at Cornell in 1967. They moved to Ithaca when he was in the PhD program. He taught organic chemistry at Wilkes College for 10 years. They moved to Horsham, PA in 1976. He did a post doctoral research year at Temple. John took a sabbatical from Wilkes at Monell Chemical Senses Center starting in 1976 and stayed for 10 years. They worked on body odor, so Procter & Gamble, Colgate, Mennen and similar companies were supporters of the Center because of their interest in body odor. The Association for Chemoreception Sciences was begun to discuss taste and smell. John joined Colgate Palmolive to develop a fragrance technology group and was with them for 20 years. He worked with perfumers in New Jersey, Paris and Geneva. He also dealt with regulators. In 2005 he retired and became a consultant in fragrance technology and also worked with Colgate until five years ago. He worked with Noble Biomaterials putting silver into yarn to decrease odors in exercise clothing.

John enjoys photography and putting pictures on canvas. He likes water sports—wind surfing, kayaking, paddle boarding and biking. John has a model train set that he wants to set up permanently. They like to cruise, particularly with Royal Caribbean and Celebrity. They have been to Alaska, Venice, Barcelona, Rome, the Baltic and on Viking river cruises. They are going on a cruise in September to the Caribbean. It's a "Friends and Family" cruise set up by one of the entertainers who they met on one of the cruises.

John and Mary Lou have a home in Duck, North Carolina called "Duckleberry Finn". John is president of their Homeowners' Association.

They have four children. Stephen, the oldest, is a retired Navy captain and helicopter pilot. He is an experimental test pilot for Leonardo helicopters. He lives in Media with four children. Christopher lives in Southern Maryland and is an art teacher. Gregory works for IBM and lives in Virginia Beach with his wife and child. John and Mary Lou's daughter, Jennifer, lives in California, works for Agilent and has two small children. Mary Lou's sister lives in Stanton, VA. Molly, their Golden Retriever is 12.

At Springton, they like the size and appearance of the homes, the beautiful location and being near one of their children. They felt it was a better value. "It just fit us."
John, Mary Lou and Molly will be a perfect fit with Springton for many happy days!

SQUIRRELS

Squirrels are rodents, which means their incisor teeth grow continuously and the squirrels must constantly gnaw to keep the teeth from overgrowing.



Chipmunk

They are members of the *Sciuridae* family, which means “bushy tail”. The *Sciuridae* include ground squirrels (chipmunks, groundhogs, marmots and prairie dogs), tree squirrels (gray, red, fox squirrels, etc.) and flying squirrels (in the U.S. we have Northern and Southern flying squirrels).

The flying squirrels are nocturnal, but the others are diurnal. Flying squirrels have a flap of skin, called a patagium, between their front and back legs which they use to glide long distances (150 feet), and a flattened tail which acts as a rudder.



Groundhog, also called Woodchuck, Whistlepig and several other names

Squirrels live in hollows in trees or build nests (called dreys or drays) made of twigs and leaves in the forks of trees. Squirrels have multiple nests and will move (and move their babies) when a nest gets fleas and ticks or is damaged.

In temperate regions, early spring is the hardest time of year for squirrels, because buried nuts begin to sprout and are no longer available for the squirrel to eat, and new food sources have not become available yet. During these times squirrels rely heavily on the buds of trees. Squirrels' diet consists primarily of a wide variety of plant food, including nuts, seeds, conifer cones, fruits, fungi and green vegetation. However some squirrels also consume meat, especially when faced with hunger. Squirrels have been known to eat insects, eggs, small birds, young snakes and smaller rodents.



Squirrel tree nest or drey (or dray)

Tree squirrels have double jointed hind legs with 4 toes and a partial thumb which allows them to climb trees quickly. With chirps and yelps, movements' and tail wagging, they have sophisticated communication ranging from warnings to mating signals. They usually have 2 (or more) litters a year with 2 to 8 babies per litter. The babies are dependent on the mother for 2-3 months.

Rodents are clever animals, but the squirrel tops the list for intelligence. Although a mouse or rat can outmaneuver and sometimes outsmart a pursuing human, squirrel's agility and intelligence give them an advantage over other predators and larger

creatures. Squirrels are unique in their ability to hide food in multiple locations and remember which type of food is in each spot. Squirrels have a keen sense of knowing when another squirrel is watching them, and they often put on a show to trick their competitors. They dig a hole and pretend to bury a nut while hiding it in their armpit, and then they run off and bury the nut in a more secluded spot. Sometimes, their performance includes covering the empty hole with grass and twigs to make it appear like an actual food cache. Squirrels also learn from each other. e.g. how to defeat a bird feeder.



Squirrel inside the drey/dray



Gray Squirrels may also be black, blond, or albino



Red Squirrel



Flying squirrel



Flying Squirrel gliding

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SPRINGTON LAKE VILLAGE

“Leading the way in creative 55+ housing”

Springton Lake Village is a cooperative community of 40 residences for individuals and couples, 55 or older, established in 2002. Upscale and independent, with a neighborhood feel, no additional residences will ever be built. There are no entrance fees. Equity ownership assures members a say in how the community is run.

It is located in Marple Township, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, and is operated by Springton Housing Association Cooperative, Inc., a non-profit corporation owned by the residents. The Village is convenient to Philadelphia's Main Line and the cultural, recreational and sports attractions of one of America's great cities.

Ridley Creek State Park and Tyler Arboretum are close by, as are Delaware County's finest country clubs. There is convenient access to Interstate 476 and U.S. Route 1.

Our waterfront community features the serenity of Springton Lake and its half mile of pristine shoreline. Residents enjoy peaceful woods, clean air, open skies, beautiful sunsets, a walking path that winds through the property, a fitness center, and a flexible dining plan four nights a week in the multi-purpose Clubhouse.

Springton is associated with nearby Dunwoody Village and White Horse Village, acclaimed and accredited continuing care retirement communities with long term care facilities.

MANAGEMENT REPORT

Summer is quickly coming to an end.

During September & October, Mike and Carmen will start the process of storing your outdoor furniture, winterizing hoses, and replacing HVAC filters.

Mike and Carmen will both be on vacation September 25- October 5th. If you have any work orders that need to be addressed before that time, please let us know as soon as possible, so we can get everything taken care of before they leave.

ACTIVITIES

Mondays 1PM Mahjong

Tuesdays 1PM Canasta in Clubhouse

Monday, 9/5 Potluck Supper 5:00PM

Monday, 9/12 Movie "Mystic Pizza" 6:50PM

Wednesday, 9/14 Chat Plus 2PM Spinelli

Monday 9/19 Romeo/Juliet Lunch noon

Sunday, 9/25 Folk Concert 4:00PM

Monday 9/26 Movie "Someone To Watch Over Me" 6:50PM