



JANE SEWELL

Great Readers, Great Leaders

We are delighted to feature book recommendations from Jane Sewell.

Jane's Bio

Since 2000, Jane Sewell has been the Executive Director of the Union Mills Homestead Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and restoration of the Union Mills Homestead - the original home of the Shriver Family, going back to 1797, and site of both a Union and Confederate encampment of troops on the way to the Battle of Gettysburg.

As a child, Jane enjoyed working on a Shriver family farm, Alsenborn, in Baltimore County. She began studying dance at age five, and with great dedication, earned a Bachelor of Science in Dance and Physical Education from University of North Carolina. She pursued a career in New York City and danced with the highly acclaimed June Taylor Dancers, before returning to Baltimore, where she and her husband raised two daughters. Jane taught physical education and dance at the Calvert School for 38 years before retiring in 2011.

Jane is the co-chair of Carroll County's Celebrating America initiative. The Alzheimer's Association has benefitted tremendously from her fundraising efforts through the Memory Ball, where she won the "You're Our Star" dance competition in 2013. Jane is also an accomplished golfer.

Jane's Reads

[David Shriver 1735-1826: Pioneer and Patriot of Piedmont Maryland](#)

by George Donald Riley, Jr. & Historical Society of Carroll County

David Shriver served on the Maryland Constitutional Convention, representing then Frederick County. George Donald Riley, Jr., married into the Shriver family. Following a distinguished military and academic career, he devoted time to writing family history. This book was published by the Historical Society of Carroll County in 2003.

[A Good Man: Rediscovering My Father, Sargent Shriver](#) by Mark K. Shriver

Sargent Shriver was founder of the Peace Corps and architect of President Johnson's War on Poverty. His son, Mark goes on a quest to find the source of his father's joy, his devotion to others, and his sense of purpose. *A Good Man* is an inspirational and deeply personal story about a son discovering the true meaning of his father's legacy.

[Pilgrimage: My Search for the Real Pope Francis](#) by Mark K. Shriver

Shriver traveled to Argentina to retrace the personal journey of Pope Francis, revealing the origins of his open, unpretentious style, which has struck a chord in the hearts of millions who long to make faith, love, humility, and mercy part of their lives.

[Plenty of Blame to Go Around: Jeb Stuart's Controversial Ride to Gettysburg](#)

by Eric J. Wittenberg & J. David Petruzzi

Confederate cavalryman James Ewell Brown (JEB) Stuart led his three brigades through Carroll County on a ride that triggered one of the Civil War's most bitter and enduring controversies. Instead of finding glory and victory, Stuart reaped stinging criticism and blame for one of the Confederacy's most stunning and unexpected battlefield defeats.

[Over Time: My Life as a Sportswriter](#) by Frank Deford

Deford joined Sports Illustrated in 1962, fresh out of Princeton. He shares a very compelling account of his amazing journey covering a wide range of sports and sports personalities over sixty years.

[A Coach's Life: My 40 Years in College Basketball](#) by Dean Smith

Iconic coach, Dean Smith looks back on his career at the University of North Carolina, including great games, players, strategies, and rivalries, and shares his insights on the fundamentals that lead to success on and off the court.

[The Kept Woman](#) by Karin Slaughter

With the discovery of a murder at an abandoned construction site, Detective Will Trent teams up with Dr. Sara Linton to solve the case in this fast-paced and twisty police procedural.

[Two By Two](#) by Nicholas Sparks

With a successful career in advertising, a lovely wife and a six-year old daughter, at 32, Rich has it all. Then fortunes change. Russ loses his job and must face the challenge of being a single parent.

[Prince Philip: The Turbulent Early Life of the Man Who Married Queen Elizabeth II](#) by Philip Eade

A mesmerizing account of Prince Philip's tumultuous upbringing in Greece, France, Nazi Germany, and Britain before he met the young girl who would become the longest-reigning British Monarch.

[Fighting Fire](#) by Caroline Paul

A gripping first-hand account of the inner workings of an urban fire department and the author's journey to make her place in a world previously reserved for men.