



NEWS RELEASE

Stan Hywet Publishes Two New Books on the Estate

First Two in a Series about the Seiberlings and the Estate

April 8, 2016– Akron, Ohio – Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens is publishing the first two books in a series on the family and the Estate. *The Seiberling Family*, available in May, is the companion book to **Our Family**, the exhibit in the Manor House exploring the life and stories of Seiberling family members. *The Gate Lodge* is a book about the historic significance of this building at the entrance to the Estate, and the events that took place leading to the formation of Alcoholics Anonymous. The Gate Lodge will be published in June in time for Founders' Day weekend.

Stan Hywet is located at 714 North Portage Path, Akron Ohio.

Like the exhibit, *The Seiberling Family* explores the importance of the family bond to the Seiberlings through stories and photos. *The Gate Lodge* is a succinct history about the events that led to the conversation between Bill Wilson and Dr. Bob Smith — and the beginning of Alcoholics Anonymous. Each book is soft cover and available for purchase at \$15.00 in Molly's and in the merchandise tent during Founders' Day Weekend.

"We're excited to present the first two books in our series about Stan Hywet and the Seiberlings, offering new insights about the family and the estate with photographs and images that will engage our visitors," notes Julie Frey, Director Museum Services/Curator and author of *The Seiberling Family* and *The Gate Lodge*.

Additional books will be released yearly and cover a variety of subjects, creating a concise series of books about the Seiberling family and Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens.

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