

RIDGE REPORTER

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From the Desk of Heather . . .

LIVE IT UP

Hello everyone: I was reading this article and thought how great it was and how important it is to "Live It Up." Even with these uncertain times in the COVID-19 pandemic, find something that you enjoy doing and do it. This is a great reminder as none of us are getting any younger! Enjoy.

Heather

It's not every day that you turn 100, and World War II veteran Tom Rice wanted to make sure his 100th birthday was unforgettable.

For his birthday, Rice decided to jump into it feet first, so to speak. He parachuted in Coronado, California on Aug. 15 to a crowd of well-wishers who were in awe of his accomplishment.

There's another reason to be impressed by Rice: The WWII vet served in the 101st Airborne Division. That means that he was one of the veterans who parachuted in and stormed the beaches of Normandy, France on D-Day. (Ever seen the movie "Saving Private Ryan?")

Rice was a part of that now-historic day.

So, it's fitting that this is how Rice celebrated such a milestone of a birthday.

It just goes to show, it doesn't matter how old you are -- as long as you're out there living it up, that's what matters.

Jack Roskopp, Digital Content Editor, Graham Media Group
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LABOR DAY



Office Closing Labor Day Holiday

In honor of the Labor Day holiday, the SRC and BRC offices will be closed on Monday, September 6.

If you use the automatic payment service to pay your monthly fee, it will be deducted from your account on Tuesday, September 7. This is due to the 5th falling on a weekend and the 6th being a holiday.

Maintenance or Landscape Items

Do you have a maintenance or landscape item that needs to be fixed or looked at? Please call the office to have it processed through our work order system. Calling the office ensures your issue is documented, assigned to the appropriate staff member, and tracked to completion. This also allows us to compile vital information on recurring issues or installation dates.

Office Inbox/Suggestion Box

We have found that the “Office Inbox” located to the left of the office window in the lobby has been working well over the last few years. We appreciate you using the “Office Inbox” for your monthly maintenance fee payments in addition to any office correspondence.

Please do not place any maintenance/landscaping items in the “Office Inbox”. Rather, call the office with those items so we can get them entered and assigned to the appropriate department.

We are now taking the next step. The “Suggestion Box” in the Library/Salon has been removed. Please drop any payments for photocopies, correspondence to the office, etc. in the “Office Inbox”. Suggestions are welcomed at the front office so we can address them in a timely manner.

New Staff Member!

We are pleased to introduce

Ken

as the newest member to our staff.

Ken is a Pottstown native for over 50 years.

He is an artist and enjoys painting.

He also enjoys fixing and working on antique clocks.

Ken will be part of Refurbishment.

We are excited to have him as the newest member of our team.

Welcome Ken!



Ken

Safety Concerns

There are a few safety concerns that the staff would like to bring to your attention.

- While it is great to see residents walking around the community, they are not permitted to walk on the driveway to and from the Maintenance Shop. Vehicles and equipment used by staff and contractors need to be able to freely move without the concern for pedestrian traffic.
- Residents may not enter the Maintenance Shop Building **at any time** with the exception of the Wood Shop. Our insurance company requires this restriction.
- Please avoid close contact with a staff member who is working. While 6 feet of social distancing is a good practice with respect to the coronavirus, flying debris from a worker's area have nearly missed a resident getting too close. There have also been times when a staff member did not hear a resident coming up closely behind them and "near miss accidents" occurred. Please feel free to say hi or wave to a working staff member from a safe distance.
- Residents may not enter a vacant home undergoing renovations. We understand there may be curiosity about what is happening in the home, but in many cases, the home is not conducive for a resident's safety. Please also refrain from standing on the sidewalk leading to a home that is being refurbished.

The staff appreciates your understanding and cooperation with the above policies. While we do not like to appear "unsocial", **safety is our #1 priority for our residents, guests, contractors and employees.**

On-Call Maintenance Response System & Cellular Phones

An increasing number of residents are eliminating their phone land line and using just a cellular phone. To be clear, the on-call maintenance response system buttons and call box will not work without a functioning land line.

If you already have had your land line removed, please contact the office to have your on-call maintenance response system buttons and box removed. The removal of the system from the home will ensure there is no misunderstanding of the system's operation and will help the staff maintain a more accurate database of which homes have and do not have the systems.

You do not need a system in your home to contact on-call maintenance. You can dial the number directly at 610-326-4043.

Mechanical Room Storage & Home Safety

With the exception of a few small items, mechanical rooms are not to be used for storage. Immediate access is required to all mechanical equipment by staff or other emergency personnel.

In addition, mechanical rooms are also to be free of combustible materials. If you have combustibles in your mechanical room and need assistance in their removal, please call the office.

For your safety, please do not use the stovetop, oven, toaster oven, or microwave for additional storage in your home. By doing so, you run the risk of a potential fire hazard.



Hair Salon Update ***We passed our salon licensing inspection!!***

Appointments can once again be made with each stylist immediately. Thank you for your patience over the last month while we went through this process.

Pets in Public Buildings at SRC

Just a reminder to our residents and their guests . . . No pets, except for service dogs, are permitted in the public buildings of the Community. This includes the Community Center building and Garden Apartment hallways. Please adhere to this policy and be sure to inform your guests as well.



Parking Spaces

Please have your guests & visitors park in un-numbered parking spaces. Any space that has a number is assigned to that home for resident use. Parking spaces allow for one car per space.



Hooks and Needles

Do you crochet, knit, do needlework? If so, we are looking for interest in restarting the Hooks and Needles group. Please contact the office if you would be interested in getting together to work on your current project or help someone else learn a new skill.

Friendly Reminder – Register Your Pets!

Please remember to register your pets! This applies to guests who visit your home with their pets as well.

Here's a great question: *Why should I register my pet?*

We are so glad you asked!

- Safety for your animal – If your pet wanders away from your home and is found by another resident or by staff, we have a record of your pet on file and can help to identify it to return it home safely.
- Safety for our staff – If we know you have a pet, we can be prepared upon entering your home to perform maintenance.
- It is required – According to community guidelines, all pets require approval of management.

Pet Registration forms may be requested by calling or visiting the Office.

Thank you for helping to make our community a safe and wonderful place for everyone!

Prepared Meals – In the Works!

We have conducted considerable research into bringing prepared meals to our residents. We are in the process of working with Redner's Market to establish a program that would provide access to prepared meals at a reasonable cost. We appreciate your patience as we continue to work through the details.



SRC Resident Committee – Dues for 2021

We are currently collecting the \$5 (per resident) dues for 2021. Dues help cover expenses for the Christmas Party and also provide voting privileges at the meetings. If you have not already done so, you can put your dues in an envelope and drop the envelope with your name and unit number in the mail slot to the left of the Office window. (Contact Joyce for more information.)

CANCELLED

Montgomery County remains at a “High Level of Community Transmission”. With the wellbeing and safety of everyone involved, we cancelled the September 9th End of Summer Social event. Due to the 6’ social distance recommendation, the bus could only accommodate 4 people. With that in mind, we have also cancelled the bus trip to Ephrata. Our hope is to plan another social event and begin use of the SRC bus in the future when the Level of Community Transmission is at a lower level.

In addition, Residents who oversee the below activities, events, and meetings have contacted us to cancel them at this time. For activities that are still taking place indoors, please wear a mask and social distance. If you have any questions please reach out to the Office and we would be glad to help.

The following activities have been cancelled until further notice.

- Resident Committee Meetings
- Game Night
- Movie Night
- Social Committee
- Lunch Bunch
- Wii Bowling
- Round Table Meeting
- SRC Singers

Grocery Bus Trips

Due to a lack of interest, the planned weekly grocery trips to Landis/Redner’s is on hold until further notice. Thank you for your understanding.

National POW/MIA Recognition Day

Friday, September 17

Each year, the Department of Defense creates a poster in advance of POW/MIA Recognition Day, which will be commemorated on September 17.

Deputy Defense Secretary Kathleen H. Hicks explained that since the Revolutionary War, more than a half-million U.S. service members have, at one point in time, been held as prisoners of war.

Today, nearly 82,000 service members remain unaccounted for, from conflicts dating back to World War II. More than 72,000 of those were lost during World War II, nearly 8,000 from the Korean War, and around 1,600 remain unaccounted for from the Vietnam War.

The Department remains committed to bringing all of them home.

<https://www.defense.gov/Explore/News/Article/Article/2709572/dod-unveils-2021-powmia-recognition-day-poster/>





Happy Birthday!

- 2 Betty
- 5 Sandy
- 8 Mary
Eileen
- 10 Elaine
Twila
- 17 Tom
- 18 Regina
- 20 Marlene
Bill
- 23 Eileen
- 26 Marlene
- 27 Claire
- 29 Peggy
- 30 Howard



Happy Anniversary!

- 2 Link & Nancy
- 3 Ken & Mary Ellen
- 4 Richard & Cinthia
- 10 Ed & Shirley
John & Beverly
- 11 Mike & Carol
- 16 Ron & Barbara

Welcome To The Neighborhood!



We'd like to extend a warm
welcome to our newest residents!
Please stop by and introduce
yourself.

Bunny
from Schwenksville, PA.

Nancy & Ernie
from Pottstown, PA.



Labor Day is the unofficial end of hot dog season. It
is estimated that Americans consume over 7 billion
hot dogs between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

Book Club

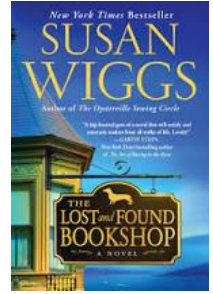
Monday, September 6 – 2 PM

The Book Club meets the 1st Monday of each month at 2 PM in the SRC Dining Room. Mrs. Lincoln's Sisters by Jennifer Chiaverini will be discussed at the September meeting. October's book will be The Lost and Found Bookshop by Susan Wiggs.



September 6

Contact Jeanette for more information.

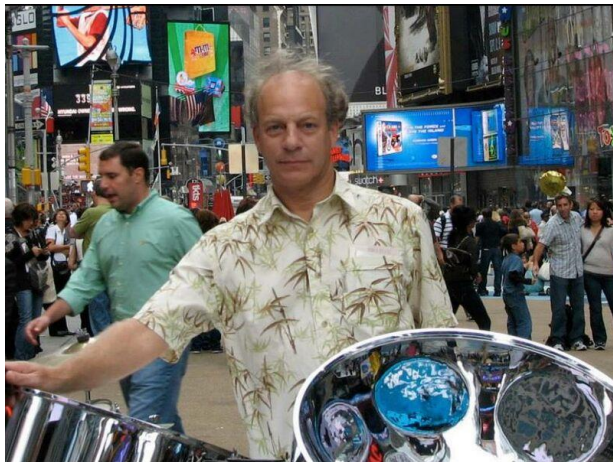


October 4

NEW – COFFEE KLATSCH!

Thursday, September 9 – 9:30 AM

Bring your coffee or tea to the first gathering of the Coffee Klatsch on Thursday, September 9 at 9:30 AM. If the weather is nice, we will meet on the Community Center Patio. Keep your fingers crossed that it does not get moved into the dining room.



David Gettes will bring his Steel Drums to SRC!

Thursday, September 9

From 10:30 AM to 12:00 Noon, David will be driven through SRC. His “road show” can be seen on the schedule shown below. You’ll be able to see/hear him from your porch, or bring out a lawn chair, or follow him from section to section if you like.

10:30 Start at Community Center / D Court

10:37 A Court

10:44 B Court

10:50 C Court

10:57 E Court

11:04 F Court

11:11 G Court

11:18 N Court

11:25 Behind Apts, H and I

11:32 Behind Apts, J and K

11:40 L Court

11:47 M Court

12:00 End at Community Center

Shredding Event – Saturday, September 18

Have you found yourself reorganizing, decluttering, and wanting to get rid of personal information? SRC will be hosting a shred event on Saturday, September 18 from 9 AM to 12 Noon in the SRC Community Center Parking Lot.

Only approved paper-based materials and small fasteners (e.g., paper clips and staples) are permitted. Items listed below are NOT permitted:

- 3-ring binders
- Hardcover books
- Newspapers & magazines
- Plastic objects
- Metal objects
- Electronic media
- Toxic, dangerous or regulated materials



Liberty Glass Club

Sunday, September 19 – 2 PM

All are invited to attend the meeting in the SRC Dining Room. We will be studying “Elegant” glass. Bring pieces to discuss.

Future meetings will be on the 3rd Sunday of October and November with a luncheon at UNO in December (time to be determined). Masks must be worn.

For more information please contact Suzanne.

Mr. Softee Ice Cream Truck

Wednesday, September 22

WHERE: Community Center parking lot

WHEN: 3 PM

COST: \$4 - \$8



Sam Luncheon – Starting in September!

The Sam luncheon will begin meeting the last Monday of the month from 11 AM to 1 PM starting Monday, September 27 at Berean Bible Church.

Musical Friends, a local band, will be providing entertainment. For more information contact Nick Garland at Berean Bible Church (610-326-8794).

Keeping Busy

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Words on Wheels

2nd & 4th Mondays at 10 AM
SRC Community Center Parking Lot

Dominoes

Mondays at 6 PM in the Club Room.

Yoga

Both chair yoga and floor yoga classes offered weekly in the Auditorium.

TUESDAY EVENING CHAIR YOGA

6:30 PM

WEDNESDAY MORNING FLOOR YOGA

9:30 AM

*Come join in the fun for some stretching, balancing,
deep breathing and some laughs.*



For questions or concerns,
please call Susie.

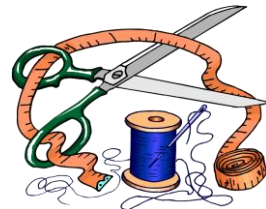


Pinochle

Thursdays at 2 PM – Dining Room

Sewing Club

1st & 3rd Fridays at 9:30 AM – Sewing Room



TRAILBLAZERS

***Walking
is
More
Than Steps!***

*Stop by the Office
to pick up the map.*

Let's Get Out and Walk!

There is more to walking than just taking steps.

Walking has numerous physical and mental health advantages.
You would be surprised how easy and far you can walk when
you have someone to chat with along the way!

Check out the 1/4, 1/2 and 1 mile paths marked on the sidewalks
in the Community.

LEGEND FOR AMOUNT OF WALKING

1 Little
Walking

1111 Plenty of
Walking

- Sign up with the Office
- RSVP by deadline a must
- Limited seating
- At least 10 participants needed for SRC Bus trip
- **Payment is due at time of sign up and is by Check Only (Payable to SRC)**

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Thursday – September 2 – Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre – Grumpy Old Men (Perkiomen Tours)

Don't miss this laugh-out-loud story of family, friendship, love and romance in a fresh new musical that's guaranteed to delight! Come along with family and friends and experience the fun and memorable experience at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre, consistently providing top quality productions, award-winning food and exceptional service in the simple yet sophisticated charm of the theatre.

Payment and RSVP to the Office by Friday, July 30.
LEAVE BEREAN PARKING LOT: 10:15 AM Cost: \$95.00

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Tuesday – October 5 – Shopping Trip and Lunch in Ephrata

Our first stop will be at the Morgantown Thrift Shop, then we will venture up Route 322 to Fox Meadows Creamery and Country Market. Your lunch there could consist of a half of a variety of sandwiches and 4 scoops of many flavors of ice cream for \$10 (at your own expense). From there we will continue on Route 322 to the Ephrata Garden Centers. Last stop before coming home will be Weaver Nut Sweets & Confections to satisfy your sweet tooth.

Payment and RSVP to the Office by Monday, September 20.
LEAVE BEREAN PARKING LOT: 10:00 AM Cost: \$6.00 (lunch at your own expense)

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Thursday – November 19 – Holidays at Mount Hope Dinner Theater

Held in Victorian Mount Hope Mansion, this unique setting is the perfect backdrop for this one-of-a-kind theatrical dining experience. Meet and mingle with the holiday characters and carolers inside the Mansion and enjoy some traditional Christmas tales tableside as you dine.

RSVP to the Office by Friday, October 15.
LEAVE BEREAN PARKING LOT: 11:00 AM Cost: \$66.00

Monday, October 11 thru Friday, October 15 – New England Trains and Cruises (Kline Transportation)

Historic Essex, Boston, Winnipesaukee Scenic Railroad, Portland, Dover to Woburn.

