

December 2018



SANATOGA RIDGE
COMMUNITY

*From the Entire Staff Here at
Sanatoga Ridge Community*



Season's Greetings



Holiday Closings & Trash Schedule

A reminder that the Offices will be closed on:

- Christmas - Monday & Tuesday, December 24 & 25
- New Years – Tuesday, January 1, 2019

Christmas Week Schedule:

- Trash/Recyclables will NOT BE COLLECTED on Tuesday (December 25).
- Trash AND Recyclables will only be collected once for that week on Wednesday, December 26.

New Year's Week Schedule:

- Trash/Recyclables will NOT BE COLLECTED on Tuesday (January 1).
- Trash AND Recyclables will only be collected once for that week on Wednesday, January 2.
- The regular Tuesday/Friday trash & recycle schedule will resume the week of January 7.

If you must dispose of trash before the scheduled pick-ups, you may use the dumpster at the rear of the Community Center or near the apartments.

*A correction on the Home Meal Menu, there will be no meals on December 24.
All clubs, events, activities are also cancelled.*

Community Center Doors

Typically the doors to the Community Center are locked when the office closes at 4 PM. It has been our practice to keep the doors unlocked during late afternoon or evening resident events. However, for the safety of our residents, it has been agreed to that the doors be locked when the office closes at 4 PM. You will then be required to enter the door code in the vestibule to gain access to the Community Center. Please contact the office should you need the door code.

Home Safety

The holidays can be a popular time to light candles. Please be especially mindful to never leave your home for any duration with a lit candle. Please also use this same consideration when cooking on your stove or in your oven. When leaving a home under these conditions for even a very short time, you run the risk of becoming distracted or maybe even locked out of your home. Blow out all candles and turn off all cooking appliances before leaving your home for any reason.

Also, mechanical rooms are to be free of combustible materials. If you have combustibles in your mechanical room and need assistance in the removal, please call the Office.

SNOW? Yes! It's That Time of Year Again

The basics of the Snow/Ice policy are as follows:

- You must sign a waiver in the Office giving permission to move and clean your car.
- A set of your car keys will be kept and locked in the office for the snow staff to be able to move your car for plowing.
- It is NOT mandatory to participate with this snow policy.
- If you do not participate, please be aware that your car will NOT be moved or cleaned off and YOU will be responsible for moving your car temporarily to a designated parking area on your section map.
- If you do not move your car, then you will be responsible for clearing the snow around your car.
- Every section has a designated area where all cars are to be parked during a snow event. Check your section map for appropriate parking locations.
- The snow removal staff will not scrape ice from residents' vehicles.
- If snow is predicted and you MUST get out on that day, please call by 4 PM at least a day BEFORE the snow arrives to let us know the time you need to leave. The earlier the office knows, the easier it is to coordinate with the snow removal staff.
- If you have a true emergency, for which you need to leave, push your emergency button. Do not leave a message at the office after hours and weekends.
- If your car has already been moved to the designated snow parking area and you need to use it, please let the office know and your car will be put back in your assigned parking spot.
- If trash/recycle day falls on a snow event day, please know that trash/recycle pick-up may be delayed or even canceled.

Snow removal is typically completed within 24 hours once the snow event has stopped. If possible, we will allow nature to work in our favor to melt the majority of the elements, saving time and resources.

Seasonal Maintenance Items

Salt Bags - If you would like to have a salt bag for the winter months, you must call the office to request one. Please do not wait until the day of or day before a snow event to call. Also, please keep your salt bag scoop in the salt bag for collection at the end of the season. If you need a replenishment of salt in your bin, you may refill from the bins at the mailboxes.

Mechanical Rooms - Please be sure that your mechanical room door is closed tightly at all times to prevent any pipes from freezing during the winter months.

Lawn/Garden Décor - Please remember to remove all outside flower pots, chairs, solar lights, flag holders, etc. from edges of sidewalks and driveways to prevent damage during snow removal.

Windows - Maintenance calls have been received regarding residents feeling drafts in their homes. Check your windows to make sure they're latched securely.

Outdoor Holiday Lights - The decorated trees & shrubs around the community are on a timer. Please do not unplug!

Christmas Cradle Project

Thank you to Barbara who has volunteered to continue the Christmas Cradle Project which benefits the families through the Cluster of Churches and Salvation Army. If you would like to contribute to this very worthwhile project, please bring your gift UNWRAPPED to the Community Center lobby. The gifts must be dropped off by Friday, December 14.



Much needed items include:

- Infant blankets
- Disposable diapers, sizes 4-6 (these larger sizes are greatly needed)
- Clothes for newborn through 3 years old (underwear, sweaters, sweatshirts, outfits, onesies, booties, shoes, socks, mittens caps, jackets)
- Monetary donations. If you prefer to contribute a monetary donation, your gift will be accepted at the Office during the time the cradle is set up.

Mark your calendar for this wonderful opportunity to make a needy child's Christmas brighter! (NO toys, please.)

Resident Committee Meeting

The Resident Committee Meeting is Monday, December 3 at 9:30 AM in the SRC Auditorium. If their schedules permit, Chief Foltz and Township Manager Ed Wagner, will be present at the beginning of the meeting to give us updates or answer your questions. Prior to the meeting, join fellow residents at 9 AM in the Club Room for donuts, fruit, coffee, and tea.

Christmas Carolers

You may see carolers trolling through our community singing Christmas carols. If you see or hear them outside, just peek your head outside your door, or wave from your window to let them know you enjoy their music and that they have brightened your day.



Community Christmas Cards



Many of our residents would like to send Christmas greetings to fellow residents or SRC staff, but doing 200 plus cards is just not feasible. We will have a Christmas card sleigh in the Community Center lobby where cards may be placed. You could place one card addressed to all the residents in the sleigh, and then each resident, at their leisure, could look through the cards and enjoy all the greetings from their fellow residents.

Postal Carrier Christmas Gift

For those of you who would like to contribute to a collective gift from Sanatoga Ridge Community to the postal carrier, be sure to get your cash donation in by Friday, December 14th, and we will forward the gift to the mail carrier. If you come into the Community Center after office hours, your donations, marked "mail carrier," may be placed in the mail slot to the left of the office window. Thanks!

Please note: Because residents receive different newspapers, we will NOT be collecting for any newspaper. If you want to give your carrier a tip, please do so personally on your own.

Suggestion Box

When leaving a note in the suggestion box, please consider including your name so that we contact you for further clarification if needed.

Carbon Monoxide Detectors

All homes are equipped with a carbon monoxide detector. It is important to know that the device will beep ONCE if the electric goes out. The device will signal a detection of carbon monoxide by beeping 4 times, then a pause followed by 4 additional beeps. It will repeat this 4 beep signal to alert occupants of the detection. If this 4 beep alert occurs in your home, please leave your home immediately. It is important to call the office or push your emergency button.



Resident Christmas Luncheon Reminder

- For those of you that have signed up, the Luncheon will be on Thursday, December 6 at 11:30 AM at Berean Bible Church.
- The doors will open at 10:30 AM.
- Please enter through the front doors only. If you arrive early, you will be allowed to wait in the vestibule.
- Please sign in at Berean by 11:15 AM at the latest, so the meal can begin promptly at 11:30 AM.
- Helpers will be available if you are on a cane, walker or in a wheelchair and you require assistance through the buffet line.
- If you need a ride, the bus will be available.
- Please call the office by Wednesday, December 5 if you need the bus or a Helper.
- If you are sick that day, call the SRC office to have your meal boxed and delivered to you or placed in the “Home Meal” refrigerator in the Chat & Chew as you prefer.

Resident Dues

At the Resident Committee Luncheon, the Resident Committee also collects dues for the following year. The dues for 2019 are \$5.00 per resident. These funds are used for general expenses of the committee and additional money will be used for projects that will benefit the community in general. Resident dues can be put in an envelope with your name and unit number and placed in the box that will be provided at the Luncheon. If not paid at the Luncheon, you may place your \$5.00 in an envelope with your name on it and place it in the mail slot to the left of the Office window.

Dishwasher Detergent

It is recommended that dishwasher users should no longer use liquid or powdered soaps in their dishwashers as they do not dissolve properly. It is recommended to use dishwasher detergent packets instead. It is also recommended running a cup of vinegar every six months to clean out any buildup of detergents or minerals. The cup of vinegar should be placed on your top dish rack. These simple steps will ensure that your dishwasher will work at its peak performance for many years.



Resident & Guest Parking



SRC residents are asked to park in the numbered parking spaces corresponding to their own units. In addition, please have your guests park in the unnumbered spots around them. Thank you.

Outside Games and Liberty Bell Glass Club

Outside Games and Liberty Bell Glass are on a winter hiatus.
Both will resume in March.

Game Night and Lunch Bunch

Game Night and Lunch Bunch will not meet in December.
Both will resume in January.

Fun Facts



- One of 7 months with the length of 31 days.
- Starts on the same day of the week as September & ends on the same day as April.
- The shortest daylight hours of the year in the Northern Hemisphere and the longest daylight hours of the year in the Southern Hemisphere.
- *December 4 – International Free Hugs Day.* Hugs are meant to be random act of kindness, a selfless act performed just to make others feel better.

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Pottsgrove Community Band

The Pottsgrove Community Band will be performing at Berean Bible Church on Monday, December 3 at 7 PM. Don't miss this toe-tapping performance.

The Pottsgrove Community Band was formed in 1959 by Mr. Tom Roberts. They are a group of volunteers of all ages and talents who come together in the love for music to perform for the community. Under the leadership of John Meko and supported by the Pottsgrove Recreation Board, they rehearse on Monday evenings at 7 PM at the Pottsgrove High School. Come out and join them!



SRC Singers Holiday Concert

Bring a friend to enjoy the SRC Singers' Holiday Concert on Sunday, December 9 at 3 PM in the SRC Auditorium. Admission is free. Light refreshments will be served.

Wii Bowling

Competition continues Wednesday, December 19 at 2 PM in the Club Room.



White Team

Howard
Sharon
Shirley
Nancy

Tan Team

Ken
June
Ann
Barb

Red Team

Doris
Barbara
Kathy
Ruth

Blue Team

Joe
Joyce
Millie
Bob



Movie Matinee . . . "The Christmas Card"

Due to copyright rules, Movie Matinee is for residents only.

The film "A Christmas Card" will be shown in the SRC Auditorium in the afternoon on Friday, December 21 at 1 PM. Doors open at 12:30 PM. There will be no intermission or snacks. In case of inclement weather, contact June to see if the movie is still on.

THE CHRISTMAS CARD – A U.S. soldier visits the town from where an inspirational Christmas card was sent to him by a church group that mails cards out to servicemen as a goodwill effort.



CHRISTMAS IS ALWAYS A SPECIAL TIME FOR CHILDREN.

GET IN THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT!

Come on out to hear:

**THE 4-YEAR OLD PRE-SCHOOL CLASSES OF
ST.THERESA OF CALCUTTA, LIMERICK, PA.**

There will be a total of 40 children performing
many favorite Christmas carols.

**Wednesday, December 12 at 10 AM
in the SRC Auditorium**

Come with your neighbors and bring a friend to enjoy
these children at this wonderful time of the year!

**Let's have a great turn-out to encourage these children,
and to give them a great start to their Christmas season!**



STUFF TO DO

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Landis Supermarket

Tuesdays at 10 AM. Call the SRC office to be placed on the list for pick-up.

Card Club

Mahjong Mondays at 1 PM in the Club Room.

Pinochle Thursdays at 2 PM in the Game Room.

Mexican Train Dominoes

Tuesdays at 6 PM in the Club Room.

Hooks & Needles

Meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 1 PM in the Club Room.

Sewing Club

Meets the 1st and 3rd Fridays at 9:30 AM in the Sewing Room

Book Club

Meets the 1st Monday at 2 PM in the Dining Room.

Lunch Bunch

NOTE: No Lunch Bunch in December and will resume in January.

SRC Singers

Thursdays at 4 PM in the Auditorium.

Wii Bowling

Meets the 3rd Wednesday at 2 PM in the Club Room.

Movie Night

NOTE: This month it will be a Movie Matinee beginning at 1 PM (Doors open at 12:30 PM)

Social Committee

The next meeting is Monday, December 17 at 2:30 PM in the Dining Room.

Game Nights

NOTE: No Game Night in December. Games will resume in January

Computer & Social Media Discussion Group

Meets the 2nd Wednesday at 7 PM in the Club Room.

Yoga

Fridays at 9:30 AM in the Auditorium.

Liberty Bell Glass

NOTE: No meeting in December. Meetings will resume in March.

Vietnam Veterans

NOTE: On Winter hiatus. Meetings will resume in March.

American Legion

NOTE: No meeting in December. Meetings will resume in January.

WOW Bookmobile

Community Center Parking Lot 2nd & 4th Monday at 10 AM.

There will be no meeting in December. Meetings will resume January 9, 2019

Bus Trip Waiting List

Even though the trip may be full, it's a good idea to get on the waiting list. You never know when a cancellation happens and a seat could open up.



Wednesday – December 12 – 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 Monday, November 5.

LEAVE SRC: 9:30 AM

Cost: \$60.00

Friday – January 25 – Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center & Pizza Como

The Schwenkfelder Library & Heritage Center, with its internationally recognized collections and research facilities, engages visitors in exploration of the themes of religious freedom, tolerance, migration, and heritage in their own lives and the lives of their families through the stories of the Schwenkfelders and the Pennsylvania Germans of the Perkiomen region - people whose bonds of faith, family, and community tell a fundamental American story.

Lunch at your own expense at Pizza Como

RSVP to the Office by Thursday, January 10.

LEAVE SRC: 9:45 AM

Cost: \$8.00

Save The Dates

Bus Trips (Watch for More Information)

January 17 – Shady Maple

February (TBD) – American Treasures

April 24 – Rachel Esch's Amish Lunch

(TBD) – Gettysburg Battlefield