

April 2018



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*The
Flower of
the Month
is the
Daisy*



Daisies are associated with innocence. The gerbera daisy has large colorful blooms, which has made it a favorite with flower lovers. There is a legend that a nymph wanting to escape unwanted attention, transformed herself into the daisy. Ever after this, the April birth flower has the flower meaning of implicit and modesty. An alternate birth flower for April is the sweet pea.



LOOKING AHEAD!

SRC Singers' Spring Concert

Sunday, May 20 at 3 PM in the SRC Auditorium

***Resident Committee
Meeting Monday,
April 2nd at 9:30 AM.
Refreshments at 9 AM***



Scott

Emergency On-Call Staff Member

After a short leave, Scott is back performing on-call duties.

Welcome back Scott – Glad to have you!

Computer & Social Media Discussion Group

Due to the winter storm, the lunch and learn scheduled for March at the Western Montgomery Career and Technology Center has been postponed. Watch your May Ridge Reporter for the rescheduled date.

Items To/From Attic or Basement

To improve the efficiency of our staff taking items to and from your attic spaces, we are now designating certain days for this task to occur. Beginning Tuesday, April 17, the moving of items will occur on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. During the Christmas season (November 27 through January 29), the moves will occur on Tuesdays but on a weekly basis. The actual dates of the Christmas season may vary from year to year.

To schedule moving of items, please contact the office by 3 PM on the Thursday preceding the designated move days. For example, for items you would like to be moved on Tuesday, April 17, contact the office by Thursday, April 12.

The scheduling of work activities is extremely helpful to optimize the efficiency of our staff. Adherence to this policy is greatly appreciated.

Fire Extinguishers

Due to only 5 residents expressing interest in the purchase of fire extinguishers, a bulk purchase to receive a discounted price is not possible. Please note that fire extinguishers are a building code requirement for the apartments only. All of the apartments are now equipped with the required extinguisher type and size and will be inspected on an annual basis. Please also note that your safety is the primary concern and, therefore, it is still recommended in the case of fire to exit the area.

For those still interested in purchasing extinguishers, we suggest a local retail store such as Home Depot. We have found standard ABC 4 pound non-rechargeable extinguishers to cost approximately \$20.

Mulching

The beds will be cleaned out one last time, sprayed and edged by the landscaping staff. Mulching this year is being outsourced to Hetrick Nursery. Their goal is to have our communities mulched by the end of May (weather permitting). Hetrick Nursery will not be touching the wood chip beds. Our landscaping staff will maintain them accordingly.

This year, only the front beds of the homes will be mulched. However, all beds around the SRC Community Center and Garden Apartments will be mulched.

If you have personal plantings and are concerned about possible damage to your plants, you should consider being placed on the list to either skip certain beds or do your own mulching.

- You need to call the office if you DO NOT want your beds mulched.
- You will need to indicate if you would like your front bed skipped.
- The landscape crew will then mark your bed accordingly with white flags.
- Please do not rearrange the flags once they are placed in the beds.

For those of you who like to mulch your own beds or if you would like your side and back beds mulched:

- You will need to call the office and be placed on the list for mulch delivery.
- You will be provided with an orange cone to indicate where the mulch is to be delivered.
- No mulch piles will be placed on the lawns.
- You will then be responsible for placing the mulch in your beds.

Hetrick Nursery will be providing a schedule of how they will be mulching our communities. Once we receive the schedule from Hetrick Nursery:

- You will be notified in advance as to the day they will be coming through your section.
- You will need to remove all garden statuary, gazing globes, lights, decorative pavers, flags, flag holders, etc. These items are easily breakable and can easily be damaged by mistake.
- Please remove them for a few days so that no damage occurs.
- This will allow the mulchers to move at a quicker pace.

Please do not bother or delay the mulching crew. The fee that the communities are charged is based on how efficiently the mulching crew can complete its task. Anything we can do to make them more efficient will save the communities money.

Bus to Landis Supermarket

For some time, residents have been requesting bus transportation to Landis Supermarket for weekly grocery shopping. A month of May will be used as a trial period to determine if this service is of value. At this time, the bus service will be provided each Tuesday during the month. Most likely the service will only be necessary in the morning. In order to determine the level of interest, please contact the office by Tuesday, April 17th. This will allow the office time to work out the details with Tuesday, May 1st being the start date. This is open to both SRC and BRC.



The Marketing Department



Congratulations to our marketing consultant, The Marketing Department, who recently was announced as a Bronze winner at the 15th Annual Service Industry Advertising Awards. The award was based on the Integrated Marketing Campaign – Every Day's a Saturday at Sanatoga Ridge.

SIA Awards recognizes advertising achievements in the service industry. The competition provides an opportunity to test programs and contents against the other agencies in the country. With over 1,600 entries, The Marketing Department was one of 282 award winners.

Handyman Services

We have found an insured individual willing to provide handyman services to community residents. Dan already provides contractor services to support he maintenance staff on an as-needed basis and we have found his work and character consistent with our own personnel. Dan is willing to do small jobs including hanging blinds, mirrors, etc. If you would like to utilize Dan's services, please call the office for Dans's phone number or to pick up his business card. The resident would deal directly with Dan including payment for services rendered. By the way, you may recognize Dan from his previous employment with us while he attended College.

Words on Wheels Bookmobile

Coming Soon! Watch your May Ridge Reporter for more information.



Yoga with Suzie

Not sure if you could do yoga? Do you think it is too much for you to handle? Drop-in for the informal “Yoga For Beginners” session. Fellow resident, Suzie, will introduce you to basic yoga. Sessions are held in the Auditorium on Fridays at 9:30 am.

Trailblazers!

Spring is right around the corner. Wipe away the winter cob webs by becoming a Trailblazer! Bring a friend and stop by the Office to pick up the map and key to why walking is more than just taking steps!



Vietnam Veterans of America

The Vietnam Veterans of America Pottstown Keystone Chapter 565 will now be holding their monthly meetings in the Sanatoga Ridge Community Center Dining Room. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 3 at 7 PM.

Game Night & BYOD (Bring Your Own Dinner)

Join your neighbors for a Game Night on Friday, April 6 at 5 PM in the Club Room. Bring your own dinner and drink (water will be provided). Game night will start at 6 PM with a variety of table games to be played in the Club Room including Dominoes, Phase 10, Quiddler, Skip-Bo. Not sure how to play? Don't worry. We will show you how!

Bowling at Limerick Bowl

Join us for an afternoon of bowling at Limerick Bowl on Monday, April 9 at 1 PM. **Bowling and shoes are free.** RSVP to the office by Wednesday, April 4. Please let the office know if you would like to carpool or meet the group at Limerick Bowl.



Health Round Table is Back

Health Round Table meets every 2nd Tuesday starting April 10 at 1 pm in the Game Room. You are always welcome to attend this informal discussion of medical and nutritional questions. Hope to see you there!



Lunch Bunch

This month's lunch bunch trip will be going to Vincenzo's on Friday, April 13 at 11:30 AM. Bus will be available for this trip in addition to the carpool (leaving 11 AM from the Community Center). You must pre-order your meal (menu in the SRC office) when you RSVP by Wednesday, April 11. Pre-ordering guarantees us prompt service and our checks in a timely manner.



Scott Wagstaff

Scott keeps company with a pet buzzard, a wise-cracking boy, and a calico-clad great-grandmother. These dummies play an important role in his life. Scott is a ventriloquist, who will keep you laughing. Join us on Monday, April 16 at 4 PM for his show. Why go home and cook? Stay for pre-ordered Pizza at 5 PM. Sign up at the Office by 12 Noon on Friday, April 13. Cost is \$1.50 per slice, plain or pepperoni.



Wii Bowling

Competition continues on Wednesday, April 18 at 2 PM in the Club Room. The Blue Team lead by Joe has taken a one point lead over the White Team. If you would like to be a "sub" filling in when someone cannot attend, contact Joe.

Liberty Bell Glass Club

The Liberty Bell Glass Club is a group of people who enjoy collecting and talking about antique glass items. This month's topic will be candlesticks and opaque glass candlesticks/ware. The next meeting is Tuesday, April 17 at 7:30 PM (refreshments served at 7 PM) in the Dining Room.

If you have a piece of glass that you would like identified, you are welcome to bring it to the meeting.

Estate Administration and Responsibilities of an Executor

Kathleen Martin, Esquire (O'Donnell, Weiss & Mattei, P.C.) will be offering a free workshop open to the public on Wednesday, April 18 at 1 PM in the SRC Dining Room. RSVP to the Office by Monday, April 16.

The workshop will focus on the process of Estate Administration and the responsibilities of an Executor. Someone, maybe a family member, has honored you by naming you as Executor in the Will. Or maybe you named someone as Executor in your Will. Many people wonder what exactly does an Executor do? What is probate? What am I asking of my Executor and/or what is someone asking of me? Is it preferable to name a single person or co-Executors? What type of liability does the Executor take on? Should the Executor consult a lawyer? What is the difference between an Executor and an Agent?

Paint Break – Van Gogh's Cherry Blossom

Date: Friday, April 20

Time: 12 to 1 PM

Deadline: Thursday, April 19

(Please arrive 15 minutes early – all supplies provided)

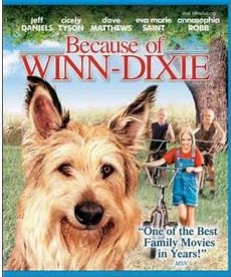
Cost: \$10 (cash) per person

1 hour lesson – 12x12 Painting



Sign-up and payment is required at the SRC Office in order to reserve your space. There is a 10 guest minimum needed in order to hold the class.

This is open to the public so bring a friend!



Movie Night . . . “Because of Winn-Dixie”

The film “Because of Winn-Dixie” will be shown in the SRC Auditorium on Friday, April 20 at 6 PM. Doors open at 5:30 PM. Light snacks provided in the Club Room during intermission. There is no charge to attend, however, donations are being accepted.

A lonely young girl named Opal adopts an orphaned dog she names Winn-Dixie (for the supermarket where she found him). The bond between the girl and her special companion brings together the people in a small Florida town and heals her relationship with her father. A light hearted story sure to make you smile and even laugh.

Spring-Ford Ramblers

The Spring-Ford schools reunion gathering (now called Spring-Ford Ramblers) is growing, and we are hoping more of you will attend. We had a great time talking about school days, historic buildings, who lived where and who was married to whom and all sorts of things that made us remember and laugh. The next meeting will take place on Monday, April 23 at 2 PM in the SRC Dining Room.

This month’s meeting will be a pot luck. Please bring finger food such as snack foods, desserts, veggies, or frozen cupcake size quiches, etc. Please make sure your items are ready to serve. Coffee will be provided. You may also bring your own beverage.

Bring a friend who attended Spring-Ford schools to fellowship with us.

Ladies Tea



Attention Ladies! You are cordially invited to the Ladies’ Tea on Thursday, May 10 beginning at 12 Noon in the SRC Dining Room. Doors open at 11:30 AM for seating (limited seating – no guests). The cost is \$15. Lunch will be served at 12 Noon followed by entertainment by Michael Kropp beginning at 2 PM (more information for Michael in the May Ridge Reporter) in the Auditorium. Bring your own favorite teacup and share some memories. Sign up in the SRC Office by Tuesday, May 1.

Menu: Mini Honey Mustard Chicken Salad Croissants; Mini Ham Salad (with Sweet Pickles) on Scallion Biscuit; Blueberry Cheesecake Crumb Mini Muffin Caramelized Bacon; Salad of Mixed Greens with Dried Cranberries and Toasted Notes w/Orange Balsamic Vinaigrette; Chocolate Dipped Strawberry; Assortment of Amy’s Small Pastry Slices.

Outside Games



Ken and Charlie have volunteered to oversee the outside games for this year. Watch the Ridge Reporter for more information on dates and times.

Card Club

Mahjong Mondays at 1 PM in the Club Room.

Pinochle Thursdays at 2 PM in the Game Room.

Mexican Train Dominoes

Tuesday evenings at 6 PM in the Club Room.

Hooks & Needles

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

Sewing Club

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

Book Club

Meets the first Monday at 2 PM in the Dining Room.

Lunch Bunch

Meets the 2nd Friday at various restaurants in the area.

Prayer Circle

Meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 9 AM in the Club Room.

SRC Singers

Rehearsals Thursdays at 4 PM in the Auditorium.

Wii Bowling

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

Game Nights

Meets the 1st Friday in the Club Room.

Computer & Social Media Discussion Group

Monthly on the 2nd Wednesday at 7 PM in the Club Room.

Bill Peiffer Bible Study

Meets the 2nd & 4th Wednesday at 10 AM in the Game Room.

Health Round Table

Meets the 2nd Tuesday at 1 PM in the Game Room.

Yoga

Meets Fridays at 9:30 AM in the Auditorium.

Liberty Bell Glass

Meets the 3rd Tuesday at 7 PM for refreshments with the meeting starting at 7:30 PM in the Dining Room.

Vietnam Veterans

Meets the 1st Tuesday at 7 PM in the Dining Room.

American Legion

Meets the 4th Thursday at 7 PM in the Club Room.

Social Committee

The next meeting is Monday, April 16 at 2:30 PM in the SRC Dining Room.

Monday – April 30 – Amish Meal at Esh’s Farmhouse and Tour **(TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED BY PERKIOMEN BUS)**

Enjoy a delicious Amish meal. Then our guide, formerly Amish, will enlighten us with information about their lifestyle, weddings, and more as we visit a quilt shop, candle shop and more. Cost includes meal, tips, tour guide and transportation.

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THERE IS A WAITING LIST – CALL JOYCE LEARY FOR AVAILABILITY

After March 16, the trip is open to AARP and Senior Center Members

PICK UP AT BEREAN PARKING LOT: 11:00 AM

Cost: \$45.00

Wednesday – May 9 – Rainbow Dinner Theater – “Whose Wife Is It Anyway?”

Enjoy buffet lunch at 11 AM at the theater then attend the show. Politicians can get away with a lot, but when the world’s most bumbling senator tries to pass off the wrong woman as his wife and thinks no one will notice, well what can we say?? Of course he’ll get caught!!! ...And when his own wife gets wind of it, we promise the laughs will leave you gasping for breath. Breathe easy though, this show is a real winner, even if the senator isn’t! Payment is required at time of sign-up.

RSVP to the SRC Office by TUESDAY, APRIL 17

LEAVE SRC: 9 AM

Cost: \$56.00 (Includes Driver & Lunch Tips)

Tuesday – May 15 – American Music Theatre – “Songs of the Silver Screen” **(This is a trip with AARP)**

Enjoy lunch payable on your own at The Olive Garden*. After lunch, enjoy “Songs of the Silver Screen”. Movie buffs of all ages will delight in this new, original production. Enjoy live performances from the AMT cast and band as they pay tribute to the biggest hits from movies past and present. You won’t want to miss the toe-tapping tribute of movie songs spanning decades of film making. This is a trip with AARP. Payment is required at time of sign-up.

**Lunch at your own expense.*

RSVP to the SRC Office by FRIDAY, APRIL 13

LEAVE BEREAN BIBLE CHURCH: 10:30 AM

Cost: \$65.00

Tuesday – June 12 – Cape May, NJ **(This is a trip with AARP)**

Enjoy a day in Cape May with a Historic Trolley Tour, an included lunch at Hemingway’s Restaurant and a tour of the Physick Estate with free time for shopping and browsing at the Washington Street Mall in downtown Cape May. This is a trip with AARP. Payment and meal choice* is required at time of sign-up.

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**Meal Choice of Salmon w/Caper Sauce or Pork Medallions.*

RSVP to the SRC Office by FRIDAY, MAY 4

LEAVE BEREAN BIBLE CHURCH: 8 AM

Cost: \$90.00

SAVE THE DATES

Friday	June 1	Ryers Horse Farm
Sunday	June 3	Steel River Playhouse “She Loves Me”
Saturday	June 9	Gettysburg Battlefield
Friday	June 29	Valley Forge Park Trolley Tour
Wednesday	July 11	Doolans at Spring Lake, NJ
Friday	July 27	Turkey Hill Experience