

November 2020



RIDGE REPORTER



Don't forget to change your clocks and "Fall Back" one hour on Sunday, November 1.

Manager's Memo . . .

I have received numerous requests that I open at least some additional parts of the Community Centers for social activities. I have also received requests that the dining areas and SRC motel rooms be made available to rent. While I understand the consequences on the mind and body when social isolation occurs, I believe contracting COVID-19 has the potential for much more dire results and, therefore, will continue to keep the community center restrictions in place.

Please know that I follow the guidance offered by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as well as that provided by our state and local agencies with jurisdiction over this matter. Since the onset of COVID-19 testing, I have also kept my own statistics of positive cases in our County as well as in our Township. As many of you know, numerous locations throughout the United States have recently seen significant increases in positive test results. Montgomery County positive test results are also on the rise over the past 2 weeks which I believe has been expected to some extent as we start to experience the colder weather in our region. However, I do not believe this increase is anywhere near that which other parts of the Country are seeing.

One positive note that I have taken from the data is something I observed specific to Lower Pottsgrove Township. Per the County's website, Lower Pottsgrove Township has recorded 117 positive COVID-19 cases to date. In further evaluating the cases, I have learned that only 9% of the cases were associated with individuals age 70 and older. Have any guess at which age group has the highest percentage of cases? Those between the age of 20-29 accounted for 25% while those 30-39 accounted 22%. My personal belief is that this age group is spending more time socializing in large group settings which puts them at greater risk of exposure to a carrier of COVID-19.

I believe our seniors population has done an outstanding job in preventing the acquisition of COVID-19 in our Township which includes our Communities. I, therefore, believe keeping our Community Centers restrictions in place will help in the continuation of these good results.

My continued thanks,

John



Returning Staff Member!

We are pleased to announce

Scott

has returned as a part-time member of our staff.

Scott was here a few years ago as part of the on-call team.

He will now be joining us to support the refurbishment process.

We are excited to have him back on our team.

Welcome Back Scott!

Office Closure & Trash Reschedule



A reminder that the Offices will be closed on Thursday & Friday, November 26 & 27 for the Thanksgiving holiday. **Trash AND Recyclables will ONLY be collected once that week on Wednesday, November 25.** Please do not put your trash out on Tuesday or Friday.

Trash Reminder

Please tie all trash bags (to prevent loose trash becoming a problem for the collectors) and rinse recycling. Shredded paper is trash and yard clippings must be separated from both trash and recycling. Although our trash crew can be delayed, our policy states that trash starts at 8 AM. If your trash is not out by 8 AM and gets missed, we ask you to either dispose of it yourself or hold onto it until the next trash day. Unless your trash is in a bin, we ask you to not leave it out over night due to animals.

Steve

We wish to thank Steve for over 20 years of service to residents of Sanatoga Ridge and Buchert Ridge Communities. Steve was very passionate about serving the residents and did an outstanding job managing our Facilities Department. Steve is pursuing other opportunities and we wish him nothing but the best. *Thank you, Steve!*

Contact Information

Please remember to keep the office informed of any contact information changes. If you have a cell phone, it is also helpful for the office to have that number in case your house phone is not working and we need to get in touch with you.

Political Signs

There have been numerous complaints received at the office regarding individuals posting political signs. There does not appear to be any official policy in place regarding these signs. However, after the election day, management will be developing a policy for future elections. While management understands the desire for freedom of speech, there are aesthetic issues to consider for the sake of the community as well as challenges to our landscaping contractor with the placement of the signs. In the meantime, we would appreciate if individuals could remove their political signs the day after the election.

Going Away for a Few Days?

We are excited that you get the opportunity to go away for a few days. However, please inform the Office of your absence. The Office occasionally gets calls from people concerned that they can't reach you or your mail, newspaper or packages are starting to pile up. If we know of your absence, it is an easy answer to let them know you are OK. For the safety of the Community, we ask that you let us know if someone will be getting your mail, going in your home or taking care of your pets. It is also helpful for the Office to have a contact number for you (or the person house-sitting for you) in case we need to reach you.

Community Decorating

Beginning in November, the SRC Staff will be decorating the community center, common areas and gazebos. Please feel free to decorate your homes and porches.

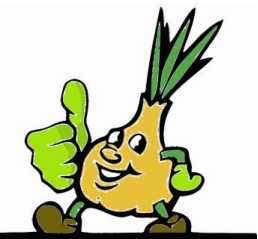
Pet Registration

We are a pet-friendly Community. Please make sure your pet is registered with the Office. When a staff member is dispatched to your home, this assists us in knowing that there is a pet in your home.

Green Thumbs

This year the green thumbs group was a success! Our community garden has never looked so good. We are excited to see our hard-working residents participate and cooperate in such a beautiful activity. Between the produce and the beauty, many families benefited due to the hard work and time put into making these gardens a success. We are thankful for everyone's help and are hoping that next year will be even better!

In order to give everyone a better start on the next season, we ask that the plots be completely emptied by November 20. You can leave all debris by the side of the shed in or around the wheelbarrow. If anyone is doing winter plants, bulbs, or produce for future years, please contact the office so we are aware.



Trees

Martin's Tree service will be starting the next phase of tree removal. The dates they will be at SRC will be November 14 and 15 (weather permitting). They will primarily be working around F section and E section. Martin has expressed he does not mind residents watching his crew work but we ask for you to keep your distance because of safety reasons. Please do not make requests of the crew.



Seasonal Maintenance Items

Hoses - Hoses in the front and back of your homes must be disconnected by November 13. Turning off the water is not enough. Water can back up and burst the pipe. If you need assistance disconnecting your hose, please call the office to schedule a staff visit.

Salt Bags – ***Snow, sleet, freezing rain, ice is just around the corner.*** Please be sure to call the office by November 13 if you would like a salt bag placed on your porch for the occasional icy areas that freeze overnight during the winter months. For planning and supply purposes, please call the office by the above deadline.

Before it Snows - Please remove all personal decorations such as flower pots, chairs, flag holders, bird houses, solar lights, etc. from the sides of your walkways and/or driveways. When covered by snow, these items cannot be seen and may become damaged by the snow removal crew. SRC will not be held responsible for damage to these items. Also, please make sure your mechanical room is latched to prevent frozen pipes.



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 for us to have permission to move your car and to clean it off.
- A set of your car keys will be kept and locked in our office for our snow crew to be able to move your car at their convenience 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 for us, then you will be responsible for clearing the snow around your car.
- Check your section map for appropriate parking locations during a snow event.

Temporary Grocery Shopping Program

Effective Saturday, October 31, the temporary grocery shopping will come to an end. We no longer have the volunteers nor staff to support this service.

This was a temporary program established to assist residents in obtaining essential needs from grocery stores when the COVID-19 stay at home mandate was established.

Volunteers completed the first grocery trip on March 20. Since that time, our volunteers have filled 505 orders amounting to \$20,777.87.

We would like to thank all the volunteers who gave countless hours shopping for our residents. They are Michele, Katie, Caroline, Joseph, Caleb and Emily.

To assist residents who have concerns with grocery shopping during COVID-19 or who are looking for the convenience of someone performing the shopping, we have researched businesses who provide these services for a modest price. As a resource only, the office has a flyer with a list of stores that have various programs available for grocery needs. You may use the community center computer if you do not have access to one at home. Should you need assistance establishing your account or completing your first order, a staff member will be available by appointment only to help you.

SRC/BRC neither endorses nor is associated with any of the services on this list. Please carefully read through the Terms and Conditions on any service you may choose to use. Most services require a minimum order, delivery or subscription fee (or a combination of all).



INSTACART Grocery Delivery – [Instacart.com](https://www.Instacart.com)



GIANT – [giantfoodstores.com](https://www.giantfoodstores.com)



SHIPT – [shipt.com/grocerydelivery](https://www.shipt.com/grocerydelivery)



WALMART – Pickup or Delivery –
[walmart.com/grocery](https://www.walmart.com/grocery)



drive up

TARGET PICKUP – [target.com](https://www.target.com)



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Lower Pottsgrove Police – Thanksgiving Food Drive

Thank you to all who contributed to the Lower Pottsgrove Police food to help support the Montgomery County Office of Children and Youth. *It is greatly appreciated!*

Christmas Child Project

November is the month of Thanksgiving when we should think about what we have to be thankful for, how blessed we are to live in such a beautiful community and have all the comforts that we have. There are many in our local area who are struggling to have necessary clothing or food. Barbara has volunteered to continue the Christmas Child Project which benefits the families through the Cluster of Churches, Genesis Pregnancy Care Center, 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 should be brought in November 1 through December 13.



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)
- If you prefer to contribute a monetary donation, please drop your donation in the office in-box on the wall. Your donation should be in an envelope with "CHRISTMAS CHILD" clearly marked.

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

Veteran's Day - November 11



Veterans Day occurs on November 11 every year in the United States in honor of the "eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month" of 1918 that signaled the end of World War I, known as Armistice Day.

In 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower officially changed the name of the holiday from Armistice Day to Veterans Day.

In 1968, the Uniform Holidays Bill was passed by Congress, which moved the celebration of Veterans Day to the fourth Monday in October. The law went into effect in 1971, but in 1975 President Gerald Ford returned Veterans Day to November 11, due to the important historical significance of the date.

Veterans Day commemorates veterans of all wars.



Happy Birthday!

- 4 Donald
Kathryn
- 6 Carol
- 11 Nora
Cathy
- 12 Marian
Ed
- 13 Leslie
- 15 Skip
Pat
- 16 JoAnn
Nancy
- 17 Doug
- 20 Leon
- 21 Marie
- 22 Muriel
- 23 Deborah
- 25 Vivian
- 26 Ruth
- 27 Marian
- 28 Nancy
Carol
Ann
- 29 Edie
Dennis
Elsie
- 30 Jeanette

Happy Anniversary!



- 2 Skip & Norma
- 3 Stephen & Cheryl
- 6 Bill & Gerry
- 21 Doug & Nancy
- 27 George & Bobbi

Welcome To The Neighborhood!

*We'd like to extend a warm welcome to our
newest resident!*

Please stop by and introduce yourself.



Bob
from Douglassville, PA.

Words on Wheels Bookmobile

The Bookmobile is here the 2nd & 4th Monday at
10 AM in the Community Center parking lot.





Ferko String Band Wednesday, November 11 from 1:00 to 2:30

Three members of the Ferko String Band will entertain us. They will come through SRC as shown below. You'll be able to see/hear them from your porch, or bring out a lawn chair, or follow from section to section if you like.

(Rain date is Thursday, November 12, same times)

1:00 Community Center / Sec D

1:07 Section A

1:15 Section B

1:22 Section C

1:30 Section E

1:37 Section F

1:44 Section G

1:52 Section N

2:00 Behind Apts, H and I

2:07 Behind Apts, J and K

2:14 Section L

2:20 Section M

2:30 Back to Community Center

Name Game Winners for "ALL"

Vivian (along with Sandy)	50
Nancy	44
We had a tie:	
Wanda	36
Dolores	36

You can play along with a partner if you like. The object of the game is to stimulate our minds and then have beautiful music going through our heads. We are amazed at "ALL" the songs and poems you thought of.

Happy Thanksgiving

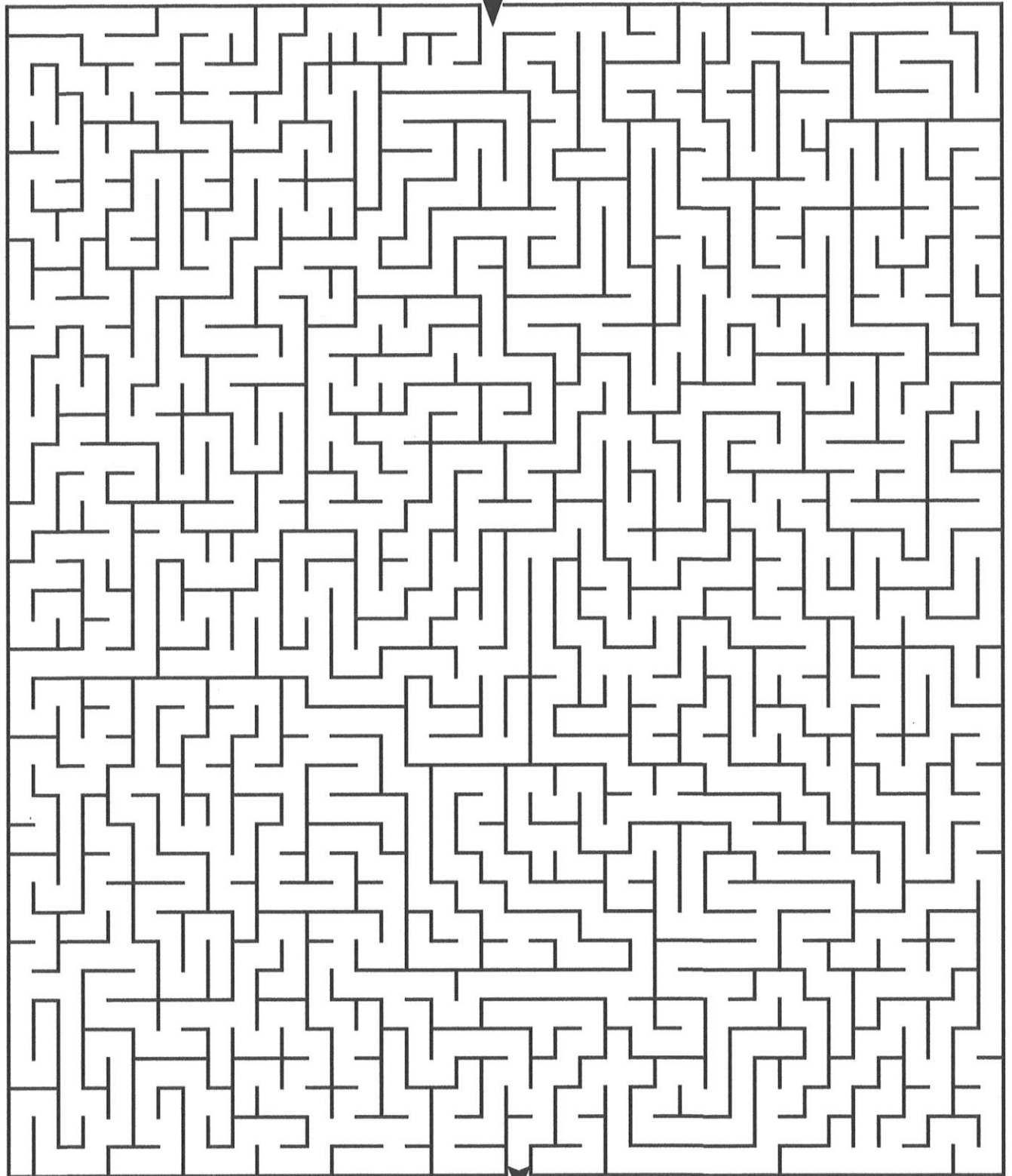
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START



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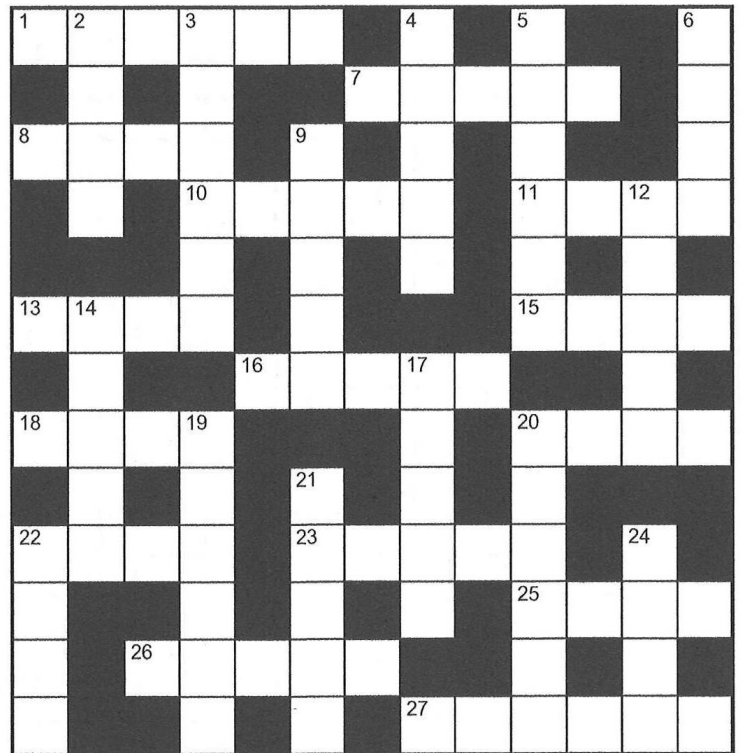
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Across

1. Not in physical motion (6)
7. Flown in wind at end of a string (5)
8. Polices (4)
10. A particular instance of buying or selling (5)
11. Not in active use (4)
13. Informal term for a difficult situation (4)
15. Man with strong sexual desires (4)
16. The least favorable outcome (5)
18. A thick flat pad used as a floor covering (4)
20. Comes across (4)
22. A ruminant mammal with antlers and hooves of the family Cervidae (4)
23. Once more (5)
25. The location where something is based (4)
26. Gross revenue (5)
27. Throw or cast away (6)



19. Disperse widely (6)
20. The meaning of a word or expression (6)
21. Charge per unit (5)
22. A prescribed selection of foods (4)
24. Growth of hair covering the scalp of a human being (4)

Down

2. A cooperative unit (4)
3. A small amount eaten or drunk (6)
4. Coated (5)
5. Having vision, not blind (6)
6. Construct (4)
9. Proportion (5)
12. Go away from a place (5)
14. Wipe off (5)
17. A thin paper or plastic tube used to suck liquids into the mouth (5)

