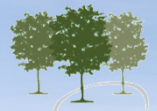


December 2019



SANATOGA RIDGE
COMMUNITY

RIDGE REPORTER

*From the Entire Staff Here at
Sanatoga Ridge Community*



Have a Wonderful Holiday Season!



Holiday Closings & Trash Schedule

A reminder that the Offices will be closed on:

- Christmas – Tuesday & Wednesday, December 24 & 25
- New Years – Wednesday, January 1, 2020

Christmas Week Schedule:

- Trash/Recyclables will NOT BE COLLECTED on Tuesday (December 24).
- Trash AND Recyclables will only be collected once for that week on Thursday, December 26.

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

Parking

Please note the changes for parking at the Community Center.

- For all bus trips and lunch bunch, parking should be in the lower end of the parking lot (farthest from the Community Center). This will allow room for residents and visitors to the Community Center.
- There are now 2 “SALES APPT” parking spaces in the upper parking lot (closest to the Community Center). These spaces are reserved for visitors coming for Sales Appointments. Please do not park in these spaces.

Seasonal Maintenance Items

Salt Bags - If you would like to have a salt bag for the winter months, please call the office. 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. It is important that nothing is placed on top of the heater or water heater.

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 and will turn on and off automatically.

Outdoor Seating Areas

All remaining chairs and benches (including at mailbox areas) will be removed for the winter season. Removal of these items is necessary to avoid damage during the winter.

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.

Yard Clippings – Tuesday Pickups

We will be collecting yard clippings on Tuesdays during the trash pickup. Please put the clippings out with your regular trash. Do not place the clippings in bags. While your trash may have been picked up and the clippings left behind, we will be through again just to collect the yard clippings. For special cases, call the office to be put on the schedule to have them removed.

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. Keep in mind that candles can blacken the walls and ceilings.

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. It is important that nothing is placed on top of the heater or water heater.

Dishwasher Detergent

It has been recommended that dishwasher users should not use liquid or powdered soaps in their dishwashers as they do not dissolve properly. Dishwasher detergent packets should be used 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.



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, 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 must be dropped off by Friday, 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)
- 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 Dues

A box will be provided at the Resident Committee Christmas Luncheon to collect the 2020 Resident Dues (\$5.00 per resident). Dues should be put in an envelope with your name and unit number. You can place the envelope in the box at the luncheon or in the mail slot to the left of the Office window.

Christmas Carolers

You may see carolers strolling 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 13. We will forward the gift to Mike (he was out for a few weeks due to a surgery and is often pulled into the main post office). A box will be on the counter during office hours. 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.

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.



Resident Christmas Luncheon

- For those of you that have signed up, the Luncheon will be on Friday, December 6 at 11:30 AM at Berean Bible Church.
 - Since the sanctuary is being remodeled, please enter through the side doors only.
 - The doors will open at 10:30 AM.
 - Please sign in by 11:15 AM at the latest, so the meal can begin promptly at 11:30 AM.
- Remember to bring your ticket to be eligible to win a door prize.
 - 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 Thursday, 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.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

As a result of a few unfortunate experiences where residents were in need of help and no one was aware of their need, the Residents’ Committee passed a motion to establish a procedure whereby you would have the opportunity to regularly communicate with another resident to assure them of your well-being.

If you wish to participate in this program, please follow these simple instructions.

- Telephone the office and tell them you would like to be placed on the list of persons desiring to have a communication “buddy.”
- Tell the office how frequently you would like to telephone your “buddy” in order to ensure him/her of your well-being. This can be once a day, every other day, etc.
Note: After you telephone the office with your request, the coordinator will be contacted, and a resident volunteer will be asked to be your communication “buddy.”
- After you are provided with the volunteer’s name and telephone number, it is your responsibility to telephone the assigned volunteer as many times per week as agreed upon. If you go away for a few days or longer, you must make the volunteer aware of your absence; otherwise, it will be assumed that you are in need of help, and an effort will be made to check on your well-being.
- If your communication “buddy” goes away for a few days or more, let the office know and an effort will be made to provide you with the name and telephone number of a temporary “buddy.”



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DECEMBER***
Will be back in January

Words on Wheels Bookmobile

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



State Representative Joe Ciresi – Satellite Office

Representative Ciresi will be in the Game Room the 3rd Tuesday of every month from 10 AM to 12 Noon.



SRC Singers Holiday Concert

Bring a friend to enjoy the SRC Singers' Holiday Concert on Sunday, December 1 at 3 PM in the SRC Auditorium. Admission is free. Light refreshments will be served.

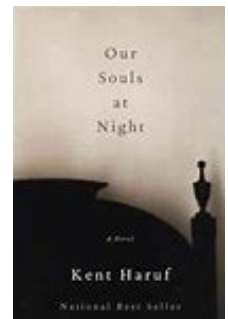
Resident Committee Meeting

The Resident Committee Meeting is Monday, December 2 at 9:30 AM in the SRC Auditorium. Prior to the meeting, join fellow residents at 9 AM in the Club Room for donuts, fruit, coffee, and tea.



Book Club

The Book Club meets the 1st Monday of each month at 2 PM in the SRC Dining Room. The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane by Lisa Lee will be discussed at the December 2 meeting. January's book will be Our Souls at Night by Kent Haruf.



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Blessing Bags for the Homeless

Blessing Bags for the Homeless will be prepared in the SRC Dining Room on Saturday, December 7 at 1 PM. Donations of small food snacks, juice boxes, socks, gloves and hats will be accepted. For more information, please contact Julie. Julie is the daughter of Bernadette (one of our newest residents).



Premiere Dance Studio

Let us entertain you! Dancing, beautiful costumes and smiles coming your way. Premiere Dance Studio is bringing their dance performance to you! Dancers, ages 4 to 14, will be performing on Sunday, December 8 at 1:30 PM in the Auditorium. This is a free event and open to the public



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.

**Thursday, December 12 at 10:30 AM
in the SRC Auditorium**

Computer & Social Media – CANCELLED FOR DECEMBER
(unless you contact Ed requesting help)

Re-Creation

Re-Creation will be presenting their Christmas Program on Saturday, December 14 at 7 PM. See the Flyer in the Library for more information.

Wii Bowling

Competition continues Wednesday, December 18 at 2 PM in the Club Room with the Grey Team leading.



Movie Night – CANCELLED FOR DECEMBER

Pot Luck Prep Committee

Planning for the New Year's Eve celebration will be held 2 PM Friday, December 27.



New Year's Eve
It's time to say goodbye to 2019
and hello to 2020!

- Date:** Tuesday, December 31
- Time:** 6:00 PM until you decide to return home
- Location:** SRC Community Center
- Food:** Each person (or couple) should bring one or more hearty appetizer or dessert
- Beverages:** Will be provided
- Games:** Whatever games you choose. Many are available, or you may bring a favorite game.
The game room will be open for shooting pool, watching TV or just relaxing.
The Wii Bowling Lanes will also be open.
- RSVP:** Call the Office by Friday, December 27

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Grocery Shopping – Landis Supermarket or Redner's

Mondays at 10:30 AM. Call the SRC office to be placed on the list for pick-up.

Card Club

Mah Jongg Mondays at 1 PM - Club Room

Pinochle Thursdays at 2 PM - Dining Room

Mexican Train Dominoes

Tuesdays at 6 PM - Club Room

Hooks & Needles

1st and 3rd Thursdays at 1 PM - Club Room

Sewing Club

1st and 3rd Fridays at 9:30 AM - Sewing Room

Book Club

1st Monday at 2 PM - Dining Room

Lunch Bunch

2nd Friday at various restaurants in the area

SRC Singers

Practice Thursdays at 4 PM - Auditorium

Wii Bowling

3rd Wednesday at 2 PM - Club Room

Movie Night

Various movies shown the 3rd Friday - Auditorium. Doors open at 5:30 PM.

Movie starts at 6 PM.

Representative Ciresi

3rd Tuesday at 10 AM - Game Room

Senator Muth

4th Friday at 10 AM - Game Room

Game Night

1st Friday - Club Room

(Meal at 5 PM if applicable; Games at 6 PM)

Computer & Social Media Discussion Group

2nd Wednesday at 7 PM – Club Room.

Yoga

Fridays at 9:30 AM - Auditorium

Liberty Bell Glass

On Winter Hiatus. Meetings will resume in April.

Vietnam Veterans

2nd Tuesday at 7 PM - Dining Room

American Legion

4th Thursday at 7 PM - Club Room

WOW Bookmobile

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

Bus Trips

Various days throughout the month. Pay attention to RSVP dates – some fill up quickly. Watch who to make checks payable to for a trip. Feet mean amount of walking.

No assigned seating on bus.

First come – first choice basis.

Roundtable Meeting

**NO MEETING IN
DECEMBER.**

Social Committee

Monday, December 16 at
2:30 PM in the Dining Room.

Thursday – December 5 – American Music Theatre “Joy to the World”

(This is a trip with AARP)

The ringing of church bells in a quaint town square sets the scene for “Joy to the World” at AMT. The incredible AMT Singers, Dancers and Orchestra will perform favorites such as “Away in a Manger”, “Jingle Bells”, “Hark the Herald Angels Sing”, to name a few. A delicious plated meal will be enjoyed at the Cork & Cap Restaurant before the show. Meal choices to be announced.

RSVP to Carol by Friday, November 8

LEAVE BEREAN BIBLE CHURCH: 10:30 AM

Cost: \$95.00 - Checks Payable to New Hanover AARP

Wednesday – December 18 – Holiday Light Tour and Coventry Parlor

Your trip will begin with a tour of holiday lights and decorations throughout the area. The final stop before turning home will be at the Coventry Parlor for ice cream (at your own expense).

RSVP to the Office by Tuesday, December 17.

LEAVE SRC: 5:30 PM

Cost: \$0

Thursday – December 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, November 1.

LEAVE SRC: 9:30 AM

Cost: \$61.00

What Did I Miss?



“Awesome, Amazing and Beautiful!”

Words alone can't describe the beauty experienced at the Bryn Athyn cathedral. Travelers from SRC also visited Cairnwood, Glencairn Museum and enjoyed lunch at the Garden house.

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.