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*I hope you don't mind that  
I put down in words how  
wonderful life is while  
you're in the world.*

—ELTON JOHN

**JOIN THE PROGRAM CLUB  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2026  
AT 7 PM...**

**50 CHILDREN**

*The Rescue Mission of  
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A Documentary Film produced & directed by Steven Pressman  
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**Wednesday March 25, 2026 • 7PM**

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IN SPRING 1939, a Philadelphia Jewish couple, Gilbert and Eleanor Kraus, with the support of Brith Sholom, embarked on a bold plan to rescue 50 Jewish children from Nazi-occupied Vienna.

Kurt Herman, 9 years old, was one of the children rescued in this Kindertransport to Philadelphia.

The film based on Eleanor Kraus' memoir, *Don't Wave Goodbye*, tells the gripping story of two ordinary people who became extraordinary heroes.

Shari Herman Glauser, Kurt Herman's daughter and a board member of the Holocaust Awareness Museum, will share Kurt's story as a Holocaust survivor and her experience as a second generation family member. She has been sharing Kurt's story for 12 years to keep his story alive and to encourage and support second generation family members in telling their stories.

**50 CHILDREN: FILM AND DISCUSSION**

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Sign-ups and payments accepted until Wednesday, March 18, 2026.

**We invite you to join the Lunch Bunch on  
Thursday, March 26th  
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Grey Stone Inn**



**Time:** Noon

**Location:** 552 Washington Crossing Road, Newtown

**Cost:** \$40 p/p

**Menu:**

- Greystone Salad
- Entrée (Choose 1)
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  - ☐ Vodka Rigatoni (vegetarian)
- Dessert: Tiramisu
- Soft drinks, tea, coffee

**Limited Seating. Please RSVP by March 10.**

Please drop off your non-refundable check for \$40 payable to The Villas at Five Ponds Social Committee with your entrée selection to Diane Polsky, 84 Villa Drive, 203-733-3929. **Lunch: March 26 • Snow Date: March 27**

**GREY STONE INN**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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**Entrée choice** (please select one)...

☐ Chicken ☐ Salmon ☐ Gluten free Salmon ☐ Pasta

Seating Request (up to 8) \_\_\_\_\_

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### A NOTE: From Lemus Construction

Hi Amy,

We are happy to report that the last resident paid their balance in full as of January 9, 2026.

Additionally, all roof certification letters and warranty copies have been sent to all residents.

On behalf of the team, we want to thank you and the board again for your collaboration and support throughout this roofing project. We believe the new roofs provide significant durability and longevity to the buildings while greatly enhancing the community's curb appeal.

Best regards,

Debora Borzillo, Lemus Construction

### REPRINT OF A PORTION OF APPENDIX P FROM OUR COMMUNITY RULES.

It is not recommended that the homeowner use rock salt (sodium chloride) on the concrete entry and/or service walk as this product could cause damage, erosion and/or pitting to the concrete surface. It is recommended that calcium chloride, or a similar product be used on concrete surfaces. The Association recommends that throughout the year, the winter season varying and being unpredictable, each homeowner keeps an available supply (bag or container) of calcium chloride, e.g., in the garage, for their

personal use in ice mitigation. Both rock salt (sodium chloride) and calcium chloride are acceptable products for deicing on asphalt (driveway) surfaces.

### SNOW INFORMATION

From our "by-laws", which one might say is the "constitution" of the Villas at Five Ponds. These can only be changed by a majority vote of all homeowners, since increasing service responsibilities would cost all more money, conversely decreasing them would lead to lower costs.

#### "Exhibit 8.02"

"Maintenance obligations of the Association..."

1. Snow removal on driveways where snowfall, is in excess of 2 inches and private walkways leading to the front door.....". From our rules, which can be changed by a majority vote of the elected VFP Board.

"At no time and under no conditions is the Association or its Contractor or Contractors responsible for ice mediation and /or ice control which responsibility for all de-icing in all events, and at all times, remain the sole and exclusive responsibility of the homeowner."

"The Association, at its sole and exclusive discretion, may, as a courtesy and convenience to homeowners, but is not required to perform initial (only) for and on behalf of its homeowners ....."

Keep in mind salt alone does not melt "ice", it takes some or all of the following:

- Moderating temperatures and or some sun
- Road friction of vehicles driving over it. (Note: Besides the extra salt, this why the roads were more clear than driveways....more friction by being driven over far more than a driveway.)
- Rain with moderating temperatures. (Note: This what happened on Monday.)

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Allen Bornstein, Ashlee Check, Deena Check

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**FRIDAY, MARCH 13th, 2026 at 7:30 PM**

- Check-in begins at 7 PM • Movie begins promptly at 7:30 PM
- Refreshments will be served
- No Walk-Ins • Reservations Required
- **Deadline for reservations: Wednesday, March 11th, 2026**
- Cost: **\$3 per person**

**Questions?** Call Beth Edelman, 215-407-0177, Jimmie Edelman, 215-470-7212, Susan Budman, 215-858-3614 or Alan Budman, 215-858-9314.

## JERRY AND MARGE GO LARGE

Please send your non-refundable payment made out to "Villas at Five Ponds Social Committee" along with this coupon to Beth and Jimmie Edelman, 201 Fairway Drive.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Number of people \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# Book Reviews NON-FICTION • FICTION

## **"BROKEN COUNTRY" BY CLARE LESLIE HALL** ■ SHARYN POLSKY, BOOK REVIEWER

BROKEN COUNTRY tackles the death of a child; infidelity; murder; emotionally detached parents; and the loss of first love. The book is set in a small town in the English countryside. Beth and her husband Frank seem happily married and content with their life on the farm despite the tragic death of their son, Bobby at the age of nine.

While tending their sheep, a neighbor's dog attacks the flock. Frank's younger brother, James, shoots the dog to protect the sheep. James has always been volatile since the death of their mother in a farm accident when the boys were young.

It turns out that the dog belongs to Leo, the young son of Gabriel who was Beth's romantic interest when she was a young woman. Gabriel has returned to the small village where Beth and Frank live.

The novel transitions from the present to the past and back again. We learn that Beth was pregnant when Frank, a school-

mate, proposed marriage to Beth and vowed to raise the child as his own. He always loved her from afar.

Gabriel was the love of her life when she was young. He came from a wealthy family and his mother did not feel Beth was a suitable match for him and did much behind the scenes to destroy their romance.

Unfortunately Beth got hold of Gabriel's diary and concluded erroneously that he was having an affair with another woman. Fast forward to the present time around 1960, Beth decides to give Leo a puppy to console him after his dog was killed. She feels she could help Leo train the puppy so she volunteers to watch Leo after he returns from school. Also, Leo reminds her of the son she lost.

The story evolves as Beth has to decide if she will continue her present life as it is with Frank or will she reignite her passion with Gabriel.

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■ DONNA BESIGNANO

JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS for a friendly, pickup game of either Rummikub, Mexican Train Dominoes or Sequence.

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We get together EVERY Thursday at 7 PM in the Clubhouse and play according to the following schedule:

1st & 3rd Thursdays—Mexican Train Dominoes

2nd & 4th Thursdays—Rummikub

5th Thursdays—Sequence OR Players Choice

(Check the calendar in *The Villa's Voice* for any changes to the regular schedule.)

For questions, call Donna Besignano 908-672-1092.

NOTE: If it is a Rummikub night and you have a game, please bring it along to make sure that we have enough.

### PING PONG PLAYERS WANTED!

■ JOE KWIA TEK

PING PONG is played every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 2 to 3:30 PM in the Clubhouse Sports Lounge. Join us.

For information, talk to us in the Clubhouse while we play.

# I ♥ PING PONG



### JOIN US AT THE 5 PONDS KNITTING & CRAFTING GROUP

*Are you creative? Can you read a pattern?*

■ DONNA BESIGNANO

LOOK FOR US on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 7 PM in the Clubhouse.

(Check the calendar in *The Villa's Voice* for any changes to the regular schedule.)

Bring your own portable craft that you are working on and enjoy the friendship of the evening.

Questions? Call Donna Besignano 908-672-1092.



### YOGA CLASSES ■ RON DORFMAN

THERE IS A NEW SESSION AVAILABLE of our Chair Yoga class. The next Friday class begins on February 27, 2026 at 10:30 AM in the clubhouse. Monday sessions continue throughout February.

Also, a Mat Yoga class began on December 17th at 9:30 AM. Anyone interested in joining any of the classes, please contact Sue Tonik at 267-987-4059 or by email at pepita5210@aol.com.

### PROJECT LINUS GROUP PROJECT!

■ KATHY O'BRIEN

THIS CHILD'S fleece blanket was recently completed by our community volunteers for Project Linus. It is so rewarding to provide security and comfort to children with this easy group project.

We get together in the Clubhouse on the third Wednesday of each month at 1:30 PM. We'd love to have you join us.

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SOLD	95 Villa Drive	\$680,000
SOLD	159 Villa Drive	\$725,000

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*Jake Samson works on the Data Science team at Aramark Sports & Entertainment after completing a Masters of Business Analytics with a Sports Business Concentration at Drexel University. Jake is the grandson of longtime residents Beverly and Larry Samson.*

## THE EAGLES FLAME OUT

■ JAKE SAMSON,  
THE VILLA'S VOICE GUEST SPORTS REPORTER

IT WASN'T TOO MUCH OF A SURPRISE, to be frank. After a majority of the games being rather offensive struggles, the Eagles defense couldn't bail them out yet again, and it resulted in a first round defeat (at home) to the San Francisco 49ers. The final game was honestly a microcosm of the entire regular season. The team hung in there for the first half, with a mix of some component offensive play but mainly the defense keeping the opponents out of the end zone. However, the somewhat competency of the offense turned into mediocrity, and it became too tall of a task for the defense to continue to shoulder the load.

So, where do we go from here? The oft-maligned offensive coordinator Kevin Patullo barely got the chance to pack his things up before he was fired the day after the playoff debacle. They will look to have a new more innovative play caller (we have heard that, plenty) as we head into next season. Although the star players

should be returning (AJ Brown being the question mark, we will get there), there are a lot of pieces that the Birds may let walk as their contracts have run out. The top 3 tight ends on the depth chart, Fred Johnson, Jaelen Phillips, Nakobe Dean, Reed Blankenship, and Adoree Jackson may find themselves with some more lucrative, long-term contracts on different teams in 2026.

AJ Brown was a bother throughout the season once again. He is a Top 10 wide receiver who may not be worth the headache. Drama just follows this guy, and it was a struggle to keep defending him week after week. He gave his jerseys to some of the younger players on the team when he departed last Sunday, and it makes me think that he will be dealt somewhere else before training camp begins.

One player I will continue to defend Jalen Hurts. He's coming off of a Super Bowl MVP. I concur on the fact that it was not a pretty season when it came to the offense being stuck in mud, but how much that was on him? I really can't tell. He has earned another season (or two, don't tell Philly sports radio) where he can bounce back.

Overall, this season wasn't a failure, but it was much closer to that than it was a success. In what was a very open NFC, they most certainly had a chance, even with a mediocre offense, to get to the NFC Championship game. They didn't sniff that. Luckily, most of the impact players that were on the Super Bowl winning team will be back yet again in 2026. No need to go full panic mode!

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**Tuesday, April 14**

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# THE VILLAS AT FIVE PONDS HOLIDAY PARTY 2025



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# Milestones, & Memories, & Messages

THIS SECTION features personal community messages, extended family notes, and special events. Your free listing is welcomed.

Please provide information and/or photo via email by the 15th of the month preceding publication. Send to: [RonaldDorfmanDesign@comcast.net](mailto:RonaldDorfmanDesign@comcast.net)



## Thank You

THANKS TO EVERYONE who called, text and sent cards during my hospital stays and recuperation period. It was greatly appreciated.

~Pete Kains



◀ A FESTIVE "All Holiday Happy Hour" was hosted by our talented Program Club and enjoyed by all on December 5th, 2025. Thanks to the hard work of our dedicated volunteers & delicious treats provided by our residents.

## GOOD NEWS in the NEIGHBORHOOD

### OH WHAT A NIGHT!!! ■ JOANNE TEVERE

THE CLUB HOUSE BUNCO NIGHT was a rip-roaring success.

Outbursts of "Bunko" were heard through the room, the bell would ring and then you heard the clatter of chairs as everyone changed tables and changed partners. Everyone certainly got in their exercise for the day.

The food— oh the food! Can you say "cheese"? The baked ziti was full of ricotta and mozzarella with rich and tangy gravy (yes, I said "gravy".) The many meatballs were soft and full of spices. A salad with home made dressing and fresh Italian bread completed the night's fare.

Let's give praise where praise is due, Arlene Montevidoni, Christine Rusinko, Mary Lou Nodiff and I put on that cart du jour. It was a lot of work, but we had so much fun doing it. Of course we had to have a meatball sandwich for lunch to make sure they were perfect.

We couldn't have done it without the musclemen: Steve Rusinko, Rich Montevidoni, and Anthony Tevere who carted that heavy Baked Ziti and pots of meatballs to the Clubhouse and took them in and out of the oven as necessary.

Sam Feldman was our Ringleader who was at the microphone keeping the night moving with ease and levity.

This was the rest of our team who, in addition to the above, made copies, shopped, contributed ideas, monitored the game, set up, broke down, and cleaned up: Larry Nodiff, Donna Besignano, Joe Kwiatek, Jack and Wendy Cohen, Barbara Feldman and the many other unnamed who helped.

Cash prizes were awarded for biggest winner, second winner, biggest loser and most Bunco.

The night was so much fun, but more importantly, it was an opportunity for people who lived in the same community for years to get to know neighbors they never knew they had. At every change of table you got to know and laugh with someone new. I think just that aspect of the game made all the work worthwhile.



## FIREPLACE BATTERY BACKUP

■ RON DORFMAN

VILLAS AT FIVE PONDS GAS FIREPLACES are beautiful decorative accents in many of our homes, and in case of a power outage, may serve as a temporary source of warmth.

If your fireplace was an original installation by McGrath Builders, it should have an emergency back-up battery housing located under the fireplace grate.

As a VFP pioneer, my 20-year-old fireplace has an intermittent pilot ignition system, which requires electricity controlled by a wall switch to spark the pilot flame each time it's used. However, in case of a power outage you need an alternate source of ignition.

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## SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

■ AILEEN SALUS, CHAIR

I AM WRITING THIS ARTICLE looking out my window at the historic snow and ice storm on Sunday, January 25; looking forward to warmer weather and events that will take place in our community.

On Friday, March 13 join the Movie Club to see 'Jerry and Marge Go Large'. Please see Beth and Jimmie Edelman, 201 Fairway Drive to sign up.

On Wednesday, March 25, the Programs Club has arranged for the following speaker, Shari Herman Glauser who will present a documentary film about her dad, Kurt Herman a Holocaust survivor. This not only will be interesting but also very timely. Please see Suzanne Yeager or Kathy Lunde for more information.

The Lunch Bunch is planning their next event on Thursday, March 26 at the Greystone Inn, 552 Washington Crossing Road, Newtown. The cost is \$40 per person. This event is hosted by Rita Solofsky, Shari Glauser and Sheryl Senders. These luncheons are always a lovely day out.



## HELP IS AVAILABLE! ■ MARY LANGDON

IF YOU ARE RECOVERING from an illness or are home-bound we would like to help. Would you like a visit? Need errands run?

Please consider using Helping Hands. We have "Hands" ready to assist the needs of our residents. Contact Mary Langdon, 30 Villa Drive, 215-441-8093.

## HELPING HANDS CLUB

■ MARY LANGDON, CHAIR

TO OUR NEIGHBORS who are celebrating a birthday or anniversary during the month of February, the Helping Hands Club of The Villas at Five Ponds wish you a happy day.

- GET WELL WISHES to those who are ill.

Please tell us if you know of anyone who is ill/hospitalized, lost a loved one, or just needs a "helping hand."

Contact Mary Langdon, 30 Villa Drive, 215-441-8093.





### Social Committee

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### Calendar

**Chair:**  
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### Cooking Club

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### Day Trips Club

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### Helping Hands Club

**Chair:** Mary Langdon, 30 Villa Drive  
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### Lunch Bunch Club

**Chair:**  
Diane Polsky, 84 Villa Drive  
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### Memorial Day

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Finally, it must be pointed out the elected Villas at Five Ponds Board must do its best to operate within our community's current by-laws and rules and make decisions accordingly.

Please also note; any change made to the by-laws and or rules under the processes laid out in them, that requires the Association to provide more or additional services, would require either an adjustment upward in the budget, hence an increase in our monthly or a special assessment in order pay for the increase services.

#### EBLAST REPEATED MESSAGE

*Note: If you are reading this eBlast, you have an e-mail on file with Continental Property Management.*

With that said, on January 8, 2026, you should have received an e-mail from Continental Management inviting you to log onto their new Portal. The eMail provided you with:

Your Username and a Temporary Password, which you should change once you log in the first time.

*Note: If you have an e-mail on file, and you did not get the invitation to log onto Continental Management's new portal or you think you might have deleted it by mistake, please call 215-343-1550 and tell them you need the email invitation to log onto the portal. Note: This is the exception, It appear since each home has only one account number.....thus there was only one log invitation e-mail sent per home.*

The Board is strongly urging all homes to log onto the Continental Property Management portal ([home.cpm975.com](http://home.cpm975.com)) and follow the instructions in the January 8th e-mail.

*Note: The implementation of the use of this portal is what caused the delay in pulling of the funds from those who are set up on automatic withdrawals or cashing of checks that you sent in.*

If you need a coupon book, you can either call Continental or log onto the old portal [cpm975.com](http://cpm975.com) and on the home page on the top right hand corner you can launch the link "Coupon Request|Homeowner Portal" and complete the form or log onto the new portal [home.cpm975.com](http://home.cpm975.com) and submit a general request.

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■ RON DORFMAN

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**MARCH 25.** Program Club, "50 Children: The Rescue Mission...", 7 PM.

**MARCH 26.** Lunch Bunch, "Greystone Inn."

**APRIL 14.** BINGO, 7 PM.

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## FEBRUARY 2026

# Calendar

■ AILEEN SALUS, (215-441-9339)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Chair Yoga, Multipurpose Room, 10:30 AM	3 Water Aerobics, 11:30 AM	4 Mat Yoga, 9:30 AM  Singles Club, 7 PM.	5 Table Games, Multipurpose Room, 7 PM	6 Chair Yoga, Multipurpose Room, 10:30 AM	7
8	9 Chair Yoga, Multipurpose Room, 10:30 AM	10 Water Aerobics, 11:30 AM	11 Mat Yoga, 9:30 AM  Knitting & Crafting Club, Clubhouse, 7 PM	12 Table Games, Multipurpose Room, 7 PM	13 Chair Yoga, Multipurpose Room, 10:30 AM	14  VALENTINE'S DAY
15	16 Chair Yoga, Multipurpose Room, 10:30 AM	17 Water Aerobics, 11:30 AM	18 Mat Yoga, 9:30 AM  Project Linus Multipurpose Room, 1:30 PM	19 Table Games, Multipurpose Room, 7 PM	20 Chair Yoga, Multipurpose Room, 10:30 AM	21
22	23 Chair Yoga, Multipurpose Room, 10:30 AM	24 Water Aerobics, 11:30 AM	25 Mat Yoga, 9:30 AM  Knitting & Crafting Club, Clubhouse, 7 PM	26 Table Games, Multipurpose Room, 7 PM	27 Chair Yoga, Multipurpose Room, 10:30 AM	28

### JANUARY 2026

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### MARCH 2026

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