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BUCHERT
RIDGE COMMUNITY



Please be kind, respectful and considerate

There is a lot of turmoil in the world today. Please remember to respect each other's opinions and views. Also remember that opinions and views are personal and not everyone is comfortable or willing to discuss them.

Trash & Recycle Policy

BRC has trash collection twice a week. All trash must be placed at the end of your front sidewalks on Monday and Thursday mornings by **8:00 AM.** If residents put their trash out later than 8 AM, they will be responsible for disposing of their own trash.

SRC Community Center Roof Replacement

Within the next few weeks, the SRC Community Center Roof will be replaced. Prior to commencing the project, a letter will be distributed to all residents containing more details.

For everyone's safety, it is imperative that all residents follow safety precautions established around the perimeter of the Community Center.







It's exercise, it doesn't cost anything, and it makes you feel good!

ATTENTION!! EMERGENCIES

Please take the time to read the following IMPORTANT information:

MEDICAL/SAFETY EMERGENCIES

- CALL 911 for ALL medical or safety emergencies.
 - o Minutes matter in an emergency: Don't delay! Call right away!
- As an independent living community, SRC/BRC provides NO MEDICAL SERVICES OR STAFF. We cannot provide any type of medical assistance other than calling 911.
- All residents are strongly encouraged to have a medical emergency alert system.
 - o These systems make emergency services available to you at the touch of a button in the event of a fall or other medical emergency.
 - Medical Alert systems can be purchased through various services.
 - Residents may call the office for a list of resources.
 - Vital Link brochures are available in the Community Center.
 - Be sure to mention that you are a resident in SRC or BRC to receive a special discount.
 - Residents may secure a key in a lock box attached to their front doorknob and provide the combination to the medical alert system company. The code would allow access to emergency services.
 - Residents are encouraged to add the On-Call phone number as a secondary contact to the list of contacts on file with the medical alert system company.
 - When notified that a resident's alert system has been activated, On-Call staff will go to a resident's home to stay with them until emergency services arrive and will also ensure the home is secured if the resident is taken to the hospital.

MAINTENANCE EMERGENCIES

- The SRC/BRC On-Call system is for URGENT MAINTENANCE ISSUES and should NOT be used for medical or safety emergencies.
 - o Residents who have an On-Call **box** are REQUIRED to have an **active** landline phone connection. The On-Call box will not work without an active landline.
 - o The On-Call box directly dials our On-Call staff.
 - Once the call is connected to the staff member, communication occurs through the on-call box.
 - Residents are encouraged to dial the On-Call number directly to establish a clear connection at 610-326-4043.
- Examples of urgent maintenance include: No heat; no air conditioning; leaking pipe; chirping smoke detectors; refrigerator not cold.
- All non-urgent maintenance and grounds issues should be called into the office not to the On-Call system.
 - o Leave a detailed message. Your request will be entered into our work order system.

Mechanical Room Storage

The equipment in the mechanical room needs to be accessible by our staff and contractors. Mechanical rooms are not to be used as an additional storage area for your home. In addition, furniture and other heavy items should not be placed in front of the mechanical room access doors.

Air Conditioners

Turning the air on late during a hot day may limit the unit's ability to catch up and cool your home. For better efficiency, do not keep turning the unit on and off. It's better to set it and forget it. Do not delay in reporting HVAC problems to the office.



Personal Information Reminder

Please remember to inform the office if your personal information changes during the year. Information kept at the office includes:

- Phone Number(s)
- Emergency Contact Information
- Power of Attorney (POA) information
- Pet Registration (especially if you get a new pet)

Maintenance/Landscape Issues Place Work Order ASAP

It is important to call the office to place a work order as soon as you notice an issue. Postponing the reporting of landscape/maintenance issues, especially regarding appliances, can result in further damage, warranty expiration, or lengthy delays in obtaining parts and service. While we do our best to accommodate residents' preferences, we must work on appliances, etc. according to our maintenance schedule in order to ensure we resolve issues as efficiently as possible.

Additionally, we may need to return to your home to follow up on certain work orders, including appliance repairs. At times, this may occur when residents are not home.



After Hours Messages

Office hours are Monday through Friday from 9 AM to 4 PM. The office is closed for lunch between 12 Noon and 1 PM. Once the office is closed at the end of the day, phone messages are not checked until the next business day. Urgent maintenance issues as described on the previous page should be called into the on-call line at 610-326-4043 (e.g., air conditioner not working, pipe leaking).

PECO – Power Outages

Typically, power outages affect more than one home. If you are experiencing a power outage in your home, check with your neighbors to see if they are also experiencing loss of power. If both homes are out of power, <u>call PECO directly</u>.

Each home has its own account with PECO.
Each resident (home) needs to report an outage to
PECO directly when one occurs. Call: 1-800-841-4141

Perhaps "neighbors can check on neighbors" who might need help calling PECO to report the power being off.

IMPORTANT: All residents should have a back-up plan, especially if you have medical equipment that requires electric (e.g., oxygen).

You will still have water during a power outage.

Hose Connections

Please turn off the water to your hose when you are done. If the hose were to burst or the sprayer malfunction, water would be running uncontrolled. This is especially dangerous for people who have hose connections in the garages and mechanical rooms. In those cases, it could flood the house.





Porch Washing

Front porch washing will be completed in August. Patio enclosures, patios, and porch pads will not be done. We are so thankful for our team members for doing a wonderful job!

Power Washing Patio Enclosures

We appreciate the help our residents receive from family members and friends. However, please **do not power wash patio enclosures**. Power washing causes water leaks and could result in extensive damage. Patio enclosures may be **handwashed**. Please do not wash another resident's enclosure without their express permission.

All Payments By Check Only

For accounting purposes, cash is not accepted in the SRC/BRC Offices. If you need to make a payment for dues, a trip, event, invoice, stamps, etc., please write a check payable to either SRC or BRC (whichever is appropriate), place it in an envelope with <u>your name</u> including <u>your address</u>, and place the envelope in the Office In-Box.

Community Mailboxes

Don't wait until the 1st of the month. Please check your community mailboxes frequently. Information gets placed in these mailboxes throughout the month. Sometimes by waiting until the 1st of the month, you will have "old news".



Phone Lists

Updated resident phone lists can be obtained at the office.



Not Home For a Little While?

If you are going on vacation, or a stay in the hospital or rehab, please call the office and let us know. We get calls from concerned neighbors and it eases our mind and your neighbors that you are OK.



Friendly Pet Reminder

Please be courteous to your neighbors and do not allow your dog(s) to "relieve" themselves on buildings, shrubbery/mulch or lawn ornaments. Excrement must be cleaned up immediately. In addition, when outside, pets must be leashed and under full control of an adult.

Using Command Hooks in Your Home

If you use Command hooks in your home, you must follow removal instructions on the package carefully (strips must be removed very slowly). If they are not removed correctly, considerable damage may occur to the drywall. If you cannot remove them without tearing the drywall, consider using a nail instead.



Neighbor Check

Want to do something nice that does not cost anything or take a lot of energy but has a great reward?

Check on your neighbor!

Sometimes just a "hello" by a phone call or knock on the door makes someone's day!

Parking Reminders

- Handicapped parking is provided only for vehicles displaying a handicap placard or license plate.
- Residents are to park in their assigned numbered space or in an un-numbered parking space.
- Please remind your guests to park in an un-numbered parking space.





McMenamin Rec Center Reminder

- Please empty liquids in a sink before placing containers and cups in the trash.
- Please do not store personal items in the refrigerator. This includes condiments.
- If you have an upcoming party or event and need to use the refrigerator, please label your items with:
 - The date
 - Your name and house #
- Please take leftovers home with you. If you would like to use them for another soonupcoming event, please label them accordingly and then take them home or dispose of any leftovers.



SRC Kitchen Reminder

- The white pantry in the kitchen contains supplies for residents to use for community activities and events. If supplies are running low, please fill out a Kitchen Pantry Supply Order Form and return it to the office.
- If you require specific supplies for a resident activity or event, please inform the office so those items can be made available to you.
- Residents are responsible for obtaining their own supplies for private parties/events.
- Do not take supplies from the walk-in closet. These supplies are reserved for specific uses and are maintained by management.
- Please wash, dry, and put away all dishes used from the kitchen in their proper place.
- Wipe down all counters and clean out the sinks.
- Rinse and hang wash cloths along with dish towels on the side of the sink to be picked up for laundering.
- Do not leave food items in the trash. Residents are responsible for disposing of trash following a private party/event.

Did You Know?

Sanatoga Swim Club

Sanatoga Ridge Community owns the property at Sanatoga Swim Club. However, Coventry Christian has a lease agreement in place and manages the entire property - not just the pool.

With this in mind, SRC and Coventry Christian have a close working relationship regarding the pavilion, pool membership, equipment, outdoor furniture, basketball/pickleball/shuffleboard courts, and access to various areas of the property as well as upgrades/improvements.

Any questions, clarifications or concerns should be directed to the SRC Office.



Baby Grand Piano

Do you like to tickle the ivories? Perhaps you had a piano in your home before moving to our community. Did you know that the SRC auditorium has a baby grand piano that is waiting to be played?







Table Tennis

Did you know that table tennis is the most popular indoor sport in the world? Why not join the crowd. Table Tennis is open in the SRC Club Room located on the 2nd floor in the SRC Community Center.

By the way, the Club Room is also home to other activities. Check your Ridge Reporter calendar to see what else meets here!



Billiards & Air Hockey

Have you noticed that the doors are open and lights are on in the SRC Game Room? Why not join your neighbor in a game of billiards or air hockey?

Announcements



Happy Birthday!



Happy Anniversary!

- 13 Carrol R.
- 27 Donna G.
- 29 Carol C.

3 Bill and Carrol R.



SAVE THE DATE - Saturday, September 28

(Rain Date October 5)

Start saving your items to sell at the BRC Yard Sale. More details to follow.

An effort was recently made by volunteers to update and clean out the cupboards and cabinets of the kitchen in our rec center. Many outdated items will be put up for the yard sale to add to our event treasury along with puzzle sales. If you would like to help with the yard sale phase of this cleanup, please come to the next community business meeting on September 10th and we can fill you in.





The hair salon is open! If you would like to make an appointment, please call the stylists directly.

- Ann:
- Beverly:
- · Mary:
- SRC Library/Salon Area: 610-326-2780

What Did I Miss?

Residents enjoyed a fun-filled afternoon which included a cherry pit spitting contest!

And the winner is .





Daily Bread Community Food Pantry

Daily Bread Community Food Pantry would love to take any surplus of bags you have. Whether it's paper, plastic, canvas, with or without handles. Drop them in the box at the McMenamin Rec Center. Thank you for your donation.

Last year, our generous donors helped over 300 children! Please consider assisting this year as we will begin distributing in August.

Backpacks (they love cartoon characters and superheroes etc.)

- Large for grades 9-12
- Small for grades K-4 Supplies
- Black, blue and red pens
- Packs of 24 colored pencils
- Children's scissors for K-3
- 3x5 index cards
- Block erasers
- Binders
- 1" Binders
- Dividers for binders
- Packs of loose-leaf filler paper for binders



BRC Community Meeting & Refreshments

Community meeting and refreshments are cancelled for August. Both will resume in September.

Donna & Richard Landis Farm Stand Mondays at 9 AM

Donna has planted lots of vegetables - tomatoes, corn, peppers, zucchini, peas, green beans, etc. – for sale Mondays at 9 AM in the "N" Court pavilion. See you there! Court "N" Pavilion. Please call Nancy E. if you have any questions.



August 5

Book Club Monday, August 5 at 2 PM

- August 5 "The Personal Librarian" by Marie Benedict
- September 2 "Mad Honey" by Jodi Picoult

Contact Jeanette G. for more information.

Supermarket BINGO! with Amity Place

Date Change: Wednesday, August 7 at 10:30 AM

Donna Uncapher from Amity Place will bring Supermarket BINGO to you! We have extra bingo cards, so you can play several cards at once! SEATING IS LIMITED - RSVP bv Tuesday, August 6. Meets in the SRC Dining Room.





Mark Your Calendars! Mister Softee Wednesday, August 7 and 21 at 2 PM Did someone say, ICE CREAM?



Lunch Bunch **Spring-Ford Diner**

(55 E Bridge St, Spring City, PA 19475)

Friday, August 9 at 11:30 AM

If you are paying by cash at the restaurant, please bring smaller bills/change.

The SRC Bus will be available for \$3 per person (for the driver) due at sign-up. The bus and carpool will leave Berean Bible Church Parking lot at 11 AM.

RSVP by Wednesday, August 7

SoulJoel's - SNL Comedian Tim Meadows Saturday, August 10

Anyone who wishes to carpool to see SNL comedian Tim Meadows at the Sunnybrook Ballroom, August 10th, please coordinate with Wayne and Natalie B.. Tickets are available directly from SoulJoel's online and should be purchased in advance.



Needlecrafters!

Wednesday, August 14 and August 28 at 3 PM (Meeting 2nd & 4th Wednesday)

If you knit, crochet, cross-stitch, embroider or quilt, why not come to the **Needlecrafters** at 3 PM in the SRC Dining Room? Learn a new craft or just socialize with fellow crafters! Any questions call Nancy D. or

Marie G..

Brown Bag History: Washington's Headquarters along the Neshaminy The August Encampment of 1777

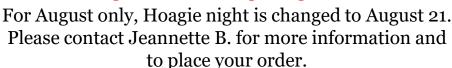
Saturday, August 17 at 12 Noon

When researching and studying the eight years of the American Revolution, the Neshaminy encampment is often overlooked. This piece of Pennsylvania Revolutionary War history lasted for 13 days, from August 10-23, 1777, and was the third longest encampments in Pennsylvania, exceeded only by Whitemarsh and Valley Forge. It is also of importance as this was the location where Washington and his troops camped. At the same time, they waited for news of the elusive British Fleet which was rumored to be heading towards the capital of Philadelphia.

Several key moments of the war occurred here as well. This was the site where the Marquis De Lafayette officially assumed his command. Where County Pulaski was first introduced to Washington. It was also reported that the Betsy Ross flag was unveiled here for the first time. Join LOCAL historical reenactor, lecturer, and tour guide, Michael Jesberger for this lecture. Meets in the SRC Dining Room.

Open to the Public. RSVP by Friday, August 16.











Entertainment: Maria Damore Friday, August 23 at 4 PM

SRC is privileged to have back Maria Damore to perform various hits from Hollywood to Broadway Shows! She joined us prior to COVID and now she is back again.

Maria is an accomplished vocalist in many genres and has won awards throughout her career. Please mark the date on your calendar to be sure you won't miss it!! See you on Friday, August 23 at 4 PM in the SRC Auditorium.

Jason Salmon at SoulJoel's Saturday, August 24 at 7 PM

In the world we live in, a night of fun and laughter makes a big difference! If you are interested in attending the show, please contact SRC resident June P. for more information and tickets. There is also a bar and restaurant "Gatsby's" for those that would like food and drink.

SoulJoel's and Gatsby's are located at SunnyBrook.



Lighten Your Path with Evelyn Dunn, CYT Start the Journey, Discover the Joy of Yoga Beginning Friday, September 6 at 10:30 AM (1st and 3rd Fridays through December)

Lighten Your Path instills the principles of Yoga's Science and integrates them into our Mind, Body, and Spirit. Learn to relax and quiet the mind through meditation. Learn and practice postures to strengthen and elongate your body to bring about flexibility and balance. It promotes the body to release tension and toxins, as well as helping to align the skeleton. Humming, singing, and chanting will be introduced. Using the vocal cords and the breath have been shown to stimulate the vagus nerve which in turns helps the body to reach homeostasis or balance. Leave each class feeling relaxed and rejuvenated with a peaceful feeling in your heart. Suggested gratitude offer for each class is \$5. Meets in the SRC Auditorium. **RSVP by Thursday, September 5.**



Walk With Ease Tuesday, September 10 at 1 PM

The Arthritis Foundation's "Walking With Ease" is a sixweek walking program. Manage Arthritis and reduce pain and discomfort while you increase balance and strength. Brought to you by Montgomery County Office of Senior Services. Meets in the SRC Auditorium. **Limited Space. RSVP by Friday, September 6.**

TRAAC Fundraiser: Dinner & Comedians Friday, September 13 at 6 PM

Enjoy an Italian style dinner and dessert followed by three hilarious comedians from Slapstick Productions. Tickets go on sale late July and tend to sell out! Contact Carrol Reckard for more information.

Shredding Event <u>AND</u> Drug Take Back at SRC Saturday, September 7 9 AM to 11 AM

Have you found yourself reorganizing, decluttering, and wanting to get rid of personal information? SRC will be hosting a shred event and drug take back on Saturday, September 7 from 9 AM to 11 AM in the SRC Community Center Parking Lot.

Only approved paper-based materials and small fasteners (e.g., paper clips and staples) are permitted. The below are NOT permitted:

- 3-ring binders
- Hardcover books
- Newspapers & magazines
- Plastic objects
- Metal objects
- Electronic media
- Toxic, dangerous or regulated materials



Open to the Public



Lower Pottsgrove Police Department will be on-site at SRC to collect unwanted drugs during the Shred Event.

All medications

MUST be
removed from the
bottles and
placed in baggies.

What Items Are Accepted:

- Over-the-counter medications
- Prescription medications
- Prescription patches
- Prescription ointments
- Vitamins
- Pet medicines

What Items Are NOT Accepted:

- Hydrogen peroxide
- Compressed Cylinders or aerosols (e.g., asthma inhalers)
- · Iodine-containing medications
- Thermometers
- Alcohol & illicit drugs (i.e. marijuana, heroin, LSD, etc.)

Light Refreshments

Summer Hiatus

(Natalie B.)

Fellowship Lunch Summer Hiatus

(Natalie B.)

Circle of Support

1st & 3rd Thursdays at 11 AM



Exercising

Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 10 AM (Joanne B.)



1st Wednesday at 5 PM Hoagies are pre-ordered and delivered. (Jeannette B.)

Mexican Train Dominoes

Thursdays at 2 PM (Donna L.)





Men's Breakfast Club

3rd Wednesday at 8 AM (Wayne B.)



















Words on Wheels Book Mobile

 2^{nd} & 4^{th} Monday at 10 AM

BINGO!

Supermarket Bingo w/Amity Place 2nd Wednesday – 10:30 AM SRC Dining Room

Pinochle

Thursdays at 2 PM SRC Dining Room



Vietnam Veterans

1st Tuesday at 7 PM SRC Dining Room

American Legion

4th Thursday at 7 PM SRC Dining Room



Yoga – SRC Auditorium

Tuesdays – Chair Yoga – 3:30 PM Wednesdays – Floor Yoga - 9:30 AM

Book Club

1st Monday at 2 PM SRC Dining Room

Bible Study

2nd Monday at 2 PM SRC Dining Room

Water Aerobics

Tuesdays and Fridays at 6:30 PM Sanatoga Swim Club

Needlecrafters

2nd & 4th Wednesday at 3 PM SRC Dining Room

Pickleball

Wednesdays at 5:30 PM Fridays at 9 AM Sanatoga Swim Club

Bus Trips

LEGEND FOR AMOUNT OF WALKING

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Plenty of Walking

- Sign up with the Office
- RSVP by deadline
- · Limited seating
- At least 10 participants needed for SRC Bus trip
- Payment is due at time of sign up and is by <u>Check Only</u> (Payable to SRC)

Thursday - August 22 - Strasburg Railroad & Cracker Barrel

Enjoy a coach ride on Strasburg Railroad. Following the train ride, we will have lunch at the Cracker Barrel at your own expense. After lunch, everyone can enjoy browsing through the beautiful gift shop.

Lunch at your own expense at Cracker Barrel.

RSVP to the Office by Friday, August 16

LEAVE BEREAN PARKING LOT: 9:15 AM













Cost: \$30.00

New Hanover AARP Trips

Checks Payable to:

"New Hanover AARP"

Details posted on the Library Bulletin Board.

RSVP to Carol G.

Tuesday - October 22 - Penn's Peak "Yesterday Once More" A tribute to the Carpenters

The Carpenters were one of the most successful musical sibling duos of all time. This show captures some of their timeless songs.

RSVP to Carol G. by Thursday, August 22

LEAVE BEREAN BIBLE CHURCH: 9:30 AM Cost: \$105.00

Details posted on the Library Bulletin Board

Wednesday, November 20 - American Music Theatre "Joy to the World"

Other Things to Do Locally

2024 LOWER POTTSGROVE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES



• Sponsored by: J.P Mascaro & Sons • August 4th Pottsgrove Community Band





August 3rd August 31st

Take a stroll down memory lane on High Street. Visit local business and enjoy live entertainment!

L'oe Show – Car Show in Pottstown August 29 to September 1 loeshow.com

L'oe Show has featured many special prototype and race cars, even world-exclusive unveilings of never before seen cars. We're so excited to even have our friends joining with their own amazing cars from around the world, which we ship in by boat, and the owners fly in to drive in Pottstown PA for the weekend.

Previous Cars included the USA unveiling of the Mk8 Golf R, the VW Golf A59 from Volkswagen Classic's collection in Wolfsburg, the world unveiling of the Volkswagen Motorsport TCR Mk8 Prototype, Audi's Le Mans winning LMP1 car (Tom Kristensen's record setting car) and more.







PhoenixvilleFirst.org

Phoenixville First Fridays

Downtown every First Friday, 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm, May - December.

Each and every First Friday the 100 & 200 Blocks of Bridge Street are closed to vehicles, to give residents and visitors more space to shop, eat and enjoy Phoenixville. Shops and Restaurants extend into Bridge street, so visitors and residents can experience an open-air experience every First Friday.

There will be small live musicians placed throughout the downtown on Bridge and Main Streets, and handmade craft/artist vendors in the Main and Bridge Street parking lot.

December's First Friday will be held throughout downtown and in the Main and Bridge Street Parking lot with the Borough's Tree Lighting Ceremony with special guests, Phoenixville's Mayor, Santa and Mrs. Claus.

LIVE MUSIC. EVERY FRIDAY.

The Summer Music Series happens every Friday from 6-8 pm. It is an event that features a variety of live musical acts, spread throughout downtown.