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RIDGE COMMUNITY

# RIDGE REPORTER

*From the Entire Staff Here at  
Buchert Ridge Community*



*Have a Wonderful Holiday Season!*



## *Holiday Closings*

A reminder that the Offices will be closed for:

- Christmas – Friday, December 24
- New Years – Friday, December 31

## *Clarification*

The Administration needs to clarify a recent posting (and comments received) regarding plants. While we are not opposed to plants, we need to be mindful of the space we have available in the Rec Center. For example, if every resident brought down 1 plant, we would accumulate 57 plants.

The same also applies to plastic containers, kitchen supplies, utensils, and pots/pans. Please call the office should you have extras you would like to donate.

## *Seasonal Maintenance Items*

**Salt Bags** – Salt bags will be delivered to your home. If you run out of salt, you may refill it 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 and 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:

- **If snow is predicted and you MUST get out on that day, please call by 3 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.**
- You must sign a waiver in the Office giving us permission to move and clean your car.
- A set of your car keys will be kept 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. YOU will be responsible for moving your car temporarily to a designated parking area.
- If you do not move your car, you will be responsible for clearing the snow around your car.
- The snow removal staff will not scrape ice from residents' vehicles.
- If you have a true emergency, push your on-call button. Do not leave a message at the office after hours and on weekends.
- If your car has already been moved to a 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 – Monday Pickups***

We will be collecting yard clippings on Mondays during trash pickup. Please put 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.

## *Important Bus Trip Reminders*

In order to use the bus for community trips, the SRC Board of Directors established these guidelines.

- All residents who participate in any trip utilizing the SRC shuttle bus **MUST sign a waiver.**
- Waivers **MUST** be completed for **EACH** trip, regardless of any previous waivers.
- Waivers must be completed at the time of sign up.
- Reminder: By signing the waiver, residents
  - Are attesting to not being ill or knowingly exposed to COVID-19.
  - Agree to abide by the guidelines set forth in the waiver.

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- The office maintains a waiting list for bus trips.
  - In the event a resident is unable to attend a trip he/she signed up for, resident should call the office to cancel. The office will work with the trip coordinator to find a substitute.
  - Payment from the substitute resident should be coordinated through the office.

## *Redner's Prepared Meals – Starting January!*

*See flyer for more detailed information*

Residents may pick up menus in the Rec Center.

Residents should return orders to the office in box located at the end of the hallway.

All payments must be made at the time of order by check only (payable to SRC).

Residents can pick up meals on Thursdays after 12 noon.



## *Thank You, Youth Group!*

Volunteer teens and leaders from the Berean Bible Church youth group came out to our community this past month to help out with various projects. It was a pleasure to have their youthful energy spread throughout the community on a Saturday morning!

*We are grateful for all of the work they were able to accomplish.*



## *Home Safety*

The holidays are a popular time to light candles. Be especially mindful to never leave your home for any duration of time with a lit candle. Please 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 soot from candles can blacken the walls and ceilings.

Mechanical rooms are to be free of combustible materials and not used as a storage area. If you have combustibles in your mechanical room and need assistance in their removal, please call the Office. It is important that nothing is placed on top of the heater or water heater.

## *Interested in Canasta?*

We are looking for anyone interested in playing Canasta. Please contact Adrienne. Date and time will be determined depending on interest.



## *Resident & Guest Parking*



BRC 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.

## *Guess What's Coming to Sanatoga Swim Club?*

Rumor has it something new is coming to Sanatoga Swim Club in Spring of 2022.

The word is out and we would like to begin "PICKLEBALL" as a new activity for our residents. We would like to know if any resident would be interested in this endeavor.

Please sign up in the office if you have any interest in playing or learning to play "PICKLEBALL".



*Pickleball is a paddleball sport that combines elements of badminton, table tennis, & tennis. Two or four players use solid paddles made of wood or composite materials to hit a perforated polymer ball, much like a whiffle ball, with 26–40 round holes, over a net.*



## *Residents'* *Christmas Luncheon*

# *CANCELLED*

**Based on recent COVID concerns,  
the Resident Christmas Luncheon  
for Friday, December 3 has been  
**CANCELLED.****

This is a joint decision between the SRC Board of Directors, SRC Resident Committee Officers and Administration.

If you purchased a ticket, your refund will be placed in your mail slot along with your newsletter and monthly invoice.



## *Happy Birthday!*

- 4 - Rick
- 5 - Phyllis
- 26 - Kit
- 31 - Jim



## *Happy Anniversary!*

16 - Doug & Judy



*Our thoughts and prayers  
are with the family at this  
difficult time.*

Carl



## Daily Bread Community Food Pantry

For the past 4 years BRC neighbors have contributed food throughout the year. During the holidays we gather toys for children whose families utilize the food pantry. We will be collecting toys and donations until December 10th. If you would like to contribute gifts for children from toddlers to teens please call Carrol or Bill. You can contribute a toy or a cash donation to purchase toys.

We are happy to pick up from your home or you can leave toys in the Community Garden Center by the donation box. Toys should be new and left unwrapped.

Last year we collected two car loads of toys and made Christmas Morning special for many children. You are ANGELS.

During the Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter holidays, the Daily Bread Community Food Pantry collects special holiday meals for program participants. Inside each holiday "basket" is the fixings for a complete meal, including a main dish, side dishes, and dessert.

In addition to the holiday baskets, the food pantry offers donated toys and the opportunity for pantry participants to "shop" for their loved ones. Dark colored trash bags are provided so that children visiting the food pantry with their parents do not see the gifts being selected for them. Food pantry volunteers care for participants' children during this time.

Small gifts are available for adults, as well. Each year, the gifts are different based on what is donated. Most often, there has often been a display of warm hats, gloves, and scarves. Sometimes there are new shoes or winter coats donated by a local store.

## Resident Organization Meeting

**CANCELLED**

Tuesday, December 7

## Sewing Club

**CANCELLED**

Will Resume in January

## Hoagie/Sandwich Night

**CANCELLED**

Will Resume in January

## Mexican Train Dominoes

The train whistle is blowing on Tuesdays at 2 PM in the Rec Center.

**NO DOMINOES ON DECEMBER 21, 28, AND JANUARY 4.**

**NORMAL SCHEDULE WILL RESUME JANUARY 11**

(Donna)



## Words on Wheels is Back

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at 10 AM

SRC Community Center Parking Lot

## Book Club

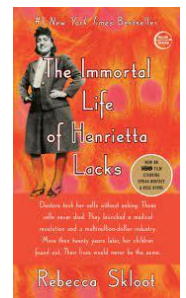
**Monday, December 6 at 2 PM**

The Book Club meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 2 PM in the SRC Dining Room. *Carnegie's Maid* by Marie Benedict will be discussed at the December meeting. January's book will be *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot.

Contact Jeanette for more information.



December 6



January 3



## Hooks and Needles

Do you crochet, knit, do needlework? If so, join Hooks and Needles the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at 2 PM in the SRC game room. For more information, contact Nancy





## ***Breakfast Bar Resumes***

Come have breakfast with your neighbors in the Rec Center. We will be resuming our much missed Tuesday morning breakfasts in December and continuing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at 9:15 AM. Light fare will include bagels, muffins, EGGO waffles, juice, coffee and fruit.

Please RSVP to Rozanne by the Friday before each scheduled Tuesday.



## ***Cookie Exchange***

***Thursday, December 9th at 11 AM***

Bring 3 dozen of your favorite cookies to the Rec Center (and a container to put your share in to take home) on Thursday, December 9 at 11 AM.

Call Carroll if you have questions.



## ***Program of Meditation Music – Thursday, December 9***

Following the 11 AM cookie exchange on December 9, there will be a short program of meditation music with crystal singing bowls at noon. Listening quietly to the sounds has been said to help reduce stress and promote feelings of well-being in mind, body, and spirit. Contact Natalie for more information.



## *Holiday Covered Dish Supper Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM*

Please bring one of the following to the Rec Center:

- Appetizer
- Salad
- Main Dish
- Dessert

Please bring your own beverage.  
Coffee and tea will be available.

Call Carrol with any questions.



## *Reiki Circle*

Starting January 6, every Thursday, Natalie, a retired Reiki Master Teacher, will lead a weekly community Reiki circle at the McMenammin Rec Center at 11 am.

No experience is necessary to enjoy the relaxing effect of the simple, touchless passing and receiving of positive intentions and compassionate purpose among yourself and friends.

People have reported benefits from this practice such as relief from stress, lessening of physical pain, quicker healing after surgery, clarity of thought, better sleep, and more.

This is not a class, but information and resources will be available for anyone who wants further study.

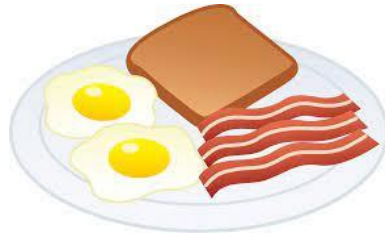
Please call Natalie if you wish to participate.





## Exercising

Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 9 AM – Recreation Center.  
(JoAnne)



## Men's Breakfast Club

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday.  
(Jim)



## Words on Wheels

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at 10 AM  
SRC Community Center Parking Lot

## Yoga

Both chair yoga and floor yoga classes offered weekly in the SRC Auditorium.

**TIME FOR FALL/WINTER!!!**

**TUESDAY – CHAIR YOGA - 3:30 PM**

**WEDNESDAY – FLOOR YOGA - 9:30 AM**



## Hooks and Needles

1st Tuesday at 2 PM – SRC Game Room

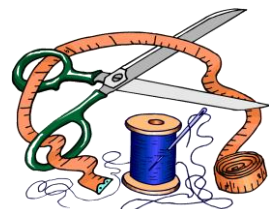


## Pinochle

Thursdays at 2 PM – SRC Dining Room

## Sewing Club

1st & 3rd Fridays at 10:00 AM – Sewing Room  
**CANCELLED FOR December**



## LEGEND FOR AMOUNT OF WALKING

1 Little Walking



Plenty of Walking

- Sign up with the Office
- RSVP by deadline a must
- Limited seating
- At least 10 participants needed for SRC Bus trip
- Release form must be signed prior to each trip
- **Payment is due at time of sign up and is by Check Only (Payable to SRC)**

### Tuesday – December 14 (Snow/Rain Date December 15) – Hershey Holiday Light Show

*If there is a tremendous amount of interest, a second trip on Tuesday – December 21 will be considered*

More than 5 million twinkling lights deck the halls of Hersheypark® in celebration of the season! Get in the holiday spirit with our guests' favorite show, NOEL, featuring more than 250,000 lights dancing to classic holiday tunes. Then, stop by the Kissmas Tree display, see our iconic Kisses Fountain decked out in its holiday best, take a festive photo with your favorite Hershey Characters, and more. Dinner at your own expense at The Chocolate Restaurant Bar and Patio.

RSVP to the Office by Tuesday, December 7.

LEAVE BEREAN PARKING LOT: 3:00 PM

Cost: \$54.00

### Thursday – January 20 – General Carl Spaatz National USAAF Museum

For a truly one-of-a-kind experience the museum offers an enhanced, immersive experience that places a small group of visitors in the time frame of our interactive exhibits and invites the visitor to participate by living in history. The Spaatz Museum will embody “living the mission” by guiding visitors through pre-flight briefings, donning gear and equipment, experiencing a B-17 bombing mission, and finally escaping from occupied France and a German POW camp.

RSVP to the Office by Tuesday, January 4.

LEAVE BEREAN PARKING LOT: 10:30 AM

Cost: \$15.00

