

South Abington Woods Phase II

Newsletter October, 2022



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Association Dues

The 4th quarter POA dues are due October 1st.

Payments must be received on or before October 10th to avoid penalty charges.

South Abington Woods POA Annual Meeting

- ❖ Thursday October 6, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- ❖ Clarks Summit Firehouse Hall, 321 Bedford St, Clarks Summit
- ❖ POA members (townhouse owners) only.
- ❖ The fire department requests we park only in the parking lot to the right side of the firehouse as the lot to the left is reserved for responding firemen/EMS.

Refuse Reminder

South Abington Woods Phase II garbage is collected on Fridays.

Garbage is to be placed at curbside after 5:00 p.m. on the day prior to collection.



Holiday Refuse Schedule:

Six major holidays will postpone collection to the following day if they fall on a weekday.

The holidays are:

- ❖ ***New Year's Day***
- ❖ ***Memorial Day***
- ❖ ***Independence Day***
- ❖ ***Labor Day***
- ❖ ***Thanksgiving***
- ❖ ***Christmas.***

For information on the following, please click on this link: [Refuse Info.pdf \(southabingtonpa.gov\)](https://southabingtonpa.gov/Refuse_Info.pdf)

- ❖ Refuse collection - Excluded items - Recycled items collection - Holiday tree collection (specific dates will be set each year and posted in local newspapers, S. Abington Township website and facebook).



Refuse cont.

[Senior Citizen Trash Affidavit](#) (for senior discount)

[Vacancy Affidavit for Trash](#) (when going away for extended period)

[Hard To Recycle.pdf](#) (southabingtonpa.gov)

Television and Computer Monitor Disposal (for a fee)

Junken Monkeys

Luzerne Street, Scranton 570-871-0039

1-800 GOT JUNK Full-Service Junk Removal | 1-800-GOT-JUNK? (1800gotjunk.com)

Brenner Recycling

282 S. Wyoming Street, Hazleton 570-454-8706 (per pound fee)

Waste Reduction & Recycling

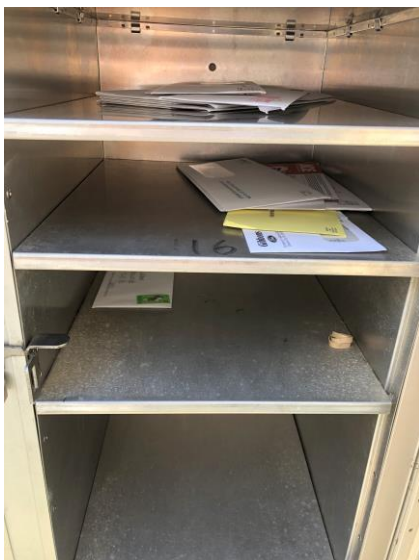
21100 Sans Souci Pkwy., Hanover Township 570-825-3522 (\$1.49/pound)

Cluster Mailbox Numbers

The following pictures show the inside of a cluster mailbox. The mail delivery person doesn't see the individual mailbox numbers inside unless there are numbers placed or written on them. As days are getting shorter, often the mail will be delivered when it is dark.

Consider placing numbers inside of your mailbox to aid the mail delivery person in placing the mail in the correct box. The type of numbers in the following link are more visible than writing the numbers with a marker.

[Amazon.com: 1" Inch Premium Mailbox Numbers](#)



Self-adhesive numbers
available in the link above



Welcome New Neighbors
Henry and Debra Rowinski Unit 93
Charles Selvam and Mary Azokiaraj Unit 106

South Abington Township Supervisors Meeting Update

I attended the July and September Township meetings to bring attention to speeding traffic and lighting on Country Club Road.

David O'Neill, Township Manager, is working with PPL to install two streetlights along the road going up the hill toward the Morgan Hwy. The lights that were installed previously are 25 years old and electric was turned off to those lights several years ago.

There was some talk about installing speed limit signs.

I will continue to attend the meetings until there is action to make the roadway safer.

The next Board of Supervisors meeting is Monday, October 10 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at 104 Shady Lane Road.

Lorraine

Veterans Day Friday, November 11
With Respect, Honor and Gratitude
Thank you Veterans





A big thanks to our party organizers,
Marilyn and Jean











Does anyone see a pattern here? I think we have a photo bomber!



Where do my taxes go?



There are three separate taxes levied every year on each property within the county.

- ❖ Lackawanna County tax
- ❖ South Abington Township tax
- ❖ Abington Heights School District tax

County and Township bills are based on the calendar year. School bills are from July 1st to June 30th in the following year.

Tax bills are mailed to the property owner except in cases where the property is under a mortgage and a mortgage company requests direct mailing of the bill.

The **Lackawanna County** tax bill is issued on or about February 1st, for more information contact the Single Tax office at 570-963-6756 or visit scrantontaxoffice.org

The **South Abington Township** tax bill is issued on or about March 1st, for more information contact Scott Thorpe at 570-650-0618.

The **Abington Heights School District** tax bill is issued on or about August 1st, for more information contact Kathy Platt at 570-585-8205 or email plattk@ahsd.org.

According to Pennsylvania law, the County Commissioners, the Township Supervisors and the School District Board of Directors each have independent authority to set the rate of taxation for properties within their boundaries. This rate is expressed in millage. (a mill is equivalent to \$1 of tax for each \$1000 of assessed valuation).

For example, in 2020 the annual taxes on a property assessed at \$20,000 would be:

	<u>Mills</u>	<u>Taxes</u>
County (.0601 cty, .00282 library & .001 education)	63.92	\$1,278.40
School	122.91	\$2,458.20
Township (13.75 gen, 1.75 fire, 1 rec & 1 road equip)	17.50	\$350.00

Other Taxes

A one percent real estate transfer tax is levied on all property sold in the Township. This tax is split evenly between the Township and the School District.

A wage and income tax of one percent is levied annually on the earnings of all persons who reside in the Township. The total amount collected is split evenly between the School District and the Township.

An annual municipal services tax of \$52.00 is levied on all persons working in South Abington Township who earn over \$12,000.00 or more from all combined employers, regardless of their place of residence.



Apple Harvest Festival

Through October 30th

Pick your favorite apple at our Apple Harvest Festival!

Don't have a favorite yet? Don't worry!

We have 25+ varieties of apples that ripen from Labor Day Weekend through the end of October. Grown with a high density, trellised system our apples are easy to pick and we're sure you'll find one you love.

Included with Admission:

- ❖ One-time, all-access admission to the Apple Harvest Festival
- ❖ Pick-Your-Own Apples! Last entry to the orchard is at 5:30pm.
- ❖ Unlimited train rides on the **Lakeland Express!**
- ❖ A scenic wagon ride around the apple orchard
- ❖ Admittance to our Expanded Cider Garden
- ❖ Live music every Saturday & Sunday

Additional attractions including The Country Carousel, Giant Corn Box, Goat Corral, Yard Games, and More!

What's New?!

- ❖ The Lakeland Express - Take a 1-mile scenic train ride through the orchard and around our ponds!
- ❖ The Berry Blender - Our *TWIST* on the classic Scrambler ride!
- ❖ Bubble Barns - Fun for kids and kids at heart! Make the biggest bubbles you've ever seen!
- ❖ The Dancing Tractor - Sing & Dance along as this lively tractor shows you its moves!
- ❖ Lakeland LumberjAXE - Axe Throwing is now included with admission!
- ❖ Souvenir Cups - Buy a Premium Souvenir Cup or Fountain Soda Souvenir Cup and get FREE refills all season long at Lakeland Orchard AND Roba Family Farms!

Don't miss out on your favorite fall goodies, including:

- ❖ Apple Cider Donuts!
- ❖ Hard Cider on Tap - get a flight to try them all!
- ❖ Cider Slush, sweet cider for the kids and hard cider for the adults!
- ❖ Apple Crisp Ice Cream from Manning's!
- ❖ Made fresh at the Orchard, Kettle Corn!



Fall Fest

October 1, 2022 – October 30, 2022

200 Cranston Ave.
North Abington Township, PA
570-563-2904

Enjoy Fall at Roba's Family Farm, your family's scenic and premiere destination for outdoor family fun in Northeastern Pennsylvania!

Their harvest season features pumpkins ripening under the September sun and continues through crisp fall evenings until the moon rises on Halloween.

There are over 30 attractions for you and your family to enjoy! [Click here to see the full map of attractions, concession stands, and other general services.](#)

General Admission tickets include:

- ❖ Over 30 Attractions including The Mega Maze, Farm Animal Center, Low Ropes Grove, Rock Mountain Slides, Jumping Pillows, and MORE!
- ❖ Daily Shows including The Marvelous Mutts Dog Show, Hillbilly Pig Races, and The Roba Candy Cannon!
- ❖ Weekend Entertainment at The Great Pumpkin Stage & The Mini Gourd Stage!

Children 2 & under are free!

General Admission Ticket Prices

October | \$22.95 Online – \$26.95 Gate

Discount Days | \$12.95 Online – \$15.95 Gate

October 2022 Hours of Operation

Wednesday | 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Thursday | 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Friday | 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Saturday | 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Sunday | 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.



Welcome to the Co-Op Farmer's Market

Our 83rd Season Begins on 18 July 2022!

The Co-Op Farmer's Market in Scranton PA is the only open-air market of its kind in NE Pennsylvania. Our market success for over 83 years (since 1939!) can be attributed to the fact that we are strictly a grow-your-own market, bringing fresh foods direct from our farms to you! When you shop with us, you buy directly from a farmer. Our produce is always fresh picked and home grown.

We are looking forward to seeing you during this year's great market season!

[Special Events](#)

Join us for cooking demos, canning tips, food preservation, visiting nurses, music, and other weekly happenings.

[VIEW OUR CALENDAR](#)

[Hours of Operation](#)

We are open every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 12-6 pm from mid-July through Thanksgiving day in November.

[GET DIRECTIONS](#)

[Shop by Season](#)

View our seasonal shopping guide to find out what's fresh each month.
Download a copy to keep with you when you shop.

[LEARN WHAT'S FRESH](#)

All our members grow everything they bring into the market including fruits, vegetables, jams & jellies, honey, syrup, and more.

[SEE OUR VENDOR GUIDE](#)



Halloween Light Show

Through October 30, 2022

THE LARGEST HALLOWEEN LIGHT SHOW IN PENNSYLVANIA!

Our Halloween Light Show is back for its 3rd year... with a new twist!

Hop aboard **The Lakeland Express** and take a 1mile long train ride through the Halloween Light Show!

Spooky scenes include ghosts, goblins, a haunted castle, trick-or-treaters, and a few new surprises! But don't be too scared, the Halloween Light Show is sure to please all ages.

Included with Admission:

- ❖ One time, all-access admission to the Halloween Light Show
- ❖ A **TRAIN RIDE** through the Halloween Light Show - first ride starts at Dusk!
- ❖ Admittance to our Expanded Cider Garden
- ❖ Additional attractions including The Country Carousel, Giant Corn Box, Goat Corral, Yard Games, and More!
- ❖ Public Firepits - Gather 'round our firepits and warm up on a brisk fall night!



Save the dates for the 2022 Scranton Fringe Festival

Thursday, through October 8th 2022 in venues across downtown Scranton Pennsylvania!

The 2022 Scranton Fringe Festival is preparing to fill downtown Scranton venues (indoors and outside) with a performing arts blitz!



Mark your calendar now for the 10-day Scranton Fringe and help celebrate our return to a "full" festival since the onset of the pandemic.

The 2022 Scranton Fringe Festival is a performing arts celebration that showcases original theater, creative adaptations, music, films, children's programming, and site-specific work from regional as well as national touring groups.

Tickets & more information available now at www.scrantonfringe.org

Steamtown Excursion

Gouldsboro Pumpkin Patch



October 8, 2022
350 Cliff St, Scranton, PA 18503
(570) 340-5200

2022 Excursions to Gouldsboro:

[Saturday, October 8th](#) - Pumpkin Patch

[Saturday, October 29th](#) - Ghoulshoro Halloween

Ride the train through the woods to the Gouldsboro train station and museum.

History: The station was built in 1905 when Gouldsboro was originally called Sand Cut, named by the railroad workers for the abundance of sand that was found while constructing the railroad tracks. Later, our town was renamed to Gouldsboro after Jay Gould, an infamous robber baron who built a tannery in this area in 1856, later closing it in 1861 and moving into the business of monopolizing railroads of the west.

Amenities: The station houses a museum, gift shop, covered pavilion, and restrooms; all handicap accessible. Gouldsboro is a **CASH-ONLY** station and venue with **no ATM** available, please plan accordingly.

The museum is filled with historical items regarding the railroad and the ice harvesting industry; visitors can stop by the gift shop to purchase gifts, photos, and other items; food will be available to purchase under the covered pavilion.. Once you have wrapped up at the station, relax under the pavilion and enjoy the scenery of Snag Pond. Looking to stretch your legs after the train ride? Walk over to Heritage Park and enjoy another view of Snag Pond.

The train ride will last approximately 1 hour; departing Steamtown at 11:00 a.m. and arriving in Gouldsboro at 12:00 p.m. There will be a 2-hour layover at the Gouldsboro Station for the event. Returning train ride will last approximately 1 hour; departing Gouldsboro at 2:00 p.m. and arriving in Steamtown at 3:00 p.m.

[You can purchase tickets for this event here.](#)

Adult (ages 12-61)	\$35.00
Senior (ages 62+)	\$30.00
Youth (ages 3-11)	\$23.00
Child (ages 2 and under)	\$1.00
Cancellation Fee	\$1.00 per ticket
Late Cancellation Fee	No refunds within 48 hours of tour



Steamtown Excursion

Delaware Water Gap Fall Foliage

October 15, 2022

Enjoy the fall foliage through the Poconos on the way to Delaware Water Gap!

Upon arrival, visitors will have several hours to explore the nearby village.

This trip is one of the most popular excursion events of the season and seats are expected to fill up quickly.

The Delaware, Lackawanna, and Western Railway (DL&W) first arrived at the Delaware River in 1856 with a train to New York City. The terrain from Scranton had been mountainous and isolated; the route traced the course of major streams, crossed the Lehigh's headwater at Gouldsboro, and bisected Pocono Summit Lake on DL&W's land bridge.

The historic station was built between 1903 and 1904 and designed by Frank J. Nies, an architect best known for having designed numerous DL&W stations. The style of the building is reflective of the Late Victorian Era. The station closed to passenger service in 1953 and was sold to the Borough of Delaware Water Gap in 1958.

Today, The DL&W single track is still in use through the Delaware Water Gap between the river and Route 611. Visitors to Steamtown National Historic Site can enjoy an excursion train reaching Point of Gap Overlook. Just outside Delaware Water Gap's park boundaries, the rail station awaits renewal and can be glimpsed from the Interstate-80 toll plaza westbound.

The train ride will last approximately 3 hours; departing Steamtown at 9 a.m. and arriving in Delaware Water Gap at 12 p.m. There will be a 4-hour layover at the Delaware Water Gap Station to allow folks time to explore the village. Returning train ride will last approximately 3 hours; departing Delaware Water Gap at 4:00 p.m. and arriving in Steamtown at 7:00 p.m.

[You can purchase tickets for this event here.](#)





Join the Theater at North for a night of Journey's greatest hits with *E5C4P3*!

Formed in June of 1993, *E5C4P3* has traveled nationwide and paid tribute to one of rock history's most beloved bands performing for tens of thousands of fans. *E5C4P3* – The Journey Tribute Band is the original and best Journey tribute band to ever exist, recreating the magic of a Journey concert like no one else can. The band covers the music with a note-for-note accuracy that is second to none and performs each show with the high-energy excitement of a real Journey concert as well as visually recreating the essence of early 80's Journey! Focusing on the 'Steve Perry era,' *E5C4P3* covers all the hits from 'Lights' and 'Wheel in the Sky' to 'Separate Ways' and 'Be Good To Yourself' including occasional surprises for all the die-hard Journey fans.

1539 North Main Avenue, Scranton
 (570) 800-5020

Tickets can be purchased online at www.thetheateratnorth.org or in person at the box office: Tuesdays 11 AM - 2 PM, Wednesdays 11 AM - 2 PM, Thursdays 3 PM - 6 PM, and on the day of the show starting at 5 PM

[You can purchase tickets for this event here](#)



ABINGTON HEIGHTS CIVIC LEAGUE MARKETPLACE

November 5, 2022

1555 Newton Ransom Blvd, Clarks Summit
 (570) 587-3101

The Abington Angels will be returning to host its 9th Annual Marketplace at the Abington Heights Middle School.

All proceeds from the Marketplace will go directly to the Abington Angels program — the AHCL's charitable program that supports students and their families who are in need.



South Abington Township Police Department

Police calls are handled through the Lackawanna County Communications Center. When dialing 911 for emergencies or 342-9111 for non-emergencies, it is imperative that you inform the dispatcher that you reside in South Abington Township.

The Department operates 24 hours a day and provides basic ambulance service for our area.

Full time staff are present from 8 AM through 4 PM, Monday through Friday. The telephone number for direct access is 570-587-8715. The police fax number is 570-586-4342.

South Abington Township Police Department, along with the Lackawanna County District Attorney's Office, sponsors a Prescription Drug Drop Off Box, located in the Township Building's lobby at 104 Shady Lane Road, Chinchilla.

[Website](#)

Chinchilla Hose Company of South Abington Twp. PA

113 Shady Lane Rd
PO Box 311, Chinchilla, PA 18410

Non-Emergency: 570-586-5726
Emergency: 911

[Website](#)



Lehigh Valley Hospital

330 Main Street
Dickson City, PA 18519-1691
570-330-5000

[Website](#)

Geisinger Community Medical Center

1800 Mulberry St, Scranton, PA 18510
570-703-8000

[Website](#)

Moses Taylor Hospital

700 Quincy Ave, Scranton, PA 18510
570-770-5000

[Website](#)

Regional Hospital of Scranton

746 Jefferson Ave, Scranton, PA 18510
570-770-3000

[Website](#)

POA Executive Board Mission Statement

The mission of the South Abington Woods Phase II Property Owners Association Executive Board is to:

- Preserve, protect and enhance the quality of life and sense of community through efficient and cost-effective management of the Association.
- Enforce covenants, by-laws, conditions and restrictions, designed to preserve and enhance property values and the common environment, in a fair and ethical manner.

Adopted May 12, 2021



South Abington Woods Phase II POA Executive Board

Alan Myers	Chairperson
Jim Specht	Secretary
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