South Abington Woods Phase II

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The 2nd quarter POA dues are due April 1st.

Payments must be received on or before April 10th to avoid a penalty charge.

Homeowners Insurance Reminder

A reminder that our Property Owners Association (POA) Covenants require that the POA be provided proof of your homeowners insurance coverage upon inception and renewal. This is to ensure that property, liability and deductible limits are at the levels required by the Covenants, and that the POA is listed as a "party of additional interests" to protect the community in the event of a loss.

If the Insurance Compliance Committee contacts you for proof of insurance, please provide the information requested in a timely manner.

Neighborhood Pedestrian Safety

Just a reminder to be aware of pedestrians and bicyclists in the neighborhood out enjoying the milder weather on our roadways.

Wyndham Road speed limit is 20 mph and Country Club Road speed limit is 25 mph.



Unit Number Signage Installed

The Executive Board has installed new unit number signage on the stop sign at the corner of #131.

This reflective signage should be helpful to visitors, especially at night.

Thank you to Lisa Shovlin for the suggestion and to Dave Newton for the installation.



A big thanks to Joe Cognetti for his diligence in getting payment (\$4000) owed to our association from Kalinowski snow removal.

Rich Winslow accepted the position of Architectural Committee Chairperson. Thanks Rich!

Thanks to Gene Arthur for his service as Architectural Chair and his continued service as a committee member.

A big thank you to our volunteers for all you do!



New Neighbor

Elizabeth Buchanan – 34

Feedback from some residents: AOS did a good job during the snowstorms.



In January, Joe and I hosted our second social with nine neighbors whom we would like to get to know. The evening was very enjoyable. This is not something everyone would be eager to do but it helps to bring our community together. We will be having another get-to-know-you in the future. If you would like to host an evening like this, please contact me.

On Thursday, April 13 at 7pm, there will be a meeting to discuss future events, such as the summer party. Everyone from the development is invited--both men & women. Please consider coming. All input is appreciated. A detailed email will be sent out before the date.

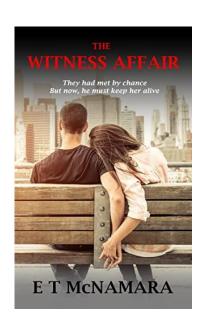
~Ruth Cognetti

Gene McNamara- Book Signing at the Gathering Place

The Gathering Place on State Street will be holding a local author book fair on Saturday, April 22, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Local authors have been invited to be available to sell and sign their books.

Our neighbor, Gene McNamara is registered and will be there to sign copies of his latest novel, *The Witness Affair*, as well as the other three: *The Puzzle Pieces, Fate's Final Destiny*, and *The Chippendale Letter*.



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The Gathering Place 304 S. State St. P.O. Box 171 Clarks Summit, PA 18411 gatheringplaceCS@gmail.com

Pedestrian Safety - Know the Basics

8 Safety Tips for Drivers

- o Look out for pedestrians everywhere, at all times.
- O Use extra caution when driving in hard-to-see conditions, such as nighttime or bad weather.
- O Slow down and be prepared to stop when turning or otherwise entering a crosswalk.
- Yield to pedestrians in crosswalks and stop well back from the crosswalk to give other vehicles an opportunity to see the crossing pedestrians so they can stop too.
- o Never pass vehicles stopped at a crosswalk. There may be people crossing where you can't see.
- O Never drive under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.
- Follow the speed limit, especially around people on the street, in school zones and in neighborhoods where children are present.
- o Be extra cautious when backing up and look for pedestrians.



8 Walking Safety Tips

- o Follow the rules of the road and obey signs and signals.
- o Walk on sidewalks whenever they are available.
- o If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic and as far from traffic as possible.
- Cross streets at crosswalks or intersections. Look for cars in all directions, including those turning left or right.
- o If a crosswalk or intersection is not available, locate a well-lit area where you have the best view of traffic. Wait for a gap in traffic that allows enough time to cross safely; continue watching for traffic as you cross.
- Watch for cars entering or exiting driveways or backing up in parking lots.
- Avoid alcohol and drugs when walking; they impair your abilities and your judgment.
- o Embrace walking as a healthy form of transportation get up, get out and get moving.



To keep people over 50 moving, AARP Pennsylvania introduced the Yoga and Mindfulness series last summer. The series was so popular that it continues in 2023.

The yoga classes are designed to be equally suitable for people with disabilities and those without.

Also offered are deep-breathing techniques, so the participants can practice mindfulness.

To sign up, click on this link: Yoga and Mindfulness

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says even moderate exercise can pay big dividends for older adults. Regular physical activity increases the likelihood that people can live independently and lowers the risk of coronary heart disease, high blood pressure and other conditions. It can also reduce symptoms of anxiety and stress.

Another popular offering includes upper and lower-body movements, including moves aimed at helping prevent falls.

To sign up, click on this link: Moving With Milly



Best Flowering En Masse, Specimen, or Solo Plants for Pots

Fuchsia (Fuchsia)

A lover of shade, Fuchsia's unique blooms come in a variety of single and double flowers in shades or contrasts of whites, pinks, reds, and purples.



Petunia (Petunia)

For nonstop color, petunias are an old favorite. They come in just about any color you can imagine with interesting flower variations of stripes, doubles, fragrant, and minis to extra-large.



Dahlia (Dahlia)

Smaller dahlia varieties are perfect for mass planting in a container. They thrive in full sun. Dahlias grow from tender bulbs. Enjoy the wide selection of color variations along with unique flower styles.



Million Bells (Calibrachoa)

Heat loving, they are perfect for containers in full sun spaces. Blossoms cover the plant from spring to hard frost. Million Bells are tough, and low maintenance, because they do not require deadheading.



African Daisy (Osteospermum)

This showy, vibrant, colorful daisy performs in full sun, tolerant of heat and drought. The blooms keep on coming through to frost without deadheading.



Calendula (Calendula officinalis)

Calendula is always right! A wonder plant in the herb garden or to grow with vegetables. Calendula makes a great choice mixed in the annual and perennial border as well.



Best Flowering Centerpiece, Main Plant, or Thriller Plants for Pots

Canna lily (Canna x generalis)

Canna lilies bloom prolifically with iris-like flowers through the summer in hot weather in warm shades of yellow, orange, and red.



Snapdragon (Antirrhinum majus)

Snapdragon loves full sun. Pinch back plants early in the season for bushier plants and more prolific flowers.



Dwarf Sunflowers (*Helianthus*)

For the lovers of sunflowers, there are a huge variety of dwarf versions that grow incredibly well in containers. Additionally, they make a great choice to use as a centerpiece with filler plants that can help balance out the long stems. As the name suggests, sunflowers are sun lovers and will follow the sun.



Scarlet Sage (Salvia spendens)

If welcoming bees, butterflies, and hummingbirds to the garden is the goal then Scarlet Sage might be the answer. This dramatic flowering tender tropical perennial is tough, drought tolerant, heat and sun loving, and can take poorer soil conditions.



Dahlia (Dahlia)

These are perfect as the thriller element of the flower container. For larger flowers, pinch off the side buds to maximize the plant's main feature flowers.



Best Flowering Plants for Stuffing and Filling Pots

Geraniums (Pelargonium zonale)

Geraniums are known for their bold clusters of continuous blossoms. A classic for the container flower garden for sun to part shade. They do perform best with diligent deadheading. But the deadheading is easy, just remove whole spent flower clusters.



Impatiens (*Impatiens*)

Impatiens are perfect for brightening up any shady spot. They bloom fiercely and fiery in every shade of pink imaginable. An expert at handling humid moist conditions and impatiens even perform in deep shade.



Begonia (Begonia)

Loved for its vibrant large double intricate flowers in bright illuminated colors, begonia performs in shade and can tolerate sun in more humid conditions.



Alyssum (Lobularia maritima)

Sweet, petite, fragrant. Alyssum fits the bill as the stuffer of choice to compliment and show off centerpiece and trailing plants alike. And they can take the heat and don't stop blooming from spring through to frost.



Zinnia (Zinnia elegans)

Zinnias bring the heat to summer days with their hot yellows, reds, and oranges and they are heat and drought tolerant. Gorgeous as a cut flower and adored by butterflies all season long.



Marigold (Tagetes)

From the gorgeous giant African marigolds, rich double fiery blooms of French marigolds, or the fragrant prolific signet marigolds, there is a marigold to stuff into just about any container. Frost tender perennials, these beauties can brighten up a container, pay tribute to a tall thriller plant, or bring in the pollinators.



Best Trailing, Hanging, Draping, and Spilling Flowering Plants for Pots

Bacopa (Sutera cordata)

A flower with common names like snowflake, bacopa falls all over itself aiming to please. Its prolific streaming stems are dappled in bright white, pink, or blue flowers. This little gem thrives in part sun to sun.



Lobelia (Lobelia erinus)

Attractive to bees and butterflies, Lobelia is sun loving, easy to grow, and does not need deadheading. Usually found in shades of blue and violet, there are rosy and white varieties available.



Trailing Begonia (Begonia boliviensis)

An easy to care for annual that doesn't need deadheading to rebloom. Although, removing spent blooms can be done for tidiness's sake. Rated for sun, begonia blooms in the shade and is more heat tolerant with high humidity.



Petunia (Petunia)

Cascading vines are smothered in gorgeous tubular blooms in many shades and color combination. Look for self-cleaning varieties to reduce the chore of deadheading.



Black-Eyed-Susan Vine (Thunbergia alata)

This fantastic flowing annual grows up to 20 feet in its tropical origins. In a single annual season, it may grow up to 8 feet so is great to smother an area with fun orange flowers.





Bert "The Machine" Kreischer is bringing the biggest party of the Summer to NEPA with the Fully Loaded Comedy Festival! Featuring a "Fully Loaded" line-up including comedians Bert Kreischer, Tiffany Haddish, Dave Attell, Big Jay Oakerson, Dan Soder, and Tammy Pescatelli,

Prepare for a night of laughs with this star-studded crew on Friday, June 16th at PNC Field.

The event start time will be announced at a later date.

The lineup varies by market and is subject to change.

Additional special guests are to be announced.

Presented by: Scranton/Wilkes-Barre RailRiders

June 16, 2023

Location: Scranton/Wilkes-Barre RailRiders

Address: 235 Montage Mountain Road, Moosic, PA 18507

Phone: (570) 969-2255

Click on this link to purchase tickets



YOU'RE FORMALLY INVITED!

The Peach Music Festival returns to Montage Mountain on June 29 – July 2, 2023!

A limited number of Early Bird Passes start at \$99 (+fees)!

Click her for Festival Passes | The Peach Music Festival







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 costeffective 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

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