

South Abington Woods Phase II

Newsletter January, 2024



thank you



A big “Thanks” to Alan Myers for his service to our Association for the past six years as Chairperson of the Board of Directors. We will certainly miss his guidance and wit. Great job Alan!

Welcome New Neighbors

Sandra Jayne #97

Alice Casparro #112



Just a friendly reminder:

The 1st quarter POA dues are due January 1st.

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

Stay up-to-date on Association information at:

sawp2poa.com

HAPPY 2024 NEW YEAR



Wishing you the best in the New Year!



A Note From Ruth:

As I reflect on 2023, we enjoyed more social activities than the previous Covid years. There was a lovely summer party and a few evening socials. The Holiday Party, although not well attended, was a happy event. Next year, we will change to a Holiday Luncheon, so that those who do not enjoy night driving may attend.

The Giving Tree was truly a community project and a great success. Thanks to all of the generous people who live in South Abington!!

Entering into 2024, we'd like to have some new events. How about a buffet dinner where everyone brings a dish? It could run from 5 to 9 so that not everyone shows up at once.

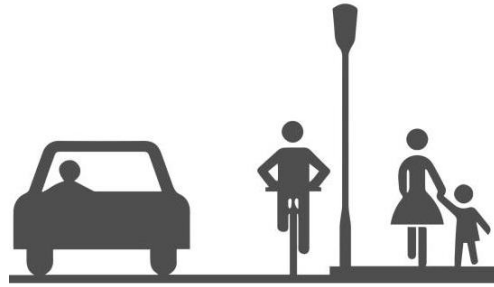
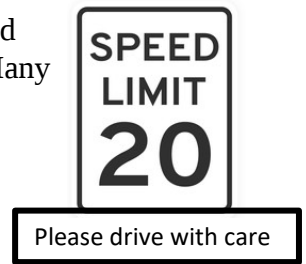
Joe will do the Corn Hole contest again (with time to practice!!). I'd like volunteers to do a morning Coffee & Donuts or an evening Wine & Snacks.

Of course, I cannot do all of these events alone. If you have ideas or are willing to volunteer, please contact me.

.....Ruth Cognetti



Please be reminded that the speed limit on Wyndham Road is 20 mph. Increased numbers of vehicles speeding through the neighborhood have been reported. Many residents (and pets) enjoy walks during the day and night. Please be aware of pedestrians at all times and remind your visitors of the speed limit in our neighborhood.



Source

When driving, help keep pedestrians of all ages safe.

Watch for pedestrians at all times and be extra cautious when backing up.

Stay alert – avoid distracted driving.

When walking, don't wear dark clothing. Wear reflective gear. Athletic stores offer sashes, clothing lines or badges that have reflective material on them so you can be more easily seen.

Put your phone away while walking Over half of distracted walking injuries occur in our own homes, proving that we need to stay aware of our surroundings whether indoors and out.

Walk against traffic. Just as important as it is for oncoming traffic to see you, it's important for you to also see oncoming traffic. It helps you make sure you stay in the clear in case others on the street aren't aware of your presence.

Be aware. Keeping your head up and ears open while walking in the dark will help keep you safe from surprises, like other pedestrians, animals or traffic that might come out of nowhere. It may also show any onlookers that you are paying attention to your surroundings and prepared to act if necessary.

Following are links giving examples of reflective gear for walking at night:

[Simket Reflective Rechargeable Led Reflective Sash Lights for Night Walking](#)

[High Visibility Reflective Belt Sash with Safety Light](#)

[Reflective Running Gear Set Include 2 Pieces LED Safety Lights and 4 Reflective Bands](#)

COVID-19

Article from the AARP Bulletin

I'm up to five COVID boosters...should I really be signing up for yet another shot now?

Yes. If you didn't get a COVID vaccine this fall, you need to hustle and catch up.

The most recent shot, which was released in September 2023, isn't actually a booster. It's a new vaccine that targets the latest variants. So even if you got the previous booster, you're not fully protected from the current versions of the virus.

Researchers who study the virus predict that COVID will continue to circulate throughout the winter, along with flu, RSV and other viruses that send hundreds of thousands of older adults to the hospital each year.

"One thing that we've learned over the past three and a half years is that the coronavirus isn't a seasonal virus like the flu is. It's with us constantly," says David Montefiori, director of the Laboratory for AIDS Vaccine Research and Development at Duke University Medical Center. "And as immunity wanes in the population, we're going to continue to see increased numbers of infections and associated increases in hospitalizations and deaths."

The coronavirus vaccine could become an annual shot, like the influenza vaccine. Researchers are even working on a combined COVID-flu vaccine, so a few years from now, a single shot from your doctor or pharmacy may be all you need to protect yourself fully. -- RN



[Greek-Inspired Snack Board Recipe](#)



[Grilled Dessert Snack Board](#)



["Let Game Day Begin" Snack Board Recipe](#)



[Game Day Victory Dessert Board Recipe](#)



[Pancake Charcuterie Board](#)



[Game Day Halftime Snack Board Recipe](#)



[Easy Charcuterie Board Recipe](#)



[Snack-It-Up Appetizer Board Recipe](#)



[Sweet and Savory Board Recipe](#)



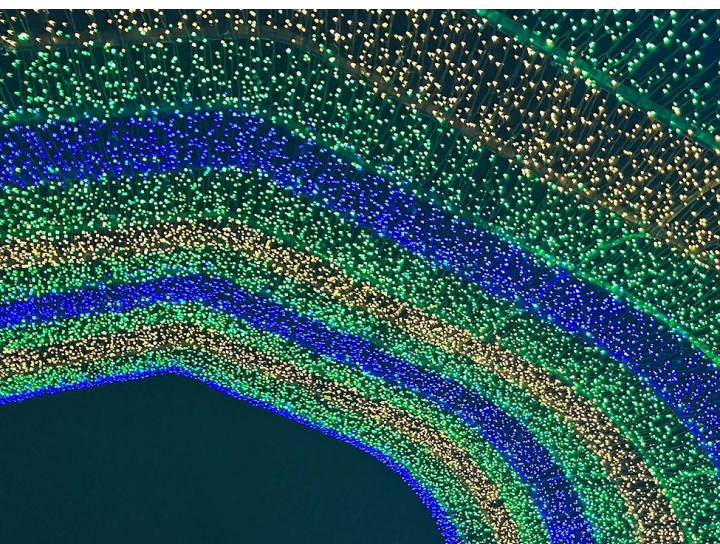
Festival of Trees

Through January 12, 2024
520 Biden Street, Scranton, PA 18503



Holiday Light Spectacular at Nay Aug Park

Through January 6, 2024



Festival of Lights

LARGE DRIVE THROUGH CHRISTMAS LIGHT DISPLAY

Presented by:
STONE HEDGE
GOLF COURSE

Opening Night:	November 22nd, 2023	Sunday-Thursday Hours:	5pm - 9pm
Closing Night:	December 31st, 2023	Friday-Saturday Hours:	5pm - 10pm
OPEN EVERY NIGHT EXCEPT CHRISTMAS EVE			
SUNDAY - THURSDAY= \$30 PER VEHICLE		FRIDAY & SATURDAY= \$35 PER VEHICLE	
55 STONEHEDGE DRIVE TUNKHANNOCK, PA 18657 570.836.5108			

[Tickets](#)

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the cher show

a new musical

Performance Times & Dates

March 1 – 3, 2024

March 1, 7:30 p.m.

March 2, 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

March 3, 1:00 p.m.

Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple

Due to the nature of theatrical bookings, shows, dates, times and prices are subject to change

[The Cher Show - Broadway in Scranton](#)

Big New Musical. Big. Huge.

PRETTY THE MUSICAL WOMAN

Performance Times & Dates

May 17 – 19, 2024

May 17, 7:30 p.m.

May 18, 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

May 19, 1:00 p.m.

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[Pretty Woman - Broadway in Scranton](#)



Performance Times & Dates

April 5 – 7, 2024

April 5, 7:30 p.m.

April 6, 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

April 7, 1:00 p.m.

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[Come From Away - Broadway in Scranton](#)



YOU CAN'T STOP THE BEAT

hairspray

BROADWAY'S TONY AWARD®-WINNING BEST MUSICAL IS BACK

[Hairspray - Broadway in Scranton](#)

Performance Times & Dates

January 12 – 14, 2024

January 12, 7:30 p.m.

January 13, 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

January 14, 1:00 p.m.

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South Abington Township Refuse and Recycling Info Sheet



Due to a growing problem with bed bugs, all mattresses and box springs must be wrapped with plastic before collection.

SOUTH ABINGTON TOWNSHIP has contracted with [JP Mascaro & Sons](#) for refuse and recycling pickup. **The service may only be activated by calling the Township office, 570-586-2111 X 1.**

The quarterly trash fee is \$89.88 and billed by JP Mascaro. Please contact the office to inquire about the requirements for Senior Citizen and Low Income rates. Various forms can be found below.

Six major holidays will postpone a normal scheduled day to the following day ONLY if they fall on a weekday. The holidays are as follows: *New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.* If any holiday falls on a weekend, your regular day will NOT change.

Also be advised, as per the contract, J P Mascaro may pull their trucks due to inclement weather for the safety of their employees and the general public. They will return once able to do so safely on the next available business day.

SOUTH ABINGTON TOWNSHIP is a mandated recycling community under Pennsylvania Act 101. Residential establishments must recycle newspaper, glass, aluminum, bi-metallic containers and plastics. Please place all items at the curb the evening before your scheduled pick-up day after 5:00 PM.

[Refuse & Recycling Info Sheet](#)

CFL bulbs (small round/curly only) may be dropped off at the Township Building during regular office hours. The energy saving bulbs have small amounts of mercury that should not be introduced into the waste stream.

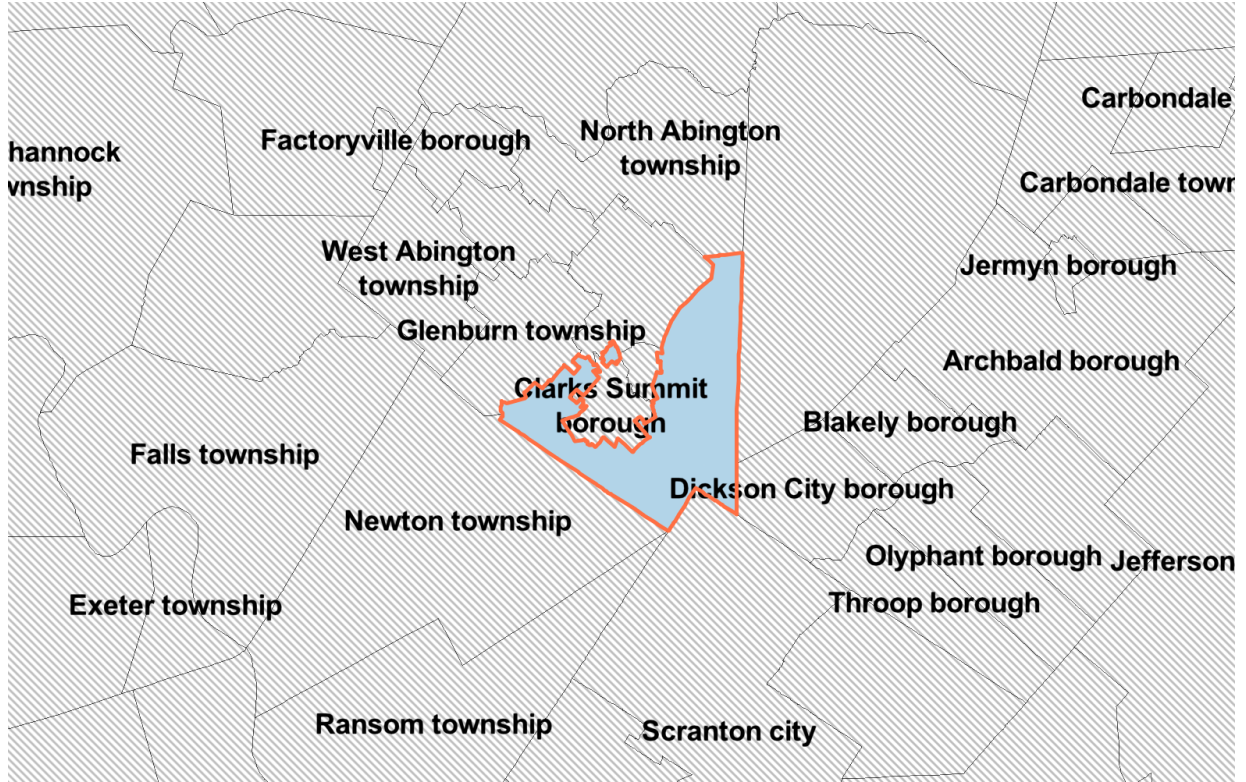
Corrugated cardboard dumpsters are located along the township garage access driveway near Quality Pools. The dumpsters are clearly marked for the acceptable contents for each. Residents are **strongly encouraged** to place their recycling outside their home as the dumpsters are a benefit to the businesses located within the township.

As a Pennsylvania mandated recycling municipality, all businesses must recycle, at the minimum, aluminum, high grade office paper and cardboard. A Recycling Report must be submitted each year to the Township, accompanied by certified weight slips. Helpful information for commercial recycling can be found below



South Abington Township Officials	
Giles W. Stanton	Board of Supervisors, Chairman
Mark T. Dougherty	Board of Supervisors, Vice-Chair
Donald T. Snyder	Board of Supervisors
Jo Ann Pane	Township Manager, AORO
Jo Ann Pane	Township Secretary/Treasurer
Susan McLane	Township Clerk
Elisabeth Padula	Police Clerk
Paul Wolfe	Township Police Chief
William T. Jones	Township Solicitor
Sean Connolly	Emergency Management Coordinator
Atlas (ATC)Engineers	Engineer
Gary Wilding	Sewage Enforcement Officer
Scott Thorpe	Real Estate Tax Collector
H. A. Berkheimer	TIT/LST Collector
Building Inspection Underwriters	Building Inspector
Anthony Jensen	Auditor
Bonnie Flaherty	Auditor
Richard P. Lenahan	Auditor





[U.S. Census Bureau QuickFacts: South Abington township, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania](#)

Board of Commissioners Lackawanna County:

Bill Gaughan

Matt McGloin

Chris Chermak

State Officials:

Bridget Malloy Kosierowski, 114th Legislative District

Martin Flynn, 22nd Senatorial District

Federal Officials:

Matt Cartwright, 8th Congressional District

Robert P. Casey, US Senate

John Fetterman, US Senate



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

Main: 570-703-8000

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](#)