



The Linksletter

Spring 2025 Edition



Special Mention & Notes

Thank you to newsletter contributors and all those who work to make the Links a great community! Please refer to your Links Directory for POC contact information if not published.

Links Website: <http://www.linkshoa.org>.

Links Master & HOA Updates

The Links Master Association Newsletter

The Board is currently overseeing the transition to Community Asset Management Co., CAM, and is working on fine tuning the process. The President and Treasurer are monitoring the CAM processes and enlisting other Board members as appropriate. CAM is performing well and the transition is nearly complete.

The Board has engaged Complex Solutions Ltd. for a Links Reserve Study. The reserve study will help us understand how we can prepare for future major expenses for the maintenance of infrastructure and amenities. Rick Baker, with assistance from Mary Thompson and Tim Crean, is leading this effort and we have received three drafts. Bruce Bennett has worked on this effort as well. The Board will publish this study as soon as it is complete.

The Treasurer reported the financial status at the Links Master Association meeting. The books are in good order and a new checking account has been opened for Association business. Anyone interested in seeing the latest financial information is encouraged to log into the portal to see the monthly financial status. Status is posted every month around the 20th and will include an income statement and a fund balance sheet.

The Community Center Oversight Committee (CCOC) has been tasked to develop and implement a plan to refurbish the lower level of the Community Center, including the fitness center. Rick Baker and Burt Waybright with consultation from Tim Crean and Sal Ferlisi, have obtained four bids and have selected a contractor. The work is scheduled to start on or about April 8 and expected to take four weeks to complete. The lower level, including the fitness center, will be closed during the renovations. The community will be notified prior to the start of the work.

The picture on the left depicts the lower level as it is today. The picture on the right depicts the lower level after the renovations. The area of the gym will be increased from 441 sq ft to 833 sq ft with dedicated areas for aerobics and weights.



Thanks to Jordan Chronister and his crew from the Golf Course for cleaning up the landscaping around the community center. Jordan's crew will be removing stumps in preparation for new landscaping. Stu Kravitz and Craig Scheiner were instrumental in the design of the new landscaping. The board has selected a contractor and will present the landscaping plan to Jordan for his approval as most of the landscaping will be on the golf course property. Stump removal and additional tree trimming are occurring during March.

Darrell Hardy, Pools R Us contractor, has retired. Many of our residents have known Darrell since the pool opened 20 years ago. He will be missed. Craig Scheiner, our pool operations manager, has obtained a new contractor and will be working with them for a smooth transition. The pool will open on time or perhaps a bit earlier this year. The new contractor will be making some much needed equipment upgrades to pumping systems and a chemical application automation system. Craig is looking for volunteers for the pool committee, so if you are interested in helping the community and love swimming, you can combine those interests in one package!

Wade Run Update from Laura Smith, Marketing Coordinator, Ward Communities



The construction at Wade Run at The Links at Gettysburg is moving along beautifully! Two homes are under construction and a third spec home is also starting. You can see the community taking shape, with homes rising and the neighborhood coming to life. For our valued residents, remember our referral program – share the joy of Wade Run with friends and family, and reap the rewards! Sales Manager Jeff Cassera is always available to answer your questions and provide personalized tours. Stop by and see him at our beautifully decorated model home to

experience the Wade Run lifestyle firsthand. He's ready to guide you through all the possibilities. Ward Communities was recently acknowledged as "The World's Greatest Builder" and featured on Bloomberg TV! This recognition underscores our commitment to quality, craftsmanship, and creating exceptional communities like Wade Run. We invite you to experience the difference for yourself.

The Links Master Association Board

Courtyards HOA Update – Spring 2025

Spring has sprung (we hope) Courtyards Residents!

The Executive Board has been busy since our last update this winter. Snow fall was relatively light and we spent just over the minimum required from our snow contractor. The snow stakes are up and put away so we are hoping there will not be a late snowfall this year.

Stu has been busy working with Brightview to improve the services they provide to our Community. They have already completed Spring clean-up and put down mulch in all the beds. By the time you read this, the first of several weed control applications should have been applied. This first one focused on pre-emergent and grub control.

Stu is also working with the Golf Course to conduct a "start-up" of the Irrigation system. More to follow, but as a reminder, the Golf Course insisted there will be only one contact per HOA. Right now, that is Stu. Once the system is up and running, if you notice any problems, contact Stu.

Tony has been actively working with contractors to maintain the Courtyard's paver roadways. We have identified multiple areas needing repair and applied "stone dust" to stabilize. The next step is to methodically evaluate and, if necessary, repair these areas.

The other area of focus this year is the streetlights. We are in the process of identifying an electrician to help us work through the lighting issues we have identified.

Finally, as Spring arrives, we naturally turn our attention to the outdoors and look at projects that update, repair or replace the exterior of our homes and/or yards. The Architectural Review Committee has begun to receive requests to add or alter landscaping and enhancements to the exterior of homes. The Executive Board wants to remind all Residents of the basic rule: if you want to change, add, or repair any exterior feature of your home, meaning your house or landscaping, you must submit an application to the ARC for review and you must not initiate any project before you receive written CY Executive Board approval.

Be well and safe and enjoy Spring at the Links!

The Courtyards Executive Board

Mount Joy Township Update



Greetings everyone. Spring is here as I am starting to see roadwork everywhere. Development is progressing at Wade Run. There have been no public meetings regarding changes to the plans.

There will be a couple of new additions in the township: a Dollar General Store at 2440 Baltimore Pike and Wheels of Liberation Museum at 1045 Barlow Two Taverns. Dollar General will attend a hearing to discuss variances in sign sizes. After the hearing, they are expected to open as a store.

On Barlow Two Taverns Road, the township is looking at the plans for the establishment of a Wheels of Liberation Museum. The proposed use is to operate a museum including a collection of Allied World War Two military tanks, self-propelled guns, tankettes, halftracks, armored cars, personnel carriers, field/anti-tank/anti-aircraft artillery, gun tractors, trucks, jeeps, staff cars, motorcycles, small arms, uniforms and related militaria with a special emphasis on the Polish Armed Forces 1939-1945. The owner will seek to get special events approved several times a year so that some of the museum vehicles are taken outside and driven in the fields. You might remember the previous occupant had a furniture store and the new owner built a huge warehouse in the back so there will be room for all vehicles.

The township will host a Community Recycling and Donation Day on Saturday, April 26, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Adams Rescue Mission, Goodwill, and other charitable organizations will be present to accept donations of electronics, paper, furniture, and other items you wish to dispose of responsibly. Stay tuned for more updates.

There will be upcoming primary elections for local candidates to include supervisors, school board members, judges, election officers, and Republican Committee members.

- Last day to register is **May 5**.
- Last day to apply for absentee ballots is **May 13**.
- Polling day is **May 20**.

Mount Joy residents vote at 902 Hoffman Home Road while Cumberland folks vote at the Barlow Volunteer Fire Department on Taneytown Road, which is where Ike once voted.

If you see an Adams County fire volunteer, please take a moment and thank them. Better yet, donate to the Barlow Volunteer Fire Department. Enjoy spring in our rural community.

If you have township questions, you can contact Bernie at bmazer@mtjoytwp.us. Enjoy living in a rural community with a rich history. *Bernie*

Editor's Note: Bernie, thank you for your service to Mount Joy Township and to the Links! Bernie will not seek reelection this fall, leaving the Links without a formal voice in Mount Joy Township. Several Links' residents are evaluating potential candidates who have filed to run. More information will be available at a later time. It is worth noting that whoever wins the primary will generally win the supervisor seat in the General Election, so **voting in the primary is important!**

Welcome New Residents

Donahue, Robert & Amanda

150 River Rd.

Cumberland Xing

McLaughlin, Peter & Jimany

10 Evergreen Ct.

Courtyards

*If you know of a new resident to the community, please inform **Jerry Wright** along with a contact email and/or phone number for the new resident. To respect privacy, Jerry will coordinate with our new resident to determine appropriate contact information for our directory and distribution lists unless that permission has already been granted. Directory updates are published at the beginning of each month when changes have occurred, but no less than once per quarter.*

Recent Activities & Events

Links Social Committee

Editor: A special thanks to the Social Committee for their efforts in coordinating, sponsoring and supporting the many community activities at the Links. Members include: Beth Crean, Brenda Insalaco, Patty Stack and “decorator Kathy Schork. Recent events are captured in articles below.

Healthy Living Class



On February 13th, Dianne Kensler, AMD, MHT, RN gave the third presentation in her Healthy Living, Naturally series. The presentation focused on natural self-care modalities, as energy contracts in Winter and we become deeply introspective. A segment on Dreams and decoding the messages from our subconscious completed the program. Resident volunteers provided light refreshments.

Dianne

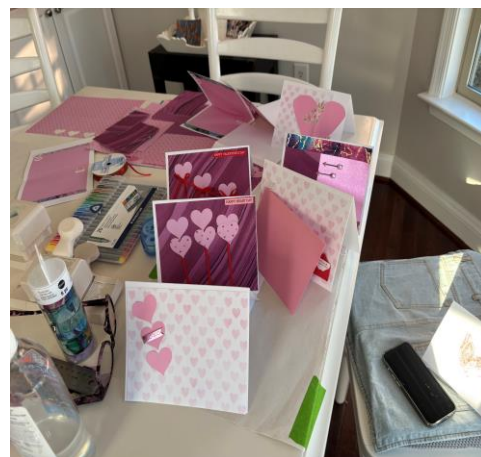
Ladies of the Links Bunco

🎲🎲🎲 Although we have 12 regular members, we’re always looking to add subs to our list. If you’re interested, please contact me to add your information to our group. *Colleen Annighi*

Valentine's Day Crafts



Each year Paula Kravits hosts a Valentine's Day workshop for residents interested in creating personalized Valentine's Day cards. Below are recent pictures from the 2025 workshop. *Paula*



Tuesday Crafting Group



Crafters love to share their creativity, knowledge, stories, and hearts!

Join us each week on Tuesdays from 12-2 p.m. at the warm and sunny Links Community Center for a couple of hours of fun and friendship while working on a craft of your own choosing.

Don't have a craft? No worries, we can help you find one and learning to knit is always an available option! Until next time, happy crafting, friends!" *Paige Waffle*

Happiness is...Our Tuesday Crafting Group!



Left to Right: Tammy Malcolm, Dianne Kensler, Barbara Pfister, Pat Hebert, LeeAnn Walker. Missing from photo: Beth Rosenzweig and Paige Waffle

Links Wine Social & Murder Mystery



It was a cold and snowy night when our Wine Club gathered for a fine tasting at the Community Center. Chuck Pede resident vintner had selected three wines with criminal intent for our tasting: 19 Crimes - the Banished, Educated Guess, and Seven Deadly Zens.

Although the wind had been brisk and the sky dark and ominous since sunset, our wine tasting seemed to wrap us all in a warm and friendly glow. Suddenly, our Club gathering was interrupted by a surprise guest, Lt. Columbus of Gettysburg PD played by the illustrious Michael Ramsdell. He informed us that the murder of our beloved property manager, Les Fidelity, had occurred the previous night and requested our assistance in investigating the crime.

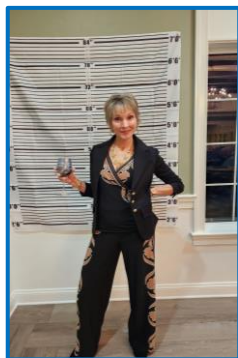


Six "persons of interest" had been identified, all residents of the Links who are pictured below. Lt. Columbus asked us to assist in the investigation by questioning each of the suspects and help determine who had "done it". With our crack team of local investigators, each of the suspects were questioned and their alibis challenged. At the end, the murderer was revealed and taken into custody. Two of our teams got the murderer half right and were justly rewarded for their efforts.

Lastly, we awarded best actress to Brenda Insalaco aka Victoria Oscar, the cheated film producer. Many thanks to all the actors, actresses and writers who made the event successful; Chuck Pede for his great wine presentation; and the attending wine lovers who pursued the dastardly culprit.

We do need hosts for the spring event if we want to have one. Please reach out if you are interested. *Mary & Jerry Wright*

Stu Kravits as
Billy Bilge



Brenda Insalaco as
Victoria Oscar



Chuck Pede as
Barnie Calbuster
& Sommelier



Donna Marks as
Fay Rockette

Debbie Thomas as
Susan Remington



Shelly Anderson as
Roxie Fidelity



Line Dancing at the Links

This group of dancers, boogied, hustled, grape-vined and wobbled all night long! Great exercise and a lot of fun was had by all! *Brenda Insalaco*



Annual Chili Cookoff 2025



It was a spicy and hearty competition when nine cooks battled for the number one slot as the Links Chili Cookoff Champion.

Jim Morris won a decisive victory with the favorite of the evening. Our tasters voted his chili the best. Coming in 2nd was Sharon Plump with a creamy chicken chili while Steve Kaniecki won 3rd with his bean-less Snakebite Chili.

The tasters were very serious and discerning as they sampled the nine chilis. After much deliberation they placed their chips in the ballot box for their favorites.

Thank you, Tim Crean and Bob Schork, for counting up the ballots. The evening was a lot of fun and I hope that everyone will consider attending next year. Think about entering and seeing if you can become the new champion! What a great way to celebrate the longest, shortest month! *Beth Crean*



St. Patrick's Day Celebration



On Friday, March 14, the Link's Social Committee hosted our Annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration Happy Hour at The Community Center. Our Link's band "Retrospective" provided musical entertainment with several new songs to fit the occasion. A perfect venue for those eager to show off their line dancing skills!



As always, the appetizers and desserts provided were delicious and the party was a great success. Thank you very much to everyone who donated to the "Social Committee Event Fund" and a special thanks to all of our Retrospective band members for their time spent in providing great music to the community.

Link's Social Committee

Links Ladies Luncheon



On March 20, 40 Links ladies joined each other for the Links Ladies Spring luncheon in the Community Center.



The attendees enjoyed good company, conversation and delicious food. Our volunteer dessert makers prepared scrumptious treats to cap off our luncheon.

Julie Muenzfeld



Links Residents Rock Trivia Night



Thank you and congratulations to everyone who joined us for trivia night! The community center was rocking with 53 participants across 11 teams of trivia aficionados!

Bragging rights and gift card prizes to the Links Pro Shop went to our first place winners, the members of Team Jerry's Kids--well done Vince Woolgar, Sue Bradshaw, Fred Jensen, Tammie Woolgar, Jerry Dougherty & Bruce Bradshaw.



Coming in at a close second place finish was Team Banner Court Bunch with Cameron White, Bob Heil, David Birdwell, Sharon Jobin, David Sorbin; followed by a strong third place finish by Team Einsteins with Dave Schroeder, Suzy Schroeder, Megan Brown, Kellie Brown, Chance Brown.

A fun time was had by all! We hope you will join us next time when Links Trivia Night returns in May! *Paige and Bob Waffle*

Links Billiards League



The Links Billiard League concluded its 2025 season on March 26 after ten weeks of doubles play and two weeks of a singles tournament. We typically had between 16 and 20 players on any given week. Play was held on tables in the homes of league members.

The doubles play was won by Bruce Terry, closely followed by Jerry Wright, Gil Clark and Andy Muenzfeld. The singles tournament was also won by Mr. Terry, who defeated Wright, Muenzfeld and Russ Arrighi in the finals.

Those interested in playing or even learning should contact Gil Clark, league commissioner, at gilclark7@comcast.net or 717-359-8634. There will be opportunities for play later in the year. *Gil Clark*



Left to Right: Gil Clark, Andy Muenzfeld, Jerry Wright, Bruce Terry, Russ Arrighi

Upcoming Activities & Events



Mark Your Calendars

The following is a list of known events and dates. Watch email for further details.

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| May 1 | Adams County Arts Council Annual Tournament (Stu Kravits) |
| May TBD | Wine Social (Jerry Wright) |
| August 23 | Annual Links Luau (|
| September 25 | Jimmy DeLorenzo Memorial Golf Tournament (Stu Kravits) |

Why all golfers should take up yoga (www.fairwayyoga.com)



Yoga's proven ability to enhance flexibility, strength, and balance makes it an invaluable tool for golfers seeking to up their game. Additionally, yoga's stress-reduction and mental focus benefits can significantly contribute to a golfer's performance. By stretching and strengthening the muscles involved in the golf swing, yoga can increase range of motion and improve swing speed and accuracy.

Improving balance and stability through yoga enables golfers to maintain control over their swing while minimizing injury risk. Studies also show that yoga can reduce stress levels and boost concentration, helping golfers remain focused on their game and make more informed decisions on the course. Furthermore, yoga helps golfers relax and maintain composure under pressure, fostering better decision-making during challenging shots. Overall, yoga's benefits to flexibility, strength, balance, and mental focus can take a golfer's performance to new heights.

To get started all you need is a yoga mat and to show up to class! The myth, "I'm not flexible enough to do yoga", isn't true! That's exactly why you should take up yoga!



Check the schedules of yoga classes right here in the Links community!

Brenda Insalaco

Links Wine Club



We do not have hosts yet for our May Social or for coordinating a visit to a local winery this summer. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jerry at wrightwj@comcast.net. Thanks, *Jerry Wright*

All Levels Yoga Class



All Levels Yoga classes run weekly on Tuesdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. through May at the Community center, led by Lynn James Kirby. This free class is open to all Links residents. Please bring a yoga mat, yoga blocks and a yoga strap (optional).

This yoga class offers several key physical activity movements to improve your strength, flexibility and balance, as well as overall mood and reduce stress. Exercises are explained and are appropriate for beginners to those with more yoga experience.

After the summer break, classes will resume in the fall. Please contact me with any questions (570-412-5477 or Lxj111@gmail.com) I hope to see you there! *Lynn James*



Ladies Book Club



are as follows:

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| April 23rd | <i>By Her Own Design</i> , a novel by Piper Hugely |
| May 28th | <i>When Women Ran Fifth Avenue</i> , an historical novel by Julie Satow |
| June 25th | <i>Becoming Madame Secretary</i> , a historical novel by Stephany Dray |



Our meetings take place in the Community Center's cozy Fireplace Lounge 10-11 am. We hope you will join us as we begin another season of book club sharing and friendship!

Claudia Clark

The Gettysburg Choral Society



The Gettysburg Choral Society, under the direction of John McKay, will present a pair of patriotic concerts entitled "God Bless the U.S.A." on Memorial Day weekend. The first concert will take place on Friday, May 23rd at 7:00 P.M. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 127 York Street, Hanover, PA 17331. The second concert will take place on Sunday, May 25th at 3:00 P.M. in the chapel of The United Lutheran Seminary, 61 Seminary Ridge, Gettysburg, PA 17325.

The concerts will honor America as the chorus pays tribute to our armed services and gives thanks for those who, in the words of Abraham Lincoln, "gave the last full measure of devotion." Showcasing the music that celebrates our great country from the Civil War to the present, some of the program's favorites will include "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," "God Bless America," and "God Bless the U.S.A."

There will be a special recognition of our veterans as the chorus presents "A Tribute to the Armed Services." Those men and women who have faithfully served our country in the military are encouraged to attend and be recognized for their service. Legendary bugler Jari Villanueva, the country's foremost expert on military bugle calls, will be present to play taps.

The Gettysburg Choral Society, Inc. is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization composed of auditioned singers who utilize their talents to pursue excellence in choral music performance. As always, the concerts are free and open to the public. Tax-deductible contributions are appreciated to help defray concert-related expenses. For more information, visit gettysburgchoralsociety.org



"God Bless the U.S.A."
PRESENTED BY THE GETTYSBURG CHORAL SOCIETY



A CONCERT TO HONOR AMERICA,
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Friday, May 23rd at 7pm
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
127 YORK STREET
HANOVER, PA 17331

Sunday, May 25th at 3pm
UNITED LUTHERAN SEMINARY CHAPEL
61 SEMINARY RIDGE
GETTYSBURG, PA 17325



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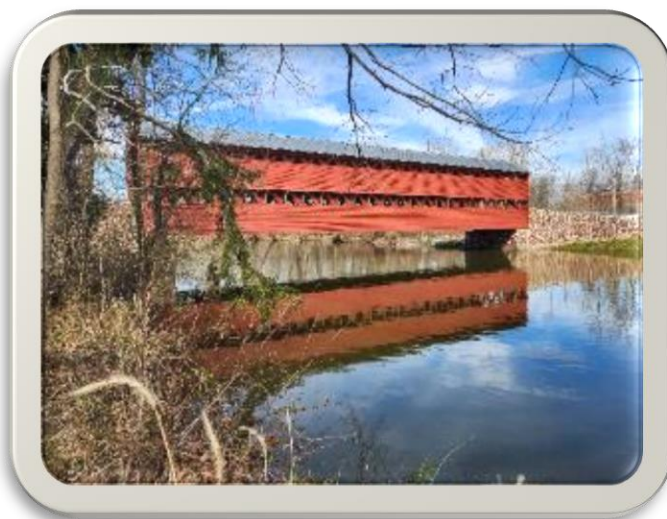
Amateur Photographers of the Links

Submitted by: Paul Baumann



Links Sunset

Submitted by: Mary Wright



Reflections

Current Links Activities

All Levels Yoga Class (Co-Ed) Tuesdays 5:30 p.m. at CC (Lynn James Kirby)

Chair Yoga (Co-Ed) Mondays, 2 p.m. at the CC. (Brenda Insalaco) ([resumes in April](#))

Ladies Book Club at the CC at 10 a.m. on the fourth Wednesday of every month. (Claudia Clark)

Ladies BUNCO Group call coordinator for more details. (Colleen Arrighi)

Ladies Mahjong Group on Tuesdays, 2-4 p.m. (Sandy Negro)

Ladies Luncheons scheduled periodically and notified through email. (Julie Muenzfeld)

Ladies Workout Classes (varied) at the CC every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 9-10:00 a.m.
(Bernadette Kesselman)

Ladies Yoga Class at the CC Fridays, 10:30 a.m. (Brenda Insalaco) ([resumes in April](#))

Links Billiards Club resumes play in January 2024 (Gil Clark)

Links Crafter's Corner meets Tuesday 12-2 p.m. (Paige Waffle)

Links Cyclists on Tuesdays & Sundays, 10 a.m. at the Community Center (Michelle Apple)

Men's Breakfast monthly at a local restaurant, startup pending. (Stu Kravits)

Men's Cigar Club monthly, usually Thursday 7-9 p.m. on the patio outside Pro Shop. (Joe Hunter)

Men's Yoga Class at the CC Fridays, 9:00 a.m. (Brenda Insalaco) ([resumes in April](#))

Pickleball on Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. at the Tennis Court. (Brenda Insalaco) ([resumes April](#))

Produce Gardens take place in the warmer months. (Bruce Bradshaw)

The Social Activities Committee schedules events throughout the year. (Sal Ferlisi)

Wine Club at the CC, on Saturday afternoon, once a quarter. (Mary and Jerry Wright)

This newsletter serves the Links community. Residents are welcome to contribute articles, photos, and suggestions to the Links Newsletter. Please contact Jerry Wright or Kay Larson.