The Village Roar

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Hello from the Master Board,

Only 36 days until Penn State football! It will be interesting to see how the team performs under Coach Campbell. The changes to Beaver Stadium have been fascinating to watch. The new section of seating on the west side extends quite a bit higher than the old section, I'm not sure I'd want to sit up there. They've been doing testing of the new lighting system the past few days, you may want to bring sunglasses for games played under the lights.

If you are putting cardboard boxes in the dumpster, PLEASE break them down. The empty boxes quickly fill the dumpsters and result in overfull dumpsters as people deposit trash. Also, please don't just throw your trash over the fence – a lot of you aren't as good a shot as you seem to think. We've had burst bags to clean up on numerous occasions.

The next meeting of the Master Board will be Thursday, August 20 at 3:00 PM in the Community Center. Residents are welcome to sit in on the meeting, however we ask that you inform your representative of your intent to attend so we can ensure that we have enough seating.

Thanks for your support and, as always, we encourage you to reach out to your representative with suggestions on how we can better serve you.
-Rob

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Around the Block

Community events, neighborhood announcements and more! All events will be held in the Community Center unless otherwise noted.



Tuesday 8/4 at 7pm - Bunco
Friday 8/7 at 1pm - Canasta
Friday 8/7 at 12:45pm - VPS Biking Group
Friday 8/14 at 1pm - Canasta
Saturday 8/15 at 10am - VPS Biking Group
Monday 8/17 at 7pm - Book Club
Friday 8/21 at 1pm - Canasta
Friday 8/28 at 1pm - Canasta



Football Eve Pizza Party - Friday, September 5 from 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Come kick off the next era of Penn State football with your neighbors! The Master Association Board is throwing a football eve pizza party in the Community Center on Friday, September 5 from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. Pizza will be provided, and guests should bring their own beverages. Come catch up with your neighbors or meet new faces, and be sure to wear your blue and white! RSVP to vps_community_center@yahoo.com by Thursday, September 3 if you plan on attending.

VPS Biking Group

The VPS biking group continues with their planned local path bike rides through the fall. The rides are about 15 miles and take approximately 2 hours (casual pace), with 4-6 riders participating on a variety of bikes (ebikes, gravel bikes, cruisers, etc.). If there is interest, there may be additional rides to rail trails. Here is the 2026 schedule (1st Friday and 3rd Saturday of each month through October) for the recurring rides:
Friday rides at 12:45 PM - 8/7, 9/4, 10/2,
Saturday rides at 10:00 AM - 8/22, 9/19, 10/17
The riders will meet at the Community Center for the rides.

Riders are also encouraged to use the VPS biking group email list to invite others if they want company for an individual ride. Contact Steve Wills (stevenlwills@hotmail.com or 814-380-3119) for additional information or to be added to the VPS biking group email list.

The Nittany Bookers

Monday, August 17
7:00 p.m. - Catching Up
7:30 p.m. - Book Discussion Begins



The Nittany Bookers next good read -
The Keeper of Hidden Books by Madeline Martin
All her life, Zofia has found comfort in two things during times of hardship: books and her best friend, Janina. But no one could have imagined the horrors of the Nazi occupation in Warsaw. As the bombs rain down and Hitler's forces loot and destroy the city, Zofia finds that now books are also in need of saving. With the death count rising and persecution intensifying, Zofia jumps to action to save her

friend and salvage whatever books she can from the wreckage, hiding them away, and even starting a clandestine book club. She and her dearest friend never surrender their love of reading, even when Janina is forced into the newly formed ghetto. But the closer Warsaw creeps toward liberation, the more dangerous life becomes for the women and their families – and escape may not be possible for everyone. As the destruction rages around them, Zofia must fight to save her friend and preserve her culture and community using the only weapon they have left - literature.

Local Wildlife Sightings

Please don't feed the animals! Removing food sources will help keep wildlife out of our neighborhood.

- Remove pet food, bird seed, and outdoor leftovers - Any outdoor food source serves as an open invitation to critters.
    - Use bird feeders with catch trays to minimize seed spillage, and consider bringing feeders indoors at night during peak wildlife seasons.
    - Clean outdoor eating areas thoroughly after barbecues or picnics, removing all food residue that could attract nocturnal visitors.
    - Feed pets indoors or remove food bowls immediately after feeding.
    - Do not leave food out for stray animals.
    - Never leave pet food outside overnight
    - Store pet food in airtight, chew-proof containers made from metal or heavy-duty plastic
- Secure trash bins -
    - Place all trash in the trash can - do not leave bags outside the cart.
    - Store your trashcan in your garage.
    - Make sure your trash can is closed completely.
    - If possible, wait until the day of trash collection to put the bin on the curb

It's Pool Season!

There is still a lot of summer left and hopefully a lot of pool weather with it. Please keep these rules in mind when visiting our pool, so everyone can have an enjoyable time.



- Please close your umbrella when you are leaving the pool. If you see an open an umbrella at an unoccupied table, please close it.
- If you have guests at the pool, they must fill out a guest release of liability (kept on file for the remainder of the year) and return them to the activities director.
- No food in the pool area.
- No glass bottles in the pool area.
- No smoking, alcoholic beverages or drug use in the pool area.
- No running or diving.

School Starts This Month!



Both Penn State and local schools start classes the week of August 24. This means increased traffic on the roads and in the stores the weekend before, and school buses and students in the neighborhood starting that week. Please plan accordingly and drive carefully.



Pedestrian Beacons

If the pedestrian beacons near the Community Center at the intersection of Toftrees Ave and Beaumanor Rd/Presidents Dr are not working, you can report it to the Patton Twp. Public Works Department at 814-234-0271 or email them at publicworks@twp.patton.pa.us. The township maintains these beacons and will repair them.

Useful Links for The Village at Penn State

The Community Center Calendar can be found here. (read only, reservations must be made through the community activities director)
The Village at Penn State public Facebook page can be found here.
The Village at Penn State Residential Neighborhood Facebook page can be found here. Please answer all questions when requesting to join.



Office Hours

Office hours are held Fridays from 12pm - 3pm in the Community Center office. Please note that office hours on **Friday, August 7 will begin at 12:30pm instead of 12pm**. If you need assistance outside of office hours, please email vps_community_center@yahoo.com

Moving?

Remember to return your fobs and mail box keys to the community center. They are non-transferable, and the deposit you paid on the fob when they were issued is refundable to you. They can be returned during office hours or by appointment.

Things to Do!

Here's a small sampling of what's going on this upcoming month. Looking for more to do? Check out the events page at statecollege.com/events or things to do at happyvalley.com/events or at www.centredaily.com/events/#/

Farmer's Markets – the following markets are currently operating unless otherwise noted

Downtown State College	Locust Ln	Fridays 11:30am - 5:30pm
North Atherton	Home Depot Parking Lot	Saturdays 10am - 2pm
Boalsburg	Military Museum Grounds	Tuesdays 2pm - 6pm
Hillside Amish	2201 University Drive	Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 8am - 4pm

Festivals and Events

Ice Cream Fest - Saturday, August 1 from 10am - 3pm, 200 S. Allen St, State College
A day filled with ice cream and family fun activities including: Local and regional ice cream vendors, ice cream eating contest, interactive displays, petting zoo, pony rides, face painting, bounce house, and snacks! $5 for 5 Tickets or $20 for 25 Tickets

East End Social Summer Close Out Block Party - Saturday, August 1 5:30pm - 9:30pm, Hiester St.
Don't miss your last chance to experience the East End Social! Join the Downtown Improvement District and friends for a family-friendly celebration in the street featuring local food vendors, craft beverages, and live entertainment. Free and open to the public and donations are welcome to support programming.

Family Skate Nights- Wednesdays August 5, 12, 19 from 5:30pm - 7pm, Pegula Ice Arena
Family Skate Nights are Back at Pegula Ice Arena. Admission is $13.00 per skater and includes skate rental.

Shelter Fest - August 6-9, multiple venues
Join Out of the Cold for four days of live music, great food, and fundraising during ShelterFest 2026! This annual event brings together friends, families, local businesses, and supporters to raise awareness and critical funds for individuals experiencing homelessness in Centre County.
Thursday, August 6 – 814 Cidery, 5:00–8:00 PM
Friday, August 7 – University Wine Company, 6:00–8:00 PM
Saturday, August 8 – Boal City Brewing, 11:00 AM–9:00 PM
Sunday, August 9 – Axemann Brewery, 11:00 AM–7:00 PM

Bellefonte Arts and Crafts Fair - August 7-8, downtown Bellefonte
The 43rd Annual Bellefonte Arts & Crafts Fair is back! Head to downtown Bellefonte on August 7–8, 2026, for two amazing days of handcrafted art, local food artisans, live music, and family fun.

Penn State's Ag Progress Days - August 11-13, Russell E. Larson Agricultural Research Center, 2710 W. Pine Grove Road Pennsylvania Furnace, PA 16865
Pennsylvania's largest outdoor agricultural exposition. With over 400 exhibitors from the United States and Canada, there is something for everyone to enjoy at no cost as parking and admission are free. The show is hosted by Penn State's College of Agricultural Sciences and showcases educational programs, current research, and the latest innovations in agricultural equipment and technology.

Centre County Grange Fair - August 21-29, Grange Fair Ground, Centre Hall
The Grange Fair offers more than a week of rides, games, food, entertainment, and agricultural displays. Visit their website for the full schedule and admission prices.

Penn's Woods Art Exhibition - The Arboretum at Penn State, through the end of August
The Penn's Woods outdoor art exhibition will be installed throughout the H.O. Smith Botanic Gardens, encouraging visitors to explore the deep history, ecology, and artistry of Pennsylvania's forests—lands once called Penn's Woods. This exhibition also serves to inspire reflection on how Pennsylvania has long held a pivotal role in American history, from its forests and waterways fueling industry and migration to its arts and sciences advancing cultural diversity and innovation. Opens the first week of June and will remain open through August.

Bryce Jordan Center
Sept 2 | Don Tolliver: Octane Tour
Sept 11 | Ella Langley: The Dandelion Tour
Sept 18 | Lil Wayne 20 Years of Carter Classics
Oct 11 | "Weird Al" Yankovic: Bigger & Weirder 2026 Tour
Oct 22 | John Mulaney: Mister Whatever
Oct 24 | MercyMe, Jeremy Camp, Tim Timmons, Sam Wesley
Oct 30 | JOHN SUMMIT - CTRL ESCAPE ARENA TOUR

Recurring Weekly Events

South Hills Music Picnic Series - Every Sunday, 5pm, South Hills School of Business & Technology
Starting June 7th, every Sunday evening on the north lawn of the South Hills School of Business & Technology will offer an opportunity for a summer filled with incredible local talent and community fun with a free concert starting at 6pm.
Live After 5 - Every Wednesday, 5:30pm - 8:30pm, MLK Plaza beginning June 10
Enjoy live music from local musicians in the heart of Downtown State College! On select summer evenings, sip craft beverages from members of the Central PA Tasting Trail.
Read It, Watch It - Wednesdays at 12pm through August 12, The State Theatre
The State Theatre and Schlow Library team up almost every Wednesday this summer for a line-up of excellent children's movies! They invite families of the community to beat the heat and enjoy the comfort of The State Theatre! Registration is preferred, but walk-ins will be accepted!
Wingfest - Every Thursday, 5:30pm - 10pm, through August 13, Tussey Mountain
A people's choice wing competition and concert. Enjoy wings from area restaurants and 2 bands. A winning restaurant is named every week, and all winners will compete at The Finals to determine the Tussey Mountain Wing King!
Valley Improv Comedy Show - Every Friday, 7pm - 8:30pm, The Blue Brick Theater, 209 W. Calder Way
Concerts on the Village Green - Every Friday, 7:30pm - 9pm, Lemont Village Green
Enjoy a free concert every Friday on the Village Green in Lemont. Featuring an eclectic mix of local music.
State College Spikes - Medlar Field at Lubrano Park on the PSU Campus
The Spikes are celebrating their 20th anniversary here in State College. There are speciality games and promotions all season long.

Recurring Monthly Events

First in the Fonte - Saturday, August 1 from 11am - 3pm, downtown Bellefonte
Every first Saturday in downtown Bellefonte, the town comes alive with creativity, community, and local small businesses. Vendors will pop-up inside and outside throughout downtown, along with food trucks, baked goods, hands-on make-and-take activities, and live music.
First Friday - Friday, August 7 from 5pm - 8pm, downtown State College
A casual atmosphere features art, people-watching, mingling with friends, shopping, and dining at the diverse and delectable State College restaurants. First Friday goers will experience after-hours access to galleries and shops, free bites and beverages, live music, retail and restaurant specials, and more. Coal Aly takes the stage in the MLK plaza from 5:30pm - 8pm.
Fun Fridays - August 7 from 4pm-8pm St. Paul's Lutheran Church Parking Lot 277 W. Pine Grove Rd
One Friday each month, head to Pine Grove Mills for live music, food trucks, a farmer's market and craft vendors. June 5, July 17, August 7, September 11, October 16
Movies Under the Stars - Friday, August 14 at dusk, Sidney Friedman Park
Grab your blankets or chairs, bring your friends and family, and enjoy unforgettable nights under the open sky! August's movie is "Zootopia 2" rated PG, 108 minute run time.
First in the Fonte - Bellefonte Parade

Penn State Home Sports Schedule

Schedule subject to change check the All Sports Schedule for up to date scheduling.
https://gopsusports.com/all-sports-schedule?type=home

Men's Soccer

Thu Aug 20	7pm	Mercyhurst
Fri Aug 28	7pm	Pittsburgh

Women's Soccer

Thu Aug 27	7:30pm	Bucknell
Sun Aug 30	1pm	Brown

Field Hockey

Fri Aug 28	4pm	Virginia
Sun Aug 30	12pm	Lock Haven

Women's Volleyball

Sat Aug 29	TBA	UConn
Sun Aug 30	TBA	High Point
Sun Aug 30	TBA	Hofstra