The Village Roar

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Hello from the Master Board,

After three wins, our Nittany Lions suffered a devastating loss to Wisconsin. Let's hope they can get things together for the Northwestern game on Friday night! Just a reminder, the neighborhood will be crowded during home games. Please don't block:

- Mailboxes – we didn't receive our mail; per the carrier the mailbox was blocked
- Fire hydrants
- Driveways
- Sidewalks (Patton Township ordnance, can be fined)

The Village at Penn State annual meeting is Sunday, October 25 at 10:00 am in the Community Center. A Zoom link will be provided for those who cannot attend in person. You should have received a mailing with the meeting documents, including a proxy and a bylaw amendment, as well as an email version with links to electronic versions of the proxy and bylaw amendment. If you cannot attend, please fill out your proxy and bylaw amendment. The bylaw amendment permits us to use email to send out the Annual Meeting documents. This would be a money and time saver – the mailing for this meeting cost over $1000 between postage, supplies and labor.

Just a reminder, you are required to submit an Architectural Review (AR) form for any external modifications to your property. You are also required to follow the approved AR. We have an improved process for approving submitted ARs, eliminating the delays you may have experienced in the past.

The Community Recreation Committee had its first meeting in September. The location under consideration is the wooded area behind the cluster mailboxes on Victory Blvd. The Committee is considering privacy concerns, recreation equipment and funding sources. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact your representative.

The next meeting of the Master Board will be Thursday, November 12 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.



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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.



Friday 10/2 at 1pm - Canasta
Friday 10/2 at 12:45pm - VPS Biking Group
Tuesday 10/6 at 7pm - Bunco
Friday 10/9 at 1pm - Canasta
Friday 10/16 at 1pm - Canasta
Saturday 10/17 at 10am - VPS Biking Group
Monday 10/19 at 7pm - Book Club
Friday 10/23 at 1pm - Canasta
Sunday, 10/25 at 10am - The Village at Penn State Annual Meeting
Friday 10/30 at 1pm - Canasta

VPS Annual Meeting - Sunday, October 25, 2026 at 10am

The annual homeowners meeting of The Village at Penn State will be held Sunday, October 25, 2026 at 10am in the Community Center. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please complete and return a proxy form. A hard copy of the form was mailed to you and can be returned to the address included with the form, or you can file an electronic proxy form here.

It is important that we have a quorum (50% + 1 homeowners, or 178 owners) attend in person or via proxy representation so the proposed amendment to the bylaws can be voted on by the board and implemented if passed.



PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENT

The proposed amendment to the bylaws is to allow for official communications to be sent via electronic means rather than paper mailing. As this proposed change is considered substantive, it requires a vote by all the Village at Penn State owners. This change will save our HOA money and time, and the Master Association Board recommends that owners vote to approve this amendment. A paper ballot was included with the letter announcing the annual meeting, along with additional details about the proposed change. This information

was also sent as an email, and you can vote electronically on the proposed bylaws change here. **Again, we need a majority of the homeowners to cast votes.**

In addition to the proxy form and bylaws ballot, you should have received the 2026 meeting agenda, the proposed 2027 budget and budget highlights, and the minutes from the 2025 meeting, both through physical mail and email. There are also copies available to review on the bulletin boards in the entryway and fitness center of the Community Center.

Upcoming Changes to the Architectural Change Request Procedure



Architectural Review submissions (ARs) are required for any work that impacts the exterior of the residence and/or property. This includes, but may not be limited to, landscaping (addition, removal, change), fencing, exterior painting, deck/patio, addition to home/change to exterior wall, etc.

The Board is in the process of establishing its own website for submitting ARs Each subassociation will have a link for their respective AR submissions, and will no longer use the Continental request portal. The submission form requires information about the proposed project, photos or drawings, applicable permits, etc. Residents are responsible for any permits (zoning, building) required. Homeowners will be notified by email when the new website is up and running including information about its functions and features.

The steps of the AR approval process after submission are listed below. Each Board has a maximum of two (2) weeks to review the submission, but may act on it faster.

- ➔ ARs are first reviewed by the respective subassociation following whatever process has been established by the sub. The subassociation will either approve, deny or request changes/modifications within its authority and scope.
- ➔ After review by the subassociation, the request is automatically routed to the Master Board for review. The Master Board will formally approve or deny the AR based on its authority and scope per the planned community declaration and bylaws.
- ➔ Approvals will come automatically via email following Master Board review. No work can begin until approval has been received.

VPS Biking Group

It's not too late to join the VPS biking group! They will be wrapping up their second season with two rides in October on Friday, October 2 at 12:45pm and Saturday, October 17 at 10am. Contact Steve Wills (stevenlwills@homail.com or 814-380-3119) for additional information or to be added to the VPS biking group email list.

Football Eve Pizza Party

Thanks to those who came out to the Football Eve Pizza Party! Stay tuned for details of our next community event.

The Nittany Bookers

Monday, October 19

7:00 p.m. - Catching Up
7:30 p.m. - Book Discussion Begins



The Nittany Bookers next good read -

The All-American by Susie Finkbeiner

It is 1952, and nearly all the girls 16-year-old Bertha Harding knows dream of getting married, keeping house, and raising children in the suburbs of Detroit, Michigan. Bertha dreams of baseball. She reads every story in the sports section, she plays ball with the neighborhood boys--she even writes letters to the pitcher for the Workington Sweet Peas, part of the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League.

When Bertha's father is accused of being part of the Communist Party by the House Un-American Activities Committee, life comes crashing down on them. Disgraced and shunned, the Hardings move to a small town to start over where the only one who knows them is shy Uncle Matthew. But dreams are hard to kill, and when Bertha gets a chance to try out for the Workington Sweet Peas, she packs her bags for an adventure she'll never forget.

Annual Halloween Candy Swap

Following the Book discussion, we'll begin our annual Halloween Candy Swap. Bring your favorite candy bar (regular size) to join in the fun!



Trick or Treat Night - Thursday, October 29 from 6pm - 8pm

Due to Penn State's home football game on Saturday, October 31, this year's trick or treating will be held on Thursday, October 29 from 6pm - 8pm for Patton Township and most of the Centre Region. If you're out driving at that time, please be cautious and on the look out for little ghosts and goblins.

Good Neighbor Reminders

Please keep the following in mind when you're here in The Village to help be a good neighbor.

- When parking on the street -
  - Do not block fire hydrants, sidewalks, others' driveways, or mailboxes.
  - Park facing in the same direction that traffic flows on the side of the street you are parked on. Do not park so that you are facing into traffic.
- Obey posted speed limits.
- Please be mindful of noise levels when entertaining outside.

Center for the Performing Arts Group Discount

You can receive a group discount for the following performances in the upcoming Centre for the Performing Arts season at Eisenhower Auditorium by using code VILLAGE26 when ordering your tickets online, over the phone or at the box office:

The Wiz - Thursday, October 27 at 7pm
Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra - Sunday, November 8 at 4pm
Shucked - Tuesday, February 2 at 7pm



The General Election is Tuesday, November 3, 2026

Important upcoming dates. Visit the Centre County Elections and Voter Registration website for more information.



October 19 Last day to REGISTER before the November election
October 27 Last day to apply for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballot
November 2 at 9am - Secure ballot drop boxes are no longer available after this time. Ballots must be hand delivered to the Elections Entrance of the Community Services Building, 502 E. Howard Street, Bellefonte, by 8pm on Election Day.
November 3 Election Day. Last day for the county election office to receive completed mail-in and civilian absentee ballots (must be received by 8:00 P.M.)

Polls are open from 7am to 8pm on Election Day. Our precinct is 64-Patton Twp. North-1.
Our voting location is
PATTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
100 PATTON PLZ
STATE COLLEGE, PA 16803

Football Shuttles and CATA

Fullington North Atherton Shuttle
This shuttle stops at the corner of Toftrees Ave and Presidents Dr, with discharge/pick up at the Bull Barn at the Agriculture Arena on Fox Hollow Road (200 yards from Stadium). All tickets are $20 round trip and must be purchased from the driver. Shuttles start 3 hours before game time and end at kick-off time. Return trips start at the beginning of the 3rd quarter and end 1.5 hours after the game.

CATA service
On gameday Saturdays, the CATA H Route from Toftrees is on an extended detour. The closest stop to the stadium is along Bigler Road, in front of the Computer Building and across the street from the McCoy Natatorium.



Office Hours

Office hours are held Fridays from 12pm - 3pm in the Community Center office. 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. Please remember to give us your forwarding address so we know where to mail the returned deposit!

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	Tuesday and Friday 11:30am - 5:30pm
North Atherton	Home Depot Parking Lot	Saturday 10am - 2pm
Boalsburg	Military Museum Grounds	Tuesday 2pm - 6pm
Hillside Amish	2201 University Drive	Tuesday and Saturday 8am - 4pm

Wassom Farm Fall Fest - October Saturdays and Sundays, 10am - 5pm, 2545 Shingletown Rd
Hay rides to the pumpkin patch, corn maze, kids activities, and homemade food including ice cream, soups, and baked goods



Way's Fruit Farm Fall Festivals - Every Saturday in October prior to Halloween
Every weekend, Way's is offering a fall festival including wagon rides to the pumpkin patch, apple picking, craft market, live music, and food vendors.

Happy Valley Maker Faire - October 3-4, Axemann Brewery, 2042 Axemann Rd, Bellefonte
A global celebration of invention, creativity, and hands-on making presented by Discovery Space and The Rivet. Maker Faire Happy Valley is back, bigger and packed with even more interactive exhibits, live demos, workshops, and family-friendly fun. From robots and recycled art to quirky tech and over-engineered creations, it's part science fair, part art show, and part "I-can't-believe-someone-built-that." Come explore, tinker, and be inspired.

25th Annual Downtown Fall Festival - Saturday, October 3, 10am - 3pm, 200 Block of S. Allen St.
Bring the whole family to Fall Fest! Enjoy tons of activities and engagement stations, including a Fun House, a photo station, food vendors, free pumpkins for the kids, and a pumpkin decorating activity

Boalsburg Renaissance Faire - Sunday, October 11, 11am, Columbus Chapel and Boal Mansion Museum
Delight in period reenactors and lively demonstrations, savor authentic Ren Faire fare, majestic horses (perhaps a unicorn or two?), a castle bounce house, incredible music and dance, and an array of artisans, crafters, and fun.

Haunted-U - Saturday, October 17 from 5pm - 8pm, Whitmore and Osmond Labs on PSU campus
Haunted-U is a FREE Halloween-themed science event hosted by the Office of Science Outreach at Penn State's University Park Campus. This celebration transforms familiar spaces into playful haunted halls filled with hands-on science thrills, curiosity-sparking demonstrations, and unforgettable memories.

Punkin Chunkin Fall Festival - Saturday, October 17 10am - 5pm, Bald Eagle State Park
The Punkin' Chunkin' Fall Festival brings together incredible pumpkin-flinging machines, local vendors, delicious food, and thousands of attendees for a full day of FREE, family-friendly fun. Watch teams launch pumpkins high into the sky and out over Sayers Dam using massive air cannons, catapults, trebuchets, and other creative machines. Stroll through a wide variety of craft and merchandise vendors, enjoy great food from local favorites, and explore activities for visitors of all ages.

Fall Train Rides - Trains depart from Talleyrand Park, Bellefonte
October 17
Mountain's End - Enjoy a round trip excursion along the branch line between Bellefonte and Lemont. This scenic ride includes a 45 minute layover at the historic Lemont Granary where you will be treated to complimentary apple cider and donuts.
October 24
Bald Eagle Flyer Lunch Train - Enjoy a delicious hoagie on freshly baked bread from Maria's Italian Restaurant and Pizza while traveling through the scenic Bald Eagle Valley from Bellefonte to Tyrone. During your 1 hour layover visit the recently expanded Tyrone Area Historical Society Museum or take a stroll around town. The on board lunch includes a hoagie selection, bagged snack and bottle of water.
Halloween Special - Put on your favorite costume and climb aboard the Halloween Special. Enjoy spooky music while riding on the Bellefonte Branch rail line. Halloween Candy Bags will be distributed at the end of the ride.

State College Area High School Homecoming Parade - Thursday, October 22 from 5:45pm to 7pm
Groups and organizations from the State College Area High School will celebrate homecoming with the annual parade. The parade starts and ends at the high school and travels through the Holmes-Foster and Greentree neighborhoods adjacent to the Westerly Parkway.

Bizarre Bazaar - Saturday, October 24 10am - 4p Talleyrand Park, Bellefonte
Head to Talleyrand Park for a spooky season artisan sale. There will be live music, food trucks, PA Tasting Trail vendors and over 50 vendors.



CRPR Events
Touch a Truck - Saturday, October 3 10am - 1pm, State College Alliance Church Parking Lot
Bring the kids out for a hands-on afternoon of trucks! Climb, touch, explore, and honk the horns as they get an up-close look at some of the trucks and vehicles that help keep our community moving.
Annual Halloween Parade - Sunday, October 25, line up at 100 block of Fraser St at 6:30pm, steps off at 7pm
Show off your best Halloween costume at our annual Halloween Costume Parade! Meet on Fraser Street to line up for the parade, then head to Memorial Field for costume judging. Cash prizes will be awarded, thanks to the State College Lions Foundation. Come dressed to impress and join the Halloween fun!

Bryce Jordan Center
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

The Arboretum at Penn State

The Arboretum continues to offer activities for all ages in October! Here are a few of the unique events happening there in October. Be sure to check their events calendar for the full schedule of events including nature walks, nature sketching, and events for kids and families on October 9.

Nittany Lights - Saturday, October 3, 7pm - 10pm

Experience the Arboretum in a whole new light during this enchanting, one-night-only artistic lighting display! Nittany Lights brings together talented students and professional lighting designers to transform the garden into a magical wonderland after dark.

Star Party - Saturday, October 3, 8pm - 10pm

Stop by the Arboretum to stargaze! If skies are clear, we will see the Moon in its last quarter phase. If we're lucky, we may see the planet Saturn at its brightest for the year. Telescopes and astronomical expertise are provided by the Central Pennsylvania Observers. This event is for adults (18+.)

Pumpkin Fest 2026

- Sunday, October 11 from 2pm to 4pm - Pick up your free pumpkin to participate in the Pumpkin Fest jack-o'-lantern contest
- Thursday, October 15 from 4pm to 7pm and Friday, October 16 from 10am to 2pm - return your pumpkin during one of these times for inclusion in the Pumpkin Fest jack-o'-lantern contest.
- Friday, October 16 from 5pm to 9pm and Saturday, October 17 from 10am - 9pm - Festival events, including jack o' lantern viewing, paid and free events, live music, food trucks and more.



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

Football

Sat Oct 10	7:30pm	USC
Sat Oct 31	TBD	Purdue

Women's Volleyball

Thu Oct 1	7pm	Nebraska
Sat Oct 3	7pm	Iowa
Fri Oct 9	7:30pm	Northwestern
Sun Oct 11	12pm	Washington
Fri Oct 23	7pm	Oregon
Thu Oct 29	7pm	Ohio State
Sat Oct 31	TBD	Purdue

Women's Ice Hockey

Fri Oct 2	6pm	Robert Morris
Sat Oct 3	2pm	Robert Morris
Fri Oct 16	2pm	Lindenwood
Sat Oct 17	12pm	Lindenwood

Women's Soccer

Sat Oct 3	7pm	Purdue
Sat Oct 17	4pm	Rutgers
Fri Oct 30	7pm	Indiana

Men's Tennis

Fri Oct 2, Sun Oct 4	Penn State Men's Tennis Invitational

Men's Soccer

Fri Oct 2	7pm	Ohio State
Tue Oct 20	7pm	Rutgers
Sat Oct 24	7pm	Wisconsin
Wed Oct 28	7pm	Duquesne

Field Hockey

Sun Oct 4	1pm	Lafayette
Fri Oct 16	5pm	Ohio State
Sun Oct 18	12pm	Michigan
Fri Oct 30	3pm	Northwestern

Men's Ice Hockey

Fri Oct 16	7pm	Quinnipiac
Tue Oct 20	6pm	Robert Morris
Fri Oct 23	7pm	Canisius
Sat Oct 24	5pm	Canisius

Women's Basketball

Tue Oct 27	6pm	Pitt-Johnstown

Swimming and Diving

Fri Oct 30	4:30pm	Pittsburgh