

YOUR CREATIVE SELF

Please note that ALL supply costs are to be paid to the instructor on the night of the class. Check our website for detailed information & pictures.

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#127 Knit a Spring Scarf or Wrap 3 Wednesdays, March 13, 20, 27
In a class for experienced beginner & intermediate knitters, **Kristina Laurito** will cover basic skills to create a spring accessory. Skills involve casting on/binding off, knit & purl stitches, dropped stitches & blocking a finished piece.
Time: 7:00 PM Cost: \$25 + \$8 Supply Fee

#128 The Art of Batik Thursday, March 21
Using a wax resist, **Gwen Harleman** from Verve Vertu Art Studio will teach you how to design & create beautiful fabric & paper.
Time: 6:00 PM Cost: \$20 + \$10 Supply Fee

#129 Beginning Rigid Heddle Weaving Saturday, March 23
Linda Mesavage teaches us to weave: warp the loom, weave & cut off your sample project in one afternoon! Class is for beginner weavers or those who wish to brush up their skills. Includes handouts, weaving terminology, & a lot of fun! Bring rigid heddle loom, warping equipment & shuttle. Yarns provided. Instructor has limited number of looms to rent.
Time: 9:00 - AM - 4:00 PM Cost: \$60 + \$10 Supply Fee

#130 Needle Felting – Just Fun 2 Thursdays, April 4, 11
It's easy & very relaxing to create beautiful designs from wool roving. Make your own colorful design using this simple needle & wool technique.
Time: 6:30 PM Cost: \$20 + \$5 Supply Fee

#131 Crochet a Spring Poncho 3 Wednesdays, April 3, 10, 17
Designed for experienced beginner & intermediate crocheters, this class will help you create a trendy boho- style poncho using chain stitch, single crochet & cluster stitch with **Kristina Laurito**. Learn poncho & ruana construction, flower motifs, fringe & edging.
Time: 7:00 PM Cost: \$25 + \$10 Supply Cost

#132 Ukrainian Pysanky Eggs Friday, April, 12
Join **Tammy Budnovitch** for this beginner class on the basic steps on creating a pysanky egg. The hands-on step-by-step instruction will help you decorate your own egg.
Time: 6:00 PM Cost: \$20 + \$15 Supply Fee

#133 Cage Bead Bracelet 2 Thursdays, April 18, 25
Create a sterling silver linked bracelet. Form cage beads by manipulating wire into swirled shapes with jewelry artist **Kristie Miller McMahon**.
Time: 6:00 PM Cost: \$40 + \$12 Supply Fee

#134 Carving a Cooking Spatula Wednesday, April 24
Make a unique & useful long handled spatula with **Jeff Kuchak** in one class, utilizing one knife & safe knife grips. Class size limited.
Time: 6:30 PM Cost: \$20 + \$10 Supply Fee

#135 Krokbragd on a Rigid Heddle Loom Saturday, April 27
Join **Linda Mesavage** & other weavers to learn this 3 shaft Swedish weave on a rigid heddle loom, using a pick up stick & string heddles. Three patterns - including sheep!- will be taught. Bring loom, shuttle & pick up stick.
Time: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Cost: \$60.00 + \$10 Supply Cost

#136 Introduction to Fused Glass 2 Thursdays, May 2, 9
Michael Swanson will teach the process of arranging multiple pieces of glass including cut pieces, frit, & stringers into complete artistic design that will be fused into one piece of glass.
Time: 6:00 PM Cost: \$30 + \$45 Supply Fee

#137 Bring in the Spring Bracelet 2 Wednesdays, May 8, 15
Create fun, flexible sterling silver chain bracelets accented with versatile rubber links with jewelry artist **Kristie Miller McMahon**. Wear individually or in stacks.
Time: 6:00 PM Cost: \$40 + \$10 Supply Fee

OUT & ABOUT *Sponsored by Gene and Jean Stark*

#138 Introduction to Tennis 4 Wednesdays, March 20, 27, April 3, 10
Taught by certified professionals, this class for beginners introduces the basics, provides a review of the strokes & rules of tennis. Students provide their own rackets.

Location: Birchwood Tennis & Fitness Club
Time: 6:30 PM Cost: \$60

A CLOSER LOOK *Sponsored by National Running Center*

#139 Everything You Wanted to Know About Marijuana But Were Afraid To Ask Wednesday, April 10

Joe Vinson will share the history of the marijuana plant, the botany, and its effects on the body & brain. Learn statistics, laws, & medical uses.
Time: 7:00 Cost: \$20

#140 Metal Detecting Thursday, April 11
Explore a new hobby! **Mike Gipson** will introduce you to the intriguing pastime of metal detecting & share his expertise on types of detectors, places & ways to search for treasures & groups that are involved in detecting. (detector not necessary)
Time: 6:30 PM Cost: \$15

#141 Exploring Pennsylvania Tuesday, April 23
Jeff Mitchell, hiking expert & Wyoming County DA, will inspire his audience with a visual presentation of photos taken on his many hikes. Mitchell is the author of several books on hiking, backpacking, canoeing. This class will highlight our beautiful NEPA area.
Time: 6:30 Cost: \$10

#142 Eat More Chocolate: Are You Kidding Me? Wednesday, April 17
Let **Joe Vinson Ph.D.** tell you the history of chocolate, its manufacture, its tastes. Find out what is in chocolate that makes us love it so much, and makes it provide health benefits to the heart and brain. What are some of the myths associated with chocolate? There will be a tasting!
Time: 7:00 PM Cost: \$20

ART OF COMMUNICATION *Sponsored by Oliver, Price and Rhodes*

#143 Conversational Italian 8 Mondays, March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Marzia Caporale, Ph.D., is back. This time she is presenting two fun classes exploring the basics of Italian language & culture.
Time: 6:30 for beginners 7:30 for return students Cost: \$60

BUS TRIPS *Sponsored by National Running Center*

Glimmerglass Opera Bus Trip
Two trips, two operas, two days of wonderful music! This year we will sponsor 2 trips to Glimmerglass Opera in Cooperstown, NY.
For reservations, email Sean at ssansevere@glimmerglass.org or call 607.547.2255. Any questions, call Anne at 570.881.7612.
#144 La Traviata Tuesday, August 13

#145 Showboat Tuesday, August 20

Each trip is \$95 (round it up to \$100 for a \$5 donation to The Gathering Place) which includes bus, ticket, lunch & pre-play presentation.

WHAT IS THE GATHERING PLACE?

Located at 304 S. State Street (the former Clarks Summit firehouse), our mission is to create a stronger sense of community through the establishment of an art and education center. It is a place to bring together people with and without special needs, a place for the community to gather, to learn and to create.

Visit us at www.GatheringPlaceCS.org or
GatheringPlaceCS@gmail.com.
570.954.6650 or 570.563.2402



Community Classroom Spring 2019

Ongoing

For the Love of Books Every Third Tuesday Time: 12:00
Join us to discuss literature with other book lovers. Discussions are lively and books are chosen by group. New members are always welcome!

Cost: Donations accepted for The Gathering Place

Craft and Chat The second, third & 4th Friday of the Month
A casual setting where artists with & without special needs come together to create & relate.
Time: 10:00 to 11:30 AM Cost: \$10

Weaving Group First Saturday of the Month
See Website for details
Time: 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

The Songwriters' Roundtable is open to local songwriters of all experience & age levels. This gathering will provide a venue for fellow songwriters to express & hone their art & craft among peers. Here's your opportunity to find practical ideas, encouragement, & the opportunity to make invaluable connections with like-minded people creating a community for musicians.
Third Sunday of the Month

OPEN STUDIO: Verve Vertu is coming to The Gathering Place. Come join their community-based open art studio which focuses on tapping into the creative energies of people with diverse abilities. Bring a project you have been working on or for a small supply fee try something new.
Thursdays 10:00 AM - Noon \$5 Donation



Memory Café is a place where people with memory loss and their care companions can share a cup of coffee and socialize with others. You can explore art, music, play games or just enjoy being with others. We are adding gentle yoga to our programming.
March 8, 15, 22, 29 April 12, 19, 26 May 10, 17, 31 @10:00 AM

ART GALLERY First Friday Galley Openings are as Follows:
February 8 - Abington Heights Student Exhibit
April 5 - Light & Form, Out of the Shadows
June 7 - Flora, Wild & Still
August 2 - Abington Art Studio

Doors Open Every First Friday

Community Art Project

Help create hand-crafted tiles for a beautiful backsplash in our serving area. Kelley Stewart will present an information session on indigenous trees & their importance to NEPA's eco system in the first class, then Diana Lombardi will teach how to imprint native leaves onto the tiles in the second class. **Free to Public**

Session 1 - Saturday, May 11, 2:00 – 3:30
Identifying native trees taught by Kelley Stewart @TGP

Session 2 - Saturday, May 18, 2:00
Leaf-imprinted tile making taught by Diana Lombardi
Supported by Grant from the Overlook Estate Foundation

Patrons

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Hal & Paula Baillie

Abington Heights Civic League
Susan S. Belin

Kristie & Pat McMahon
Grace & William Farrell

Details about ALL listings can be found at www.GatheringPlaceCS.org

Class Information: Please assume that your class will run. You will be contacted ONLY if the class is canceled. Class enrollment is strictly on a first-come, first-served basis. Some classes have size limitations. If a class is full when you enroll, we will call you to ask 1) Do you wish to be placed on a waiting list? 2) Do you wish your check returned? Please check your class's location; not all classes are at The Gathering Place.

Classes also have minimums. If we do not reach that number, a class may be canceled. Checks will be held until we know that the class will run. Registration and payment must be received by deadline for each class. **Registration deadline is one week prior to the class start date.**

Please use a separate form for each person registering.

CLASS REGISTRATION FORM

COMPLETE FORM AND MAIL IT WITH YOUR PAYMENT TO
Community Classroom c/o Emily Rancier
300 Kennedy Creek Road
North Abington Township, PA 18414

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Cell: _____

Course Number/ Title/ Fee

By signing this form, you agree to allow the Community Classroom to take pictures of classes you have registered for and to allow us to use those photos. You voluntarily assume all risks of personal injury associated with participation and waive any and all claims or actions against the Community Classroom, The Gathering Place, its board members, instructors, and employees for any personal loss/injury sustained while participating in designated classes and/or trips. Signature: _____

Date: _____

Total Amount enclosed: _____

All supply costs are paid to the instructor the first night of class.

For more information, contact 570.563.2402

AFTERNOON LECTURE AND LEARNING
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#101 Mahjong *3 Tuesdays, March 12, 19, 26*
Our Mahjong experts, Ginny & Linda, will return to review and teach the basics of this ancient Chinese game. Enjoy as you learn the skills, strategies and calculations to play this tile-based game. Instructors will bring materials for participants to use.
Time: 10:00 AM To Noon **Cost: \$15**

#102 Caring for Your House Plants *Wednesday, March 13*
Join the Master Gardeners as **Phyllis Reinhardt** shares info on house plants. She will discuss which plants work best for indoor gardening & how to care for indoor plants. Each participant will take home a small "user friendly" house plant.
Time: Noon **Cost: \$5**

#103 Death of Democracy *Wednesday, March 27*
Around the world, democracy is thought to be under threat. Is democracy on its deathbed? **Dr. Harold Baillie, Professor of Philosophy** will lead a discussion of three theories explaining why democracy might not be the culmination of historical progress & might be vulnerable. Each of these theories is the basis of current concerns for the future of democratic societies.
Time: Noon **Cost: \$5**

#104 Plan Your Garden *Tuesday, April 23*
Join the Master Gardeners as **Beth Bradshaw** details how to plan a backyard garden. She will discuss how to use your valuable garden space for this summer's fruits, vegetables & flowers.
Time: Noon **Cost: \$5**

#105 Summer: Keeping Birds Well Fed *Wednesday, April 24*
Chilly early spring days can stress the first migrants. Nesting birds appreciate a handout as much as we appreciate having orioles, woodpeckers, finches, & bluebirds around. **Ann Vitale** will share what works for her & class will trade tips with others on how to discourage squirrels & predators from raiding your feeders.
Time: Noon **Cost: \$5**

#106 July, 1778: The Wyoming Valley during the American Revolution *Wednesday, May 1*
The story of the Wyoming Valley, its great importance as the "Bread Basket" for Washington's army, & the events leading up to the tragedy of the Wyoming Valley Massacre will be presented. The class will detail the daily lives of settlers as the terror of war crept into their valley.
Time: Noon **Cost: \$5**

#107 Pests! Spotted Lantern Fly Info *Wednesday, May 8*
Steve Ward of the Master Gardeners will share information concerning the Spotted Lantern Fly (SLF), an invasive insect that can be devastating to our farms, vineyards, trees and home landscapes. He will discuss their lifestyle, how to identify them, the damage they do, & what to do if you believe you have SLF in your area.
Time: Noon **Cost: \$5**

MUSIC AND MOVEMENT
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Ballroom Dancing
Trip the light fantastic with **Jill & Gehred Wetzel**, dance educators & enthusiasts, as you add new steps to your repertoire and have a fun night out!
Session 1: March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1
#108 - 6 to 7 PM Advanced Nite Club Two-step
#109 - 7 to 8 PM Beginner Foxtrot

Session 2: April 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13
#110 - 6 to 7 PM Intermediate West Coast Swing
#111 - 7 to 8 PM Beginner Samba

Location: Clarks Green United Methodist Church
Cost: \$55 per student

PRACTICAL KNOWLEDGE
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#112 Introduction to Google Drive – Part 1 (Google Docs & Slides) *3 Wednesdays, March 20, 27, April 3*
Lisa Imbriaco will teach you the fundamentals of Google Drive for document sharing, making folders, & overall organization of files. Create Docs (Word) & Slides (PowerPoint). Compatible laptop (No tablets/iPad) with the Google interface needed. Once registered, students will be contacted by instructor for help setting up G-mail accounts.
Time: 6:00- 7:30PM **Cost: \$25**

#113 Making Change-Practical Money Skills for Adults with Special Needs *5 Mondays, March 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22*
Kate McLane, certified special education teacher, will help adult students with varying abilities to build & implement money management skills. Emphasis on Hands-on experience.
Time: 6:00 - 7:00 PM **Cost: \$25** **Supported by PODS of NEPA**

#114 Pruning *Thursday, March 28*
Penn State Master Gardeners will present information concerning pruning & tree care. **Robin Ostermayer**, a certified arborist, will discuss the do's, don'ts, & how-to's of caring for your trees both young & old.
Time: 6:00 PM **Cost: \$5**

#115 WISE Group *6 Wednesdays, April 3, 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8*
WISE is a prevention & wellness program for older adults, ages 60 & older. The program covers topics such as aging sensitivity, cultural & generational diversity, medications, additions, & an enhanced quality of life.
Time: 10:00 AM - Noon **Cost: Free**

#116 Soil- How to Make It Better *Tuesday, April 9*
If you have a garden in the northwest area of Lackawanna County, your soil probably needs some help. The Master Gardeners will present information about easy, practical steps that YOU can do to make your soil better so your plants will be more flower-ful & more fruitful.
Time: 6:30 PM **Cost: \$5**

#117 Introducing ... You: Writing a Resume *2 Tuesdays, May 7, 14*
Job searching? Thinking about exploring a new career? Entering the workforce for the first time ... or returning after an absence? There's a good chance you need a resume --- your introduction to potential employers. Let **Sharon McCrone**, an experienced job-search adviser with Instead, Inc., get you started in this resume class.
Time: 7:00 PM **Cost: \$25**

FOOD AND BEVERAGE
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#118 Thirteen Olives *Wednesday, March 20*
Join **Chef Gene Litz** as he prepares seasonal food using premium olive oils & vinegars.
Location: Thirteen Olives Northern Blvd, Chinchilla
Time: 6:30 PM **Cost: \$20** **Maximum of 20 Students**

#119 Tortelli di Patate (potato stuffed ravioli) *Sunday, March 24*
Join home cooks **Marzia & Lee Caporale**, a husband & wife duo, as they prepare this favorite dish originating in the countryside of Mugello (about 20 miles north of Florence). Served with a meat sauce or a butter, oil, & Parmesan sauce.
Time: 4:00 PM **Cost: \$35** **Maximum of 10 Students**

#120 Simple Suppers~Vegetarian & Vegan Menus *Thursday, April 4*
Join **Karen Belli** for a hands-on class exploring creative, healthy, delicious, meatless alternatives. Menu will include soups, entree & salads
Time: 6:30 PM **Cost: \$35**

#121 Making Fresh Mozzarella and Ricotta *Tuesday, April 9*
Chef Paula Lamberton will demonstrate the art of making mozzarella & ricotta from milk, to curd, to cheese. She will also prepare some appetizers using the fresh cheese & a few simple ingredients.
Time: 6:30 PM **Cost: \$35** **Maximum of 10 Students**

#122 Kid Friendly Dinner *Monday, April 15*
Join **Chef Donna Vannan** as she prepares her children's favorite Turkey Burgers, seasonal salad with ginger turmeric balsamic dressing, & Pavlovas for dessert.
Time: 6:30 PM **Cost: \$35** **Maximum of 10 Students**

#123 Better Bagels Baked at Home *Tuesday, April 23*
Crispy on the outside~chewy on the inside. **Leanne Mazurick** will show you how to make tasty bagels at home from scratch! We'll walk through the steps of mixing the dough, shaping the bagels, boiling the bagels & baking them. We'll get a chance to sample them & you'll see why there's nothing better than a homemade bagel baked at home!
Time: 6:30 PM **Cost: \$25**

#124 Grape Leaves *Wednesday, May 1*
Home cook **Eva Khalil** will demonstrate the preparation of vegetarian & meat grape leaves. The class will enjoy the grape leave & a salad to accompany them.
Time: 6:30 PM **Cost: \$35** **Maximum of 10 Students**

#125 Create Your Plate: A Practical Guide for Diabetic Meal Planning *Thursday, May 2*
Join health writer, nutrition coach, & ACSM Personal Trainer **Victoria Frosini** as she prepares a healthy diabetic friendly meal of salmon with spring vegetables & a basil mint pesto.
Time: 6:30 PM **Cost: \$35** **Maximum of 10 Students**

#126 Food Gone Wild - The Dandelion *Thursday, May 9*
Get a fresh outlook on those pretty yellow flowers that everyone battles. **Susan Vinskofski** will share her outdoor knowledge as we explore this well-known "weed" & learn what a powerhouse of nutrition it really is. We'll make & sample several dishes & learn how useful it is in home remedies.
Time: 6:30 PM **Cost: \$20 + \$5 Supply Fee**

Please see website for pop-up cooking classes.