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# Penn State Homecoming Parade



# Join the Pride!



## Retire to Where it All Began.



### RAINFALL/SNOWFALL AT THE VILLAGE

by Peter P.

<u>Rain*</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Rain*</u>
0.01	1	0.46
Trace	2	0.70
0.42	3	0.07
0.08	7	0.62
0.36	14	0.15
0.10		
0.09	<b>Total</b>	<b>3.48</b>
0.11		
0.31		

**September 2024 Total, 2.08 inches**

\*Measurements in Inches

NOTE, Two named tropical cyclones passed right over State College in 2024. First, Debby made its first landfall at the base of the Florida Panhandle as a Category 1 hurricane. She crossed Florida, went out to sea and made landfall again in South Carolina, again a hurricane there, passing right over State College on Aug 8th. There was little or no wind here, but she gave us 4.78 inches of rain. Debbie strengthened, passing through the Adirondacks of NY before making a direct hit on Quebec City, crossing the Gulf of St Lawrence Newfoundland and the entire North Atlantic before directly striking the Scottish Highlands, over in Europe.

Secondly, Helene made landfall at exactly the same place Debby did, as a Category 4 hurricane. She moved inland very slowly to the Lower Ohio Valley and finally passed right over State College on September 30th before dissolving just off the Atlantic coast a day later. Strong winds were a problem along her path in the South. Two feet of rain fell on much of Western NC and parts of TN and VA. State College, over a two week period, received 2.64 inches from this dying storm.



# Oktoberfest

Residents celebrated Oktoberfest with beer, pretzels, and music from the Little German Band.



## Poetry Corner

\*Everyone is welcome to the Poetry Group the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 3:00pm in the Lions Den\*

### "On the Vanity of Earthly Greatness"

By Arthur Guiterman

The tusks which clashed in mighty brawls  
Of mastodons, are billiard balls.

The sword of Charlemagne the Just  
Is Ferric Oxide, known as rust.

The grizzly bear, whose potent hug,  
Was feared by all, is now a rug.

Great Caesar's bust is on the shelf,  
And I don't feel so well myself.

---submitted by The Village Poetry Circle

## WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS!



Peggy A.



# PSU Tailgate!



The second VPS tailgate of the season was a thriller, residents cheered on the Nittany Lions to a 33-30 OT victory over USC!



## Meet Mary Stoner, Housekeeper



Hello, my name is Mary Stoner. I have been a staff member at The Village at Penn State for six months now. Before that, I was a co-owner of a local cleaning company with my mother and

a licensed cosmetologist. I currently live in Spring Mills PA, but I am originally from Howard, PA. I have been married for almost 24 years to my wonderful husband John. We have two sons who are our world; Marshall, who is a senior in college, and Dalton, who is a junior in high school, but graduating a year early in June of 2025. In my spare time, I enjoy baking, relaxing at our camp, and caring for our grand dog, ducks, and rabbit—the things my kids bring home.

Thank you all for the warm welcome to The Village!

## Earth's Oldest Rocks



Dr. Jess Reimink taught residents where old rocks occur, what they look like and even brought in specimens for residents to have the opportunity to hold Earth's oldest rocks.



# RECYCLING ROUNDUP

## A WORTHY ENDEAVOR

You know those small rings—AKA pull tabs—atop soda and beer cans that you bend upward and then pull to open a can? Who would think that they are part of a worldwide recycling program worth millions of dollars? Thousands of adults, children, civic organizations and schools are involved in collecting the pull tabs and selling them to scrap dealers. The money received is donated to a Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) chapter, which uses it to build, furnish, maintain and manage a Ronald McDonald House facility located close to a hospital that treats sick children. This allows a family member(s) to stay at the House to comfort their child who may need to remain in the hospital for an extended period of time. Distance, time off from work and cost of lodging and meals can be a challenge for many families. The Ronald McDonald Houses alleviate the financial burden and stress of these challenges. In 2022, 260+ RMHC chapters provided more than 2.2 million overnight stays and saved families over \$611 million in lodging and meal costs.

Resident Bob Spahr brought this program to the Recycling Committee's attention and we're on board with it. His RMHC connection is with the Janet Weis Children's Hospital at Geisinger, Danville, PA. So, snap off the rings from your soda and beer cans and take them to the Village mailroom where there is now a large plastic bottle in which you can drop the pull tabs.

Jim Tate

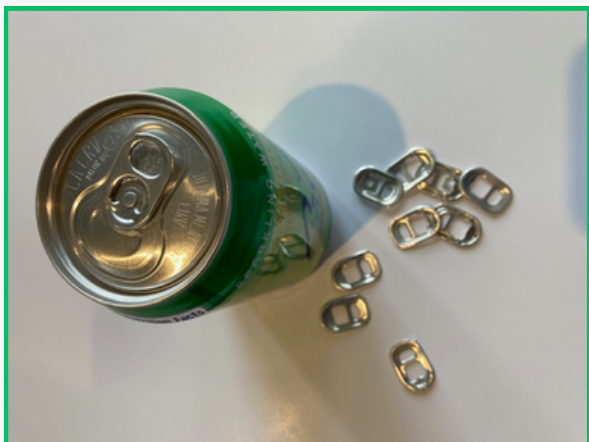
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## Harvest Fest

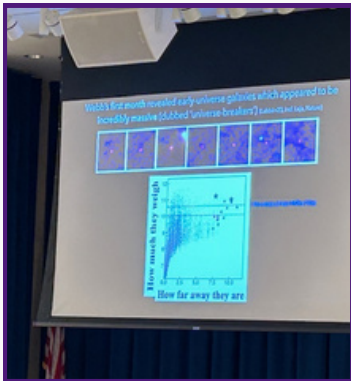


Perfect fall day for the Annual  
Village Harvest Fest!



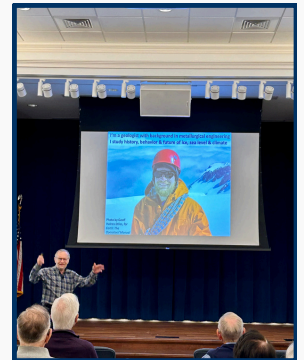


# James Webb Space Telescope



Residents were able to learn about the James Webb Space Telescope with Dr. Joel Leja. Leja is Assistant Professor of Astronomy & Astrophysics.

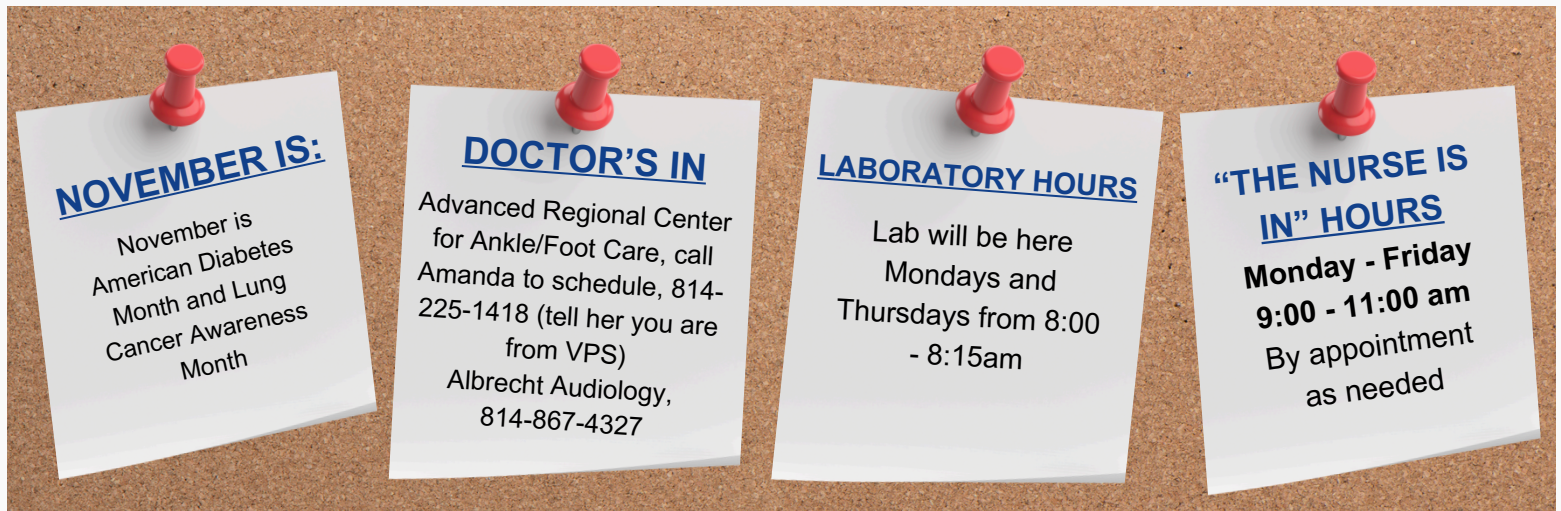
# Long Tail of Sea Level Rise



Richard Alley presented "The Long Tail of Sea Level Rise." 3rd lecture of the "Origins Series"

Richard is an Evan Pugh Professor & a member of the National Academy of Sciences. He's received dozens of awards for his climate change research & a significant participant in Nobel-Peace-Prize winning IPCC process on climate change. He continues to teach at PSU.





The podiatrist will be at The Village on November 25th from 12-6pm.

## PAWSitivity PAW!

We're excited to share news about a FUN & exciting program at the Village!

### PAWSitivity PAWS

This initiative is an opportunity to celebrate, acknowledge and reward the fantastic team members we have on staff at the Village.

Have you ever observed a team member doing something amazing or going above and beyond in service? Now is your chance to recognize them by filling out a paw!

PAWS are located at the front desk at the main entrance and at The Atrium front desk.

### Pawsitivity Paw!



The October winner is:  
Kim, Front Desk  
Concierge