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While walking and spending time around the clubhouse, near the pool and along the tennis courts, you will see the identification tags for certain plants, trees, and shrubs on a stake. Included on the stake is a QR code that will link you to a website further explaining the plant, tree and/or shrub.



QR applications are available for Android and iPhones. This newly added educational opportunity has been provided by Ethan Marschean and his quest to become an Eagle Scout. Ethan has been a Boy Scout and part of Troop 99 for 8 years. Ethan and his fellow scouts raised the money to complete this project completely and planned the informative walk throughout the Recreation Center. More information about Ethan can be found on page 2

WE HAVE A NEW SOFTBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

The Jack Repcheck Softball League just finished their 2018 Softball Season. New leaders have emerged!! Congratulations to the Pheasant Fawn team for their outstanding winning season!! Newtown Grant would like to thank all the softball players for a great season.



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Ethan Marschean lives in Washington Crossing and graduated from Council Rock High School North this past June. He will be attending the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) majoring in Computing and Information Technologies (CIT).

I had the pleasure of working with Ethan and watching him bring this project to life with the help of his fellow scouts, Troop Leader and the Newtown Grant Board of Directors. I was able to ask Ethan about his experience and passion. Ethan explained that he had a great deal of fun working on this project. The team effort with his fellow scouts reminded him of the food drive he worked on for Hurricane Sandy victims.

Ethan has worked and achieved 55 merit badges, hiked 488 miles and has 150 nights of camping under his belt. Currently, he serves as the President of Venture Crew 99 which is an offshoot organization from the Boy Scouts. Venture Crew is a co-ed group for teens between the ages of 14-21 focused on high adventure activities. Just recently, Ethan climbed the "Presidential Travers" in New Hampshire, the tallest of the 8 peaks is Mt. Washington at 6,289 feet high.

Ethan recommends every scout work hard to obtain Eagle Scout. "If you stick with it, you can do it!" Anyone interested in joining the Venture Crew 99 please email emarschean@yahoo.com for more information.

Marianne Fein - Community Manager

NEWTOWN GRANT CLUBHOUSE LIMITED HOURS ON LABOR DAY (SEPTEMBER 3) 11:00AM - 7:00PM



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Call and ask about sponsoring an event **215-968-3789**

INTRODUCING ANOTHER PET TO YOUR HOUSEHOLD

Congratulations you are considering a new addition of the furry four-legged variety! Here are some tips to make a seamless transition when bringing home your new bundle of joy to your existing pets.



- Before introducing the pets, make sure both have been **examined by a veterinarian** and are current on vaccinations and recommended tests. This will decrease their risk of contracting illnesses from each other.
- **Feed each animal separately** (different rooms, counter and floor, etc) until you feel comfortable that there aren't competitive interactions over food. For pets that are on different diets, there are new feeding bowls with **RFID technology** allowing the bowl only to open when the correct pet's collar is in proximity. This is also good for controlling portions when one pet eats very quickly and another prefers to graze all day.
- Dedicate as much time to your previous pet as you are giving your new addition, so they don't feel forgotten. **Spend quality time** walking, playing with, petting, and brushing your previous pet so they also feel the love.
- Initially **keep your pet's favorite items protected**. If your pet has a favorite toy, reserve it for times you can play together and do not allow the new pet access to it. If your pet is used to sleeping with you or in a preferred location, initially keep your new pet in another location at night. After the pets are comfortable with each other, sharing will be easier!
- When rescuing an animal, make sure you have an adequate trial introduction period to ensure it is a happy living situation for everyone. **Fostering to adopt** is a wonderful way to go about this.
- **Supervise all interactions** early on. When you leave the house, keep pets in separate rooms or crates as appropriate.

For multi-dog households:

- Make the first introduction on **neutral ground**. Meet at the park or for a walk around the neighborhood to see how the dogs interact. For this meeting consider having assistance from someone experienced in reading dog's body language and cues, such as a certified dog trainer or dog rescue volunteer.
- Allow the more **dominant dog** to go **through the door first** and be **fed first**. Be consistent. The dominant dog may or may not be your current dog, so learn from their cues.

For multi-cat households:

- You need **1 litter box for each cat, plus 1** additional to decrease the risk of competitive interactions over the box. This will help prevent inappropriate elimination elsewhere in the household.
- Make the introduction **gradual**. Allow all cats to smell each other before seeing each other. Take a **blanket or cat bed** used by one and allow the others to spend time interacting with it. Allow cats to see each other before making direct contact. Use a gate or even better a **screen door** to physically separate the cats while they view each other.
- Try products such as a **Feliway diffuser**, calming pheromones that help reduce anxiety when introducing a new pet.

For mixed dog/cat households:

- Place **cat bowls up high** where dogs cannot access.
- Allow cats a **resting place** to go away from dogs using gates or a cat door. Tall cat trees and recreational shelving are other great options.
- Keep **litter boxes covered** or in a separate room with a cat door so dogs can't indulge in kitty litter delicacies
- Make sure dogs are proficient in "sit" "stay" "leave it" **commands**, so they quickly respond to you if you need to stop them from chasing or playing too roughly with a cat
- In the beginning keep your **dog on leash**, during short frequent visits between the cat and dog. Give both treats and award good behavior with **positive reinforcement**.

If you follow these tips, you will have a happy household for all two and four legged members in no time!

About the author: Dr. Carey Guise lives in Newtown Grant and is a veterinarian and owner of Holland Veterinary Care. She graduated from UPenn School of Veterinary Medicine in 2009 and has been treating dogs and cats in Bucks County ever since. For more info visit www.hollandvetcare.com



FAMILY IMPROV

90 minutes of improv fun, games and improv exercises for the whole family!

Boost confidence and self-esteem!

Connect with your kids in a unique and fun way!

Laugh and have fun in an accepting, no pressure environment!

Sunday Oct 28 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

Recreation Center

Register On-line: <https://conta.cc/2OXwVD6>

YOU WON'T BE PUT ON THE SPOT NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED

Join Neal King as he leads families into fun and laughter through gentle instruction of this multi-sensory Improvisational experience. The games and lessons are sandwiched together so that the families are rediscovering each other, absorbing flexibility and problem-solving skills while enhancing interactions that last long after the fun workshop.

Aside from spontaneous laughter, here are some other wonderful benefits:

- Restoring a Sense of Play
- Opening Communication
- Encouraging Creativity
- Putting the Fun Back in Family Time
- Helping Parents Play Again
- Helping Children Communicate
- Restoring Honest Interactions

Ages 12 and up



Grandparents welcome

Neal King, LCSW has developed Improvisational Programs as part of the faculty of The Expressive Therapists Summit (NYC and LA); He conducts Improv groups for social anxiety, confidence building, and improving interaction skills.

"Neal King has a magical presence, grounded in mental health, that sparks life into improv – even among those who are shy or self-conscious". Ping Ho, MA, MPH Founder & Director, UCLArts & Healing

"Neal's improv group was one of the most fascinating and fun experientials I have ever engaged in as a therapist. I have struggled with social anxiety most of my life...Experiencing Neal's workshop allowed me to feel what my clients would feel if I were to create a similar experience for them". Sara S. G., MA, LMHC, MHP, ATR Mental Health Art Therapist

"Neal was so great, energizing and engaging. I was pushed out of my comfort zone and felt the safety of the group." (Student, TCNJ)

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Recent Newtown Grant Sales

June / July 2018

All statistics and information are taken from TREND MLS.

Condominiums

\$184,000	315 Society Pl	2 BR, 1 bath, First Floor, Estate Sale, sold "As Is"
\$201,000	3509 Society Pl	2 BR, 1 bath, First Floor, wood floors, original kitch & baths
\$203,750	2207 Society Pl	2 BR, 1 bath, First Floor, newer neutral paint/carpet, newer appliances, kitchen and bath updated with granite counters.
\$213,000	1007 Society Pl	2 BR, 2 bath First Floor, neutral, original kitch & baths
\$222,500	3515 Society Pl	2 BR, 1 bath First Floor, totally redone with new floors, kitch, bath, windows, sliding door.

Townhouses

\$290,000	263 Sequoia Dr	3 BR, 2.5 baths Fireplace, origin kitch and baths, 2 nd fl laundry room, garage converted to office/play/storage, fenced custom paver patio.
\$337,200	54 Redwood Dr	2 BR, 2.5 bath END UNIT with loft, hardwood floors throughout, fireplace, granite/stainless kitch, refreshed bathrooms, paver patio backing to open space.
\$340,000	23 Sassafras Cir	2 BR, 2.5 bath Hardwood floors in LR/DR, fireplace, newer granite/stainless kitchen, granite in bathrooms, first floor laundry, large deck.
\$345,000	202 Mulberry	3 BR, 2.5 bath All hardwood, new white kitchen, fireplace in Fam Rm, master BR has attached office, 2 nd fl laundry, newer HVAC.
\$349,000	2 Locust Ln	2 BR, 2.5 bath Some hardwood, new kitchen, redone baths, cathedral Fam Rm with fireplace, new AC/water heater.
\$353,000	45 Laurel Cir	3 BR, 2.5 bath Granite added in kitchen, clean and neutral, cathedral Fam Rm, newer windows/roof/HVAC.
\$362,400	41 Birch Ct	3 BR, 2.5 bath END UNIT, parquet floors, 2 fireplaces, wainscoting and moldings galore, bath upgrades, original kitchen.
\$386,500	418 Mahogany	3 BR, 2.5 bath END UNIT, Hardwood floors in LR/DR, granite/stainless kitchen, 2 story Fam Rm, 2 nd fl laundry room, new HVAC/roof/water heater/paint.
\$390,000	84 Quince Cir	3 BR, 2.5 bath Walk-out finished basement with patio and fenced yard, kitchen with added granite/stainless, raised deck, master BR has attached office, 2 nd fl laundry, newer roof.

Singles

\$500,000	11 Zinnia Dr	4 BR, 2.5 bath Multi-level, kitchen with added granite/stainless, large deck, full-wall brick fireplace in Fam Rm, redone granite bathrooms, 4 th BR on upper level.
\$507,500	2 Geranium	5 BR, 2.5 bath FIVE bedroom brick front colonial, new paint/carpet, granite/stainless upgrades, hardwoods on 1 st floor, unfinished basement, large deck.
\$507,500	11 Ginger	4 BR, 2.5 bath. Victorian with large front porch, hardwood floors, cherry/granite kitch, updated baths, finished basement, new carpets, irrigation system, new garage openers/ water heater/ Pella windows.
\$550,000	1 Shamrock	4 BR, 2.5 bath Hardwood on 1 st floor, 2 story foyer, fireplace, 1 st fl laundry room, finished basement, newer HVAC/siding, redone bathrooms.
\$560,000	21 Jonquil Dr	4 BR, 2.5 bath Hardwood on 1 st floor, cathedral foyer and LR, new carpets on 2 nd floor, remodeled kitch with Century cabinets & pot drawers, finished basement, extended mud room, newer roof/siding/garage doors.



Are you thinking about ways to maximize your investment?

Confused what upgrades to do?



Let me point you to the best investments to BOOST your value. The average resale prices are UP 5% over the last 12 months in Bucks County. Mortgage rates are still great (under 4.75%), and there are often financing options with even lower rates for First Time Buyers earning under \$80,000.



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HALLOWEEN PARTY

Try not to pass up a major opportunity to attend the Newtown Grant Halloween Party on Saturday October 27th, 2018. There will be games, food, drinks for everyone. Prizes will be offered out to the victor of the games, so please prepare to play.



A small number of communities celebrate Halloween with the same energy as Newtown Grant, and it is one of the many reasons our neighborhood is an extraordinary place to raise a family. So pull out your calendar now to note the chance to dress up, have a fabulous time and fulfill your sweet tooth.

Where: Newtown Grant Club House

When: Saturday, October 27th, 2018

Time: 2.30pm to 5:30pm

Cost: Free

Sign up: <https://conta.cc/2NfQshE>

If you have any questions, please email us at events@newtowngrant.org

JOIN THE MAHJONG RENAISSANCE

Join the Mahjong Renaissance every Tuesday at 7:00pm in the Club House. This has become a very popular event, so come along for some fun!



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LAST DAY TO SWIM IS LABOR DAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD

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Monday, September 10 join your fellow music lovers for some live entertainment!!

Like to play?

Join in!!

Have an instrument, bring it along!!

This is a truly collaborative effort by music lovers for music lovers.

Come for the Coffee and Stay for the JAMM!!

7:00 pm

Newtown Grant Clubhouse

Monday, September 10

Usually First Monday of each Month

Register [Here](https://conta.cc/2P0YgEM) (<https://conta.cc/2P0YgEM>)



2018 NEWTOWN GRANT ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

Come shop and visit the Newtown Grant Garage Sale, Saturday, September 15th, 8 am to 1 pm. Over 100 homeowners selling baby items, furniture, kids toys, and household items of all kinds.

Boy Scout Troop 99 will be selling hot coffee, hot and cold food and scouts are on hand to help you carry your purchase. Paid parking at the softball field for \$1.00 per car. Cars are not permitted in the Recreation area while vendors are selling items.



If you park on Eagle Road, be sure to stay off the road and behind the white lines or you will be ticketed.

DON'T MISS THIS ANNUAL FALL TRADITION!!

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Wednesday September 12th 6:30 – 7:30PM “Kids Don’t Always Use Words”

Parents often can tell when there is something ‘a bit off’ with their kids. You may wish you can read their minds. In this informative talk, you will discover signals, moods and other non-verbal, as well as reading between the verbal lines, to better assess what’s really going on. Learn to create an atmosphere where your child will be more inclined to speak with you or ask for help.

Wednesday October 10th 6:30 – 7:30PM “Moms Are People Too”

Got mommy issues? Do you sometimes feel that as a mom, you may not always get your needs met – let alone acknowledged. Gain a better understanding of how you may have developed into this role and the love-hate relationships established with yourself and those who rely on you. Dads definitely invited!

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Wednesday Night Book Club



"LITTLE FIRES EVERYWHERE" BY CELESTE NG

The book this month sounds quite intriguing!

BYO Beverage and snacks to share.

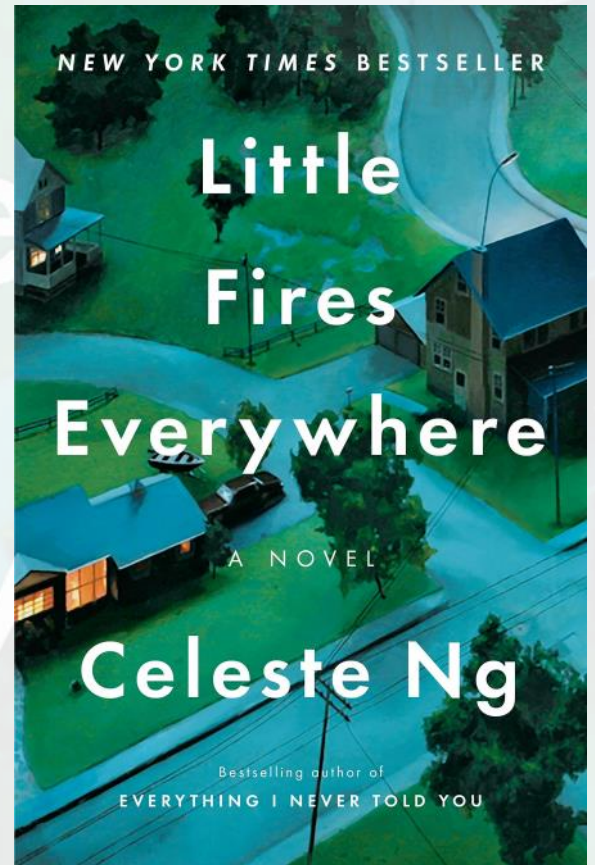
**The book selected will be discussed in detail
on its rescheduled date,
Wednesday, October 3rd @ 7:15pm
in the banquet room from 7pm-9pm!**

The book chosen is "Little Fires Everywhere" by Celeste Ng

Book description:

In Shaker Heights, a placid, progressive suburb of Cleveland, everything is planned – from the layout of the winding roads, to the colors of the houses, to the successful lives its residents will go on to lead. And no one embodies this spirit more than Elena Richardson, whose guiding principle is playing by the rules.

Enter Mia Warren – an enigmatic artist and single mother – who arrives in this idyllic bubble with her teenaged daughter Pearl, and rents a house from the Richardsons. Soon Mia and Pearl become more than tenants: all four Richardson children are drawn to the mother-daughter pair. But Mia carries with her a mysterious past and a disregard for the status quo that threatens to upend this carefully ordered community. When old family friends of the Richardsons attempt to adopt a Chinese-American baby, a custody battle erupts that dramatically divides the town--and puts Mia and Elena on opposing sides. Suspicious of Mia, Little Fires Everywhere explores the weight of secrets, the nature of art and identity, and the ferocious pull of motherhood – and the danger of believing that following the rules can avert disaster.



Sign up here-----> <https://conta.cc/2P0ij5W>



Walk for Mental Health 2018

Sunday, October 14, 2018
9.00am-12.00pm

Washington Crossing Historic
Park, PA

Rain or Shine

Please join Sit.Stay. and MICEport for the first SOS Walk (Strength Over Stigma). We are hosting this special event to support those battling mental illness in all its forms and the people that love and support them. The event is taking place at the:

Washington Crossing Historic Park on Sunday, October 14

9.00am-12.00pm.

In May of this year, a member of our Sit.Stay. Team lost a member of his family to mental illness. The loss was profound. Over the years, I've spoken to a lot of people about their personal experiences with mental illness, whether it's their own struggles or the struggles of a loved one. Being the "support staff" for someone battling mental illness presents its own unique challenges. As the "support staff" we often don't know where to turn for help, information and the sense that we're not alone.



From these experiences, the **Strength Over Stigma** walk and talk was born. We have gathered local experts from different fields that specialize in different areas of mental health. We will be walking in beautiful historic Washington Crossing Park as well as giving the community the opportunity to meet, talk to and connect with experts. Dogs are welcome but must be on a leash at all times.



After our walk some refreshments and snacks will be available as well as some local businesses, professionals and information.

We look forward to sharing a morning filled with hope, support, strength, love, and unity within our community. Everyone participating will receive an SOS medal. Register here \$25.00 per person <https://conta.cc/2Nryeds>





SUMMER BLOCK PARTY

Great event with intense water balloon catch and nail-biting tug of war!!

The fire truck was a lot of fun, thank you Newtown Fire and Police for your participation in our Block Party!!



Last Flick & Float 2018



FIRE PREVENTION EVENT

Newtown Fire is going to hold a Fire Prevention Event at Newtown Grant, Saturday, October 20, 2018



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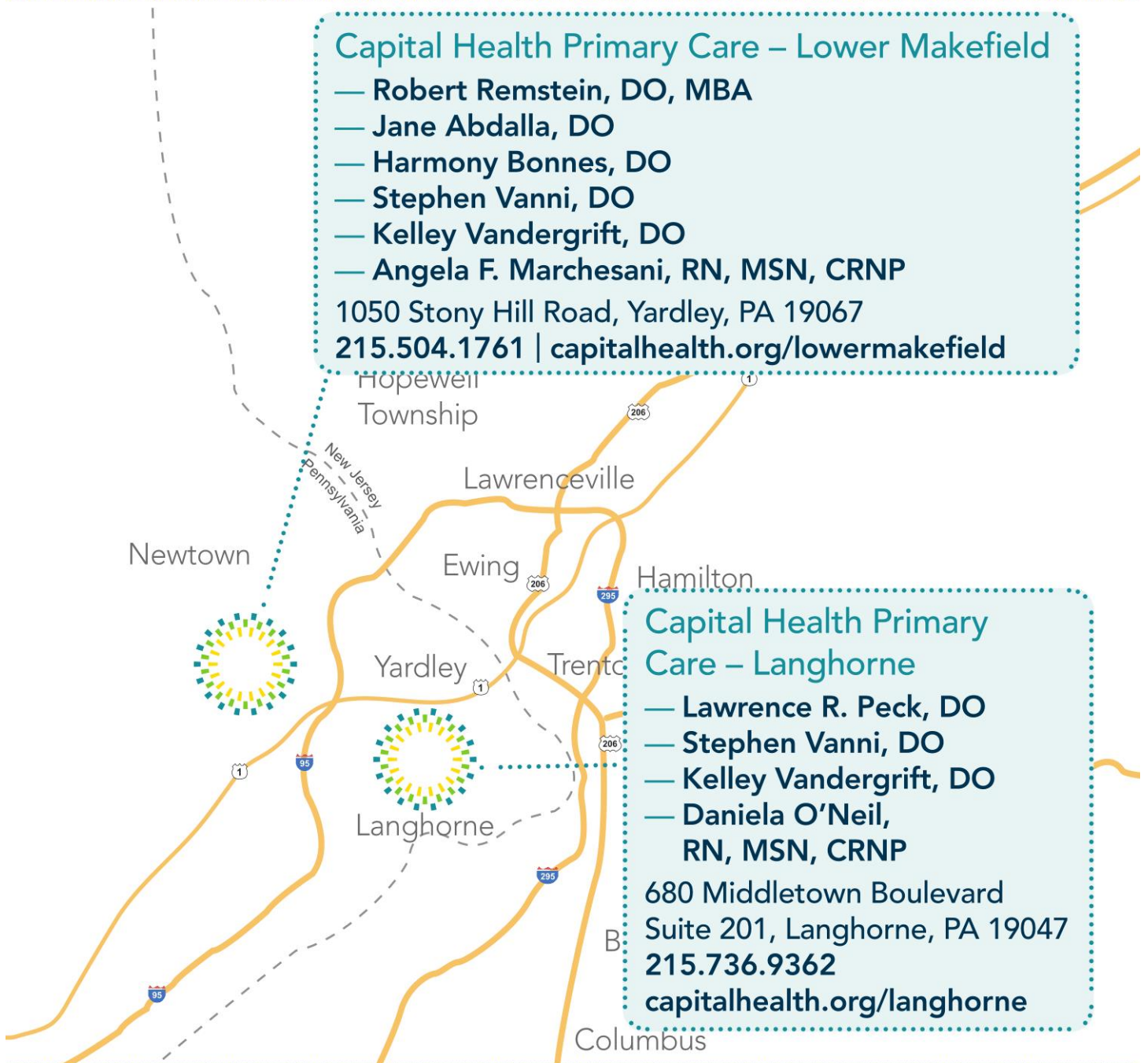
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