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SAMA-LIGONIER VALLEY LUNCH PROGRAM TO FEATURE MASTER GARDENER

Ligonier- The Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Ligonier Valley will host a Lunch a l' Art program with master gardener Angela McDonnell on Thursday, August 7. The program, which begins at noon, includes lunch and a presentation by McDonnell. Cost is \$15 per person or \$12 for SAMA members. Reservations are required by August 1 and can be made by calling the Museum at (724) 238-6015.

McDonnell, of Ligonier, is a Penn State Master Gardener and will present "The Plight of the Humble Bee," a discussion about the decline in bee populations. McDonnell is a member of the Ligonier gardening club Weeders and Seeders and serves on the board for the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania.

Prior to the lunch program will be a meeting of the SAMA Auxiliary at 11 a.m. The Auxiliary is always welcoming new members. If you are interested in joining the Auxiliary, please come to the meeting or call the Museum for further information.

Lunch a l' Art programs are offered to encourage a greater understanding of various art forms and movements, as well as foster a deeper appreciation for the exhibitions presented by the Museum.

The Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Ligonier Valley is located at One Boucher Lane & Route 711 South in Ligonier. Hours of operation are Tuesday through Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 1 to 5 p.m. weekends. The Museum is a handicapped-accessible facility and is open to the public free of charge. For more information, call the Museum or visit www.sama-art.org.