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GARDENING EXPERT TO SPEAK AT SAMA LUNCH PROGRAM

Ligonier – The Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Ligonier Valley will host a Lunch a l'Art program with Angela McDonnell at noon on Thursday, July 20. Cost for program, which includes lunch and presentation, is \$15 per person or \$12 for SAMA members. Please call the Museum at (724) 238-6015 for reservations.

McDonnell is a Penn State Extension master gardener and a 4H leader. She is past president of Ligonier's Weeders and Seeders Garden Club and a member of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania (GCFP). The Weeders and Seeders initiated and completed the Valley Veterans Park project in Ligonier's municipal parking lot, a major tribute to all military veterans in the Valley. At the lunch, McDonnell will talk about the Blue Star Memorial Marker program, which was designed to honor men and women serving in the armed forces. Joining McDonnell at the lunch program will be Mary Jo Gardill, who will discuss floral design.

Prior to the lunch program will be a meeting of the SAMA Auxiliary at 11 a.m. If you are interested in joining the Auxiliary, please attend 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 and Route 711 South in Ligonier. Hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday 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.