



Whitemarsh

Living

Fall 2015

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TOWNSHIP CONTACT INFORMATION:

Administration

Building

616 Germantown Pike
Lafayette Hill, PA 19444

610-825-3535 (TEL)

610-825-9416 (FAX)

Police Department

616 Germantown Pike
Lafayette Hill, PA 19444

610-825-6530 (Non-Emergency)

610-825-5078 (FAX)

911 (EMERGENCY)

Public Works

Department

2015 Joshua Road
Lafayette Hill, PA 19444

610-825-3424 (TEL)

610-825-3144 (FAX)

Parks & Recreation

Department

2391 Harts Lane
Lafayette Hill, PA 19444

610-828-7276 (TEL)

610-828-7391 (FAX)

**Whitemarsh Township
Board of Supervisors:**



Robert R. Hart, Chair



Cathy Peduzzi, Vice Chair



Sara J. Erlbaum



Amy P. Grossman



James A. Totten



Fall 2015

Dear Whitemarsh Residents:

As we welcome another fall season, we are excited to share with you the Whitemarsh Living Magazine. This Fall, 2015 edition of the Whitemarsh Living Magazine not only contains news and updates of the latest happenings in our community, but also includes a 10 page insert of the Township Parks & Recreation program brochure along with flyers highlighting upcoming events for the fall.

We also want to take this time to remind everyone to sign up for ReadyMontco to receive emergency alerts such as severe weather warnings, traffic disruptions, shelter-in-place and evacuation information, water main breaks, significant law enforcement or fire rescue incidents impacting the community and more. All you have to do is go to ReadyMontco.org and sign up!

We would also like to remind all residents that Tuesday, November 3, 2015 is Election Day, a time for all American Citizens to exercise their rights and vote. You will find a map of the polling locations on page 5 along with the contact information for the Montgomery County Voter Services.

Also keep in mind that we, the elected officials of Whitemarsh Township, hold public meetings twice each month at the Township Building. Residents are encouraged to attend or watch the meetings live on WTV (Comcast Ch. 965, Verizon Ch. 46) as well as on the Township website to get the latest updates on what is happening in Whitemarsh.

And be sure to “like” Whitemarsh Township on Facebook and follow us on Twitter to get daily news and updates on what’s happening in your community.

Sincerely,

Robert R. Hart

*Robert R. Hart, Chairman
Whitemarsh Township Board of Supervisors*



MONTGOMERY COUNTY

ReadyMontco



Emergencies and disasters strike quickly and often without warning. They can disrupt our lives, force us to leave our homes, or even confine us for days without essential services like electricity, phones, or water. How ready are you and your family?

One of the first things you can do is sign up for our ReadyMontco notification system by visiting readymontco.org. This program delivers alerts about severe weather and other important events in Montgomery County to the devices of your choice. Whether you prefer emails, text messages, or even a good ol' fashioned phone call - you decide the option that works for you!

There is no direct cost to sign up for ReadyMontco. However, there may be charges for certain features (like receiving text messages) so it's best to double check with your service providers.

ReadyMontco replaced the ReadyNotifyPA system in June 2015 as the Montgomery County Department of Public Safety, along with its emergency management partners in the Southeastern Pennsylvania region, switched providers of our notification system.

Fall 2015 Recycling Events

SHREDDING EVENT

Sunday, October 4 at Lower Merion Transfer Station

(1300 N. Woodbine Ave. Penn Valley, PA)

9 am to 3 pm (rain or shine) - Montgomery County residents only - NO BUSINESSES



The Montgomery County Commissioners in conjunction with Shred One Security Corp. sponsor community paper shredding events. Montgomery County residents who have paper and documents that should be shredded are encouraged to take advantage of this free event. Residents are urged to make sure that the materials they present for shredding do not include plastic, cardboard, or metal. However, there is no need to remove staples, paper clips, or hanging folders.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENT:

Sunday, October 18 at Lower Merion Transfer Station

(1300 N. Woodbine Ave. Penn Valley, PA)

9 am to 3 pm (rain or shine) - Montgomery County residents only - NO BUSINESSES

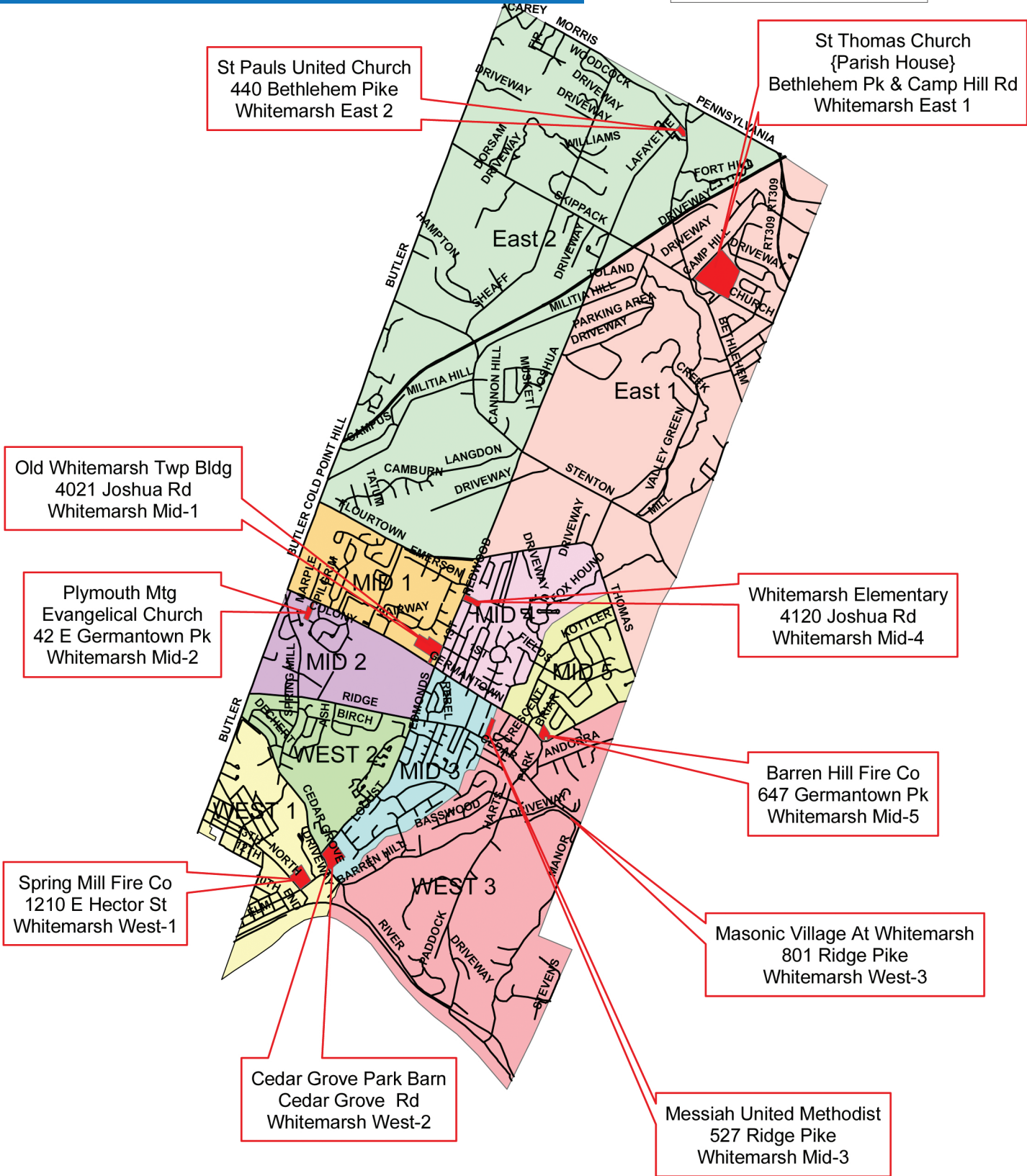
Montgomery County hosts hazardous waste collections events throughout the year where residents can bring unwanted hazardous household automotive products, home maintenance, lawn and pest control products to be recycled properly. Remember, latex paint is not hazardous waste and can be disposed with your regular trash. **Electronics will not be accepted.** Visit the Township website for a complete list of acceptable materials.

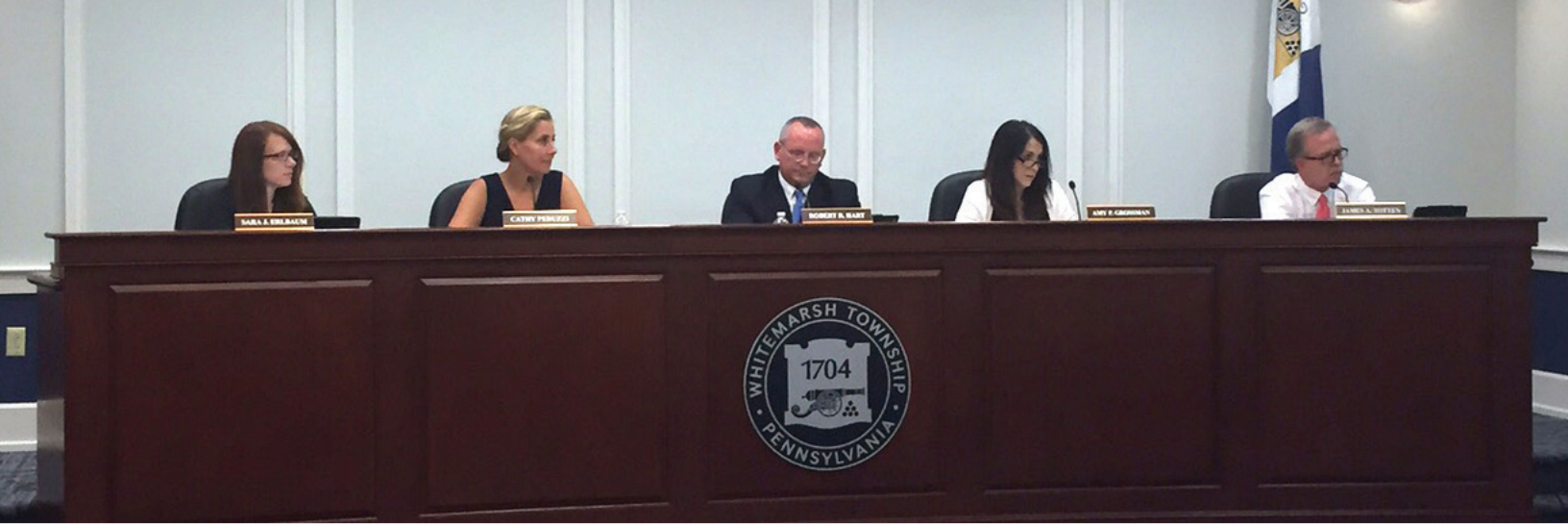
Questions? Call Montgomery County Recycling at 610-278-3618 or email recycling@montcopa.org

2015 Election Day is November 3

Whitemarsh Township Polling Locations

 Polling Locations





PUBLIC MEETING DATES & TIMES:

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Second and fourth Thursday of each month at 7 pm at the Township Building - Also televised LIVE on Comcast Ch. 965 and Verizon Ch. 46.

EMERGENCY SERVICES BOARD

Third Wednesday of each alternating months starting with the month of February at 7 pm - locations vary

THE WHITEMARSH AUTHORITY

Third Wednesday of each month at 7 pm at the Township Building

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD

Third Monday of every other month at 7 pm at the Township Building

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

First Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Township Building

HISTORICAL ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD (joint with Plymouth Township)

Second Wednesday of each month at 8:30 am at the Township Building

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Fourth Wednesday of every third month starting with January at 7 pm at the Township Building

MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY BOARD

Fourth Monday of every other month starting with January at 7 pm at the Township Building

LIBRARY BOARD

Fourth Wednesday of each month at 7 pm at the Library

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD

First Tuesday of every other month at 7 pm at Koontz Park

PLANNING COMMISSION

Second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Township Building

ZONING HEARING BOARD

First Wednesday of each month at 7 pm, plus the first Monday following (if needed) at 7 pm at the Township Building.

Some meetings may be cancelled or rescheduled so please check the Township website for the latest meeting schedule.

WHITEMARSH TOWNSHIP BOARDS & COMMITTEES:

The Board of Supervisors receives the assistance of various boards/commissions in the operations of the Township. The various boards/commissions are staffed by citizen volunteers who commit hours of their personal time and bring their talents and skills to the township government. The following is a list of the boards and commissions and the members. If you would like to serve on any of these boards or commissions, please visit the Township website and submit a volunteer application. *(The listing of each board and committee members below as of September 1, 2015)*

ETHICAL STANDARDS ADVISORY BOARD

Michael Drossner
Nancy Langerfeld
John E. Mitchell
Paul Stanish
Lester Weinraub

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Deidra A. Lyngard, *Chair*
Stephen J. Kaufman, *Vice-Chair*
Christopher Indelicato
Deborah Lamb
Christopher L. Lane
Joan Biddle
Hugh G. Moulton

PLANNING COMMISSION

Peter B. Cornog, *Chair*
J. David Shula, *Vice-Chair*
James Hoban
Arthur Lefco
Vincent Manuele
Sherri Glantz Patchen
Scott Quitel

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Joanne Boyle
Celine Childs
Jennifer Etkin
Karen Green

VACANCY BOARD

Joseph Goldshear
Christopher Indelicato
Carole Lukoff
Thomas Sivell
James Thompson

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD

Scott Quitel, *Chair*
L. Matthew Schwartz, *Vice-Chair*
Jonathan Picker
Deborah Sheero

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Stephen J. Ziegler, *Chair*
Jennifer Thomas, *Vice-Chair*
Leigh Ashbrook
David D'Amore
Karen Nemeth

WHITEMARSH TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY

Carolyn Hanel, *Chair*
Timothy Ferris, *Vice-Chair*
Jeffery Mitchell, *Secretary*
Jonathan Riesberg, *Treasurer*
Jerold A. Glick

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD

Brian D. Rosenthal, *Chair*
Joanne S. Crawford, *Vice Chair*
Terry Ferris
Kevin C. Kissling
Thomas J. Manley, Jr.,
Jamie Mitchell
Leslie Finegold (Colonial SD Appointee)

MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY BOARD

Lisa Litzinger-Drayton, *Chair*
David Hanel, *Vice-Chair*
Aloise Ellinger
Lauren Gordon
Sharon Harvey
Crystal Taylor
Fran McCusker

ZONING HEARING BOARD

James F. Behr, *Chair*
Robert A. Bacine, *Vice-Chair*
Stanley Casacio
William E. Kramer
Marc Weinstein
Randi Rubin Goldstein (Alternate)

LIBRARY BOARD

Carole Lukoff, *President*
Dara Nasatir, *Vice President*
Jacy Toll, *Secretary*
David Segal, *Treasurer*
Stan Finegold
Helene Klein
Sally D. Lane

HISTORICAL ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

Nancy Brown
John Loughridge
Kenneth A. Parsons, AIA
Alex Pientka
(Plymouth Township also appoints 4 members. The 9th is appointed by the members of the HARB)

EMERGENCY SERVICES BOARD

Alex D. Giacomo, Jr.
Susannah Conicello
Emily Goldman
John Lukens
Three Fire Companies (Chief + one member of each fire company)
Whitemarsh Ambulance Association (Chief + one member)
Fire Marshal, Scott Lynch
Chief of Police, Mike Beaty
Township Manager, Richard L. Mellor, Jr.

RECYCLING CORNER

Residential Recycling Collection

Residential recycling is also collected curbside once-per-week on the same day in each Collection District from occupied dwellings in Whitemarsh Township by J. P. Mascaro & Sons. Residential recycling is single-stream which means that you may mix all recyclable materials into one container - there is no need to separate materials or even tie-or-bag newspapers. For a complete list of accepted recyclable materials, see the Re-Community flyer to the left.

Items excluded in residential recycling collection are trash, bulk items, yard waste, household hazardous waste, construction and demolition waste and other unacceptable waste defined by law.

2015 Fall Leaf Collection: Oct. 19 - Dec. 21

Every fall, the Township Public Works Department provides leaf collection service to the residents of the Township. For 2015, the fall leaf collection begins on Monday, October 19 and will continue until Monday, December 21. The Township Public Works Department will make every effort to collect from each street at least once per week. All leaves for last pick up must be piled out on the streets by 6:30 a.m. on Monday, December 21.

Residents are asked to pile the leaves onto the curb for the Township Public Works Department to collect - LEAVES ARE NOT TO BE BAGGED.

Non-Residential Recycling Requirements:

§ 109-23. Nonresidential separation and collection.

A. Persons shall separate high-grade office paper, aluminum cans, corrugated paper and leaf waste generated at any commercial, municipal or institutional establishment or community activity within the Township and provide for the disposal of such materials by recycling.

B. The Township shall require a certificate of compliance from all commercial, municipal or institutional establishments and community activities indicating their compliance with this section. Such certificates shall be pursuant to the regulations promulgated by the Board of Supervisors.

§ 109-24. Ownership.

All recyclable materials placed by a resident for collection by the Township pursuant to this article and regulations hereunder shall, from time of pickup, become the property of the Township, except as otherwise provided by § 109-25.

§ 109-25. Prohibited collection; exception.

It shall be a violation of this article for any individual, partnership, association or corporation, other than the Township or one authorized by the Board of Supervisors, to collect recyclable materials placed by a resident for collection by the Township, unless such individual, partnership, association or partnership has prior written permission from the Township to make such collection. Each unauthorized collection in violation hereof from one or more residences on one calendar day shall constitute a separate and distinct offense punishable as hereinafter provided.

§ 109-26. Materials donated.

Any person may donate or sell recyclable materials to any individual, partnership, association or corporation, whether operating for profit or not, provided that the receiving individual, partnership, association or corporation shall not collect such donated recyclable materials from the collection point without prior written permission from the Township to make such collection.

§ 109-27. Violations and penalties; enforcement.

A. Except as hereinafter provided, any individual, partnership, association or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this article shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 and costs of prosecution for each and every offense.

B. Any individual, partnership, association or corporation who shall violate the provisions of §§ 109-22 and 109-23 shall receive an official written warning of noncompliance for the first and second offenses. Thereafter, all such violations shall be subject to the penalties provided.

C. The Township reserves the right not to collect municipal waste containing recyclable materials in combination with nonrecyclable materials.

WHITEMARSH TOWNSHIP GUIDE TO SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING

Plastics 1,2,4,5,7
(Jugs, bottles, etc)



Aluminum
& Metal Cans



Paper
(Office Paper, Junk Mail
& Newspaper, etc)



Glass
Bottles
& Jars



Cardboard &
Food Boxes



Magazines,
Cartons &
Septics



THE FOLLOWING ITEMS SHOULD NOT BE INCLUDED IN SINGLE STREAM

- Plastic Bags
- Scrap Metal
- Window Panes or Mirrors
- Ceramics or Dishware
- Bio-Hazardous Waste
- Unmarked Plastics, #3, or #6
- Electronic Waste
- Paint, Pesticides, Oil
- Food or Yard Waste
- Fabrics or Clothing
- Waxed Paper or Waxed Cardboard
- Styrofoam
- VHS/VCR Tapes
- Plastic CD Cases



Whitemarsh Township
616 Germantown Pike
Lafayette Hill, PA, 19444
(610) 825-3535
www.whitemarshtp.org

The William Jeanes Memorial Library and
Nicholas and Athena Karabots Center for Learning
is proud to announce our first annual fall fundraiser,

THE BILLY JEANES PUMPKIN FEST

October 18th from 1:00-5:00.

This family-friendly event will showcase the outstanding restaurants from our surrounding community with samples of their delicious culinary creations. This inaugural event will also feature live music performed by regional musicians and singers, all on the beautiful grounds of our newly renovated library.

Proceeds from this event will be used to enrich the library's collections and programs which support the library's mission to "be a resource center that serves the diverse and changing needs of the community by providing materials, programs and services for education, enrichment and enjoyment." The library is committed to giving to, meeting the needs of, and going beyond the community's expectations, and this inaugural fundraising celebration, **THE BILLY JEANES PUMPKIN FEST**, will do just that.

Event Admission:

Adults = \$25.00 per ticket

Children 6-12 years = \$5.00

Children 5 years and under free

Any questions? Call: 610-828-0441.



WHITEMARSH

Art

CENTER

LEARN
CREATE
DISCOVER

ART CLASSES

FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN

Visit our website for updates and registration
Whitemarsharts.org

★★★★★ *Coupon for \$10 off* ★★★★★

Your FIRST class at the Whitemarsh Art Center!

Fall Classes begin September 21st!

Register by September 1st and SAVE!!

100 Cedar Grove Road

Conshohocken, 19428

610-825-0917

Expires 9/30/15

FACILITY RENTALS

AT WHITEMARSH TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION



Did you know that Whitemarsh Township can provide meeting spaces, fields, and facilities for all of your rental needs? Host your next company picnic, birthday party, or organization meeting at one of our rental sites! For more information regarding rentals, including pricing, amenities, and availability, or to tour a site, please contact our Parks and Recreation Department at 610-828-7276.

Wanted: Greenhouse Program Volunteers

Located in Koontz Park, the greenhouse serves as a welcoming resource for the entire community. Throughout the year, volunteers gather weekly in this cozy light-filled space for seed starting, transplanting, and project planning.

How to participate:

*At the greenhouse- Volunteers often meet on Wednesday mornings in the Koontz Park greenhouse. Start times depend on the time of year.

*At the parks- Throughout the growing season, volunteers gather to maintain existing native plant gardens--mulching, weeding, removing invasive non-natives, and watering--and to occasionally work on special projects.

All volunteers are welcome, regardless of skill level. We take great pleasure in sharing what we know and learning from one another. Please join us as your schedule allows!

For more information:

Contact the Whitemarsh Township Parks & Recreation Department

2391 Harts Lane, Lafayette Hill, PA 19444
Monday- Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Phone: 610-828-7276

Email: parkandrec@whitemarshntp.org

website: www.whitemarshparks.org



GET INVOLVED WITH PARKS AND RECREATION!

Join our mailing list! Visit www.communitypass.net and create a family account. You will receive periodic updates about upcoming programs, special events, and other news within our department.

Volunteer! We offer various volunteer opportunities throughout the year, including assisting with special events for all ages, park cleanups, program instruction, and more! This is a great way to fulfill academic program volunteer requirements.

Show us your skills! Have a special skill or talent that you feel would be a great asset to our department? Talk to us about creating a unique program opportunity for our community!
Email us at parkandrec@whitemarshntp.org or call us at 610-828-7276.



COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Join us Saturday October 3rd at Cedar Grove Park for our first ever Community Yard Sale Event! We will be featuring food trucks, a bike swap, and more! Come out and browse through all the treasures.

Interested in selling items at the Community Yard Sale? Purchase a 10x10 space for \$15.00 if you are a Whitemarsh Township Resident or \$25.00 for a non-resident. You may register online at www.whitemarshparks.org or call the Parks & Recreation Department at 610.828.7276.

**Saturday October 3rd
8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.**

Raindate: Sunday October 4th

**CEDAR GROVE PARK
100 CEDAR GROVE ROAD**

**GARAGE
SALE**

Bike Swap

Has your child outgrown their bike again? Bring your old bike to the Bike Swap tent at the yard sale to trade it in for a better-fitting bike! Register for the Bike Swap at www.whitemarshparks.org

*Official Partner of
Whitemarsh Township
Parks & Recreation*

www.whitemarshparks.org
610.828.7276





Exciting NEW Programs with Whitemarsh Parks & Recreation Fall 2015



Jump, Jive, & Jam Music

Join us for an exciting new music experience for children ages birth to 5 years. Jump, Jive, & Jam strives to introduce children to the joys of music in a safe, fun, and educational environment, one that will be enjoyable for parents as well as kids. Through play and multi-sensory activities, JJ&J teaches children basic rhythmic and melodic concepts, helps them to build confidence in their voices and musical abilities, and hopes to foster a life-long love of music.

Mondays 10/5-11/23 **9:30-10:15 am** **Fee:** \$120.00 WTR / \$138.00 NR

Location: Parks & Recreation Building (Room A) **Ages:** birth-5 years
Presented by: Jump, Jive, & Jam



Cross Kids

Using activities that kids naturally enjoy, CrossKids provides a fitness program that is safe, fun, and energetic. A variety of games are used to focus on basic physical skills. CrossKids workouts are tailored to the unique needs of children and teens, helping them stay active and healthy. This program uses a combination of skill practice, workouts, and games to build strength and conditioning in children. These classes include elements of gymnastics, weight lifting, body weight movements, and plyometrics. In addition to learning new skills, CrossKids teaches children to make better food choices; they'll be more focused in school, and they'll transition to new sports more easily and with reduced risk of sports-related injury. No class on 9/28.



Mondays Session 1: 9/21-11/2
 Session 2: 11/16-12/21 **5:30-6:30 pm** **Fee:** \$70.00 WTR / \$80.50 NR

Location: Koontz Park (Room A) **Ages:** 10-16
Presented by: Dub Fitness



FREE Nutrition Programs: Presented by Giant Food Stores

Rabiya Bower, RD, LDN, the in-store nutritionist at Giant Flourtown, will be presenting several FREE nutrition programs for adults and children! Learn how to make easy, healthy food choices that will improve the quality of your health and help you save money.

PLAN A HEALTHY LUNCH: Thursday, 9/17 **6:30-7:30 pm** **Ages:** 16+
EXTREME SNACK MAKEOVER: Saturday, 10/3 **10:00-11:00 am** **Ages:** all
LABEL READING MADE EASY: Tuesday, 11/17 **6:30-7:30 pm** **Ages:** 16+

Location: Parks & Recreation Building (Room A)

Sponsored by:



Run Strong

New to running or seasoned runners, ALL are welcome and ALL will improve strength and endurance. Groups will run six weeks at a time and we will build distance weekly. Walking is perfectly acceptable to start! Between running, we will perform strength training sets to increase leg strength. No class on 9/28.

Mondays 9/14-10/26 **6:30-7:30 pm** **Fee:** \$87.00 WTR / \$100.00 NR

Location: Miles Park (Pavilion) **Ages:** 18+
Presented by: Mixx Fitness



Dance Aerobics

A cardio conditioning and core strengthening workout with a dance emphasis that will make you feel like you're on Broadway! We will workout to R&B, rock n' roll, jazz, swing, and more. In each class, we will learn a simple dance combination, but no dance experience is required. The music and choreography will vary with seasonal themes. Students should bring a yoga or pilates mat and water bottle to class. No class on 9/28.

Mondays 10/5-11/23 **7:00-8:00 pm** **Fee:** \$63.00 WTR / \$72.00 NR

Location: Parks & Recreation Building (Room A) **Ages:** 16+



Hills & Drills

Who needs a treadmill? Take your fitness outside with Hills & Drills! Condition your entire body to improve all aspects of cardiovascular physical fitness while enjoying the outdoors. This hour-long group fitness class uses the environment and portable fitness equipment to get a full body workout. Think push-ups, squats, lunges, and old school calisthenics to develop rock-hard abs, sleek shoulders, and well-toned thighs. This class is appropriate for all fitness levels. No class on 9/26 or 10/10.



Saturdays Session 1: 9/12-10/31
Session 2: 11/15-12/19 **9:00-10:00 am** **Fee:** \$75.00 WTR / \$85.00 NR
*First session 2 class will take place Sunday, 11/15

Location: Miles Park- Basketball Court **Ages:** 16+
Presented by: Dub Fitness



Yoga Workshops **Ages:** 16+

Join yoga instructor Kimberly Brock for these specialized yoga workshops. For full descriptions of these programs, visit www.whitemarshparks.org.

Joint Freeing Series: Sunday, 9/20	9:30-12:00 pm	Fee: \$30 WTR / \$35 NR
Yoga For Core Strength: Saturday, 10/3	9:30-11:30 am	Fee: \$25 WTR / \$30 NR
Yoga For Osteoporosis: Saturday, 10/17	9:30-11:30 am	Fee: \$25 WTR / \$30 NR
Yoga For Digestive Health: Saturday, 11/7	9:30-11:30 am	Fee: \$25 WTR / \$30 NR
Giving Thanks With Yoga: Saturday, 11/21	9:30-11:30 am	Fee: FREE- donations collected for (All donations will benefit Colonial Neighborhood Council)

Location: Koontz Park (Room A)

SAT & ACT Prep Courses

Offered in partnership with Key Academics
Voted "Best of Montco" 2015



Whitemarsh Township Parks and Recreation is proud to partner with Key Academics in order to offer these courses.

Key Academics



Key Academics will hold small group SAT & ACT classes (10-student maximum) through Whitemarsh Township Parks & Recreation. Each course will include 18 hours of in-class instruction, a 400 page workbook, and a take-home, graded practice test.

The SAT course covers the current version of the test, which is in effect until March 2016. The ACT course covers the revised test that debuts in September 2015.

SAT Course

6 classes, 3 hours each
Sunday's - 1:30pm - 4:30pm
Sept 20th - Nov 1st
No class on 9/27

This class is perfect preparation for the November 7th exam!

ACT Course

9 classes, 2 hours each
Monday's - 7:00pm - 9:00pm
Oct 19th - Dec 7th

This class is perfect preparation for the December 12th exam and beyond!

Both courses are held at the Parks & Recreation Building on Joshua Road.
(4021 Joshua Rd, Lafayette Hill, PA 19444)

Registration is open NOW! Hurry, before all seats are full!

Each course is only **\$479** for Whitemarsh Residents and **\$499** for Non-Residents!

Register online through www.whitemarshparks.org or by calling the Parks & Recreation Offices at (610) 828 - 7276

Key Academics



For more information on course content, please contact Key Academics at (610) 940 - 1625

Introducing exciting new partnerships with Upper Merion Parks and Recreation & The William Jeanes Memorial Library and Nicholas & Athena Karabots Center for learning in programming for people with special needs and abilities.

OUTER LIMITS:

in partnership with Upper Merion Parks and Recreation

Outer Limits is a program designed to provide a challenging, adventure-oriented recreational experience that will assist participants ages 15 and up in developing physically, emotionally, and socially. Activities will promote athletic and creative skill-development, ego-enhancement, improve self-confidence, and increase self-reliance. Outer Limits programs are directed by instructors who are highly-qualified in the activity skill as well as in working with special needs individuals.

Past events have included: holiday-themed dances, pizza parties, bowling, baseball games, crafty parties, and much more!

Cost*: \$200 Whitemarsh Township & Upper Merion Township Residents
\$250 Non-residents

*This fee includes all scheduled activities for the 2015-2016 season. Participants are not mandated to attend all programs, but we encourage them to attend as many as possible!

A complete list of activities will be available in September, so please check back on our website www.whitemarshparks.org or call 610-828-7276 and ask for Brianna Muller for more information. Registration for Outer Limits programs will be available in September once the activities calendar is made available.



CONNECTING EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE:

in partnership with William Jeanes Memorial Library

Connecting Exceptional People Social: Young Adult Dessert Happy Hour

Friday, September 25

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Location: Jeanes Library, 4051 Joshua Road, Board Room

Contact: Deborah Moore 610-828-0441 Ext 107 dmoore@mclinc.org

A night of games, snacks, art, and conversation for young adults who have special needs aged 16 years and older. You should decide if a parent, guardian or aide is needed to accompany the young adult. Please bring your favorite dessert to share with others.



Environmental Calendar & Greenmarsh Series

a combination of environmental efforts made in partnership with the Environmental Advisory Board, the Open Space Committee, the Shade Tree Commission, the Greenhouse Program, and the Parks and Recreation Board in conjunction with community groups and organizations to educate, improve, and enhance the environment of Whitemarsh Township.

Koontz Park Walk & Talk

Saturday, September 12th
10:00-11:00 am
Koontz Park

Presented by: The Wissahickon Valley Watershed Association



Join us on a Saturday morning for a walk through Koontz Park. We will explore the native plant landscapes and meadow, porous pavements, and other storm water management features that make this park an environmental haven. Learn about how parks can be key in protecting our waterways and wildlife.

Planting With Purpose: Saving Nature at Home and Beyond

Saturday, September 19th
10:00-11:30 am
Koontz Park
Fee: \$10

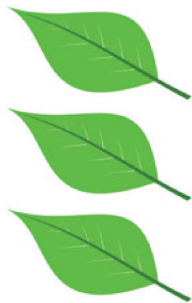
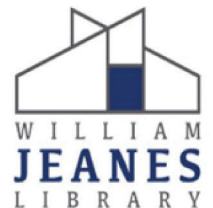
Presented by: Edie Parnum & Barb Elliot, Valley Forge Audubon Society, and Backyards for Nature



We see more development and less wildlife habitat around us. Songbird species are declining at an unprecedented rate. We notice fewer butterflies than we used to. Despite these problems, you can make a difference! The “how to” of incorporating native plants, eliminating invasive plants, and creating outdoor space attractive to both humans and wildlife are included in this program. Take home complimentary plants for your Monarch butterfly habitat.

A Healthy Wissahickon: We All Have a Part to Play

Wednesday, October 14th
6:30-7:30 pm
William Jeanes Memorial Library- Community Room
Presented by: The Wissahickon Valley Watershed Association



Come learn about the history of the Wissahickon Creek, the development of the Wissahickon Valley, and how it has affected our waterways. Discover ways to have a positive impact on the creek in your day to day life! This film, made by GreenTreks, is 25 minutes long, and will be followed by a Q&A session.

Gambone Tract Environmental Education and Clean Up Day

Saturday, November 7th
8:00-12:00 pm
Located across from Cedar Grove Park on Wells Street

Program is sponsored jointly by the Environmental Advisory Board and the Parks and Recreation Board.



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Parks & Recreation*

Ecologist John Munro will teach the volunteers about environmental education, including identification and proper techniques for removal of invasives, and will then lead the group into a hands-on clean-up and removal of invasives at the Gambone Tract in order to begin to create a natural park and trail system for the community.



BRING HOME THE NATIVE

More than just pretty flowers

Why should I care about native plants?

Native plants create beautiful landscapes that provide native wildlife with the best habitat and food they need to survive. Native plants also help to protect watersheds and maintain the unique natural heritage of an area. In Pennsylvania, our native plants lend a sense of place that is recognized and enjoyed by citizens and visitors from all over the world. If our native plants continue to be replaced with species from other places, Pennsylvania will lose the natural beauty and resources that define the state. Not only do native plants provide benefits to the environment as a whole, they also provide value to you and your backyard. Because Pennsylvania’s native plants are meant to grow here, they thrive with less maintenance in the right conditions, thereby reducing the need to water and fertilize them. They also serve as pollinators and attract wildlife.

What is a native plant?

A native plant is one that occurred within the state before settlement by Europeans. Native plants include ferns and clubmosses; grasses, sedges, rushes, and their kin; flowering perennials; annuals, which only live one year; biennials, which have a two-year life cycle; and, of course, the woody trees, shrubs, and vines that covered “Penn’s Woods” when the first settlers arrived. More than 2,100 native plant species make up the botanical diversity of Pennsylvania.

A “Growing” Problem

While new plants are coming into Pennsylvania, native plants are being lost to habitat destruction, invasive plants, and introduced pests and diseases. By 2000, five percent of Pennsylvania’s native plant species had been eliminated and another 25 percent were in danger of becoming extinct. The good news is that action can be taken to protect and enhance the remaining diversity of these beautiful and often useful plant species. An introduced or non-native plant is one that has been brought into the state and become established. At the turn of the 21st century, about 1,300 species of non-native plants existed in Pennsylvania. That is 37 percent of Pennsylvania’s total plant flora (about 3,400 species), and more introduced plants are identified every year. An invasive plant is a species that has become a weed pest—one that grows aggressively, spreads, and displaces other plants. Although some native plants are aggressive on disturbed areas, most invasive plants are introduced from other regions, leaving behind the pests, diseases, predators, and other natural controls that usually keep them in check.

DCNR’s Backyard Best Bets were chosen based on their hardiness potential in any soil condition, availability in the nursery trade, wildlife and habitat benefit, and viability in the overall ecosystem and is marked with the symbols listed on the right. To view the list, visit: http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/cs/groups/public/documents/document/dcnr_002090.pdf

Learn more about native plants and how to incorporate them into your own landscape by visiting the PA DCNR website or attend one of the workshops on page 14! This information is from the Pa DCNR “Bring Home the Native” article found on: http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/cs/groups/public/documents/document/dcnr_002090.pdf

Sunny/Moist



Key for Symbols



Attracts Birds



Nectar Plant



Deer Resistant



Drought Resistant



Edible



Colorful Fall Leaves



Attracts Wildlife



Evergreen



Fragrant



Durable Plants



Ground Cover

Dates To Remember

Tues. - Sept. 29th
12:00 - 2:00pm
Eat & Enjoy Social

Thurs. - Oct. 22nd
12:00 - 2:00pm
Eat & Enjoy Social

Sat. - Oct. 24th
8:00am - 12:00pm
Shredding Day

Mon. - Nov. 9th
8:30am - 4:30pm
Lancaster Trip

Mon. - Nov. 16th
12:00 - 2:00pm
Eat & Enjoy Social

Thurs. - Dec. 10th
8:00am - 7:00pm
Radio City Trip

Wed. - Dec. 16th
12:00 - 2:00pm
Eat & Enjoy Social

Letter From the Board of Supervisors and the Parks & Recreation Team!

Hello Everyone!

We take a moment to invite the older adults of our community to attend the wonderful programs that our Parks and Recreation Department has planned for you and your friends this fall. This "Prime Time Newsletter" and the related parks and recreation pages include information about our Eat and Enjoy Socials (formerly known as Monday socials), exciting bus trips, fitness classes, and special events. We hope that each of you find something of interest and have a chance to join us and experience all that the Parks and Recreation Department has to offer to our residents.



Sincerely,

*Whitemarsh Township Board of Supervisors and
the Parks & Recreation Team*

Whitemarsh Township Shredding Day

Are you hoarding statements, old bills, or other outdated confidential papers? Save space, protect yourself from identity theft, and help the environment at the same time by shredding your documents at our on-site event!

When: Saturday, October 24th - 8:00am - 12:00pm

Where: Miles Park, Lower Parking Lot (374 Germantown Pike, 19444)

No Limits! Held rain or shine!

The event is free of charge, but donations will be accepted and contributions from this event will raise funds for Lincoln Fire Co. and Whitemarsh Township Parks & Recreation

Event Sponsored By:



To register visit: www.whitemarshparks.org or call (610) 828 - 7276

Afternoon Games

Spend an afternoon enjoying conversation and a game with friends. Throughout the week, Bridge, Pinochle, and Mah Jongg are always in full swing! Try out your hand and improve your game in the process. Light refreshments are provided. **No games on 11/3, 11/11, or 11/26.**

\$10 WTR / \$12 Non-Res

Bridge

1:00 - 3:00pm
Tuesdays 9/8 - 12/15

Pinochle

1:00 - 3:00pm
Wednesdays 9/9 - 12/16

Mah Jongg

1:00 - 3:00pm
Thursdays 9/10 - 12/17

Sr. Dance Aerobics

A low-impact cardio conditioning workout with a dance emphasis that will make you feel like you're on Broadway! In each class you will learn a simple dance combo, but no dance experience is required! At the end of class there will be seated yoga-stretching and relaxation time. **No class on 9/22.**

\$54 WTR / \$62 Non-Res

10:15 - 11:15am
Thursdays 9/15 - 10/27

Eat & Enjoy Social Series

Experience an afternoon of great food and entertainment with the Whitmarsh Township Parks & Recreation Department! Each social will include a catered lunch, complete with coffee and dessert! Following lunch, entertainment will be provided for all. Be sure to register early and guarantee your spot at a table, and don't worry - you don't have to be a resident of Whitmarsh Township to attend!

The Eat & Enjoy Social Series is sponsored by:



Only \$10!!

Tuesday, Sept. 29th 12:00 - 2:00pm 4021 Joshua Rd, 19444

Entertainment: Neill Hartley - One Man Show

Neill Hartley presents his rendition of "Sherlock Holmes and the Speckled Band"!



Thursday, Oct. 22nd 12:00 - 2:00pm 4021 J

Entertainment: TBA

Entertainment TBA. Please call the Parks & Recreation Department for more information.



Monday, Nov. 16th 12:00 - 2:00pm 4021 Joshua Rd, 19444

Entertainment: Paint Your Own Pottery!

Choose a plate, mug, or spoon holder and paint away! Perfect items for gifts this holiday season!



Wednesday, Dec. 16th 12:00 - 2:00pm 4021 Joshua Rd, 19444

Entertainment: Lazy Daze Barbershop Quartet

Come be serenaded by the melodic tones of the Lazy Daze Barbershop Quartet.



Trips

Lancaster Outlets & Shady Maple

Join us on a trip to Lancaster, PA to visit the Rockvale Outlets & Shady Maple Farmers Market & Smorgasboard! After a few hours of shopping, the bus will take everyone to Shady Maple where you can visit the amazing buffet, gift shop, or farmers market!

Monday, Nov. 9th - 8:30am - 4:30pm

Leaves from Miles Park Lower Lot
(374 Germantown Pike, 19444)

\$33.00 WTR / \$40.00 Non-Resident

Radio City Christmas Spectacular

Join the Parks & Recreation Department for this year's "Radio City Christmas Spectacular" at Radio City Music Hall in NYC, NY. We provide the transportation and the tickets! We have orchestra seating for the 11:00am show-time. After the show you will have time to explore!

Thursday, Dec. 10th - 8:00am - 7:00pm

Leaves from Miles Park Lower Lot
(374 Germantown Pike, 19444)

\$105.00 WTR / \$120.00 Non-Resident



Princess Tea Party

Sunday, October 11th
1:00-2:30 pm

The Parks and Recreation Building
4021 Joshua Road

Ages 3-6
(this is a drop off program)
\$10 per child
pre-registration is required

To register:

www.whitemarshparks.org
610-828-7276



TEENIE HALLOWEENIE

Games. Crafts. Music. Treats

come in costume for a "spooktacular" good time!

Tuesday, October 27th
10:00 am - 12:00 noon
Parks & Recreation Building
\$5 per child at the door



2015 HAUNTED BARN

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

OCTOBER 16TH & 17TH

OCTOBER 23RD & 24TH

7:00PM - 10:00PM

FAMILY NIGHT SCARE

NEED SOME SUPPORT TO MAKE IT THROUGH? JOIN US ON OCTOBER 23RD FOR FAMILY NIGHT MAKE IT OUT ALIVE AND THERE WILL BE REFRESHMENTS AND PUMPKIN DECORATING FOR EVERYONE!

THINK YOU CAN MAKE IT THROUGH THREE FLOORS OF CREEPY DARKNESS AND HAUNTING CHARACTERS? JOIN US AS WE TURN THE CEDAR GROVE BARN INTO YOUR WORST NIGHTMARE. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON OUR HAUNTED ATTRACTION, VISIT THE PARKS & RECREATION WEBSITE AT WWW.WHITEMARSHPARKS.ORG OR CALL (610) 828 - 7276

Wristbands: \$5.00 Pre-Registered
\$7.00 At the Door

Warning: This event is not intended for children under eight years old. We strongly urge you to comply.

No refunds once entry is made. Strobe lights will be used in this attraction.



Whitemarsh Township
616 Germantown Pike
Lafayette Hill, PA 19444

DATES TO REMEMBER:

2015 FALL LEAF COLLECTION: Oct. 19 - Dec. 21 (see page 8 for details)

No Trash Collection on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, & New Year's Day

If your trash and recycling collection day falls on a holiday, your trash and recycling will be collected on the Wednesday of that week in the affected district. If you are unsure of your property's collection day, check the Trash Collection District Map found on the Township website.

COMMUNITY YARD SALE: Saturday, October 3, 2015 (see page 11 for details)

SHREDDING DAY: Saturday, October 24, 2015 (see page 16 for details)

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