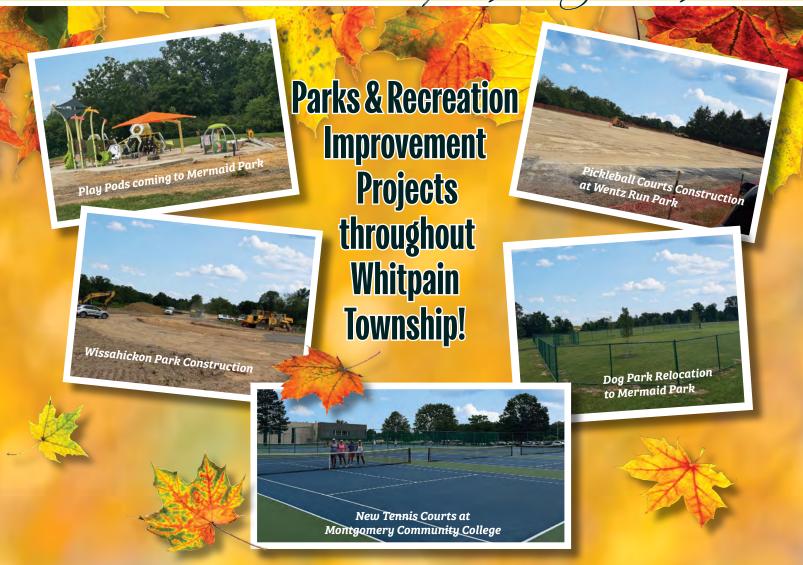


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# Manager's Message:

In 2025 a great deal of progress has been made on some long-term park projects throughout the Township. After years of planning, numerous public meetings, and securing over \$2.4 million in state and federal grants, shovels finally went into the ground at Wissahickon Park in West Ambler this spring. If construction crews have favorable weather, most of the construction should be completed later this year.

Work is also ongoing on an inclusive playground in Mermaid Park. To save money and operate most efficiently, Whitpain's Public Works crews are completing most of the site work for this project and a contractor will install the playground equipment. This project is scheduled to be completed sometime in the first quarter of 2026, weather permitting.

As work continues on these projects and residents await new park experiences, we will still be hosting all our traditional autumn events this fall. Our most popular event of the year, the Community Festival, will be held on Saturday, September 27 on the campus of Montgomery County Community College. As always, the day will feature fun for all ages and includes children's games, pony rides, food trucks, a beer garden, live music, and a fireworks show.

In late October, our Parks & Recreation Department will hold hayrides at Prophecy Creek Park. Also, Centre Square Fire Company's Annual Fire Expo will be held on the evening of Friday, October 3 at Centre Square Fire Company.

Please check out this newsletter for more information about our ongoing park projects, along with a host of additional articles. Also, please remember to sign up for our weekly electronic newsletter the Wire at www.whitpaintownship.org.

Eric Traub, *Manager* Whitpain Township





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The levying of Township taxes and the appropriations to the various departments and subsidiary boards and commissions are the responsibility of the Board of Supervisors. During the months of November and December, public hearings are held for the purpose of reviewing the budget for the following year. Residents are encouraged to attend these meetings and to review the proposed Township budget during that time.

#### CODE ENFORCEMENT/ZONING

- Fences
- Fire Alarms & Fire Protection Permits
- Flood Plain
- Signs
- Mechanical
- Bldg, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical **Permits**
- **Plot Plans**
- **Property Uses**
- Setbacks
- **Home Use Occupations**
- Variance/Special Exceptions

#### PARKS AND RECREATION

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- Concerts & Movies at Wentz Run Park
- **Contracted Programs**
- **Dedication Program**
- **Discount Tickets**
- **Montco Senior Games**
- Park Facility and Field Permits
- Park and Open Space Board
- Programs, Activities, & Events
- Seasonal Employment
- **Shade Tree Commission**
- **Sponsorship Opportunities**
- **Summer Day Camp**
- Trails and Open Space
- Volunteer/Community Service

#### **POLICE**

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- **Bicycle Registration**
- **Block Parties**
- **Fingerprinting**
- **Gun Permits**
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- **Reporting Crime**
- **Road Closures**
- Solicitation Permit
- **Traffic Lights**
- Non-Emergency: (610) 279-9033

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- **Human Resources**

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- Commercial/Institutional Permit Inquiries
- Site Plans/Survey Ouestions
- **Stormwater Drainage Concerns**
- MS4/TMDL Administration & Management
- GIS Mapping/Township Maps
- **Grading and ICP Permits**
- **Township Roadway Occupancy Permits**
- Site, Escrow and Permit Inspections
- Traffic Management/Traffic Signal **Operations and Maintenance**
- Requests for Information for Land **Developments and Subdivisions**
- Sanitary Sewer Design & Connection Requests
- Easement/Right-of-Way Informational Requests
- Land Development, Subdivision & Waiver Reviews
- **Regulatory Agency Inquiries**
- **Ordinance Development and Enforcement**
- Municipal Improvements Projects (Parks, Roadways, Bridges, Utility Infrastructure)

#### PUBLIC WORKS

- Christmas Tree Collection
- Fences
- **Leaf Collection**
- Maintenance-Building, Grounds, Park
- PA 1 Calls
- **Potholes**
- Streets- Paving, Snow, Road debris
- Street Signs
- Storm & Sanitary Sewer blockage/odor
- Sweeping

#### **FIRE**

- Donation for Ambulance
- Prevention Education
- Safety Inspections
- Teacher Training/Fire
- **Emergency Management** 
  - Chemical Spills
  - Fire
  - **Floods**
  - **Power Outages**
- Second Alarmers (SARS) Info Calls (215) 659-1885

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

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Ambler Water: 215-646-1000 PA American: 1-800-717-7292

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610-278-3000 District Court 38-1-21: 215-646-8201 Voter Registration: 610-278-3280

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Tax Collector: 610-492-9191 Walk-Ins Tuesday & Thursday Call for appointment Berkheimer: 610-279-7500

Power Outages - PECO: 1-800-841-4141

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Whitpain Rec Association: playwra.com Ambler/Whitpain Football & Cheering:

> www.awtrojans.com Wissahickon Lacrosse Club:

www.WissLAX.com

# **Community Center Moves Forward**

Steady progress is being made on Whitpain's new community center as the Township awaits permitting approval from outside agencies before moving on to publicly bidding the project and construction. Residents got a first glimpse at the vision for the building when an animated walkthrough of the community center was presented at a Board of Supervisors' meeting in May.

The walkthrough video is available on the Township's website and shows a facility with two playing courts, an elevated walking track, fitness center, a large community room, which is divisible into two smaller rooms, a welcoming lobby, offices for staff, and inviting outside spaces.

The facility is made possible by a generous \$10 million donation and bolstered by a \$1.7 million state grant. The community center will be located at the current dog park alongside Route 202, but before construction begins, the dog park will be relocated to Mermaid Park.





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# Single Use Plastic Bag Ordinance

You may have noticed signs at retailers across the Township describing upcoming limitations on single-use plastic bags. Looking toward a more sustainable future, the Board of Supervisors passed an ordinance to minimize single-use plastic bags, utensils, and expanded polystyrene (aka Styrofoam $^{TM}$ ).

Beginning on November 1, retail establishments will no longer provide single-use plastic bags or polystyrene containers to customers. However, retail establishments may provide customers with recyclable paper bags for a charge of not less than \$0.15 per bag. Additionally, plastic utensils will only be available upon request from a customer.

By promoting the use of reusable alternatives, the Township aims to curb litter in our community, protect local waterways, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and reduce solid waste generation.

# **CSFC Fire Expo Set for October 3**

**Centre Square Fire Company's (CSFC) Annual Fire Expo** will be held on **Friday, October 3** from 6:00 to 8:30 pm at Centre Square Fire Company in Blue Bell. This free family event features demonstrations, antique fire engines, fire prevention exhibits, displays from neighboring fire companies, fire safety tips, refreshments, prizes and much more. The rain date for this event is Saturday, October 4. For more information please visit Centre Square Fire Company's website at **www.csfc33.com.** 





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## **Park Projects Progressing**



Wissahickon Park

Earlier this year, Whitpain's Board of Supervisors gathered for two long-awaited groundbreaking ceremonies at Township parks. The first occurred in our West Ambler neighborhood to kickoff construction at Wissahickon Park.

When completed this winter, Wissahickon Park will feature playing courts, a grass volleyball court, a tot-lot playground for children ages 2-5, a separate playground for older children ages 5-12, and a 0.5-mile paved walking trail around the perimeter of the park. There will also be sidewalk installations to make the park accessible to the community and ample parking.

Wissahickon Park was an active Township park before it closed in the mid-1980's due to asbestos contamination. The park property is one portion of what was known as the BoRit Asbestos Site, which was used from the early 1900s to the late 1960s to dispose of asbestos-containing materials.

Whitpain has been planning for well over a decade to reopen the park once extensive work was completed to remediate the site by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). This has been a lengthy process due to environmental concerns, and

the Township has worked cooperatively with the EPA, PA Department of Environmental Protection, and the US Army Corp of Engineers to ensure public safety before, during, and after construction.

Extensive community discussions about the park occurred over the years at West Ambler Revitalization meetings and at meetings specifically geared toward park planning. The Township has secured two large grants, one from the Federal Government and the other from the state, to help pay for park improvements. Together these grants total over \$2.4 million and will combine with over \$1 million in Township funds to support construction.

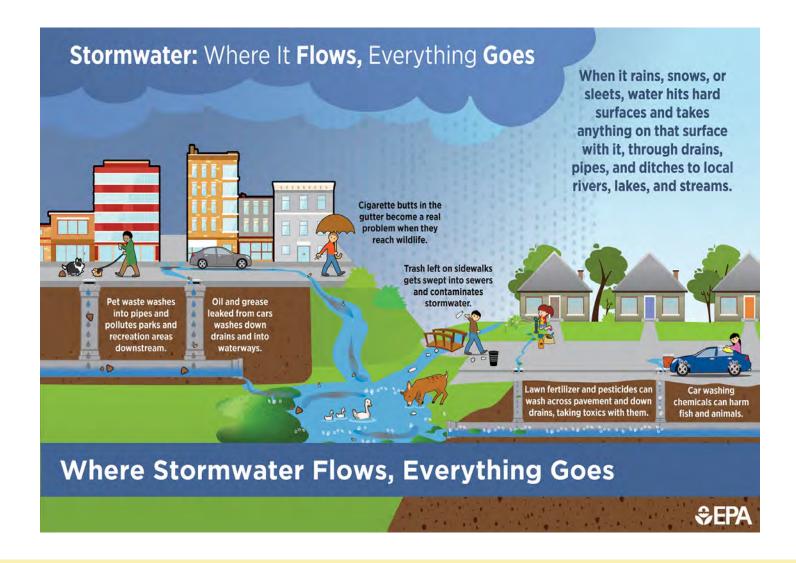
Across the Township at Mermaid Park, work has also started on a muchanticipated project to bring a nature-based inclusive playground to the community. Seeking to move beyond simply meeting ADA accessibility requirements, the new playground will be comprised of three "pods," each offering a variety of sensory, physical and educational experiences for users.

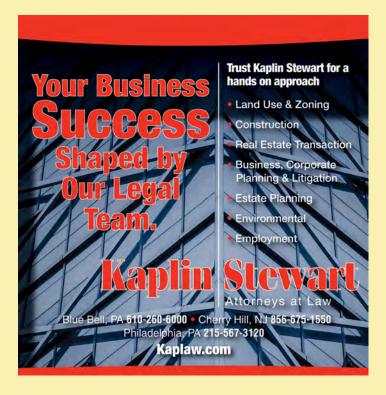
The project is partially funded by a PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources grant. Along with these improvements, additional parking will be added to the area and pathways from the parking area to the pods will be improved.



Mermaid Park











# BE PREPARED FOR A WINTER STORM



Winter storms create a higher risk of car accidents, hypothermia, frostbite, carbon monoxide poisoning, and heart attacks from overexertion.

Winter storms and blizzards can bring extreme cold, freezing rain, snow, ice, and high winds.





or several days



Can knock out heat, power, and communication services

# IF YOU ARE UNDER A WINTER STORM WARNING, FIND SHELTER RIGHT AWAY

Stay off roads.





Use generators outside only.

Stay indoors and dress warmly.





Pay attention to emergency information and alerts.

Prepare for power outages.





Look for signs of hypothermia and frostbite.



Check on neighbors.

# PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT



# **Programs & Events**

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Program Administrator – Lexi McKinney...Ext. 374
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**MISSION STATEMENT:** The Parks & Recreation Department strives to provide a variety of programs and services to enhance the quality of life and create a sense of community. As we progress through the years, we will make every attempt to introduce programs that meet the educational, social, and recreational needs of our residents and guests.

#### **ACCESSIBILITY AND ACCOMMODATIONS:**

Whitpain township parks and recreation is committed to actively working to make township events, trails, parks, playgrounds, sports fields, and open space easily accessible to those with disabilities. The parks and recreation department encourages and supports the participation of all guests, including guests with disabilities. We assist all guests as needed. Please contact us at 610-277-2400 to request accommodation.

# a Glance - Program Start Dates - view page number for more information

Septem	ber	
3	. Wednesday Yoga	p28
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#### PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Engage with the community by becoming a sponsor today! We are looking for sponsors to help offset our expenses. You will actively be helping put on great local events of your choosing. Once you become a partner, Whitpain Township will promote your business as much as possible. Please contact us at park&rec@whitpaintownship.org if you are interested in partnering with us. We can customize a package to meet your needs!











#### **REGISTRATION PROCEDURES**

- Register for programs online at www.whitpainrec.com or in person at the Whitpain Township Building, 960 Wentz Road, in Blue Bell, between 9 am and 4 pm.
- Registrations cannot be made over the phone.
- Registrations are processed in the order in which they are received.
- All fees are payable upon enrollment.
- No refunds or adjustments for: missed classes; discontinuing an activity; cancellation; and/or falsification of information.
- Fees will only be refunded if a program is canceled due to insufficient enrollment.
- Some programs/classes are held within a Wissahickon School District building. If the school is closed due to inclement weather or to observe a holiday, no classes will be held. School closing numbers are: #314 (Wissahickon School District) & #320 (MCCC).
- Programs rely on minimum enrollment to run. Please register at least two weeks before the start date.
- Programs may be canceled if the required minimum enrollment is not met one week before the start of a program.

Program and event dates, locations, and prices may change after the printing of this newsletter. While we do our best to ensure the program details in this newsletter are accurate, please refer to www.whitpainrec.com for the most up-to-date information.

# Discount Tickets



AMC Theatres......\$10

Movie Tavern ......\$9.50

Regal/United Artist .....\$10



Discount tickets may be purchased at the Township Building Monday-Friday, between 9 am and 4 pm. Cash preferred, credit accepted (Visa, MasterCard, Discover). \$20 minimum for all credit transactions. Please visit www.whitpainrec. com for updated discount ticket information and online purchases for select tickets. NO refunds or exchanges - ALL ticket sales are final.

#### IN PERSON SEASONAL DISCOUNT TICKETS

While Supplies Last (Dates available to purchase until noted)



#### **Adventure Aquarium**

(Available until 12/1) Adult (Ages 13y+) \$32 Child (Ages 2-12) \$24

#### **Baltimore Aquarium**

(Available year-round) Adult (Ages 21-69) \$42

Child (Ages 5-10) / Senior (Ages 70+) \$34

Busch Gardens (Available until 12/30)

Ages 3+ \$75 (*Price may vary*) / 2 Day Combo with Water County USA Ages 3+ \$90 (*Price may vary*)

Clementon Park (Available until 9/15) Over 48" \$32 / Under 48" \$22

**Dutch Wonderland** (Available until 9/15) Ages 3+ \$41 Morey's Piers (Available until 9/15)

Water Park \$60 / Water Park + Ride Combo \$102

#### **Museum of the American Revolution**

(Available until 12/1)

Adult (Ages 18+) \$16 / Child (Ages 6-17) \$10

Sesame Place (Available until 12/30)

Ages 2+ 1-Day \$50 / 2-Day \$71

#### Six Flags Great Adventure

(Available until 9/15)

Theme Park \$43 / Water Park \$41

**Splash Zone** (Available until 9/15) - \$34

Water Country USA (Available until 12/30)

Ages 3+ \$44 (Price may vary) /

2 Day Combo with Busch Gardens

Ages 3+ \$90 (Price may vary)















#### **FLOWER SHOW TICKETS**

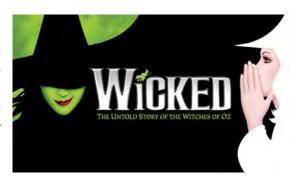
Flower Show Tickets to be available in the new year, make sure to stay tuned on our website and social media! The 2026 Flower Show will take place February 28 – March 8.



# Special Events

#### **BROADWAY BUS TRIP: WICKED!**

Join Upper Gwynedd Township (UGT) and Whitpain Township for our Broadway Bus Trip! Our luxury bus will take us safely to NYC to see the Broadway show, Wicked at the Gershwin Theatre. All meals will be on your own. Registration will include the bus ride, premium seating (front mezzanine section), and driver tip. \*Space is limited! If the trip sells out, join our waitlist!







**Date:** SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Arrival Time at UGT Township Building: 7:15AM

Arrival to NYC: 9:30AM

Wicked Matinee: 2:00PM (show is 2 hours and 45

minutes with a 15-minute intermission)

**Departure from NYC:** 5:30PM (we will meet for the bus on 8th Ave. between

49th Street and 52nd Street immediately following

the conclusion of the show)

Arrival back at UGT Township Building: 7:45PM

**Price:** \$230 per person

**Location:** Bus leaves and returns to Upper Gwynedd Township

Building: 1 Parkside Place, North Wales, PA 19454

\*Arrival and return times are estimated and based on traffic















# Special Events continued

#### **BIG RIG ROUND UP**

**FREE EVENT** for the whole family! We will feature fire trucks, construction vehicles, tractors, and more from local businesses. Great way to get outside and have the kids feel, see and sit in their favorite trucks. Refreshments will be available for purchase!

> **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26** 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Location: Montgomery County Community College

Morris Road Lot: 340 DeKalb Pike Blue Bell, PA 19422



Once again, we are offering a "minimal noise" half hour from 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm. During this time, we are requesting no horns/sirens.

#### HAYRIDES AT PROPHECY CREEK PARK

Join us for Hayrides at Prophecy Creek Park! Hay wagons take passengers to the upper field for a bonfire, a spooky storytelling, and a witch serving up hot cider out of a cauldron! A fun, festive, family event! Glow necklaces are provided by Whitpain Police Department on a first come, first serve basis.



6:00 pm – 9:00 pm \$10 for ages 12+ \$5 for ages 3-11 FREE for children 2 and under **Location: Prophecy Creek Park** 

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**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025** 

# FREE ADMISSION

Montgomery County Community College 340 Dekalb Pike, Blue Bell, PA 19422 The 2025 Whitpain Community Festival will feature old and new attractions. Hayrides, health fair and bone marrow drive will all continue. Kid's favorites such as inflatable rides, pony rides and petting zoo are still on. For the parents we have vendor booths, food trucks, and beer gardens. Musical acts this year include Andorra and our headliner LIMA BEAN RIOT. The event concludes with a fireworks display.

#### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

#### Friday, September 26, 2025

5:30 – 8:00 PM ...... Big Rig Round Up

We are offering a "minimal nose" half hour from 5:30 – 6:00 PM. During this time we are requesting NO horns/sirens. Parents, please help us maintain an inclusive environment and ensure your children don't honk horns during this time. Thank you for your cooperation!

#### Saturday, September 27, 2025

12:00 PMPendors, Health Expo, Pumpkin Patch Petting Zoo, Pony Rides, Hayrides, Children's Games, Food Trucks
2:00 – 8:00 PMBeer Garden
2:30 – 3:15 PMAnts on a Log
3:30 – 4:15 PMFort Washington School of Rock
5:00 – 6:00 PMAndorra
7:00 – 8:00 PMLima Bean Riot
8:15 PMFireworks

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# Special Events continued







#### **NYC DAY TRIP**

We have teamed up with Upper Dublin (UD) Parks and Recreation for you to enjoy all that NYC has to offer. This trip includes transportation and plenty of time in NYC. The drop-off and pick-up will be on 8th Avenue, between 43rd & 45th Streets, pick-up is at 5:30 pm. The trip leaves from the Upper Dublin Library. Non-stop coach bus transportation.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3 SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13 Departing from UD Library: 7:30 am: Check-in

8:00 am: Bus leaves
Departing from NYC:

5:15 pm: Check in on 8th Avenue 5:30 pm: Bus leaves \$70 R / \$75 NR

Location: Bus leaves and returns to Upper Dublin Library

520 Virginia Drive, Fort Washington, PA 19034
\*Arrival and return times are estimated and based on traffic
(Min. 10 / Max. 25)

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# Special Events continued

#### **DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE**

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skirts for daughters.

SAVE THE DATE

This evening is for dad's\* to spend an evening with the special girl in their life (their daughter)! Bring your date to an event you both won't forget! Come dressed up and ready to dance the night away with our DJ. This evening will be filled with laughter, games, contests and giveaways. Smile for the camera in the photo booth to remember



the special evening for years to come. Refreshments and light Hors D'oeuvres provided (no dinner). This year's theme, a Luau Party!

# **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm**

For dads\* of all ages and for daughters ages 4-10 \*Or that special man in their life! (Uncle, grandfather, stepfather)

Price Per Person: \$25 R / \$30 NR

Registration for residents opens on MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, AT 8AM.
Registration for non-residents opens on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, AT 8AM.

Location: The Manor House at Prophecy Creek Park 205 West Skippack Pike, Ambler, PA 19002

## STRIDE AND THRIVE 5K/10K

Blue Bell Rotary, Whitpain Township, & Montgomery County Community College invite you to the 2nd Annual Race and Health Fair!

Events include 5K Run and 1-Mile Fun Run/Walk (Registration required for the 5K) & Various fitness and wellness activities available.

WHEN: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15
Where: Montgomery County Community College
Health Sciences Building

More details to follow on www.whitpainrec.com

















# Workshops

# **Ambler Flower Workshop Series – Fall Arrangement**

Join us for our fall floral arrangement workshop hosted by Ambler Flower Shop. Create a festive fall flower arrangement in a pumpkin vase for your home! Instructor-led classes for floral arranging are a fun interactive group activity. We will give you all the tools and flowers to create a stunning arrangement to take home!

The price is listed per person. This includes all the flowers, supplies, and professional instruction.

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

**AGES 12+** (Ages 12-16 to be accompanied by an adult) **\$75** R / **\$80** NR

Location: Wentz Run Park – Picnic Pavilion Instructor: Ambler Flower Shop (Min. 6 / Max. 20)



# **Know Your Medicare Options**

Have your questions answered so you can make the right choice when planning for Medicare or Medicare Advantage decisions. During this free educational seminar, you will learn:

- How Medicare works and what it covers
- How Part D prescription cards work and how to pick the right one for you.
- The difference between Medicare supplements and Medicare Advantage plans.



#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7TH 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

FREE (pre-registration preferred)

Location: WRA Clubhouse at Centre Square Park

Presenter: Steve Pearlman, DelVal Senior

**Advisors,** Independent Medicare Planning Specialist

(Min. 5)

This seminar is suitable for whether you have decisions to make during the upcoming open enrollment period, or just want to learn more in preparation for that time.

# Factory Certified Collision Repair Specialists

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Center Square Motors is a state-of-theart collision repair facility, serving the region since our beginning as D&C Auto Body in 1956. We provide:

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- OEM Certified Collision Repair for Acura/Honda, Infiniti/Nissan, FCA, Alfa Romeo, Hyundai and others











# YOUTH PROGRAMS

JUMP START

SPORTS

## **Hummingbirds Soccer**

Children ages 3-6 have fun and learn the basics of soccer in an age-appropriate program! Players learn dribbling, passing, trapping, shooting, defending, and positioning. Each session consists of instruction in all aspects of the game, participation in fun drills designed to teach skills, and fun, low-key, non-competitive games! Children should bring water and have shin guards; all other equipment provided.

THURSDAYS, SEPTEMBER 11-OCTOBER 16

Ages 3 – 4 ...... 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM

Ages 5 – 6 ...... 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM \$120 R / \$125 NR

**Location: Stony Creek Sports Park** 

**Instructor: Jump Start Sports** 

(Min. 12 / Max. 40)

## **Hockey Sundays**

**SUNDAYS, SEPTEMBER 14-OCTOBER 19** 

Ages 4-6 ......9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Ages 7-10 .....10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

\$120 R / \$125 NR

Location: Stony Creek Sports Park Hockey Rink

**Instructor: Jump Start Sports** 

(Min. 12)

Our experienced coaches use a variety of innovative techniques and drills to teach children the fundamental skills

Puck Handling, Shooting, Positioning & More

of floor hockey, including puck handling, shooting, positioning, and defending. Our programs feature fun, low-key games under adult supervision, providing children with a safe and supportive environment to learn and have fun.



# Parent Assisted Squirts: Multi-Sports®

Open the door to the thrilling world of sports with this exciting program, paving the way for your child's exploration & development. Your child will experience a variety of sports, including Lacrosse, Soccer, T-Ball, and Track & Field, all with the support and guidance of a parent. Parental Involvement: Assistance & support is required.

SATURDAYS, SEPTEMBER 13 –

NOVEMBER 1 (Make up 11/8)

Age 2.5..... 8:30 AM – 9:15 AM \$205 R / \$230 NR

Location: Wentz Run Park – Gazebo Instructor: USA Sports

(Min. 7 / Max. 12)

# **Squirt Multi Sport®**

Multi-Sports Squirts allows children to experience a variety of sports throughout the program. Our professional coaches ensure that children are engaged in fun, inclusive activities, in a positive learning environment. Players will have the opportunity to try Lacrosse, Soccer, T-Ball, and track and field. In addition to emphasizing the fundamentals of each sport, each activity is designed to improve hand-eye coordination, balance, agility, and movement. Classes will include a series of fun challenges, structured activities, and scrimmages adapted to ensure everyone achieves success.

**SATURDAYS, SEPTEMBER 13-NOVEMBER 1** (Make up 11/8)

Age 3 - 4.5..... Session 1: 9:20 AM - 10:05 AM

Age 4 – 5.5 ...... Session 2: 10:10 AM – 10:55 AM

Age 4 - 5.5 ...... Session 3: 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM

\$205 R / \$230 NR

Location: Wentz Run Park – Gazebo

**Instructor: USA Sports** 

(Min. 7 / Max. 10)











# YOUTH PROGRAMS continued



# Young Rembrandts

A Different Kind of Learning. A Powerful Kind of Fun...

Welcome to Young Rembrandts! We teach drawing
with a see - touch - do method that all kids can succeed
with, learn from and love! We look forward to an exciting year
of classes at Whitpain Township.

The secret to our success is that children ALREADY love to draw - we just take their love a little further, by giving them a solid foundation that will take their drawings from doodles to confidence-boosting achievements. During our once-a-week classes, we use an innovative step-by-step approach on drawing topics your kids can relate to and learn from. Watch your child reach a new level of potential

with this engaging, award-winning program. Young Rembrandts is a

different kind of learning and a powerful kind of fun.

Drawing Classes 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM Ages 4 – 6

Drawing Classes 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM Ages 7 – 14 Cartoon Drawing Classes 11:15 AM – 12:15 PM Ages 8 – 14



(Min. 5 / Max. 12)

Session 1..... September 20 – October 11 Session 2 ..... October 18 – November 8

**Session 3** ...... **November 15 – December 13** (No class November 29)

# Texting or scrolling while driving? Deadly & illegal.

PA's Hands-Free Law: Effective June 2025













# YOUTH PROGRAMS continued

# **Mad Science Schools Out Activity Days**

#### **Morning: CHEMICAL CURIOSITIES**

Mix up potions and experiment with all kinds of chemical reactions! Combine chemicals to create exothermic reactions, examine our non-Newtonian fluid, make your own sidewalk chalk and crystal gardens to take home!

#### Afternoon: JR. GEOLOGIST

Calling all Junior Geologists! Unearth the rock cycle and discover the difference between sedimentary, metamorphic, and igneous rocks. Replicate rumbling earthquakes and explosive volcanoes, pan for gems, and create a sedimentary stacker to take home!



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2025 9AM-3:30PM Ages 6-12 Location: WRA Clubhouse \$99 R / \$104 NR Min. 12 / Max. 20

#### Morning: Eureka – SCIENCE FICTION – Light Sabers to Lasers

Inventing means reaching for the stars! The children build windup space stations, and design safety capsules for payloads returning from space. They race in a robotic relay, and learn about microgravity, rockets, and space stations. The camp culminates in children building their own sci-fi inspired light sticks that they can take home, along with their dreams of the future!

#### Afternoon: Eureka - SHIPWRECKED!!

Inventing means survival! A deserted island is the scene for this day filled with problem-solving and adventure! Children witness a volcanic eruption, and learn how magnets can help search for shipwrecks. They have to work together to design and build bridges and boats to eventually escape the island and find their way home.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2025 9AM-3:30PM Ages 6-12 Location: WRA Clubhouse \$99 R / \$104 NR Min. 12 / Max. 20

#### Morning: CREATIVE CHEMISTS - Building With Bonds

Become a creative chemist through the investigation of the periodic table and the atoms that make up everything around us! Make chemical connections between different atomic models using bonds to construct molecules. Whether it is long stretchy chains of molecules in the form of silly putty or structured atoms in the form of crystal gardens, find out how chemistry connects the world.

#### Afternoon: Jr. GEOLOGIST

Calling all Junior Geologists! Unearth the rock cycle and discover the difference between sedimentary, metamorphic, and igneous rocks. Replicate rumbling earthquakes and explosive volcanoes, pan for gems, and create a sedimentary stacker to take home! FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2026 9AM-3:30PM Ages 6-12 Location: WRA Clubhouse \$99 R / \$104 NR Min. 12 / Max. 20











# YOUTH PROGRAMS continued

# **Mad Science Schools Out Activity Days**

#### Morning: SLIMEY SCIENCE & SMOKEY ICE

Build model molecules, copper-plate a nickel, and make your very own ooey gooey Mad Science slime and putty to take home! Witness fantastic dry ice demonstrations with smoking & bubbling flasks!

#### Afternoon: SHOCKING SCIENCE

Shocking fun awaits! Join us while we build simple circuits, make buzzers buzz, test our nerves, tinker with electromagnets, and even see a Van de Graaff generator create indoor lightning!



MONDAY, JANUARY 19, 2026 9AM-3:30PM Ages 6-12 Location: WRA Clubhouse \$99 R / \$104 NR Min. 12 / Max. 20

#### **Morning: NASA: STEM Explorers**

Developed in partnership with NASA, we will think and act like NASA innovators during this hands-on program inspired by NASA OPSPARC. After receiving you mission notebook, you will design and build a Mars Rover. Your rover will be tested over various obstacles to ensure it can navigate Mars' brutal terrain. From mission patches to engineering for space NASA Roving Rovers is out of this world!

#### **Afternoon: MAD MACHINES**

Discover simple machines! Unravel the power of pulleys, build catapults and claw grabber devices! We'll compile all that we've learned & build our own Mad Science Drag Racers to race and take home!

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026 9AM-3:30PM Ages 6-12 Location: WRA Clubhouse \$99 R / \$104 NR Min. 12 / Max. 20

#### Morning: LEGO - BRIXology - CREATURES

Explore the science and engineering that lets humans invent new things based on solutions found in nature! Through the engineering design process become bioengineers solving problems with biomimicry. Put together a wind-up peacock puzzle that can move to take home!

#### Afternoon: LEGO - BRIXology - CARNIVALS

Explore the science and engineering that lets humans design and build exciting rides at carnivals and amusement parks. Through the engineering design process become mechanical engineers solving problems with creative solutions. Construct a miniature swinging viking ship ride to take home.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2026 9AM-3:30PM Ages 6-12 Location: WRA Clubhouse \$99 R / \$104 NR Min. 12 / Max. 20











# **YOUTH TENNIS**



#### 10 & Under Tennis

The scaled-to-size equipment and playing area allows children to rally and play the game, increasing the likelihood that they will return to the court and continue to improve!



#### **SESSION 4: FALL**

Mondays: September 8th – October 6th (Make Up Week 10/13)

Ages 5-6 ...... 4:45-5:30PM Ages 7-8 ..... 5:30-6:15PM Ages 9-10 ..... 6:15-7:15PM

\$75 R / \$80 NR

Instructors: PennSuburban Community Tennis Association
Location: Montgomery County Community College, Tennis Courts
(Min. 3 / Max. 12)



Learn more online at www.WhitpainRec.com.

#### **Individual Instruction**

Individual instruction available by appointment: \$59 R / \$63 NR for one 50-minute lesson. Located at Montgomery County Community College Tennis Courts. Ongoing until SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25 AGES 8-17

## Jr. Group Lessons

Designed for those wanting to develop sound stroke mechanics and learn the basic scoring/rules of tennis in a fun, group environment. Each lesson will include fun drills and games applying the strokes learned.

THURSDAYS, SEPTEMBER 11 – OCTOBER 9 5:30-6:20PM AGES 11-14

> \$83 R / \$88 NR Instructor: Liz Baldasano, PTR

**Location: Montgomery County Community College,** 

**Tennis Courts** 

(Min. 3 / Max. 8)













# **ADULT TENNIS**





Contact the instructor before dropping in to ensure space is available. Register anytime - classes are ongoing! Have a question or interested in dropping in on a class? Contact Liz Baldasano, PTR at 267-210-7632 or send an email to liz4tennis@gmail.com.

Location: Montgomery County Community College, Tennis Courts Instructor: Liz Baldasano, PTR

#### **Tennis for Fitness®**

A blend of fitness and tennis! This class focuses on movement, light stretching, and conditioning. Go at your own pace, this is a noncompetitive class.

SATURDAYS: SEPTEMBER 13 – OCTOBER 11 8:30AM – 9:20AM Ages: 18+ \$83 R / \$88 NR

for 5, 50-minute classes

Drop-In Fee: \$17 R / \$20 NR

## Adult Drill & Match (NEW!)

ADM - stroke production, serve practice, and match play. Players separated by skill level. For low intermediate players, those who have taken Fundamentals, or those with prior tennis experience.

SATURDAYS: SEPTEMBER 13 – OCTOBER 11 9:30AM – 10:45AM Ages: 18+ \$100 R / \$105 NR

> Package of 4, 1.25 hour sessions **Drop-In Fee: \$27 R / \$30 NR**



#### **Individual Instruction**

Individual instruction available by appointment: \$59 R / \$63 NR for one 50-minute lesson.

Located at Montgomery County Community College Tennis Courts.

Ongoing until Saturday, October 25. Ages 18+.

Learn more online at www.WhitpainRec.com.











# **ADULT PROGRAMS**

#### WHITPAIN WALKERS

The Whitpain Walkers is a weekly walking club that meets at various walking trails in the area. This program is ideal for individuals who want to discover great walking trails nearby, want to begin and/or continue a walking routine, or are just looking for something new to do during the day! The walking club is a non-competitive group that encourages healthy lifestyles, exercise, being in nature, and socializing with others.





**DATES: SEPTEMBER 10 - OCTOBER 31** 

(8 Weeks/twice weekly walks on Wednesdays & Fridays)

TIME: 9 AM AGES: 18+

ANNUAL FEE: \$15 R / \$20 NR

**Locations: Various** 

Visit www.whitpainrec.com to join registration list



**AGES 18+** 

Zumba® incorporates traditional dances into a fun group exercise! Burn up to 400 calories during class and improve your health, mood, and coordination. Great way to lose weight and stay fit!





NOVEMBER 18 – DECEMBER 9 \$40 R / \$45 NR (4 week session)

Location: The Manor House at Prophecy Creek Park Instructor: Jacqueline Brooks

(Min. 6 / Max. 20)















# **ADULT PROGRAMS** continued

#### WEDNESDAY YOGA with Karen Strawhacker

This program is open to all levels, including beginners. The practice of yoga has several benefits to overall health. Through mindfulness training, breath, and posture, students are able to

improve their quality of life. Yoga relieves stress and promotes a deeper relaxation while still providing physical exercise. Yoga also promotes balance, flexibility, strength, circulation, and immune response.



#### WEDNESDAYS from 7:40-8:40PM

**SEPTEMBER 3 – OCTOBER 22, 2025** (8 week session \$95 R / \$100 NR) **OCTOBER 29 – DECEMBER 17, 2025** (no class 11/26) (7 week session \$83 R / \$88 NR)

> **JANUARY 28 – MARCH 18, 2026** (8 week session \$95 R / \$100 NR) **MARCH 25 – MAY 13, 2026** (8 week session \$95 R / \$100 NR)

**Location: The Manor House at Prophecy Creek Park** 

**Instructor: Karen Strawhacker** 

(Min. 6 / Max. 18)



Yin Yoga is a complement to the more recognizable Yan or Yang practice. While the Yan/Yang practice addresses the elastic tissues of the muscles, Yin takes

a deeper dive into the inelastic tissues of the fascia, tendons,

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2026** 7:40-8:40PM \$12 R / \$17 NR

ligaments and bones. Yin embraces the concept of freeing up the energy channels, also known as meridians. The practice accomplishes this through longer, passive, supported holds which allow the muscle tissue to relax and therefore not engaging the inelastic tissue. Also, the relaxation response allows for the meridians to clear, providing free flow of energy through the channels.



#### **MONDAY YOGA with Matthew Mitlas**

Join yoga instructor Matthew Mitlas for his signature balanced blend of movements that stretch, strengthen, increase breath capacity, and quiet the mind. Matthew will focus on postures that bring relief to common areas of the body such as the hips, low back, neck and shoulders, while also sharing about uplifting yogic philosophy and meditation.

MONDAYS from 7:40-8:40PM OCTOBER 6 - DECEMBER 15 (No Class Oct. 13 & Nov. 24) 9 WEEK SESSIONS \$107 R / \$112 NR

JANUARY 5 – MARCH 9 (No class Jan. 19 & Feb. 16) 8 WEEK SESSIONS \$95 R / \$100 NR

**Location: The Manor House at Prophecy Creek Park Instructor: Matthew Mitlas** 

(Min. 6 / Max. 18)



# WHITPAIN D@G PARK

# We're Moving!!!

In 2026 The Whitpain Dog Park will move to our new location at 1610 Arch Street Road!

#### WHITPAIN DOG PARK MEMBERSHIP

For the safety, accountability, and enjoyment of users, Whitpain Dog Park is for registered members only. A key fob or access code is required to enter the park.

#### **HOW TO REGISTER**

Memberships are good through the end of 2025! Registration for 2026 will open in December. Pay membership dues online! You can also leave a check (made out to Whitpain Township) and paperwork in the night drop box in the Township Building vestibule, or administration building during business hours.

After you pay online at www.whitpainrec.com, please email, park&rec@whitpaintownship.org, or fax, 610-277-2209, over the required paperwork (orientation quiz, vet records, and county license). Once we receive

#### **ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES**

- 2025 Fees: \$35 R/\$50 NR
- Each additional dog (3+): \$15 R / \$20 NR
- FEES PRORATED STARTING 8/31: \$20 R / \$30 NR (INCLUDES 2 DOGS)
- Memberships expire on 12/31. You can register for the following year starting in December.

#### **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

- Current Vaccination Records (Rabies, Bordetella, Distemper)
- Valid PA Dog License (lifetime or annual)
- Registration Form and Waiver (if you didn't pre-register and pay online)
- Orientation Quiz (new members only)

your information, we will activate a key fob for you and the 5-digit access code you provide when you register. We will notify you when your fob is ready to be picked up and your access code is activated.

#### **RENEWING MEMBERS:**

Pay online to renew your membership. Please email, park&rec@whitpaintownship.org, or fax, 610-277-2209, your updated vaccination records, and your current county dog. You do NOT need to complete the orientation quiz. Your access code and key fob will be activated only after we receive the updated vet records and county license.

#### **SUPPORT THE DOG PARK**

Support your local dog park by buying a \$100.00 engraved brick! Engraved messages can be as simple as a family or business name, or in memory of a loved one or dog. Visit www. whitpainrec.com for more info.









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