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Bartram Bridge Makeover To Start Soon!

Willistown Township, in conjunction with Newtown Township and the Bartram Bridge Joint Preservation Board, will soon be giving a major facelift to the historic Bartram Covered Bridge. The bridge was built in 1860 for less than \$1,200.

According to Eric D. Gerst, Chairman of the Bartram board, "We thank the community for its strong support for the preservation of



this important historic treasure located right in our midst. We expect that the repairs will start shortly."

Gerst announced the project will receive equal funds from Willistown and Newtown Townships. The funds will be used primarily to replace the failing Cedar shake roof, power wash and repaint the fading red color, and install new LED lighting with timers. The last major restoration upgrade was done in 1995, almost 20 years ago.

The Bartram Covered Bridge, located at Boot and Goshen Roads, Newtown Square, was built at the time of President Lincoln and is listed on the U.S. Department of Interior's National Registry of Historic Places. The 80-foot Bartram Bridge crosses the Crum Creek between Newtown Township, Delaware County, and Willistown Township, Chester County. The structure is the last surviving covered bridge in Delaware County and is one of only 15 covered bridges remaining in Chester County.

An award-winning book, "Bartram Covered Bridge: Spanning History," was produced by local writers in 2010 to honor of the 150th anniversary of the bridge's construction. A limited number are available

through the Newtown Square Historical Preservation Society and on the Bartram Bridge website. Authored by local writers George Conn, Christopher Driscoll, Eric D. Gerst, and Douglas Humes, the book is a fascinating written and pictorial essay of the history of the bridge, containing rare archival photos as well as current anecdotes from local people who grew up enjoying the bridge. The book cites historians who claim that the interior arch of the bridge contains a written inscription, barely visible, saying "Lincoln – save the Congress and the Union." Research is ongoing to verify this amazing piece of history.

The Bartram Bridge Joint Preservation Board is a volunteer organization dedicated to the maintenance and preservation of Bartram Bridge. It was established by ordinance in both townships in 1993. The joint ordinance calls for citizens of Willistown Township and Newtown Township to sit on the board.

The Bartram Bridge current board members are: Eric D. Gerst, Esq., and Judy Radano of Willistown and Kerk Farrell, Jan Elston, and Ed Johnston from Newtown Township. Ed Johnston, himself a general contractor and Bartram board member, will oversee the construction on behalf of the Bartram board.

Representatives from Willistown Township associated with the project are Dave Burman, Township Manager and Bill Hagan, Public Works Director. Representatives from Newtown Township are Mike Trio, Township Manager, and George Sharetts, Public Works Director. Township supervisors from both Willistown and Newtown approved the budget for the improvements.

The Bartram Bridge is free and open to the public. It is located in a beautiful, 1 ½-acre park-like setting with benches, allowing visitors to enjoy a peaceful spot with clean and brisk running creek water, ideal for fishing, photography, or just quiet time. Limited parking is available.

*Nominations due by
Monday December 9, 2013!*

Willistown Township Community Service Award 2014 — Send in Your Nominations!

Penny Goulding, recipient of the 2013 Community Service Award, is a 27-year Willistown resident who has been volunteering on the Willistown Historical Commission for the past 26 years and co-authored *Acres of Quakers*, a book detailing the rich history of 183 Willistown properties. You can purchase *Acres of Quakers* at the Township Administration Office between 7 AM and 4 PM, Monday through Friday, for \$206.70 (includes tax). A copy can be mailed to you for an additional \$6.00.



The spirit of volunteerism in Willistown is strong. Did you know that Willistown's volunteer board and committee positions total 66 residents quietly making unique and valuable contributions to our community? Thank you to all of our volunteers past and present for your personal dedication and your consistent commitment to community service. Your willingness to get involved is admirable, and your volunteer service demonstrates leadership, integrity, and a love of your community that is nothing short of inspirational!

The Community Service Award is a Willistown Township initiative created to honor and recognize a Willistowner who

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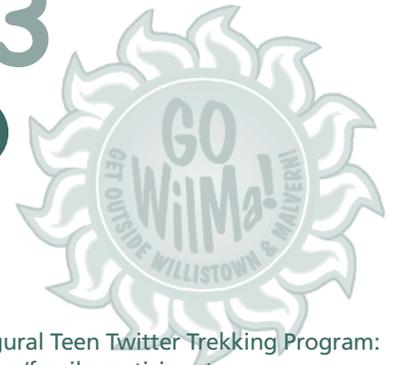


Willistown Parks and Recreation

Celebrating our community through people, parks and programs

GO WilMa! 2013

Locals "Dug" It!



► **A Willistown mom says, "Here's a photo from the GO WilMa! adventure Siana (age 6), Daniel (age 4), and I had at Okehocking. It was such a beautiful day. The views were breathtaking! The gentle cool breeze really made the sunny day lovely. Siana said she loved the feeling of the wild wind, Daniel loved watching Ridley Creek, and we made new friends with two different families along our way."**

Our *GO WilMa!* outdoor adventure program is based on the summer reading theme identified annually by the national Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP). We combine the Malvern and Paoli Library summer reading programs with our outdoor adventure program based upon the CSLP theme. Under the leadership of Willistown Parks and Recreation, the program team of Paoli Library, Malvern Library, and Paoli Hospital brought *GO WilMa!* 2013 to life.

The 2013 reading themes were "Dig Into Reading!" for K-5th-grade children and "Beneath the Surface" for teens. This year's *GO WilMa!* theme was "Get Outside and Explore the Earth!" We're hoping that at least the adults got our play on words with our "Dig Into Reading" reading theme and our "Explore the Earth" outdoor adventure program theme. We concede it was a stretch, but we didn't stop there. Upon signing up for the summer reading programs, kindergarten-through-teenaged kids received *GO WilMa!* Field Guides with

scavenger hunt clues leading to hidden "burrows" in our local landscape. Each burrow had a post with a native Pennsylvania burrowing critter etched into a rubbing plate on which the kids stamped their Field Guides. As the Earth Explorers collected their rubbings and showed their Guides to the libraries, they received prize raffle tickets and other incentives along with reading program incentives. The Field Guides had factoids, recommended reading, recipes, health and safety tips, nutrition tips, QR codes that linked to live videos of the burrowing critters in action, and the length of the walk/hike to the burrow.

Many thanks go to our burrow hosts: Malvern Borough, Paoli Battlefield Preservation Fund, Paoli Hospital, Willistown Parks and Recreation, Sugartown Strawberries, Historic Sugartown, and Willistown Conservation Trust.

Families Got Outside and Kids Read!

- Grand total kid/family participants: 667 vs. 586 in 2012—an additional 81 kids and their families!

- Inaugural Teen Twitter Trekking Program: 65 teen/family participants.
- A grand total of 1,490 recorded burrow walks/hikes were completed vs. 823 last year—an additional 667 trips!
- Of the 1,490 recorded trips, 1,196 were the K-5 kids and families vs. 823 last year—an additional 373 trips!
- Kids who made it to all 11 burrows travelled 11.2 miles, averaging 1+ miles per burrow.
- 1,490 trips x 1.02 miles = 1,519.8 miles travelled by our Earth Explorers.
- If you conservatively average 2.5 people per trip, including parents, siblings, and friends, times 1,490 trips, you get 3,725 miles. Let's put it this way: Our Earth Explorers and their guests walked across the United States from Malvern to the Golden Gate Bridge, to Redwood National Park, and on to Yosemite National Park!
- This year, the Malvern Library calculated the total hours read by the kids to be 2,975 hours!

Our new station host, Historic Sugartown, reported that their guided tours went from 92 to 235 thanks to their participation in *GO WilMa!*, and that the majority of the people had not been there before.

Enough of the statistics. We know the bottom line is that the *GO WilMa!* program children and their families and friends find adventure outside together, explore treasured and often unknown places in our community, and run into others experiencing the same adventures—plus the children's imaginations are further expanded by record amounts of reading!

The program team gratefully acknowledges the Willistown Township Board of Supervisors for funding the majority of the program, and the Malvern Borough Council for their funding assistance. Check out more about the *GO WilMa!* program at www.willistownparks.org and on Facebook. Contact Mary McLoughlin at 610-647-5300, ext. 224 with inquiries or comments.

Move More, Eat Smart!

ACTIVATE

Chester County

Simple Tips—Baby Steps Add Up!

➤ Move More:

- Take the steps
- Stand and stretch
- Park farther away
- Walk and talk
- Dance at any chance

➤ Eat Smart:

- Eat more colors
- Switch to whole grains
- Eat smaller portions
- Don't shop hungry
- Make ½ your plate fruits and veggies

Willistown Parks and Recreation is proud to be a member of *Activate Paoli*. *Activate* groups throughout Chester County are collaborations of fitness and recreation programmers, libraries, business associations, corporations, area legislators,

local health care facilities, and others that encourage our community to get moving and eat healthier. The *Activate Paoli* team includes Paoli Hospital, Upper Main Line Y, Paoli Library, State Representative Duane Milne's office, Chester County Parks & Recreation Board, Paoli Business and Professional Association, and Willistown Parks and Recreation. A cultural shift must occur in order for people to *Move More and Eat Smart!* To this end, the *Towne Crier* will offer *Activate* facts and tips to help you nurture

your body and mind in an effort to attain peak wellness. For more on *Activate*, visit www.activatechestercounty.org.

Healthy Food Drive

In partnership with *Activate Paoli*, Willistown Parks and Recreation will be collecting healthy, non-perishable foods to donate to the following Chester County Food Bank cupboards: Good Samaritan Church, Paoli Presbyterian Church, and Covenant Presbyterian Church. There is a drop-off bin in the hall at the Township Administration Building, Suite #204-206, 40 Lloyd Avenue, Malvern. Please check expiration dates. Thank you!

Okehocking Nature Center Happenings



The Okehocking Nature Center Board of Managers leases the Garrett Farmhouse from Willistown Township and provides programming at Willistown Township's

Okehocking Preserve. For further information on the Nature Center, visit www.okehockingnaturecenter.org.

Black Friday Turns Green at Okehocking Nature Center!

Friday, November 29
10:30 AM – 1 PM

Burn off some of those Thanksgiving calories and enjoy a different kind of post-Thanksgiving treat of live folk music, nature walks, and activities hosted by the Okehocking Nature Center at their Garrett Farmhouse headquarters. Local folk singer Mike Madigan will do a singalong with guitar and spoons and audience participation! Experience "musical juggling," "the ugly stick," and Newfoundland storytelling of life in the great "Up North." Cider and sweets will be provided. This free family event offers welcome relief from the shopping frenzy of the Thanksgiving weekend. Rain or shine.

Visions of Okehocking

Friday through Sunday
April 25–27, 2014

Willistown's Okehocking Nature Center is planning a first-ever Art Show scheduled tentatively for next April 25th, 26th, and 27th. A select group of recognized local artists, including members of The French Creek Art Colony, are painting the preserve's scenic landscape and farm buildings. To date, 17 area artists are enthusiastically participating. Many were not aware of Okehocking, but since being introduced to the preserve are very excited about the project and have agreed to donate a portion of art show sales to the Nature Center. The artists have been painting en plein air (outdoors) this fall and photographing views to paint in their studios.

Save the date for the Art Show opening party on April 25th, meet the artists, and enjoy their visions of Okehocking. The event will help support the Nature Center and provide the public an opportunity to take the beauty of Okehocking, as painted by recognized local artists, home.



Celebrate Okehocking— An Informative and Fun Day

It was a cool fall day that brought about 200 people out to Okehocking to enjoy:

- Guided hayrides
- Museum of Indian Culture display
- Girl Scout-provided face painting
- Upper Main Line Y Environmental Center Animals
- Paoli Library's bookmark activity
- Tom Allison, Willistown resident, discussed the Nature Center bird's nest collection
- L.L. Bean Outdoor Discovery School lawn flycasting and geocaching throughout the preserve
- Live bluegrass music by Raven Hill, provided by Willistown Parks and Recreation.

Above: Tom Allison, Willistown resident and Okehocking Nature Center volunteer, spoke to the Germantown Boys and Girls Club about the bird's nest collection he donated to the Nature Center.

Willistown Permanently Preserves Another 6.2 Acres

On August 12th the Willistown Township Board of Supervisors voted to permanently preserve Greentree Park by acquiring the parcel in fee simple from the Great Valley School District. We can hear the local families cheering about the protection of this beloved neighborhood park! The 6.2-acre parcel, which had been utilized by the Township under a lease agreement with the School District, would have been unprotected at the conclusion of the lease term.



recommend that the Supervisors investigate and proceed with the acquisition of the park.

Under the agreement of sale, the Township paid the School District \$62,020 out of the Open

Space Fund. The final deed was recorded on September 30th and the Township is now the proud owner of 6.2 acres of open space in one of the most heavily populated sections of Willistown. This acquisition, in addition to the 22 acres at 143 Line Road noted in the last issue of the *Towne Crier*, have made 2013 a banner year for protecting public open space in Willistown.

Recognizing the risk of leaving this valued public treasure unprotected, both the Open Space Review Board and the Park and Recreation Board voted back in 2012 to

Local Greenway Trail Master Plan Adopted

Willistown Township and Malvern Borough have adopted the Malvern-Willistown Greenway Plan. This joint effort by Malvern Borough and Willistown Township was funded by a \$10,000 PECO Green Region Grant with \$5,000 in matching funds from each municipality. The trail plan links the following exceptional community and open-space assets of these adjacent municipalities.

- Paoli Memorial Grounds
- Paoli Battlefield
- Quann Park
- Burke Park
- Randolph Woods
- Duffryn Trail
- Greentree Park
- General Wayne Elementary School
- Mill Road Park

You may view the plan, as finalized after individual landowner meetings and public meetings, at www.willistownparks.org.

Message From the Township Manager



As we approach the end of another year, we proudly look at some of our accomplishments during 2013 and optimistically look forward to 2014.

The Township expanded its open space inventory this year through the acquisition of 22 acres along Line Road. We permanently preserved another 6 acres through the acquisition of Greentree Park, which had been leased from the School District. The Supervisors adopted the Malvern-Willistown Greenway Plan, an important first step in linking the community and open space assets of Malvern Borough and Willistown Township.

Our Public Works Department began implementing a long-term road improvement program earlier this year. Under the guidance of our Public Works Director, Bill Hagan, we repaved 1.5 miles of roadway along Hillview Road, Grubb Road, and Woodland Avenue. The

Township's crew patched roads, repaired potholes, and restored stormwater infrastructure in areas like Fox Ridge Drive, Colonial Way, Grubb Road, Pond Lane, and Spring Road. Of course, many areas still need attention and we remain committed to addressing them within funding and time constraints.

This year marked the second installment of our *Go WilMa!* outdoor reading and adventure program. Under the leadership of our Parks & Recreation Director, Mary McLoughlin, this program has increased in popularity, and we hope to continue this program with partners like Malvern Library, Paoli Library, Paoli Hospital, and Malvern Borough.

It takes great commitment and dedication from all of our Township staff members to provide the level of service our residents deserve. We truly hope that you are satisfied with our performance and we look forward to renewing our commitment in 2014.

— Dave Burman, Township Manager

Willistown Township Community Service Award

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gives his or her time to our community. Willistown's Board of Supervisors is looking for nominations for the 2014 award. Please send your name and your nomination, with a letter of recommendation including a brief summary of your nominee's community service, to Mary McLoughlin at mmcloughlin@willistown.pa.us by Monday, December 9th. Contact Mary at 610-647-5300 x224 with any questions.

In order for a candidate to qualify for the Willistown Township Community Service Award, he or she must be currently serving or have served on one of the Township boards and committees, including:

- Zoning Hearing Board
- Planning Commission
- Historical Commission
- Parks and Recreation Board
- Recycling Commission
- Environmental Advisory Council
- BOCA Board of Appeals
- Open Space Review Board
- Land Conservancy Authority Board
- Malvern Library Board
- Paoli Library Board
- Bartram Bridge Commission
- Vacancy Board

Send your nomination in today!



Battery Myth!

“Common household alkaline batteries—sizes D, C, AA, and AAA—contain mercury and should be recycled.”

NOT TRUE! No matter who, or which waste disposal company tells you they need to be recycled, politely inform them that they are, well, “100% wrong!” They are not hazardous, nor do they contain mercury or any other toxic elements. They do not contain “recycle” on the battery cylinder. There are no federal, state, county or township regulations stating they should/need to be recycled. ***They may be disposed of in your trash container.***

For the skeptics, yes, the ubiquitous alkaline battery does have non-toxic, non-hazardous elements that can be extracted and repurposed; however, the challenge is to get them from one’s home or office to a recycling plant, which in Pennsylvania is located near Pittsburgh. Shipping them from “here to there” would be very, very expensive. And once you get them there, get ready to pay a recycling charge for each battery. There are no free lunches!

Household batteries (D, C, AA, & AAA) that contain the word “recycle” on the cylinder label may be dropped at any Radio Shack outlet, no charge.

DVD, CD, Floppy Disks, Videotape, Audiotape Recycling — Minor Change of Drop-Box Location

These items may be recycled 24/7 at 688 Sugartown Road, Willistown, across from Historic Sugartown. The drop-box has been moved, however! Until the old Township Administration Building was demolished during the summer to make room for a new Police Administration Building, the green drop-box was positioned on a curb in front of the Township Building. It now sits behind the cordoned-off construction site to the left of a four-bay garage. It is still accessible at anytime. All of the above items are sent to a processing company, where they are shredded and used to make other plastic items: park benches, for example. On average, Willistown’s Recycling Committee sends 1500 lbs. of tapes and disks to a recycling company each year. Drive up, drop in the box slot, drive away! Anytime!!

Tenth Annual—Always Successful Coat Collection

By Cub Scout Pack 98

Drop-off Period: November 4 – December 13

Keep the “Always Successful” coat collection program rolling for the tenth consecutive year by recycling those old outerwear coats that are in great shape and that you are no longer wearing. There will be many people who are in need of outerwear coats this winter, and you can help them by donating. Only GOOD CONDITION and CLEAN, used or new COATS please!

Drop-off Sites (only when facilities are open):

- **Malvern Public Library**
First and Warren Avenues, Malvern
- **Paoli Public Library**
Rear entrance to Wells Fargo Bank
Lancaster Avenue, Paoli
- **Paoli United Methodist Church**
81 Devon Road, Paoli
- **General Wayne Elementary School (lobby)**
Devon and Grubb Roads, Malvern
- **Sugartown Elementary School**
Sugartown and School Roads, Malvern
- **Willistown Twp. Administration Office**
40 Lloyd Avenue, Suite 204, Malvern
Township office building is open for drop-off from 8 AM to 4 PM, Monday through Friday.

Remember—the cutoff date for this program is December 13th, after which drop-off bins will no longer be available.



All coats will be given to a mission outreach program for distribution at no cost to anyone in need. Anyone. Free! In our first nine years, we’ve collected and donated more than 3,000 coats. Thank you all, but don’t stop now! Our goal is another 500 coats this year. This “recycling” program makes sense, and it works. Please make an extra effort to gather the coats you are no longer using and drop them at one of the aforementioned locations.

Willistown Cub Scout Pack 98 has volunteered to coordinate this program, as they have done so successfully in previous years. Thank you, Cub Scouts! And thank you, Jill Holsclaw, for coordinating this community service program. Questions about this program may be directed to Jim Tate, Willistown Recycling Commission Chairman: 610-647-7361.

Leaf and Christmas Tree Pickup Alerts

Both AJB (A.J. Blosenski) and Allied Waste/Republic mailed their customers postcards indicating leaf and Christmas tree pickup dates this winter. December 7th is the last leaf pickup date for both of these companies. Christmas tree pickup dates are yet to be announced. When leaves and Christmas trees are picked up on the listed dates, the trees and leaves will be recycled. If they are placed at curbside on any date other than those listed on the postcards, they will end up in a landfill with all other refuse. Please make an effort to recycle your leaves and trees. Doing so helps to complete our efforts to improve broad-based recycling in the Township. Thanks!

Special 2014 Recycling Opportunities

Next year (where did 2013 go?) Willistown’s Recycling Committee will organize the annual document/shredding event, a wood-chipping event, and an electronics, TV, tire, and metal drop-off event in the spring. Wood chipping will be repeated in the fall. Chester County will stage at least two household hazardous waste disposal events in locations convenient for Township residents. The Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) will stage spring and fall National Drug Take-Back programs. Dates will be provided in the Towne Crier once they are set.

Willistown Township Snow Removal Tips and Information

The Willistown Township Public Works Department takes great pride executing snow removal operations. The eight-man crew clears 57 miles of Township roadways and 12 miles of PennDot roadways in a quick, efficient, and safe manner to ensure the safety of its residents.

Residents can do their part to facilitate the process. No vehicles should be parked on roadways or cul-de-sacs from the onset of the snow until the roadways have been completely cleared. Cars that are parked on roadways and cul-de-sacs can hinder the snow removal operations and may cause a delay in plowing because of access and available location to pile plowed snow. Crews will make every attempt to clear the area, but may have to return the following day after the vehicles are moved. Please refer to chapter 108 of the Willistown Township code, available at www.willistown.pa.us, for a complete list of rules and regulations

Mailboxes should be located at least one foot behind the face of the curb at a height of four feet. Mailboxes located closer to the street and lower to the ground are most vulnerable to damage during plowing operations. Make sure your mailbox is sturdy

and add extra support if needed. The Township is not responsible for mailbox replacement due to the snow coming off the plow; we will, however, replace a mailbox that is physically hit by the plow truck.

Do not deposit shoveled, blown, or plowed snow onto public streets or storm sewers. This can cause dangerous conditions and is a violation of the law, punishable with a fine up to \$1,000.00. Please refer to chapter 119-39 through 119-42 for a complete list of rules and regulations.

When possible, wait to clear your sidewalks and driveway aprons until the Public Works Department has completed their snow removal operations. During plowing, crews may make a pass in and a pass out of a roadway in order to allow access for emergency vehicles, and the roadway may be completed at a later time when the snow has stopped.

Please be patient. Snow removal does take time, especially in heavy snowfall. Crews will begin salting at the onset of the storm. Once two inches of snow has fallen, plowing will begin. Roads are plowed in an order based on traffic: state roadways will be plowed

first, major secondary roadways will be plowed second, and the tertiary roads will be plowed last.

Report any problems to Willistown Township at 610-647-5300, 7 AM to 4 PM Monday through Friday. Please leave your name, address, contact number and the nature of the problem. Calls received after 4 PM may not be acted upon until the next business day. On Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays, emergencies may be reported to the Willistown Township Police Department at 610-647-1440.

Willistown Township does not plow the following roadways; they are plowed by PennDot:

- King Road from Sugartown Road to the East Whiteland Township Line
- Paoli Pike, from Line Road to Lancaster Avenue
- Providence Road, from Goshen Road to West Chester Pike (Route 3).
- Goshen Road
- Delchester Road
- West Chester Pike (Route 3)
- Lancaster Avenue (Route 30)
- Street Road (Route 926)

New Willistown Township Police Building



At their meeting on September 9th, the Willistown Supervisors awarded four prime contracts for the construction of a new, one-story Police Station on the site of the former Township Administration Building. Substantial completion is scheduled for the summer of 2014. At that time, the Township Administration will move into the current Police Administration Building as the police

move into their new facility. This project will provide many benefits, including the consolidation of all Township operations back into the Sugartown Road complex and the elimination of rental expense at the Greentree Office Plaza. Furthermore, this project addresses a number of functional concerns with the current Police Administration Building.

The following contracts have been awarded for this project:

Architectural- and Construction-Related Services:

SchraderGroup Architecture, LLC
\$170,100

Construction-Related Management Services:

Remington Vernick & Beach Engineers
\$40,860

General Contractor:

F. W. Houder, Inc., Malvern
\$1,815,712

Plumbing Contractor:

Frey Lutz Corporation, Lancaster
\$122,000

Mechanical Contractor:

Five Star Inc., West Chester
\$457,000

Electrical Contractor:

Philips Brothers Electrical Contractors, Inc., Glenmoore
\$609,900



LIBRARY NEWS

Malvern Public Library

Join us on the first Tuesday of the month at 10 AM for our Book Club. We have our selections through the summer of 2014. December's book will be *What Alice Forgot* by Liane Moriarty; January's will be *The Dressmaker* by Kate Alcott. You don't need to register—just read the book and join our discussion.

The Library will be a drop-off point for the Food Drive until Thursday, December 5, and for the Annual Coat Drive until Friday, December 13.

Don't forget to stop in the Library on Saturday, December 7, during Malvern's Victorian Christmas celebration. We will have takeaway holiday crafts available from 11 AM to 1 PM.

We are partnering with Swiss Farms in a fundraiser. Come to the circulation desk and receive your Swiss Farm Club Card. When you use it at Swiss Farm, you'll receive a 5% discount and the Library will receive a 3% donation. For more information, call 610-644-7259.

Looking for an unusual holiday gift? Why not make a donation in honor of someone? We'll purchase the item and create a bookplate naming the honoree.

We are always looking for interested residents to volunteer at the library. We can always use volunteers to help out at various community events, during fundraising events, and to serve on our board. If you are interested, stop by the Library and speak to Rosalie Dietz or call 610-644-7259.

Don't forget, you can download FREE e-books from www.ccls.org. Renewals are now allowed on items that are not on hold. If you need help, don't hesitate to ask us.

Paoli Library

EARLY LITERACY PROGRAMS

- **Weekly Storytimes for Babies, Toddlers, and Preschoolers**
 - **German Language Storytime** for children growing up with a German-speaking parent or caregiver.
- First and third Friday of each month.

PROGRAMS FOR SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN

Explore science, history, arts and crafts—and of course books!—with library staff and special guest speakers. Visit the library or tredyffrinlibraries.org for more information and online registration.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

Technology Tutorials

Need help formatting your resume? Can't figure out how to download ebooks to your iPad? Wondering how to upload photos to an online account? Make an appointment for one-on-one assistance from the Paoli Library staff!

Second Opinions

Ongoing series on health and wellness with speakers from Paoli Hospital. Visit tredyffrinlibraries.org for dates and topics.

Art Book Club

Wednesday, November 13, 6:30–8 PM

Join the Art Book Club for discussions of books in which art and artists play a major role. November's title is *The Lacuna* by Barbara Kingsolver.

Mystery Book Club

December 2, 10:30–11:30 AM

Any holiday or seasonal mystery of your choosing. Visit the library for titles that fit the theme! New members always welcome.

Subscribe to our email newsletter, *AdLib*, for the latest library news. iJust enter your email address in the Sign-Up box on our website, tredyffrinlibraries.org.

Malvern's Victorian Christmas

Friday, Dec. 6 • 6 PM–9 PM
Saturday, Dec. 7 • 10 AM–3 PM



Make sure to mark Friday and Saturday, December 6th and 7th, on your calendar for Malvern's Victorian Christmas! On Friday, at 6 PM in Burke Park, townsfolk will gather to light the Town Tree. Following the lighting, there will be musical performances throughout town, strolling street performers, children's shows, horse and carriage rides, a hayride, and more. Shopping will be at its best, as many stores will host open houses with refreshments for everyone. Santa Claus will hear the wishes of all children under the pavilion at Burke Park.

From 11 AM to 2 PM on Saturday, Santa and Mrs. Claus will be found at the Malvern Federal Savings Bank, where children can have a complimentary photo taken with Santa and enjoy refreshments. You will love the free horse-and-carriage rides and free hayride from 10 AM–2 PM. The carriage rides board in front of Sheffield Furniture on King Street and the hayride boards in the Malvern Federal Saving Bank parking lot. This would be a great time to finish your Christmas shopping from the unique and special stores in Malvern. Start at the shopping center and walk down King Street for a short six blocks and you'll find almost everything you need in the way of gifts.

Malvern's Victorian Christmas is produced by the Malvern Business & Professional Association with support from The Borough of Malvern. For more information about Malvern's Victorian Christmas, please call 610-296-9096. Visit www.malvernvictorianchristmas.org for continually updated information.

For more information on library hours, services, and programs:

Malvern Public Library:
www.ccls.org
or 610-644-7259

Paoli Library:
www.tredyffrinlibraries.org
or 610-296-7996



THE NEWSLETTER OF
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GREENTREE PLAZA OFFICE HOURS

7 AM–4 PM, Monday–Friday
Please use the Lloyd Avenue entrance
between 7 and 7:30 AM.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Drop your non-perishable,
healthy food item donations for
local food cupboards at the
Township administration office
from 7 AM–4 PM weekdays.



Join in the
festivities at
Malvern's Victorian
Christmas! See
article on page 7.