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Build A Playground and Spread Smiles All Around!

Our community is building a playground...one dollar at a time!

Friends of Greentree Park is raising funds for new playground equipment to serve a broader age range of kids at Greentree Park. Vote for your favorite play set (pictured below) by September 1 at www.willistownparks.org. Pick your park!



Pick Your Park!



Are you asking, "Why new playground equipment, why Greentree Park, and why now?" Are you wondering, "Can't you get grants?" and "How is this going to get done?" Excellent questions...here are the answers!

Why New Playground Equipment?

Greentree Park is an underutilized community resource with great potential. It desperately needs play equipment that appeals to a wider age range of kids. Children who graduate from the baby swings and the toddler slide have nothing enticing to move on to. Over 500 local residents signed a petition last year asking for new playground equipment. With your help, we can make this gem of a park sparkle!

Why Greentree Park?

Greentree Park is in the north end of Willistown Township, close to the town centers of Malvern and Paoli, and nestled between several neighborhoods. The park is a great place for parents and kids to socialize. Greentree is a walkable destination for many families, and for those not close enough to walk, ample parking is generously offered by Greentree Office Plaza.

Greentree Park has the following *critical* components: fences, bathrooms, parking, some play equipment, and lots of green space. But the park is usually empty. Local mothers drive to parks in Chesterbrook and Downingtown to find the amenities that Greentree Park has. The difference is that the other parks have more interesting play equipment for a broader age range of kids. (If you're wondering about East Goshen Park, it is great, but it lacks a critical component: fencing.)

Why Now?

A park can be the heart of a neighborhood, can improve home values, can make an area more attractive for families, and gives residents a sense of pride. We have a growing population of elementary school-aged kids. Sugartown School has reopened and General Wayne has downsized to grades K-5. We want to meet the needs of area residents and turn Greentree Park into a vibrant, thriving place.

Can't You Get Grants?

Grant funds are virtually nonexistent due to the economy, and Greentree Park does not qualify because of the area's "high" median income. The lack of significant commercial and retail business in Willistown and Malvern limits

Special thanks to the following organizations who have donated time or money to the Greentree Park project: TD Bank, Malvern Business & Professional Association, Jimmy's BBQ, Jake's Frozen Custard, Matthews Paoli Ford, Kathleen Teti Graphic Design, Malvern Pizza, Target, Great Valley Girl Scouts, i9 Sports, Whirled Peace Frozen Yogurt, Paoli Fire Company, Progressive Chiropractic, W.D. Wells & Associates Inc., and Tony Dufour.

Thanks to the many local schools, organizations, and companies who hosted donation cans, donated raffle items, helped sell coloring books and advertised the Family Walk & Park Party. And thanks to Paul Grim of Boyce Associates for his playground advice and design.

Finally, BIG heartfelt thanks go to the Matthews Fund for donating \$5,000 in memory of local resident James G. Matthews, and to the Greentree Office Plaza and the Smith Family—the park's wonderful neighbor and donor of \$2,000! Thanks to generosity like this, our momentum is gaining!

opportunities for community business support. We requested funding from the Willistown Township Supervisors who stated they were unable to financially support the project at that time, given the economic climate.

How?

Friends of Greentree Park is an offshoot of the Moms Club of Malvern. We are a small group of local parents volunteering our time to raise money for new playground equipment. With support from the Willistown Parks & Recreation

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Department, we have held fundraisers at Jake's Frozen Custard and Jimmy's BBQ. These, along with donation cans at local businesses, coloring book sales, and Willistown's park parties, have raised \$1500. The Family Walk & Park Party in June raised over \$1500. We have received two very generous large donations totaling \$7,000. As of early summer we raised a total of \$10,000 toward our \$45,000 goal.

We would love to see this new equipment purchased before the end of 2011 and installed in the Spring of 2012. **If this project resonates with you, please consider joining us. If each of the over 4,500 households in Willistown Township donates \$10, we will have the funding we need. Any amount that you can donate will help! Thank you!**

Visit www.momsclubofmalvern.org or "like" Friends of Greentree Park on Facebook to learn more. Information is also located at www.willistownparks.org.



Greentree Park Equipment Donation Form

Build A Playground and Spread Smiles All Around!

Please make check payable to **Friends of Greentree Park**. Mail to: Friends of Greentree Park, c/o Moms Club of Malvern, P.O. Box 474, Malvern, PA 19355. You can also contribute online at Active.com, search "Greentree Park."

I'd like to make a tax deductible donation of \$_____ toward the purchase of Greentree Park Equipment.

Name: _____

Email (Optional for park updates): _____

Address: _____

___ I'd like a receipt mailed to me.

Pickets for the Playground Program



Another way to support the Greentree Park playground equipment project is to make your mark on the park!

Have your name, family name, kid's names, business, or organization permanently remembered at Greentree Park! Fence pickets make great gifts and memorials. The new picket fence will be used as a barrier around the new play area to keep little ones within reach, and as an engraved donor wall as proceeds will go toward the play equipment. Polywood pickets are a composite of wood and recycled plastics that last 25 years. Visit www.momsclubofmalvern.org, willistownparks.org or "like" Friends of Greentree Park on Facebook to learn more.

Wording to be inscribed on the picket:

___ **One fence picket for \$100**

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___ **# of additional pickets for \$90 each**

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Higher donations will be gratefully accepted \$_____

Maximum 17 characters, 20 total spaces including letters, numbers, spaces, and punctuation

Please make check payable to **Friends of Greentree Park**. Mail to: Friends of Greentree Park, c/o Moms Club of Malvern, P.O. Box 474, Malvern, PA 19355. You can also purchase pickets online at Active.com, search "Greentree Park Build a Fence."

Name: _____

Phone: _____

(We may need to contact you if we have questions about your order.)

Address: _____

Email: _____

(Email is optional for park updates.)



Willistown Parks and Recreation

Creating community through people, parks, and programs

www.willistownparks.org

Events

Thrilling Third Thursdays at Greentree! (T3@GT!)

Country Fair and Prize Produce Competition

Aug. 18 • 5:30–7:30 PM

Come on out to our down-home Greentree Country Fair on August 18! Pony rides, a petting zoo, face painting, bingo, interactive community booths, and more will charm and delight. The Boy Scouts, Paoli Library, Willistown Conservation Trust, Rushton Farm, and Historic Sugartown have joined the fun, and this year Friends of Greentree Park and Willistown's Sugartown Community Garden will also join in. Feast on Jimmy's BBQ and enjoy a Whirled Peace froyo and 10% of your purchase price will go to funding the new Greentree Park play equipment.

Don't forget to bring your produce! Calling all cucumbers! Got cabbage the size of a toddler? Have a mystical micro-melon? Put them in our Prize Produce Competition and go for the



coveted Golden Trowel, Silver Spade, and Bronze Claw, along with great books and other fun prizes. Our judges, a panel of local folks, will determine which gardeners grew the most interesting and impressive fruits and vegetables in Willistown Township. Bring your prize produce to the registration table (look for the balloons!) from 5:30–6 PM to enter. Prizes and ribbons, along with bragging rights, will be awarded to the winners at 7 PM at the gazebo.

Party in the Park With the Uncle Buck Country Band!

Sept. 15 • 5:30–8 PM

Join the Uncle Buck Country Band, a 6-piece cover band based in the Philadelphia area. The band plays current country and country-flavored rock from the '60s and '70s. They have a huge repertoire and are open for requests! Check them out on Facebook at Uncle Buck Country Band. Hot dogs, sausage, drinks, and treats will be for sale.

Okehocking Preserve Fall Fest

September 17 • 4–7 PM

Hosted by the Okehocking Nature Center Group

As of the writing of this newsletter, the Okehocking Nature Center Group has raised the funds necessary to make the Okehocking farm house restroom ADA-accessible. The Township is also working on finishing interior work to make the house tenant-ready. Once the restroom is complete, the group will take up residence. The group plans to announce their presence at the Preserve and celebrate the Preserve itself at the Fall Fest. Hayrides, music, and activity tables guarantee a fun-filled afternoon in the beautiful landscape that is Okehocking. More info to follow through the Willistown Parks and Recreation Department's Park Party and E-news communications (sign up at willistownparks.org) and on the parks website as the event nears!

Bird Walk at Okehocking Preserve Valley Forge Audubon Society

Saturday, October 8 • 9 AM

This township-owned preserve is part of the Upper Ridley/Crum Important Bird Area. Birds can be found in a variety of habitats that include meadows, woods, ponds, and the riparian area along Ridley Creek. Walk leader, Edie Parnum, has been conducting a bird census here and has tallied 134 species.

Please be prepared for walking in wet areas. These walks are free to the public. Willistown Township thanks the Valley Forge Audubon Society for their wonderful partnership at Okehocking! Meet at the parking lot, Route 3 entrance. If weather is a question, please contact Edie Parnum at 610-964-8331 or eparnum@comcast.net.

An Abundance of Garden Goodies? Zucchini Coming Out Your Ears? Call Your Local Food Cupboard!

The Chester County Food Bank is reaching out to residential gardeners in Chester County asking them to consider donating excess vegetables from their gardens to the local food cupboards in their area. Your abundance and generosity together could make a huge impact for those people who don't have enough money to buy nutritious vegetables. (And we all know how expensive fresh produce is!) The Food Bank is encouraging people to

call their local food cupboard to find out their hours of operation. Food cupboards near us include:

- **Church of the Good Samaritan**
(610) 644-4040, 212 W. Lancaster Ave., Paoli
- **Paoli Presbyterian Church**
(610) 644-8250, 25 S. Valley Rd., Paoli
- **Covenant Presbyterian Church**
(610) 648-0707, (Deacon's Pantry)
400 Lancaster Ave., Frazer

There are many ways you can help the Food Bank—please go to www.chestercountyfoodbank.org to find out more.



Malvern Borough and Willistown Township Awarded PECO Green Region Grant

Malvern Borough and Willistown Township have been awarded a \$10,000 PECO Green Region grant that both Malvern and Willistown are matching with \$5,000 for a project total of \$20,000. These funds will be used to prepare a master plan for the Malvern-Willistown Greenway Trail.

The proposed trail is a joint effort by Malvern Borough and Willistown Township to create a trail that links the exceptional community and open-space assets of these adjacent municipalities. Such a trail system will encourage passive recreational activity and reduce automobile dependency. In the pre-planning phase, these municipalities have identified:

- A minimum of 15 assets to be linked, including parks and schools, preserved green spaces, neighborhoods, retail and commercial areas, and cultural/historic resources.
- A commitment to connect to a growing regional trail network, including the Chester Valley Trail and Patriots Trail, among others.

As an overarching theme for this effort, the project will connect the past and the future of these communities. Assets identified thus far to be linked (see map):

- Paoli Pike Trail (proposed)
- Paoli Memorial Grounds
- Paoli Battlefield
- Quann Park
- Burke Park
- Randolph Woods
- Greentree Park
- General Wayne Elementary School
- Mill Road Park

Connections via other trail systems to the future Paoli Transportation Center will also be considered.

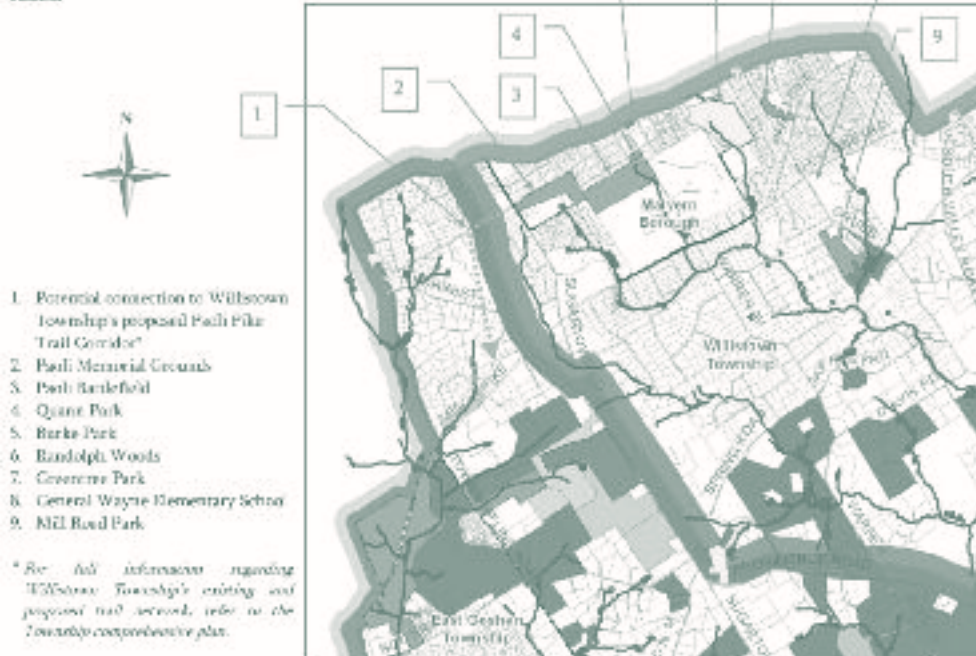
In partnership with the Willistown Conservation Trust (WCT), the Borough and Township selected a planning consultant (LandConcepts Group, Blue Bell, PA) to seek funding for the preparation of a Greenway Master Plan. The master planning process will draw from prior thinking and municipal plans, and it will engage the public to select the best alignment for the greenway and a strategy for implementing it.

The alignment will ensure a diversity of experiences, ranging from natural areas and maintained park to main street shopping and services. By using the Malvern-Willistown Greenway Trail, current and future generations of the public will enjoy ready access to and use of public open spaces (the municipal parks), key cultural features (Paoli Battlefield and Memorial grounds), educational facilities (General Wayne Elementary School, Malvern Library), sports destinations (Mill Road Park and Monument Park), and community businesses (Malvern Business District).

The trail will also provide a much safer way to travel among these features and neighborhoods with the added benefit of non-polluting, energy efficient travel and the health benefits of passive recreation. Both municipalities are located within Audubon PA's Upper Ridley Crum Important Bird Area, so bird-watching and wildlife observation will be a part of the recreational experience.

Stay tuned to the *Towne Crier* for further information on this project, and please sign up for the Willistown Parks and Recreation Department's Park Party and E-News communications for updates.

Malvern-Willistown Greenway Trail: Potential Open Space Assets



* For full information regarding Willistown Township's existing and proposed trail network, refer to the Township's comprehensive plan.



**Willistown Residents
Do the Can-Can!**

*One in 10 Chester County
residents goes without
food each day.*

Please remember we are collecting
canned goods for the Chester County
Food Bank at our park parties and in
the Township Administration lobby.

For complete information, visit
www.willistownparks.org.

Daisies Grow Food for the Hungry Great Work Girls!

The Sugartown School Daisy Troop has successfully constructed 2 raised beds at Willistown's Sugartown Community Garden that will provide food to the Chester County Food Bank program. The Sugartown garden is one of 26 community garden locations in the Food Bank's raised bed program. The Food Bank works with each volunteer organization to build, fill, and plant organic produce for families in need in Chester County. Close to 2500 pounds of fresh vegetables were harvested by the end of October last year through this program. One raised bed may yield up to 10 pounds or more of produce per week. The ultimate goal is to put fresh, nutritious food in local food cupboards and pantries for Food Bank clients. To assist our local youth and their families with the raised bed program at Sugartown, please contact Mary McLoughlin at 610-647-5300, ext. 224.



1. Daisy Troop members from left Emma V'Soske, Lexi Potterton, Jessica Gionta and Hailey Lighton thrilled at the first course of their raised bed. Jordan and Abby Radzanowski, daughters of Dan Radzanowski the Sugartown Community Garden Site Manager, helped the Daisies on this beautiful day in the garden.
2. Troop members (and mom!) move the soil to the garden beds.
3. Len and Mary Kay from the Chester County Food Bank Raised Bed Program teach the Daisy girls how to plant.



4. Sugartown Elementary School Daisy Troop (#4364) dad, Russ Lighton, coaches and assists troop members Lexi Potterton, Emma V'Soske and Jessica Gionta in the art of raised bed construction.



RECYCLING ROUNDUP

June 11th Recycling Event— A Roaring Success!

Only your chairman of Willistown's Recycling Commission would be in heaven when he sees more and more autos lining up to drop off computers, TVs, refrigerators, air conditioners, tires, or car batteries at a recycling event. According to Jim Tate, said chairman of said commission, "This was the 11th consecutive year in which we staged this recycling event for residents of Willistown. Autos rolled in steadily from 8:30 AM until about 1:30 PM, when your recycling committee and members of Willistown's Public Works Department were finally able to come up for air!"



Township Supervisor Norm MacQueen and volunteer Mark Bem

Over 75,000 pounds of material (50,000 pounds of electronics alone) were unloaded from vehicles by this group—an all-time record for this event. Other than the countywide recycling events organized by the Chester County Solid Waste Authority, no other municipal recycling event in Chester County has been as successful as Willistown's. Congratulations to our many residents who take recycling seriously. And thank you for the kudos you give us when you see your auto being emptied of old computers, typewriters, TVs, lawnmowers, and other items.

Contest...Contest!!!

"We are looking for a logo to encourage residents to recycle regularly," says Chairman of the Willistown Recycling Committee Jim Tate. "So let's have a contest among residents to develop a design." The rules are as follows:

1. The logo theme is **Resolve To Recycle**. This copy should be in the logo along with emphasis on the abbreviation **RTR**.
2. The design may be developed electronically or hand-drawn.
3. Logo needs to work in one color.
4. The final size should be no larger than 4" high x 5" wide and no less than 3¼" high x 4" wide.
5. Submit your design to Editor Traci Watson by e-mail: traci@watsondesignonline.com. Please make sure file size is less than 5 MB. If hand-drawn, either scan and email to above address or mail to Watson Design, 912 Horseshoe Pike, Downingtown, PA.
6. The winning design becomes the property of Willistown Township.
7. **Entry deadline is September 30, 2011.**

Please contact Jim Tate, Chairman of Willistown's Recycling Committee, with questions: 610-647-7361.

Chester County Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off

Household Hazardous Waste, Computer Monitors and Peripherals, and Portable TVs

Saturday, October 8 • 9 AM–3 PM

Location: Government Services Center
601 Westtown Road, West Chester

Directions: Proceed to 202 on Route 3 (West Chester Pike), Paoli Pike, Lancaster Pike or Swedesford Road. South on 202 to Westtown Road exit, West Chester. Turn right at the end of the exit ramp and look for "Household Hazardous Waste Collection" signs.

Saturday, October 8th, is the next and final Household Hazardous Waste event in 2011. A wide variety of hazardous substances that will be accepted are listed. Computers will be accepted! Note that latex paint is NOT

accepted. This raises the question of how to dispose of it. The simplest way is to purchase a product named "Waste Paint Hardener" in a community hardware store, Home Depot, or Lowe's. One 3.5 ounce bag will harden up to two-thirds of a gallon of latex paint in minutes. Once the paint is hardened, it may be disposed of with other trash. Keep the lid and the can separated.

Note: Delaware County is hosting a Household Hazardous Waste collection

from 9 AM to 3 PM on September 15th in Rose Tree Park, 1521 N. Providence Road, Media, PA. This location is very close to where Providence Road intersects with Route 1. The collection will accept computers and TVs in addition to hazardous waste. Chester County residents may take advantage of this collection.

Please contact Jim Tate, Chairman of Willistown's Recycling Committee, with questions: 610-647-7361.

Your HHW Checklist

Use the following checklist and clean out your cabinets!

Household Hazardous Waste Materials accepted at collection site (if properly labeled)

Items NOT ACCEPTED at HHW Collection Sites

- Alkaline batteries
- Ammunition
- Appliances
- Asbestos
- Explosives
- Freon appliances
- Oxygen/Helium Gas cylinders
- Infectious / medical waste
- Latex paint (water-based)
- PCBs
- Pressurized CFCs & HCFCs
- Radioactive waste
- Tires
- Unidentified waste
- Used motor oil
- White goods

PAINT PRODUCTS

- Oil-based paints
- Paint thinners
- Shellac
- Solvent-based paint products
- Stains / Varnishes
- Strippers / removers
- Turpentine
- Wallpaper cement

OUTDOOR PRODUCTS

- Asphalt sealers
- Caulking compounds
- Joint compound
- Rodent poison
- Roof cements
- Septic tank degreasers
- Swimming pool chemicals
- Weed killers

AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS

- Antifreeze
- Batteries – Car (lead-acid), truck, motorcycle, and marine
- Carburetor cleaners
- Fuel additives
- Gas / oil mixtures
- Gasoline
- Grease / rust solvents
- Transmission / brake fluids

HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS

- Adhesives / solvents
- Drain openers
- Dry cleaning fluid
- Kerosene
- Mothballs / flakes
- Rechargeable batteries – Lithium, Ni-Cad, and button
- Rug cleaners
- Spot removers
- Toilet bowl cleaners
- Wood / metal cleaners

OTHER

- Acids / caustics / solvents
- Flammables
- Lead
- Mercury bearing items – Thermometer switches
- Organic peroxide
- Oxidizers
- Pesticides
- Propane cylinders (20 pounds or less)
- Reactive materials
- Reactives

ALSO Accepted—Computer Monitors & Peripherals, Portable TVs

Keyboards, CPUs, printers, modems, scanners, servers, terminals, network equipment, speakers, mice, cathode ray tubes (CRT), and other computer parts. Portable TVs with a screen no larger than 27" will be accepted. Large TVs and consoles will be refused. DO NOT BRING THEM! No other electrically-powered equipment will be accepted.



Malvern Public Library

1 East First Avenue, Malvern
Phone: 610-644-7259

Mon–Wed: 9 AM–9 PM
Thurs: 9 AM–8 PM; Fri: 9 AM–5 PM
Sat: 9 AM–4 PM; Sun: Closed

DATABASE RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS

Summer is winding down and many residents are getting ready to begin a new academic year. Malvern Public Library has many resources for students from elementary school through college. Besides the plethora of subject-specific, test prep, and college admissions books on the shelves, the library has access to hundreds of databases, many of them geared to the academic needs of students. Two database resources that students may wish to check out are *PA POWER Library* and *Learning Express*.

PA Power Library provides access to thousands of recent articles from newspapers, encyclopedias, and periodicals on a vast array of subjects of interest to students. The articles include the original full text (not abbreviated summaries) as well as color pictures and diagrams. This is an excellent resource for general knowledge and research.

Learning Express is a powerful tool for students from elementary school through college. The database is organized by grade level and offers access to eBooks by subject, online lessons, exercises, and practice exams with immediate scoring. In addition to subject-specific resources, *Learning Express* offers complete resources for college preparation, including online

Check it Out! (At the Library)

test preparation courses and practice exams for all major college admissions tests such as PSAT, SAT, ACT, AP subject tests, and many more. This database also provides the college student with the same comprehensive resources for graduate school admissions tests like LSAT and GMAT. It also has resources for sharpening skills in a variety of areas such as personal finances and public speaking.

Access to these databases, as well as to all the library databases, is through the Chester County Library System Website at www.ccls.org. From the Home page, you can click on *Databases* in the green banner in the upper right corner. Once in the *Databases* page, you can scroll down to the desired database or use the shortcuts listed on the right-hand side (e.g., database by name, database by subject). To logon the databases, you will need your library card.

Although only two student-related databases were highlighted here, there are many, many databases to serve the needs of all patrons. Check it out!

MALVERN LIBRARY NEWS

We have a water buffalo! This year's summer reading program joined forces with Heifer International's *Read to Feed* program to purchase a water buffalo for a needy family in Indonesia. Through the generous donation of an anonymous sponsor, students earned "coins" by reading. When the summer reading program ended, the children had earned enough coins collectively to purchase the water buffalo. To learn more about Heifer International and how this program is changing the lives of families in need, logon to www.heifer.org.

Book clubs start up again in the fall. Be sure to check out the titles and sign up.

Registration for the Fall Storytime starts soon. Be sure to sign up and give your child a leg up in school readiness.

As always, to see what is happening at the Malvern Public Library, go to www.malvernpubliclibrary.org.

Paoli Library

18 Darby Road, Paoli
(behind the Wachovia Bank)
Phone: 610-296-7996

Mon, Wed, Thur: 9:30 AM–8 PM
Fri: 9:30 AM–6 PM; Sat: 9:30 AM–5 PM
Sun: 1–5 PM; Closed Tuesdays

STAR WARS VISITS THE LIBRARY

**Saturday, September 10
1–3 PM**

Your favorite Star Wars characters will be coming to Paoli Library to help celebrate National Library Card week! Darth Vader, Stormtroopers, Bounty Hunters, and more will be promoting the importance of reading. Come meet them and sign up for your very own Chester County library card—good at all 17 libraries in the county.

ONGOING CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Call or email Alycia Gargano
(agargano@ccls.org) for details.

Storytimes are held every Wednesday and Thursday morning, year round. Times: 10 AM for preschoolers over 3 years of age; 11 AM for babies and toddlers under 3 years of age.

Starbucks Storytime at the Paoli Starbucks at 1 PM on the last Saturday of every month.

First Fridays is a popular after-school arts program for kids ages 7–10. First Friday of every month, 4:30–6 PM.

BOOK CLUBS

Mystery Book Club meets the first Monday of every month, 10:30–11:30 AM. New members always welcome!

Fine Arts Book Club, led by Courtney Warning, Education Director at the Delaware Art Museum. Fall meetings will be held on the following Wednesdays at 6 PM:

- September 7
- October 12
- November 16



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See page 7 for Malvern and Paoli Library activities.

Picking up after your dog? Good. Using someone else's trash can? Not so good.

Because we have many dog owners in Willistown, we also have many dog walkers. One issue that has become a bit of problem is that some dog walkers pick up after their dog, then deposit the excrement in the first trash can they come upon. Tossing trash in a neighbor's trash can without the permission of your neighbor is prohibited by law. While picking up after your dog is the proper thing to do, please take "it" home and deposit in your own trash.

Chester County Gets Active!

Activate Chester County is a community health initiative encouraging residents of all ages to move more, eat smart, and reduce obesity rates in Chester County. Activate Chester County meetings are held at Paoli Hospital. Partners include legislators, schools, corporations, the county health department, townships, and YMCAs. Planning is underway for an Activate Chester County community family walk this fall—more details coming. For Activate Chester County information, call 484-565-1270.

