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Willistown Welcomes New Manager

Greetings Willistown Residents!

Please allow me to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Sally Slook, and I am your new Township Manager. It is a pleasure and honor to join Willistown Township. I consider myself fortunate to have the opportunity to be part of an organization with such an excellent reputation for its commitment to community and for providing first class services to its residents.

My background includes over twenty years of experience in both the private and public sectors, having served in local township government management positions for the last ten years. Most recently I was the Township



Manager for Upper Merion Township and previously Upper Makefield Township.

I'm enjoying learning about Willistown and getting out into the community and meeting as many of you as possible. This is a fine community with a committed Board of Supervisors and Township staff. I'm dedicated to upholding Willistown's outstanding reputation, and I'm looking forward to the future!

Please feel free to stop by the Township Building and introduce yourself or email me at sslook@willistown.pa.us.

Have a safe and fun rest of your summer!

— **Sally Slook**
Township Manager

Spotted Lanternfly— What To-Do!



There's a lot of to-do about the Spotted Lanternfly as it begins to show itself in Willistown, and the attention is well deserved! Area residents are busy posting pictures and questions on

local Facebook community pages and other social media. It is critical to educate yourself about what you can do to stem the Lanternfly's spread and control the damage in our community and beyond.

What are they?

The Spotted Lanternfly is also known as Lanternmoth, but it is neither a fly nor a moth. It is an invasive insect, a planthopper native to China, India, and Vietnam, that spread to Korea where it is a major pest. It feeds on over 70 species of trees and plants and is a significant threat to Pennsylvania's agricultural, ornamental landscape, tree-fruit, and hardwood industries that generate nearly \$18 billion annually...and your backyard. Early detection and control are vital!

What do they look like now?

The nymphs start out black with white dots and are now red with white dots and black stripes. You will see them through September. The adults have black bodies with gray roof-shaped wings when closed, camouflaging them well. You'll see bright red on their hind wings when they are open. They are visible from July through the first week of freezing temperatures in December.

What do they do?

They are sap-suckers looking for plants to feed on. They do not bite or sting and will not harm your pets, house, patio furniture, etc.

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HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Willistown Awarded for Achievement in Historic Preservation



Penny Goulding, former Chairman of the Willistown Township Historical Commission and co-author of Acres of Quakers, and Terry Kile, Willistown's current Historical Commission Chairman with the Municipal Historic Preservation Award.

Willistown Township received the Municipal Historic Preservation Award given annually to the Chester County municipality that has demonstrated significant achievements in historic preservation by the Chester County Historic Preservation Network. The award was based on the restored Richard Cox House c. 1808 located in Willistown Knoll.

The house is a two and a half story Penn-plan construction built from locally quarried serpentine rock and fieldstone, and its original façade remains despite a few additions added to its core over the years.

The original owner, Richard Cox, a cordwainer (shoemaker), bought the 40-acre property and built the house for his wife and children in 1808. Cox passed away in 1815,

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GO WilMa! 2019 To the Moon & Back!

Our Award-Winning
Outdoor Adventure Program

Has your K-5 or teen child signed up for the Chester County's summer reading program, Summer Quest, and *GO WilMa!* at the Malvern or Paoli Libraries? If not, do not fret—it's not too late.

In honor of one of the greatest outdoor adventures, the 50th anniversary of the Apollo Moon Landing, this year's *GO WilMa!* inspiration is "Outer Space," and our adventurers will be going "To the Moon and Back!" Following scavenger hunt clues provided in our Field Guide, participants explore the great outdoors and find Inspiration Stations hidden in the wonderful parks and special places in and around Willistown and Malvern. Your kids can experience the magic of reading and the thrill of adventure through this innovative outdoor adventure program based upon Get Outdoors York County.

Each Station highlights outer space in entertaining ways, shapes, and forms. Kids and their adults will have a blast exploring our special area of

the globe while being transported to the moon and back. A great feature of this program is that you can do it on your own time. Meanwhile, you'll be reaping all the benefits of enjoying fresh air and nature and sharing quality time with family and friends.

Kids stamp the Field Guide at the Inspiration Station rubbing post and head to the library to receive one raffle ticket per stamp.

Attend the prize raffle at the Willistown Country Fair, August 20 at 6:30 PM in Greentree Park.



Sign up at Malvern or Paoli Library to receive the Field Guide to get started! Check out *GO WilMa!* at willistown.pa.us, like us on Facebook and Instagram, and #gowilma! The last day to submit your final stamps for prize raffle tickets is August 17.

End of summer FUN!

Willistown's Country Fair @ Greentree Park

Tuesday, August 20 • 5:30-7:30 PM



Wrap up summer and gear up for the new school year—join friends and neighbors for a beautiful afternoon in Greentree Park at our down-home Country Fair!

- Live, local bluegrass by Raven Hill
- Sleepy Hollow Farms pony rides & Petting zoo
- Stacey's Face Painting
- Center on Central's Interactive Music Circle
- GO WilMa! Prize Drawing @ 6:30 PM
- Interactive community booths
- The Pizza Wagon
- Scoops 'n Smiles Ice Cream



Please leave your four legged friends at home.
Rain date: Thursday, August 22, 5:30-7:30 PM.
Call 610-647-5300 x224 if weather is a question.



Fall Sports Programs: Kids Ages 3-5



Willistown Hummingbirds Soccer

Kids learn dribbling, passing, trapping, shooting, and positioning through age-appropriate drills and low-key, non-competitive games.

Dates: Thursday, September 5–October 10

Time: 5:30–6:30 PM

Where: General Wayne Elementary School

Fee: \$75 Resident, \$85 Non-resident (Receive team T-shirt and award.)

Willistown Tee-Birds Tee-Ball

An introduction to baseball where kids apply what they learn in fun, non-competitive games. Jump Start Sports staff members conduct the instruction and oversee the games while volunteer team coaches assist.

Dates: Saturdays, September 7–October 12

Time: 10:00–11:00 AM

Location: Mill Park Lower Field

Fee: \$80 Resident, \$90 Non-resident (Receive T-shirt, MLB baseball cap, and award.)

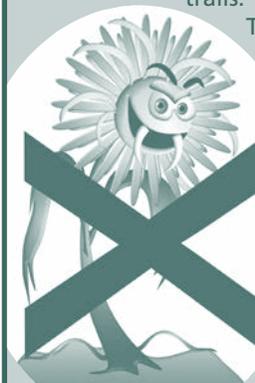
REGISTER ONLINE:

JumpStartSports.com or Willistown.pa.us. For more info contact Jen: 724-493-0770, Jyuvan@jumpstartsports.com or Mary: 610-647-5300 x224, mhundt@willistown.pa.us.

Okehocking Weed Warriors

Tackle Weeds to Save Our Trees!

Interested? Looking for fresh air exercise and company this fall and winter? Join in the fight against the invasive species that threaten the overall health of the Preserve and encroach on trails.



The outings start in November and are the first Saturday of the month and as scheduled and are generally from 9 AM to Noon. Come for all or part of the time. Visit the Parks & Rec Department for more information at willistown.pa.us.

Email Dave: okehockingweedwarrior@gmail.com or Mary: mhundt@willistown.pa.us.

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Spotted Lanternfly—What To-Do!



What do I do?

Guidelines from the experts in Spotted Lanternfly (SLF) management at Penn State Extension (PSE):

Home Remedies

Although many people want to take a more "natural" approach to manage this pest, PSE strongly recommends you avoid home remedies because they have not been tested against SLF, do not come with precise directions, may not be effective, can violate federal law, and may cause harm to humans, pets, and plants.

Professional Help

If you feel you are unable to manage this pest or other nuisances, PSE has resources for identification and pest control options. Find "Choosing a Qualified Pest Management or Lawn Care Company" on their website.

Tree of Heaven

The SLF's favored food source is this invasive plant that originated in China. PSE has Tree of Heaven identification guidelines on their website. It is extremely important to know how to manage this tree! Just cutting it down will bring it back ten-fold, and eradicating it means that the SLF will find another plant to feed on in your yard. You may want to turn some of your trees into trap trees next year by feeding the tree insecticide and allowing the flies to feast on the tree and die. See the management matrix to the right for some detail on management.

SLF Quarantine Area

The SLF Quarantine Area currently includes Berks, Bucks, Carbon, Chester, Dauphin, Delaware, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Monroe, Montgomery, Northampton, Philadelphia, and Schuylkill Counties. Residents are to follow the PA Department of Agriculture's Compliance Checklist and businesses, agencies, and organizations who move vehicles, products, or other conveyances within or out of the Quarantine Area are required to have a permit.

Check Before You Travel

Be sure to check your vehicle for the insects and any materials you are transporting for hitchhiking Lanternflies before you leave the SLF Quarantine Area described above, and follow the Compliance Checklist.

Report Sightings and Action Taken

Report sightings to the Extension online or call the hotline (1-888-422-3359) with your address, name, phone number, and what action you took, if any. You can also sign up for management alerts and information via email.

Let your neighbors and friends know that you found them in your yard and tell them about the Penn State Extension. If they are from outside of the Quarantine Area, have them check their cars for any unwanted passengers.

Please Help our Parks & Preserves!

Please report sightings in Willistown's parks and preserves and include your phone number, the location on the property of the sighting, and action taken, if any, to Mary at 610-647-5300 x224 or mhundt@willistown.pa.us. Thank you!

Quick Facts

- SLF adults jump more than fly. The nymphs can't fly.
- SLF adults are not great flyers but will hitch a ride on your car and anything you are moving.
- Managing your property is worthwhile and vital even if your neighbors are not managing theirs.

THE PENN STATE EXTENSION
Your Source for All Things Lanternfly!



Find extensive information at extension.psu.edu.



Go to the home page at extension.psu.edu and click to the right of the Lanternfly.



Questions? Call the SLF Hotline: 1-888-422-3359.

Spotted Lanternfly Integrated Pest Management Calendar

The management of this pest changes throughout the seasons. Follow this calendar and find further detail at extension.psu.edu.

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec
Destroy egg masses												
Use sticky bands to capture Spotted Lanternfly												
Registered insecticides can be effective ¹												
Avoid moving gravid (fertilized) females ²												
Avoid moving viable egg masses ²												
Treat most tree-of-heaven (Ailanthus altissima) trees with herbicide ^{1,3}												
Treat tree-of-heaven "trap" trees with systemic insecticides ^{1,4}												

- ¹ Always read pesticide labels and follow the directions.
- ² Before you move outdoor items from the quarantine area, check for Spotted Lanternfly egg masses, nymphs, and adults and destroy them. Use the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture SLF Quarantine Area Checklist when you have to move items from inside the quarantine to outside to comply with the Quarantine Order.
- ³ Tree-of-heaven trees will resprout vigorously from their roots after cutting, even if stumps are treated with an herbicide. To control tree-of-heaven trees, treat using foliar, basal bark, or hack-and-squirt herbicide applications from July through September. If tree-of-heaven stems need to be removed, wait 30 days after treatment to cut the trees down. Repeat herbicide applications may be necessary. Note: Killing all tree-of-heaven trees may result in Lanternflies moving to surrounding plants increasing pest damage on them.
- ⁴ About 15 percent of tree-of-heaven trees should be left alive to serve as trap trees to attract Spotted Lanternflies. Leave only male, non-seed-bearing trees if possible to limit seed production.

WILLISTOWN COMMUNITY GARDEN
Sugartown Preserve • Willistown Parks & Recreation



Bounty from the Garden

By Jeane Harris, 3rd Year Volunteer

Do you know where your food comes from? If it came from a produce aisle, it likely grew on a big farm. In the New York Times Sunday Opinion on June 7, chef Dan Barber wrote "Save our Food. Free the Seed." He describes how the seeds, fertilizer, pesticides, and fungicides that comprise the bulk of America's food chain for mass distribution come from just four companies.

The array of products are developed in labs and work best in concert with each other. In return, we get a reliably uniform, albeit bland food supply.

When it comes to food production, we are learning that bigger is not better—close to home is. Supporting local farmers is a great option. Willistown's Community Garden is the opposite of big food anything. Our volunteer gardeners know exactly where our food comes from, because we grow it ourselves using only organic gardening methods. By doing so, we keep food diversity

alive and help our environment. Do our vegetables look perfect? No. Is growing them rewarding? Immeasurably so. We feed our own families and share a portion of our delicious harvest with local Chester County Food Bank Food Cupboards. Last year, our donation totaled close to four hundred fifty pounds of nutritious, fresh produce. Food insecurity is particularly challenging for families during the summer months when children are unable to access meals in school, and the Willistown Community Garden's contribution helps to bridge that gap in a healthy way.

I am convinced that my vegetables taste better than the ones in stores. Nothing comes close to the crunchy reward of the season's first snap pea, the sweetness of a just-picked cucumber, the nuanced flavors of different salad greens, and feeling very smug about the short distance my tomato travels from the vine to its final destination sliced and juicy on my plate. Pass the olive oil, please!

To find out more about the Willistown Community Garden, contact Mary at 610-647-5300 x224.

WATER RESOURCE PROTECTION

Swimming Pool Draining: Know the Requirements!

Recommendations for Homeowners from Our Code Enforcement Office



During the warmer months, the Township receives many resident inquiries on how to safely drain and clean their swimming pools.

a permit is a violation of the Clean Streams Law, Act of June 22, 1937, P.L. 1987 as amended.

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection policy and Willistown Township Code does not require a permit to drain a residential pool as long as these guidelines are followed:

1. The pool water and backwash may not be drained directly into any stream, pond, wetland, any other water bodies, inlets or storm sewers.
2. Pool water and water used to clean pools must be dechlorinated before the water may be drained onto the property. Check with your pool service company for information on materials used in

dechlorinating pool water.

3. Dechlorinated pool water can be discharged over a grassy area on the pool owner's property to allow absorption, filtration, and aeration of the water. The discharge should be at a slow enough rate to prevent erosion and optimize infiltration. The water should not discharge onto a road surface.
4. Pool water may not be discharged at any time into the sanitary sewer system.

Pool service companies are aware of these requirements and must take the proper precautions when draining and cleaning pools. Pool owners should ensure that their pool service company complies with these regulations.

As a way of protecting Pennsylvania's water resources, there are local and state requirements that swimming pool owners must follow.

Please note: The discharge of swimming pool water into any water body of the Commonwealth without



Recycling Rules!

Wow! The Recycling Commission was surprised to get such passionate responses from our residents to our previous Recycling Roundup topic about plastic bags. Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts and help us dispel myths about recycling!

Recycling Rules Hint #2: Only clean pizza boxes can be recycled.

Why? When you place a greasy pizza box (or any cardboard container that is wet, sticky, greasy, or contaminated with food) into your paper/cardboard recycling, the greasy cardboard contaminates the whole pile of papers to be recycled. Contaminated cardboard/papers no longer have any market value because companies and foreign countries will not purchase contaminated cardboard/papers for re-use. That makes it harder to sort, stack, and bale and attracts rodents and pests.

The correct method for disposal of dirty cardboard:

1. Cut out the stained portion of the pizza box or other container and place it in your trash.
2. Break down the clean cardboard and pile it neatly for your recycling haulers.
3. If the whole box is dirty, break it down or cut it into manageable pieces and place it in your trash.

Be smart like the fox in our Willistown seal and break down that box!



Chester County Recycling Event

Saturday, October 12 • 9 AM–3 PM

Household Hazardous Waste
Chester County Government Services Center
601 Westtown Road, West Chester

This is a Chester County sponsored event.

Do not leave any materials at the Willistown Township building.

Please note: No electronics waste.

Questions? Email Molly Perrin, Willistown Township Recycling Commission Chairman: molly_birmingham@hotmail.com.

Household Hazardous Waste Materials Accepted (if properly labeled)

Paint Products*

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

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

Outdoor Products

- Asphalt sealers
- Caulking compounds
- Joint compound
- Rodent poison
- Roof cements

- Pool chemicals
- Weed killers
- Fluorescent bulbs
- Septic tank degreasers

Automotive Products

- Antifreeze
- Batteries of lead-acid type: car, truck, motorcycle, lawn mowers, and marine
- Carburetor cleaners
- Fuel additives
- Gas/oil mixtures
- Gasoline
- Grease/rust solvents
- Transmission/brake fluids

Other

- Acids/caustics/solvents
- Flammables
- Fire Extinguishers
- Mercury-bearing items: thermometer switches
- Organic peroxide
- Reactive metals
- Pesticides
- Oxidizers
- Reactives
- Lead



***NOTE:** Latex paint is not hazardous waste! Take the top off the paint can and place it outside, away from pets and children. If the can is very full, absorb the paint by mixing it with sawdust, clay-based cat litter, shredded paper, or rags. When the paint is solidified put the can in the trash.

Items NOT Accepted

- Non-recyclable alkaline batteries
- Ammunition
- Appliances
- Asbestos
- CFL Light Bulbs
- Electronics Waste
- Explosives
- Freon appliances
- Oxygen/helium/propane gas cylinders
- Infectious/medical waste
- Latex paint (water-based)
- PCBs
- Pressurized CFCs & HCFCs
- Radioactive waste
- Tires
- Used motor oil
- White goods
- Unidentified waste
- Smoke Detectors
- Fire Extinguishers



Wood Chipping for Residents October 19 • 9 AM–12 Noon

Coxe Memorial Campus, 688 Sugartown Road, Malvern

Residents may bring tree, bush, and shrub limbs and branches no greater than 8" in diameter. They will be unloaded and chipped free of charge. Thanks to the Public Works Department for managing this event!

Only wood described at left will be accepted! No furniture, ladders, fence posts/railings, telephone poles, landscape or construction wood, paneling, scrap wood, or wood with nails, hooks, or metal. Also, no leaves, grass, or bamboo.

PLEASE NOTE:

- All cut ends of the wood must be facing toward the rear of the vehicle or trailer.
- Proof of Willistown Township residency required.

Note: This is a wood-chipping event only. Willistown residents only—no contractors!

LIBRARY NEWS

Malvern Public Library

ADULTS

The library is pleased to announce our new monthly email newsletter. Visit our website to opt in, and we'll keep you informed of our latest news and events. You can also add Malvern Public Library to your calendar in the Burbio app and follow us on social media to stay in the know!

Our adult summer reading program runs until August 24!

We have weekly raffles too, so stop in. Adult Book Club meets every second Tuesday of the month at 10 AM. Our new Mystery Book Club will meet on every third Friday of the month. Check with us for the book title. On September 6 at 2:30

PM, join us for **Journey to**

Senior Living. Caregivers and seniors can learn how to find a senior community or assisted living for their adult parents or themselves. Join us on September 16 at 2 PM for a **Senior Safe Seminar** presented by Malvern Bank. Learn how to protect your finances and how to handle scams. Registration is preferred, but walk-ins are welcome!

Thank you to all who donated during our annual Give-a-thon. We appreciate all of our supporters and thank you for your yearly patronage to ensure the continued success of the library's programs and

services. The Give-a-thon big event has passed, but we receive donations all year.

CHILDREN

Our children's summer programs are still in full swing, and you can sign up for events in the fall including storytimes for babies, toddlers, and preschoolers beginning September 9 with registration open August 19. We will also have afterschool activities for older kids including STEM programs, therapy dogs, yoga, and more. Check our online calendar for more details and registration..

Check our Facebook, Instagram, or website for more library programs and offerings.

Paoli Library

ADULTS

Curl up with a book, spread out your notes, or meet with a friend—you'll find a place at Paoli Library where we've just completed a mini-renovation. We have a bright new carpet, more tables, more seating options, more open space, and new computer carrels for comfort and privacy. Come in and stay a while.

Paoli's Art Book Club welcomes special guest, author Bruce Mowday.

Mr. Mowday will introduce his newly published true crime book, *Stealing Andrew Wyeth*, about the theft of 15 paintings from the estate of Andrew Wyeth. Join us Wednesday, October 23 at 6:30 PM.

Each stage of our lives brings changes and challenges that we hadn't

thought about before. This fall's programs at Paoli Library will address some of the concerns facing older adults including bone health and osteoporosis prevention, and an opportunity to find out what decisions you will need to make and what questions you should as you plan for senior living. Join Michael Mendel, a senior care counselor, to discuss the options. Seniors and/or their adult children may join us Wednesday, October 2 at 1 PM.

CHILDREN

Fun STEM Kits Available!

Paoli Library offers STEM Kits to take home and explore as a family. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, all important concepts to build on through various means. We currently offer 5 different Kits to check out: Beginner's Coding, Magnetism, Explore Fossils, Engineering, and Electrical Current.

We are pleased to announce 2 more STEM Kits joining the ranks. The first will allow the borrower to explore the stars with the Space STEM Kit. This kit includes a telescope, 2 books, and a wonderful Bill Nye DVD. The second new kit explores Math concepts. The Math STEM Kit includes Proof!, a math game, 2 books, and a fun Disney math movie. All of the kits check out for 2 weeks at a time and can only be checked out and returned to Paoli Library. Happy learning!



CRC's 50th Anniversary Photo Contest

Win cash prizes, special reception, and anniversary calendar and website placement.



Capture the beauty of the creeks, woods, hills, valleys, and wildlife of the Chester, Ridley, and Crum watersheds by entering The Chester Ridley Crum Watersheds Association (CRC) Watersheds Photo Contest to celebrate CRC's 50th Anniversary in 2020. The top prize is \$75, and 12 winners will be featured in CRC's first ever calendar. A reception will be held for winners on October 26 at Beauty Art, Gifts & Décor in Newtown Square, and many photos will be featured on CRC's website. Deadline for submissions is September 1, 2019.

Photographs must be of the Chester, Ridley or Crum Watersheds. Amateur or professional photographers may submit images taken within the last five years and from any season. There are limitless photogenic spots to consider, including Ridley Creek State Park, Okehocking Preserve, Saul Wildlife Sanctuary,

Rose Tree Park, Bartram Bridge, Serpentine Preserve, Crozer Park, Crum Woods at Swarthmore College, and many others as well as your backyard!

"The photo contest is a perfect celebration of our community, our local watersheds, and CRC's 50th year working to protect them," said Meghan Lockman, CRC Executive Director. "We can't wait to see the new perspectives on our fascinating watersheds."

Entry fee is \$15 for up to 3 submissions. For more information, go to crcwatersheds.org.

CRC's mission is to support, encourage, and promote the enjoyment, restoration, conservation, protection, and prudent management of the natural resources of the Chester, Ridley, and Crum Creek Watersheds. The organization conducts multiple tree plantings in the fall and spring as well as a multi-site Streams Cleanup each spring. At this year's Streams Cleanup, nearly 600 volunteers removed 9.5 tons of trash and debris from local creeks and streams. CRC also hosts educational events throughout the year including nature walks, lectures and its annual Awards Dinner recognizing local environmental stewardship.



Shugart's Sunday BBQ & Blues

Sunday, September 15 • 2–6 PM

Named for Sugartown's tavern keeper, Eli Shugart, Shugart's BBQ & Blues is an afternoon of food, music, and family fun at Historic Sugartown. Enjoy hand-crafted spirits tastings by Manatawny Still Works, BBQ by Bridgeport Rib House, Locust Lane Brewery, Scoops 'N Smiles dessert, Philadelphia blues band The Dukes of Destiny, hayrides by Sugartown Strawberries, and more family fun. Admission: \$40 Adults, \$15 Children ages 3–10, includes food & drink.

Shugart's
SUNDAY
BBQ & BLUES

Pop-Up Biergarten at Historic Sugartown

Thursday, August 22 • 5–8 PM

Sugartown at Sundown Lantern Tours

Friday & Saturday, October 18–19 • 6–9 PM

Weekend Guided Tours

Saturdays, 11 AM–4 PM & Sundays, 1–4 PM
Guided tours run through November.

Workshops in the Bindery

Evening Marbling Workshop
Tuesday, August 27 • 6:30 PM–9 PM
Restoration Workshop
Saturday, October 26 • 9 AM–3 PM

Paper Marbling Workshop
Saturday, November 2 • 9 AM–2 PM
Gold Tooling/Gilding Workshop
Tuesday, November 5 • 9 AM–12 PM

Please visit HistoricSugartown.org or call 610-640-2667 for further information including fees and to register for events.

Willistown Conservation Trust

RUN-A-MUCK



October 19 • 2:30–8 PM

**Kirkwood Preserve
Park at 2702 White Horse Rd**

New route this year! 5K Run or Muck (walk) the beautiful trail and help support the Trust's open space programs.

Live music, Jimmy's BBQ dinner, beer and wine, lawn games, mechanical bull, face painting, and stargazing and bonfire if weather allows. Leashed dogs welcome!

More information and online registration at wctrust.org.



Paoli Battlefield

Home of the 1777 "Paoli Massacre"

Fall Events and Programs

GO WILMA! STATION HOST

The summer is in full swing, and we have seen many kids with an adult or two in tow following the Willistown Parks and Recreation Department's *GO Wilma!* clues while exploring the Battlefield. The *GO Wilma!* program runs until August 17, so there is still time to sign up at the Paoli or Malvern libraries and go on the scavenger hunt at the Battlefield.

HERITAGE DAY

The 7th annual "Paoli Battlefield Heritage Day" will be held Saturday, September 21, 11 to 4 PM at the Battlefield on Monument Avenue in Malvern. This year's family fun day will offer history demonstrations, re-enactors, authors, local

historical organizations, music, face painting and games, food trucks, and a beer garden. A skirmish between British regulars and Patriot soldiers will be a highlight, and we will close the event with an honor ceremony saluting and paying our respects to the 52 soldiers buried here after the September 20, 1777 battle. You may purchase 20% discount tickets online at rememberpaoli.org through August 31.

REVOLUTIONARY LECTURES & BUS TOURS

Our dinner lecture series at the General Warren and our Paoli Battle Bus Tours will resume in September. Information on all these battlefield events and history are on our website.

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and the property sold in 1821 to another family.

The property exchanged hands a few more times over the years. In the mid-1980s, the property was subdivided and the bulk of the land became a townhome development.

After a long process of restoration, the house was restored and preserved and then sold in 2017 to its current owners. While the Cox house has had many owners over its 211-year history, the green stone house still bears the family name.



**THE NEWSLETTER OF
WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP**

Coxe Memorial Campus
688 Sugartown Road
Malvern, PA 19355



**Stop this #BadBug!
Spotted Lanternfly management
information inside.**



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Through Labor Day:
7:30 AM–4 PM, Monday–Thursday
7:30 AM–1 PM Friday
September 3: 8 AM–4 PM Monday–Friday

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Mark Your Calendars

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**Save the Date: 1st
Saturdays**

**November–April
Weed Warriors**
Okehocking Preserve

**For Malvern & Paoli Library activities, see page 6. For
additional Historic Sugartown events, see page 7.**

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FALL SPORTS

T-Ball and Hummingbird Soccer
Thursdays & Saturdays from Sept. 5 through Oct. 12
Kids ages 3–5 • See page 2