

## WillisTowne Crier – eNews Edition

*March 2022*

### Save the Date for Our Recycling Events

Thank you to our Environmental Sustainability Committee for organizing these events. Please note all events are for Willistown Residents only:

[June 11 - Document Shredding](#)  
[October 8- E-Waste Recycling](#)  
[October 22 - Wood Chipping](#)  
[October 29- Document Shredding](#)



[Chester County Solid Waste Authority](#) has announced its Household Hazard Waste Events. These events are held once a month from April to October at various locations across Chester County. Pre-registration is required.



### What's Going On In Willistown?

One of the top resident questions the Township receives via phone calls and emails is what is going on in Willistown relating to development. Every application we receive for [Subdivision and Land Development](#), [Zoning Hearing Board](#) and [Conditional Use](#) are posted on our website. You can view the application, plans and status of all applications. We encourage all residents to join us in person or virtually via Zoom. Please sign up via "[Notify Me](#)" under Boards and Commissions to be notified when

the Zoom registration links and meeting agendas are available. View the upcoming [community meeting calendar](#).

### Police Update: Check Fraud is On the Rise

Check fraud has spiked across the country, and the Willistown Police Department recommends bringing all mail containing checks directly to the Post Office lobby drop box to mail. Criminals are stealing directly from home mailboxes and even targeting the blue mailbox bins before postal workers pick up the mail. Stolen checks are then altered and cashed. Checks also include names and addresses that criminals can use as part of identify theft.



**Happy Retirement to Public Works**



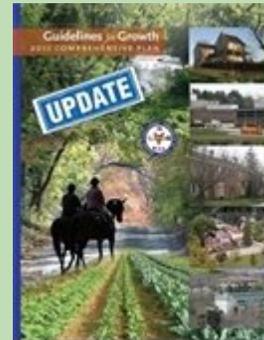
## Director Bill Hagan

After 10 years with Willistown Township, please join us in wishing Bill Hagan, Public Works Director, a "Happy Retirement". We thank him for his dedication and leadership to keep the Willistown Public Works Department running smoothly through sun, rain and snow. We wish Bill many years of enjoying his favorite things – spending time with his family at the beach, fishing, and golfing. Thank you for your service, Bill!

## Comprehensive Plan Update

Willistown Township recently sent a postcard to all residents asking for input on our [Comprehensive Plan](#).

Willistown's Comprehensive Plan, updated every ten years, looks at Willistown's history, considers current conditions, and charts a vision for the future including how to grow, develop, and improve facilities and services in the Township.



[Draft Chapter 2](#) on the Comprehensive Plan is up on our website and ready for public comment. Help shape Willistown's future! Sign up for the "[Comprehensive Plan Update Bulletins](#)" to be notified every time a new draft chapter is added for comment. If you miss a chapter, do not worry. Residents will have a chance to comment on all chapters before the formal adoption as PA state law requires.

## Willistown Parks & Rec News



CRC STREAM CLEANUP SITE

# OKEHOCKING PRESERVE

March 26 9-11:30



## Stream Clean Up at Okehocking Preserve

*Join Willistown Parks and Rec and CRC Watersheds Association*

Join us for a spring cleaning on our watersheds! Be a part of the 24th Annual Chester Ridley Crum Watersheds Association regional streams cleanup at Willistown's Okehocking Preserve. [Get all the details here.](#) Registration is required. In 2021, the Stream Clean up collected 12 tons of trash from 30 sites throughout the Chester, Ridley, and Crum Creek watersheds!



## Leashed Dogs Required in Willistown Parks & Preserves

Willistown Parks and Recreation would like to remind residents to keep dogs leashed in Willistown parks and preserves except in one designated area.

As a good park visitor, you can:  
Keep dogs safe and parks clean  
Prevent bites and fights  
Reduce stress for everyone

The ONLY properties where leashed dogs are permitted are [Fox Hollow Trails](#), and [Okehocking, Serpentine, and Sugartown Preserves](#).

The ONLY area dogs are permitted off leash on Willistown Township property is the [leash-free field in Okehocking Preserve](#).



## Park Parties Are Back!

Save the date for summer fun in beautiful [Greentree Park](#).

Greentree In Tune & On Tap 5:30-8:30pm

The Sun Brothers *June 14, Rain Date June 17*

Beg, Borrow, and Steel *July 20, Rain Date July 22*

The Fraction *September 13, Rain Date September 15*

School's Out - Let's GO WilMa! 5-8pm *June 21, Rain Date June 23*

Willistown Country Fair 5-8pm *August 23, Rain Date 25*



## Willistown Summer Fun Camps Are Back

Willistown Township summer fun camps will be returning for grades K - 5 to Sugartown Elementary School for 8 fun-filled weeks, June 20- August 12, 2022. Residents and non-residents can register for 1 week or all 8 weeks. We offer full and half-day options, plus before and after care is available. Themes change every week. Registration is now open. For more information visit our [Summer Camp](#) page.

## Community News

### Paoli Library News

Is this the year you finally plant a garden? The library can help you get started, with books on planting a basic vegetable garden or flower garden. There are also titles covering more specialized areas, such as shade gardening or cultivating roses. Join the Delaware Nature Society on March 28 for [Magical Stories of Mid-Atlantic Trees](#).

On March 24, the Chester County History Center presents [Many Nations of Chester County](#), exploring 300 years of migration to this area. Recurring adult programs include [Zen meditation](#) and guided [meditation for relaxation and healing](#).

For the little ones, the return of warmer weather means that we can hold [Family Storytime in Strafford Park](#) on Wednesday afternoons. Families can also [Zoom into Storytime](#) on Wednesday mornings. Preschoolers and school age children are invited to pick up [Grab and Go kits](#) on Thursdays for craft-y science learning.

Both Tredyffrin Library and Paoli Library are open Monday–Saturday for in-person

browsing and holds pickup. Check our website, [tredyffrinlibraries.org](http://tredyffrinlibraries.org), for up-to-date hours and services.

### Malvern Public Library

Calling all Tinkerers! Join Ms. Megan on March 21 at 4:30 pm for a virtual [Tinkercad hangout](#) where we'll learn how to use Tinkercad to make designs ready for the 3D printer. We'll share ideas, swap tips, and create original designs. All attendees will have their designs printed using the Malvern Library's brand-new 3D printer!

Malvern Public Library is offering an array of classes online and in person for kids, teens and adults. Visit the [events calendar](#) today.

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