

# Willis Towne Crier

*In Willistown, nearly everybody reads the Crier!*

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## A Vision for the Future

### New Township Comprehensive Plan Underway

A Comprehensive Plan is intended to provide a community with a vision for the future. Willistown's existing Comprehensive Plan was last updated in 1997 and recent efforts by the Township's Planning Commission and the Township's Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee have focused on updating this Plan as part of the

and police services). Once adopted, the policies and recommendations of the plan can be implemented through ordinances and other methods.

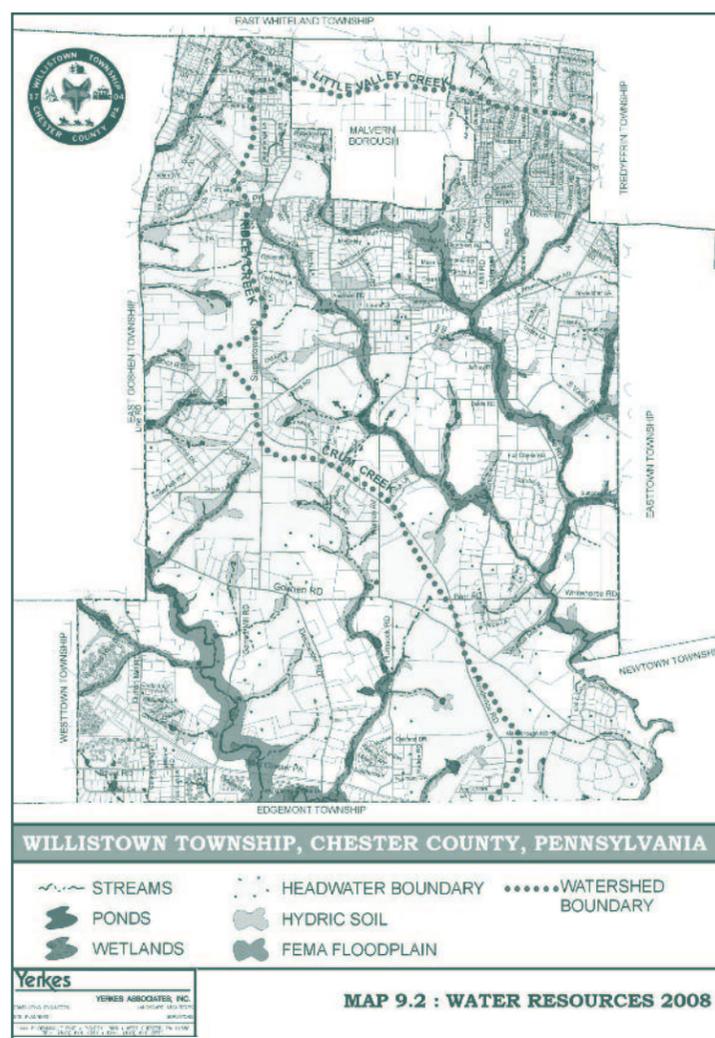
The Township's original Comprehensive Plan, *Guidelines for Growth*, was adopted in 1962 and has been revised and updated several times over the

**A public meeting to discuss the Plan will take place on Wednesday, November 11 at 7:30 PM at General Wayne Elementary School**

Township's responsibility and authority to plan for its future pursuant to the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (Act 247 of 1968, as amended).

According to the Code, municipal comprehensive plans shall include, at a minimum, objectives for future development, a plan for land use, a plan to meet the housing needs of present and future residents, a plan for the movement of people and goods, a plan for community facilities and utilities, a plan for the protection of natural and historic resources, and a discussion of short- and long-range plan implementation strategies. Topics range from an assessment of the amount, intensity, and character of land use to an evaluation of local street systems, parking facilities, and mass transit routes to an assessment of public facilities (parks, libraries, fire

intervening years. This version of *Guidelines for Growth* is a direct outgrowth of past planning efforts, including the 1997 Plan and the Township's 1993 open space, recreation and natural resources plan. Work on this Plan was initiated several months ago, and the Township believes it is imperative to keep Township residents apprised of its efforts throughout the planning process. The Township will hold a kick-off public meeting to describe the comprehensive planning process, to discuss efforts to date, and to seek public comment. The public meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 11 at 7:30 PM at the General Wayne Elementary School, located at the intersection of Grubb and Devon Roads. All Township residents are welcome. ■



**Above: Water resources map, one of the many maps being prepared for the comprehensive plan**

### ATTENTION ALL RESIDENTS

#### "Willistown Township Services Survey"

It has come to our attention that you may have received a "Willistown Township Services Survey" via email on Sunday, August 16, 2009. The survey was not authorized by the Township. Unfortunately, your email address was used by a Township resident without the permission of you or the Township. The resident, like you, had received an email notice from the Township (Parks Department) about an upcoming community event and used your email address from that notice. He has been told to refrain from any further use of the list in

the future for any purpose whatsoever and not to provide this list to anyone else for any purpose.

We apologize for this happening, and rest assured we have put additional measures in place that will not allow this to happen again with any future email notices from the Township. We feel these email notices are a great way to remind our residents of community events, but, if you so desire, upon your request we will have your name removed from the distribution list. ■

### Your Vote Counts! Election Day – November 3

*Let your voice be heard.*  
Elect state, county, township, and school board candidates.

**For a list of candidates and resolutions, see page 8.**





# CRC to Honor Mary Hundt McLoughlin at Annual Awards Dinner

Chester-Ridley-Crum Watersheds Association (CRC) will honor lifelong Willistown resident, former Township Supervisor, and current Director of Parks and Recreation, Mary Hundt McLoughlin, at the 5th Annual CRC Awards Dinner to be held on Wednesday, November 4, 2009, at White Manor Country Club (831 Providence Road), starting at 6 PM. Mary is being honored for her many accomplishments in the areas of open space preservation and conservation and for her many efforts in connecting people with nature.

Mary grew up on a small horse farm and developed a love of the rolling Willistown landscape, nature, and woodlands through horseback riding. Graduating with a BS in Landscape Architecture from Temple University Ambler and membership in the Sigma Lambda Alpha Landscape Architecture Honor Society, Mary had a career in landscape design and installation before being hired as one of the first employees of Willistown Conservation Trust by its co-founders, Bonnie Van Alen and Alice Hausmann. While working for the Trust, Mary organized the outreach campaign mobilizing public support for the \$5 million Willistown Township Open Space referendum that was approved by Township voters in 1999. Proceeds from the bond issue have been used to leverage the purchase of the 185 acre Okehocking Preserve, the 80 acre Bryn Mawr Rehabilitation open space project, the 80 acre Kirkwood Preserve (owned by Willistown Conservation Trust), and most recently the Duffryn Avenue trail corridor parcel. Collectively, these acquisitions have had a major positive impact on the preservation of the Township's unique environmental assets and recreational opportunities.

While employed at Willistown Conservation Trust, Mary served as Director of Community Resource Protection and Public Funding, through which she wrote many successful grants for open space acquisition and spearheaded the campaign to redesignate the Upper Crum from High Quality to Exceptional Value. With the support of the Trust, Willistown Township, and CRC, the petition triggered key documentation of the Upper Crum as a Cold Water Trout Fishery by DEP and the PA Fish Commission and resulted in the designation of the West Branch of Crum Creek as Exceptional Value by the state's Environmental Quality Board in 2002.

Mary has served as an advocate for watershed protection and for forming partnerships for their restoration. While working for the Trust, Mary initiated the first riparian buffer planting at Okehocking Preserve along the main stem of the Ridley Creek, the first of many enhancements to the Preserve. Mary secured a grant for the *Upper Crum Creek Watershed Assessment/Restoration Plan* (2003, Mesa Environmental Sciences) for Willistown Township and served as contributing author and field researcher. The Plan developed a roadmap of issues and restoration priorities and is currently being implemented by CRC and its partners. Along with Dr. Arthur McGarity of Swarthmore College, Mary was co-founder of the Crum Creek Watershed Partnership and served as its co-chair for three years. The Partnership was successful in obtaining funding for CRC to undertake the *Crum Creek Watershed Rivers Conservation Plan* as well as funding several restoration projects along Crum Creek. Mary has been a member of CRC for ten years, serving as a board member for five years and four of those years as its Vice President.

Mary was elected Supervisor of Willistown Township in 2001 and served for three years. She was instrumental in negotiating the Bryn Mawr Rehab open space project on behalf of the Township adding 83 acres to the open space network in northeastern Willistown which includes the Natural Lands Trust Willisbrook Preserve and the Greater Chester Valley Soccer Association fields. She resigned as Supervisor in 2004 with the arrival of her daughter Molly and was hired as the Township's first Director of Parks and Recreation. In this position, Mary has been successful in obtaining several key grants, in particular Growing Greener and USDA Farm Service funding for the removal of the dam on Ridley Creek at the Okehocking Preserve and the restoration of 11 acres of riparian buffer along the main stem of the Creek and Delchester Run. Mary also engaged the partnership of CRC and their funding partners LyondellBasell and TreeVitalize to plant over 150 trees along Ridley Creek at Okehocking.

Other accomplishments in her current role as Parks Director include the awarding of \$132,000 in planning grant funds from DCNR for a feasibility study and design development of a nature center at Okehocking Preserve and the forging of a partnership with many local organizations and educators, including the Upper Main Line YMCA, Great Valley School District, Paoli Hospital, and



Mary and Molly

Willistown Township residents. (See page 3 for more on the Okehocking nature center project.) Mary is also partnering with Greener Partners and Historic Sugartown on an organic exploration garden and summer camp program at Willistown Township's Sugartown Preserve; she created Thrilling Third Thursdays at Greentree Park, a summer community event program; and she serves on the Willistown Township's Open Space Review Board and is the creator and webmaster for the Willistown Parks and Recreation website: [www.willistownparks.org](http://www.willistownparks.org).

When she is not doing all of this parks and land preservation work, Mary likes to head to the beach with her husband Mike and their five year old daughter Molly for some much deserved rest and relaxation. And when not at the beach, you'll find her in her garden.

The CRC Annual Awards Dinner will feature a talk by internationally renown geoscientist and author Dr. Dorothy Merritts of Franklin and Marshall College and is open to the public. For tickets, please contact CRC at 610-892-8731 or [crc@nni.com](mailto:crc@nni.com). ■

## MOMS Club to Propose Park Improvements

### Theodore S. A. Rubino Park

Recently, in partnership with the MOMS Club of Malvern, Malvern Borough Council funded new playground equipment, installation, and park redesign at the Theodore S. A. Rubino Park on Old Lincoln Highway. The addition of swings, a buck-a-bout, and a giant hippo to the existing equipment made Rubino Park more appropriate for kids of all ages. As a result of these improvements, the park enjoys greater use by kids in the surrounding neighborhoods, the MOMS Club, and the greater community. Kudos to the MOMS and Malvern Borough!

### Greentree Park

The MOMS Club of Malvern has reached out to Willistown Parks and Recreation and is currently putting together a proposal to the Supervisors to fund new equipment at Greentree Park on Grubb Road.

From the Malvern MOMS Club, "Greentree Park, like Rubino Park, is favored by local parents with small children because its fences offer safety and containment. Greentree has swings, a small play system, and a few other small pieces of equipment. There is a paved path (perfect for tricycles and scooters), a picnic area in

the gazebo, a basketball court, and lots of open green space. And Greentree has restrooms!

"What Greentree doesn't have is sufficient equipment for toddlers and older kids. With the addition of just a few more pieces of equipment, Greentree Park would be enjoyed by a much greater portion of our community."

### Learn More About MOMS

If you are interested in joining this team or would like to learn more, please contact the MOMS Club at [momsclubofmalvern@gmail.com](mailto:momsclubofmalvern@gmail.com).

The MOMS Club of Malvern boasts nearly 50 moms and 75 kids with about 75% living in Willistown Township. The MOMS Club of Malvern is a local chapter of the International MOMS Club (MOMS Offering Moms Support). It is a non-profit, non-denominational group that supports at-home mothers, and some members work part-time outside of the home. The group believes that our children are our greatest resource. To learn more about the Malvern chapter of the MOMS Club, check out [www.momsclubofmalvern.org](http://www.momsclubofmalvern.org). ■



## “And the Survey Says...”

### PARKS AND RECREATION PLANNING UPDATE

In spring 2009, the Willistown Township Parks & Recreation Department conducted an online survey for the purpose of future planning. The survey was marketed in a variety of ways including a public meeting in February 2009, the Parks & Recreation website, flyers and newsletters sent through Great Valley School District, yard signs throughout the Township, and prominent placement in the *Towne Crier* Spring 2009 issue. What follows is a summary of the trends and responses of the survey.

Respondents came from all five of the Township’s zones and Malvern Borough as well as a number who self-identified as non-residents. They represented the interests of the full range of age groups from infancy to over 66 years old with residency periods in the Township from 16% at fewer than 5 years, to 24% at 5-10 years, with a whopping 60% residing for more than 10 years.

**So, let’s not keep you in suspense any longer. “The survey says...”**

#### The top five important recreational activities identified by respondents:

1. Hiking/Walking
2. Nature enjoyment
3. Gardening
4. Bicycling
5. Dog walking

#### Top five programs respondents would participate in:

1. Outdoor concerts
2. Community park gatherings
3. Organized hikes
4. Nature lecture
5. Parades

In addition, verbatim responses for potential programming included requests for sustainability workshops, tennis clinics, bike races, running groups, dog training, fireworks, seasonal and heritage festivals, pet adoption, garden tours, birding walks and lectures.

#### Top five inadequate features/services:

1. Sidewalks
2. Volleyball
3. Restrooms
4. Basketball
5. Neighborhood parks

#### Top three verbatim responses describing the inadequacy of resources ranked by frequency:

1. Better playground areas (newer, safer, age appropriate: even distribution for both older and younger children)
2. More walking/hiking trails
3. Sidewalks, paving, lighting

The top reason cited for what deters respondent use of resources in Willistown Township was awareness. In other words, lack of awareness of the resources.

#### The top five communication channels as seen or used by respondents:

1. *Towne Crier* “quarterly” newsletter
2. Willistown Parks and Recreation website ([www.willistownparks.org](http://www.willistownparks.org))
3. Event-based emails
4. Sign board – Cedar Hollow and Paoli Pike
5. Sign board – Sugartown Road in front of the Township building

It is obvious from the responses that Willistown residents are interested in outdoor activities and that it’s important that they be made aware of our park system and the outdoor activities it offers. Your Parks and Recreation Department and Board has this information in mind as it plans for the future.

We hope you had the opportunity to have your voice be heard through this survey and that you will continue to think about the Township’s recreational resources and use them to their fullest! If you have questions or suggestions, please contact Mary McLoughlin at 610-620-1669 or at [mhm@willistown.pa.us](mailto:mhm@willistown.pa.us). ■

## Okehocking Preserve Update

To bring you back up to speed on the Okehocking Nature Center project, the schematic design of the project was unveiled in fall 2007. Last September’s issue of the *Towne Crier* reported as a result of continued feasibility work on the project, public input, and public events at the site, it became clear that there were immediate requirements for Okehocking that included shelter, restrooms, running water, parking, and improved access from Route 3. A secondary Department of Conservation and Natural Resources grant to Willistown Township, sponsored by Senator Andrew Dinniman, was put to use to streamline the original nature center schematic design to fit these basic site and user needs. The result of this effort, produced by the five-star consultant team led by M2 Architecture and including Viridian Landscape Studio and Meliora Environmental Design, is depicted in the site plan at right.

As you can see in the site plan, the nature center building envelope has been adjusted to include an open air “pavilion” which will be placed at the site of the indoor “living room” from the original design. The remaining nature center structure, as previously designed to include a meeting room and lab rooms, can be completed as a future phase in the area identified as “future expansion”. In keeping with this new approach to the project and the smaller scale of the facility, the structure will no longer be referred to as the Okehocking Nature Center. It will be called the Okehocking Preserve Pavilion, and the project steering committee will be referred

to as the Okehocking Board. The site work and pavilion will still serve the overall mission of the project—to connect people to nature—as well as the environmental, educational, and recreational missions of the partner organizations.

The same design principles applied to the nature center design were applied to the design of the pavilion and site work. Those design principles are community, stewardship, green technology, and education.

#### Community:

The public and interested local non-profit organizations are represented as steering committee members for the project. In addition to area residents with expertise in native plants, fundraising, construction, and the law, the partners include Willistown Parks and Recreation, the Upper Main Line YMCA, Paoli Hospital, Great Valley School District, and Habitat Resource Network of Southeastern PA. The design process included many meetings, public presentations, and community member interviews in order to gather community input.

#### Stewardship and Green Technology:

The question: “How do we best incorporate a variety of environmental stewardship and green technology techniques and practices in the design?” The answer: use raingardens, bioswales, grasspave, porous pavement, salvaged materials, solar energy, composting toilets, a rain cistern, and homeowner landscape management demonstration gardens.



**The Okehocking Board has learned over the past two years what the early European settlers of the Willistown area knew about building in a time of scarce resources: that a dream can be your guide, and while careful site selection, preparation and orientation of a house or barn, along with a firm foundation, will favor a good outcome many years ahead, it's the total of your immediate, everyday needs that must determine the structure that you start with. This site plan fulfills these immediate needs for the Okehocking and its users.**

#### Education:

Utilizing the aforementioned techniques and practices to serve as models for visitors to see and understand; so they leave empowered and inspired to implement them at their own properties and in their own lives.

The project is intended to enhance the use, enjoyment, and edification of Willistown and area residents and to support local organizations in the fulfillment of their missions of education, recreation, and natural

land stewardship. The Okehocking Board is continuing to define the details of their role as an interface between Willistown Township and organizations looking to utilize Okehocking to facilitate meeting their missions while improving Okehocking preserve and engaging the community. The Board is in communication with the Willistown Township Supervisors and, once the operational details have been ironed out, will request a green light to fundraise for the project. ■



## Sunset Summer Send-Off

Over 175 adults and kids enjoyed the second annual Sunset Summer Send-off on August 26 at Willistown's Okehocking Preserve hosted by the Okehocking Board. Hayrides through the interior of Okehocking were a big hit, with guides providing information about the diversity of the plants and animals, the history, and the land management projects taking place there.

Music by David Brown entertained the crowd, while vendors *It's A Grind Coffee House* and *Rita's Water Ice* from Paoli along with volunteers from the Okehocking Board fed the crowd. Participating Okehocking

partners included Willistown Parks and Recreation, Great Valley School District, Paoli Hospital, and the Upper Main Line YMCA. Paoli Hospital had a table with information about wellness and sun protection, and UMLY provided very popular nature crafts as well as activities and games for the kids including a fitness station and live animal exhibit. The Willistown Conservation Trust Rushton Farm, located just up the street from Okehocking, had an informational table and tasty samples from the garden.

Willistown Parks and Recreation and the Okehocking Board are proud to

sponsor this event that fosters an appreciation for the natural beauty of the site and its environmental importance and that shares information about the stewardship projects of Okehocking while bringing the community together for some good old-fashioned fun.

Thanks to all the Okehocking Board and Parks and Recreation volunteers who worked to make this event such a success; and, to volunteers Connor and Ron Ploeg, Amory Stedman, and Gabi Kecskes; and, to Farmer Bob for the hay and wagon and Brian Dimick for chauffeuring us with his John Deer!



## Thrilling Third Thursdays - Country Fair

Right out of a Norman Rockwell painting, Willistown Township's Thrilling Third Thursday series of events at Greentree Park concluded with a Country Fair on August 20. Over 200 residents enjoyed a fun summer evening in their beautiful neighborhood park.

The activities for kids included a petting zoo, pony rides, face painting, and bingo. Also available were craft activities provided by Greener Partners and Historic Sugartown. These community organizations, along with Willistown Conservation Trust and Willistown Township, had booths providing information about their projects and programming.

Everyone marveled at the colossal produce entered in the *Prize Produce Competition*, which featured the handiwork of some of Willistown's best gardeners. Winners received prizes that included gardening books and gift certificates from *Trattoria San Nicola* in Paoli and *Mainline Gardens* of Malvern. (Check out the categories and prize winners below.)

Whether it was kids with free water ice, popcorn, and bingo prizes, or families leaving with bags full of sweet corn donated by farmer Bob Lange of Sugartown Strawberries, no one went away empty-handed from the fair. It was a great night!

Many thanks to our Parks and Recreation Board Thrilling Third Thursday volunteers: Judy Young and her granddaughter, Chela; George McHugh; Tracey Ramondo and her sons Alex, Steffen, and Kenneth; Ken Lehr; Dick McDonnell; Bob Kacergis and his son Jim; Chris Murphy; and Molly Wolford...and thanks to those residents who pitch in at the end to help us have a quick clean up!

Willistown Township Parks and Recreation launched Thrilling Third Thursdays with the goals of fostering a sense of community in the Township and of providing quality programming for our residents. We appreciate the positive response we've received, and we welcome community involvement in planning next year's events. Contact Mary or Mike through [www.willistownparks.org](http://www.willistownparks.org) with comments or suggestions or to volunteer. ■



### Willistown's Prize Produce Competition Categories and Prize Winners

CATEGORIES	PRODUCE	PRIZE WINNER
Grand Prize Winner and Best in Colossal Collection	Gourd	Amerigo Buonanno
Best Personality (Veggie Face)	Eggplant	Robert Lange
Best Tomato	Tomato	Myrna Lebre
Most Diverse Collection	Medley	Kenneth Ramondo
Spiciest	Jalapenos	John Templeton
Big Kahune Zucchini	Zucchini	Erin Tillman
Longest Stem Yet!	Tomato	Isaac Davis

Special thanks go to *Trattoria San Nicola* restaurant ([www.tsannicola.com](http://www.tsannicola.com), 610-695-8990) and *Main Line Gardens* ([www.mainlinegardens.com](http://www.mainlinegardens.com), 610-644-2300), two community-minded Willistown Township establishments, for their generous gift certificate donations!



Grand Prize winner Amerigo Buonanno, a neighborhood resident, carrying his colossal gourd to the competition.



Many thanks to our fun bunch of judges! Pictured left to right are Willistown residents Spider Man (Sam Fadness), and Spider Woman (Sylvia Mote), Erin Herz of Greener Partners, resident Bill Tickner, and Lisa Rubin of Willistown Conservation Trust.



## Growing Greener Summer Camps

The “in” children’s camps this summer were the Growing Greener Summer Camps hosted by Willistown Township and Greener Partners in the organic garden at Willistown’s Sugartown Preserve. During July and August, kids ranging in age from four to eleven had fun digging in the dirt and experiencing many garden wonders. Between yoga stretches and craft activities, they also learned about nutrition and why fresh is best. The younger ones even discovered evidence of nightly garden visits by fairies and gnomes!

Each Friday the children helped pick and prepare garden produce for a harvest celebration with their parents. Both parents and kids loved the camps. Everyone involved is excited about making them even more fun and educational next year.

## Willistown’s Sugartown Exploration Garden



**The mission for the Sugartown Exploration Garden is to be a community-run learning and exploration garden engaging the five senses through joyful hands-on experiences that inspire and promote healthy living, outdoor activity, and life-long connection to the earth.**

A successful first season is drawing to a close at Willistown’s Sugartown Exploration Garden and my, how the garden has grown this year! How’d it come together? Yet another community effort. The project partners Willistown Township and Greener Partners ([www.greenerpartners.org](http://www.greenerpartners.org)) invested equal amounts of funds to install the garden infrastructure and planting. Thanks go to two Willistown resident-owned companies: *Main Line Turf Company* (610-296-0233) donated labor toward the cause and *Eden’s Tree Service* (610-587-0747) donated woodchips. Once the garden infrastructure was installed, Willistown resident Susan Ploeg’s design was put in place and the garden came alive. Having met with the Willistown Township/Greener Partners team, Susan heard the original design ideas for the garden and embellished them to create a truly magical place. Through whimsy and wonder, the garden captures the attention and imagination of its visitors. A living teepee has entrances marked by totem poles enthusiastically painted by children and adults during the Okehocking Powwows. The teepee honors our Native American people and culture

while providing much fun for all (we have noticed that every adult visitor checks it out, not just the kids!). There’s the question mark corn maze, the rainbow garden, the tasty tea garden (in the shape of a teapot, of course!), the rows of veggies, fruits and flowers (the edible nasturtiums were a big hit with the Growing Greener Summer Campers!), and the sand pit (where the fairy gnome campers created wonderful habitats for their fluttering friends to visit each night). From a certain place in the garden, you can see what shape the paths take...is it a tree, a flower, a butterfly?

The enthusiasm around this special place is contagious. Susan’s husband Ron, a project manager, has graciously agreed to chair the Sugartown Exploration Garden steering team which is made up of Willistown and area residents as well as Mary McLoughlin of Willistown Parks and Recreation and Erin Herz of Greener Partners. The following sub-teams are hard at work: Events/Fundraising, Education/Curriculum, and Garden Management. The Sugartown Exploration Garden team is hosting a Fall Fest at the garden on November 1—registration is required. Depending on the US Postal Service, this newsletter may have arrived to you in time to check [www.willistownparks.org](http://www.willistownparks.org) or [www.greenerpartners.org](http://www.greenerpartners.org) to see if there is still room to attend the Fall Fest and where you can also find out more about the garden.

Willistown’s Sugartown Exploration Garden is a community effort made possible by Willistown

Township, Greener Partners, Willistown and local resident volunteers, and Historic Sugartown. It is an outstanding example of what a community, when gathered together, can accomplish—while having fun!

To become a part of the Sugartown Exploration Garden team, please call Mary McLoughlin at 610-640-1669 or [mhm@willistown.pa.us](mailto:mhm@willistown.pa.us). ■



**Many thanks to Eagle Scout Noah Eberhart and his team for providing four much needed picnic tables for the garden! Pictured here, Troop 78 prospective Eagle Scout Noah (left) and Eagle Scout Jon Urban angle a table leg.**



~ AS SEEN IN THE DAILY LOCAL NEWS ~

## Willistown Manager to Watch Watchmen

By MICHAEL P. RELAHAN  
Staff Writer (*Daily Local News*)

When Hugh Murray began his career with the Willistown Police Department on Halloween 1969, his superiors gave him a gun and a badge and sent him out to learn the ropes.

Only later did Murray, who eventually rose through the ranks and served five years as police chief, earn his certification from the local police academy.

"You can't do that nowadays," said Murray, who is now the Township Manager of Willistown, "You must be trained first."

And Murray will get a chance to oversee the specifics of that training because he has been appointed by Governor Ed Rendell to serve on the 20-member Pennsylvania Municipal Police Officers Education and Training Commission. The state Senate confirmed his appointment in August.

"I am extremely honored to have been selected to this very important Commission," Murray said. "There is nothing more essential than making sure our police officers have the best training available. A well-trained officer is very important to any community."

The Pennsylvania Municipal Police Education and Training Act requires

all beginning law enforcement officers to successfully meet training requirements before going to work for a local police department or state agency.

The Commission oversees those requirements, approves the certification for incoming municipal officers and decertifies officers who have been found guilty of felonies and certain misdemeanors.

The role of the Commission and the requirements it has established is central to ensuring that municipal police departments across the state operate under the same rules for hiring officers.

State police in Pennsylvania are governed by separate standards.

The majority of municipal police departments are small to medium sized. Of the more than 1,100 municipal police departments, 739 employ six to 30 officers. Murray said it is imperative that all officers start with an equal footing.

"Contrary to some peoples' beliefs, it's not about writing tickets," he said. "More importantly, it's dealing with stressful situations and having a successful outcome."

"Law enforcement is also about dealing with the public, especially your residents and making sure you can respond correctly and positively

to their concerns. Police work is a stressful job, and if we can afford the officers of the state some positive training to deal with those situations, it's a win-win for everyone."

Murray knows firsthand about training officers. He has been an instructor at the Delaware County Community College's Police Academy and is an adjunct instructor at Alvernia College in Reading and has taught at Rutgers University's Camden campus.

Murray was appointed Willistown Township Manager in 2003. He will begin his duties as a member of the Training Commission in September by attending one of the Commission's four annual meetings. Topics that may be discussed include the introduction of online training classes.

In addition to 750 hours of training in the state's crimes and vehicle codes, municipal officers also must attend 40 hours of refresher courses each year, Murray said.

"There is much more required training and mandated hours than when I started," he said.

Born in southern Chester County and raised in East Whiteland, Murray



*Congratulations to Hugh, who is celebrating 40 years of service to Willistown Township on October 31. Hugh has the honor of being the longest serving employee to the Township.*

graduated from Great Valley High School in 1964 and served in the U.S. Air Force for five years before beginning his career in Willistown.

He was promoted to sergeant in 1981 and lieutenant in 1990 before becoming police chief in 1998.

Murray has extensive police-related schooling as well as degrees from Delaware County Community College and West Chester State College. He also has a master's degree in public administration from West Chester University.

He has two children, Hugh Jr., who is serving with the U.S. Army, and Carolyn.

He and his wife, Ginny, reside in the West Chester area. ■

(This article appeared in the *Daily Local News* and was reprinted with their permission)

## Willistown Township's Burning Ordinance Was Amended on August 22, 2009

Essentially, the burning of any material on one's own property or any land in the Township is no longer permitted. A summary of the most important sections of the Township's burning ordinance follows. The entire ordinance in its "legalese" is available at [www.willistown.pa.us](http://www.willistown.pa.us) under the Township Code section (see Chapter 69 in table of contents).

### Section 1. 61-9 Waste Material

It shall be unlawful for any person to burn or cause to be burned any material upon any land in Willistown Township, including the following: household trash, books, magazines, newspapers, cardboard, any item or material required to be recycled in Willistown Township under Pennsylvania Act 101, yard waste, leaves, scrap lumber, vegetation, plywood, drywall, plastic products, insulation materials, upholstered furniture, garbage, dead animals, human and animal excrement, human and animal hair, rubber products, tires, hydrocarbon products, flammable liquids, asphalt or tar shingles, roofing materials, bedding foam, rubber, nylon, rayon, cotton, wool, polyester, other synthetic material, insulation from copper or other wiring, solid waste, and/or construction waste as defined by the Pennsylvania Solid Waste Management Act and 25 PA Code 271.1.

### Section 2. Section 62-9 Brush or Wood

It shall be unlawful for any person to burn or cause to be burned on one's own premises brush or wood outside on any land in Willistown Township except where fire or burning operations result from:

- A. Any fire set for the purpose of training and instructing authorized personnel in fire fighting

and training of persons in the use of portable fire extinguishers. A permit is required as a prerequisite to any burning under this subsection.

- B. Any fire set for the prevention and control of disease or pests when approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP).

- C. Any fire solely for organized recreational or ceremonial purposes.

- D. Any fire set in conjunction with the production of agricultural commodities or for agricultural management and conservation practices and protection, and provided that burning is located at least one hundred (100) feet from any building or structure. Materials burned must originate from the same property with burning permitted only from 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM on Saturday or Sunday with no burning or smoldering to occur outside those hours.

Violations and penalties remain as codified in 1986: up to a \$300.00 fine and prosecution costs if convicted before a District Judge of violating the terms of the Township's Burning Ordinance.

### Reason for Change in Ordinance

It is illegal in the state of Pennsylvania to dispose of material that is recyclable by burning it. Yard waste includes leaves, brush, tree limbs/branches, bushes, tree trunks and other vegetation, all of which may be recycled, i.e., composted, therefore is not to be burned. For many years, PADEP has encouraged townships to follow state regulations prohibiting the burning of yard waste. Many townships, including Willistown, limited what could be burned during specific hours and within other guidelines. Beginning in 2009, however, PADEP indicated it would be necessary for

Willistown and other townships either to adopt a no-burning ordinance or to forfeit an already approved grant due the townships in 2009 and all future recycling grant monies. Because the annual recycling grant money received from PADEP is substantial, about \$30,000-\$35,000, and because we wish to follow state regulations as a responsible municipality should, the decision was made to adopt a no burning ordinance.

At the same time, Willistown has also begun providing, at no charge to residents, a drop-off brush/limb/branch chipping program. The first event was held on October 10. The Township intends to continue this "chipping event" and will inform residents via the *Towne Crier* of future times and locations. (This copy was written prior to October 10 so we do not have any information about the pros and cons of the event.)

Additionally, all waste and recycling haulers serving Willistown are required to provide at least two curbside pick-ups of leaves in biodegradable bags annually. If you live in a townhome/condominium community, please contact your hauler directly or through your Homeowner Association to obtain the LEAF (only) pick-up dates.

PADEP's goal is to reduce the volume of yard waste being deposited in landfills; it is one of the main reasons landfills are filling up! Finding new 400-500-acre sites for landfills is not a simple matter and usually results in having to place them in remote, rural areas. The farther away they are located from populated areas, the higher the cost to all users in time, fuel, and wear on trucks. The extra benefit to recycling yard waste is that when composted and returned to the soil, it improves the soil considerably. ■



## Willistown: An Artist's Muse The Work of Peter Schaumann

It was the late 1960's and Peter Schaumann grabbed his artist's portfolio and headed to the Big Apple. After graduating from Philadelphia College of the Arts (present day University of the Arts), he was on his way to a very successful career in illustration.

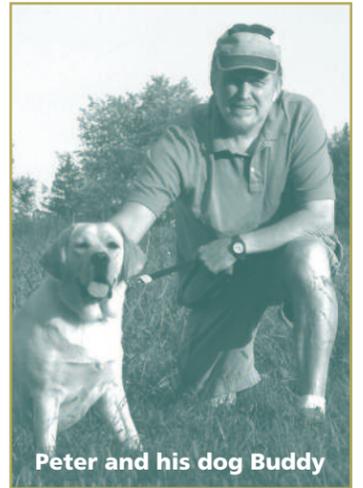
Perhaps you remember the musical group The Doors? Peter illustrated the inside foldout of the album "The Soft Parade." Other notable clients include Simon and Schuster Publishing, Evenflo Company, and Rolling Stone Magazine for which he did a combined portrait of Paul McCartney and Carly Simon.

These days Peter's life is perhaps less "rock and roll", but much more fulfilling on a personal level. He has turned his focus towards fine art, specifically portraiture and landscapes. His medium is oil paint; the technique he uses is "alla prima", a classical style favored between 1890–World War I. In this style, paint is applied and moved around in thick wet layers, giving an overall impressionistic appeal. Strictly defined, an alla prima painting is started and finished in one painting session resulting in a painting alive with gesture and movement. Examples of this style are seen in the works of John Singer Sargent and Jacquin Sorolla.

Four years ago, Peter and his family moved to Newtown Square where he set up shop. Although he has lived in other enchanting locales (Santa Fe, New Mexico, for instance), he has found his true home in Willistown Township. "We love it here—it's a great place to live. We're here to stay." He loves the natural beauty that the area offers and the Township's dedication to maintaining open space. He gives back by donating to The Willistown

Conservation Trust. He also loves living in a region steeped in history and where art and culture can be easily accessed. "And", he adds, "Willistown is in a great school district!"

Although portraiture is now Peter's main source of income, Willistown's pastoral landscapes are his muse. He especially takes inspiration from Okehocking and Kirkwood Preserves. He and his dog, Buddy, take to the rolling hills and scout out sites for a painting, taking in account composition, color, and light. Through visual memory, photography, and sketches, Peter develops preliminary studies in oil back at his studio. He then moves on to the larger scale painting.



Peter and his dog Buddy

"To me, light is the most important element in a painting. The best months for the clarity of natural light in this geographical region are September, May, and October. I love the transformative nature of light; timeless and metaphysical."

The play of dappled light, the expansive sky, the wind-swept grasses—all reminders of the timeless beauty that Willistown provides—and all captured in Peter Schaumann's paintings. In a busy world, Peter's creations provide a calm and peaceful reprieve. ■

Visit [www.schaumannstudio.com](http://www.schaumannstudio.com) to see Peter's work in color!



Above: Woods, Garrett Mill Road  
Left: Landscape, Okehocking

**Peter does not keep his talents to himself. He has taught at his alma mater and Moore College of Art. He has also taught an adult portrait class in the "alla prima" style at the Wayne Art Center and is currently doing workshops and lectures. He is hoping to teach a plein aire (painting "in the open air") workshop in one of Willistown's parks — check his website [www.schaumannstudio.com](http://www.schaumannstudio.com) for updates—and to see more of his beautiful work.**

### Help Keep Willistown Beautiful!

#### Volunteer for the Willistown Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC)

In 1973 the Pennsylvania Legislature passed an act that authorized Townships to establish local Environmental Advisory Councils (EAC) to advise local governmental agencies on matters pertaining to the protection, conservation, management, promotion, and use of natural resources (air, land, and water) within their jurisdiction. Willistown established its EAC in 1977 with the Board of Supervisors appointing seven Township residents to serve on the Council.

The work of the EAC can range from identifying environmental problems, to recommending plans and programs that will promote and conserve the natural resources while protecting and improving the quality of the environment, to advising appropriate agencies with respect to property acquisitions that promote conservation, and to identifying unique natural areas within the Township.

**If this environmental work appeals to you, please plan to attend the monthly meetings of the Willistown Township EAC. The Council meets the first Thursday of the month at 7 PM at the Township Building.** Residents should also feel free to contact the EAC Chair Carol Palmaccio at [palmaccio2008@comcast.net](mailto:palmaccio2008@comcast.net) with questions. ■



# COMMUNITY EVENTS

## Election Day

Tuesday, November 3 • 7 AM–8 PM

### CANDIDATES

The names listed are as they will appear on your ballot. All registered voters may vote for candidates of their choice in a general election regardless of the party in which they are registered. Number of candidates you can vote for in each office is denoted by number in parenthesis after the office.

Democrat	Republican	Libertarian
<b>PA Supreme Court Justice (1)</b>		
Jack Panella	Joan Orié Melvin	–
<b>PA Superior Court (4)</b>		
Robert Colville	Judy Olson	Marakay J. Rogers
Kevin McCarthy	Sallie Mundy	–
Anne Lazarus	Temp Smith	–
Teresa Sarmina	Paula Ott	–
<b>PA Commonwealth Court (2)</b>		
Barbara B. Ernsberger	Patricia McCullough	–
Linda Judson	Kevin Brobson	–

### CHESTER COUNTY ROW OFFICES

<b>Treasurer (1)</b>		
Barbara Kipp Stone	Ann Duke	–
<b>Controller (1)</b>		
Jim Reilly	Val DiGiorgio	–
<b>Clerk of Courts (1)</b>		
Mike McGann	Frank McElwaine	–
<b>Coroner (1)</b>		
Megan Lynott	Dr. Steve Dickter	–
<b>Jury Commissioner (1)</b>		
Martha Smith	Mimi Sack	–

### GREAT VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

<b>Region II (1)</b>		
Vernon "Butch" Beals	Andrew Daga	–
<b>Region III (1)</b>		
Andrea Lynch	Sally Cummings	–
<b>Region III (1)</b>		
Daniel DiSanto	Philip Foret	–

Democrat	Republican	Libertarian
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### WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP OFFICES

<b>Township Supervisor (1)</b>		
Chris Coccia	William Shoemaker	–
<b>Tax Collector (1)</b>		
–	Charles Guernsey	–
<b>Auditor (1)</b>		
–	J. Michael Devine	–
<b>Constable (1)</b>		
–	Norman Macqueen	–
<b>Judge of Elections - North I (1)</b> (Write in one name only)		
<b>Inspector of Elections - North I (1)</b>		
–	Robert Macchione	–
<b>Judge of Elections - North II (1)</b>		
–	Murray Mullins	–
<b>Inspector of Elections - North II (1)</b>		
Ellen O'Shea	–	–
<b>Judge of Elections - North III (1)</b> (Write in one name only)		
<b>Inspector of Elections - North III (1)</b>		
–	Barry Jones	–
<b>Judge of Elections - North IV (1)</b> (Write in one name only)		
<b>Inspector of Elections - North IV (1)</b>		
–	Charlotte Corrigan	–
<b>Judge of Elections - North V (1)</b> (Write in one name only)		
<b>Inspector of Elections - North V (1)</b> (Write in one name only)		
<b>Judge of Elections - North VI (1)</b>		
–	E. Jansen Wendell	–
<b>Inspector of Elections - North VI (1)</b>		
Sally Ann Garner Fritzon	–	–
<b>Judge of Elections - South I (1)</b>		
Donald Cairns	–	–
<b>Inspector of Elections - South I (1)</b>		
–	Barbara Witt	–
<b>Judge of Elections - South II (1)</b> (Write in one name only)		
<b>Inspector of Elections - South II (1)</b>		
–	Carl A. Rogers	–
<b>Judge of Elections - South III (1)</b>		
–	William Harrigan	–

### RESOLUTIONS (Yes or No)

- To retain Judge of the Superior Court Kate Ford Elliott for another term.
- To retain Judge of the Commonwealth Court Dan Pellegrini for another term.
- To retain Judge William Mahon of the Court of Common Pleas for another term.
- To retain Judge Robert Shenkin of the Court of Common Pleas for another term.

## Check it Out! (At the Library)



### Malvern Public Library

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

Monday–Wednesday: 9 AM–9 PM; Thursday: 9 AM–8 PM;  
Friday: 9 AM–5 PM; Saturday: 9 AM–4 PM; Sunday: Closed

**Malvern's library is so much more.** In addition to the lending service, there are special interest groups (storytimes require registrations; adult groups do not) or you can bring your laptop and take advantage of our wireless internet access or use one of the Library's PCs to access the internet.

**Adult Book Group** – 2nd Tuesday of the month from 10–11 AM. Books they have read this fall: *The 19th Wife* by David Ebershoff and *Sarah's Key* by Tatiana de Rosnay.

**Woolgatherers: A Knitting Group** – 1st and 3rd Monday of the month from 6:45–8:45 PM. We share ideas, resources, and conversation while knitting.

**Conversations, with Poetry** – 4th Monday of the month from 4–5:30 PM. This group is led by poet Sandy VanDoren, who has been writing poetry for 20 years. Sandy was the chair of the trustees of the Pennsylvania Poetry Society and has served on the board of the West Chester University Poetry Center. Her

writings have appeared in various journals, and she has published a book of poems. One month the group looked at poetry from the Old Testament and listened to Western music inspired by it, and another time, the poems of Philip Larken, a mid-20th century British poet, and of James Merrill, an American poet of the same time period, were read and discussed.

**Storytimes:** Six years old and under—mornings, afternoon, and evenings, Mondays–Thursdays from 30–45 minutes depending upon the age group. Contact the library for specifics times and to register.

Support both the library and a local artist while developing your holiday gift list. From now until January, the artwork of Melinda Breecker will be exhibited and for sale at the library. The library receives a portion of the sale price. This exhibit is sponsored by *Art by Ten*. A thank you to Ms. Breecker for her generosity!

Stay current on library events by going to [www.ccls.org/calendar.php](http://www.ccls.org/calendar.php).

### Paoli Library

18 Darby Road, Paoli (in the back of the Wachovia Bank building)  
Phone: 610-296-7996

Monday–Thursday: 9:30 AM–8 PM; Friday: 9:30 AM–6 PM;  
Saturday: 9:30 AM–4 PM; Sundays: Closed

**There's something for everyone at the biggest little library around.** We are proud to be able to offer services and programs—most at no cost—to enhance and improve the lives of Willistowners during this economic downturn, just as we have for the past 100 years. That's right—100 years! A Century of Reading: Paoli Library 1910–2010 events will occur throughout the 2010, and will be highlighted by an ice cream social on June 19 at Paoli Presbyterian Church's chapel, which was the library's first home! Meanwhile, enjoy the following programs and services, day in and day out:

#### Children's Programs

- Morning Storytimes – Tuesdays and Thursdays for babies thru preschool
- Family Activities – Book Bingo, Family Movie Nights
- Spooky Storytelling and Campfire Cookout, Oct. 30

- Winter Fireside Stories and Sing-a-Long, Dec. 4

#### Adult Programs

- Mystery Book Club
- Classics Book Discussion Group
- Classes in English for speakers of other languages – Partner organization is the Volunteer English Program

#### Services

- Public computers
- Free Wi-Fi
- Newspapers, magazines, best-sellers, and databases unique to libraries
- Inexpensive rentals for DVDs and audio books

Intrigued? We knew you would be. Check out [www.tredyffrinlibraries.org](http://www.tredyffrinlibraries.org) for information for any of these programs; to register call the library: 610-296-7996.



# COMMUNITY EVENTS

## Sixth Annual Coat Collection

By Cub Scout Packs 71 and 98

November 13–December 14

For the sixth consecutive year, it's time to recycle those old outerwear coats that are in great shape and that you are no longer wearing. You know, the ones that just hang in your closet or are in a storage chest from one year to the next and never get used. There will be many people who are in need of outerwear coats this winter, and you can help them by donating as many as you can gather. They must be in GOOD CONDITION and CLEAN, used or new, and outerwear coats only. To repeat—COATS ONLY!

**Drop-Off Period:** Friday, November 13–Monday, December 14, 2009

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

- Malvern Public Library  
First & Warren Avenues, Malvern
- Paoli Public Library  
Rear entrance to Wachovia Bank,  
Lancaster Avenue, Paoli
- Paoli United Methodist Church  
81 Devon Rd., Paoli
- General Wayne Elementary School (lobby)  
Devon & Grubb Roads, Malvern
- Sugartown Elementary School  
Sugartown and School Roads, Malvern

- Willistown Towne Hall  
688 Sugartown Road, Malvern

NOTE: Towne Hall is open for drop-off from 8 AM–12 noon and from 1–4 PM, Monday through Friday.

**Remember**—the cutoff date for this program is December 14, after which bins will no longer be available for drop-offs.

All coats will be given to a mission outreach program for distribution at no cost to anyone in need. Anyone. Free! In our first five years, we've collected and donated more than 2,000 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 Packs 71 and 98 have volunteered to coordinate this program, as they have done so successfully in previous years. Thank you, Cub Scouts! And thank you Alice Heiman-Dowd, who has coordinated and supervised this community service program of the Cub Scouts for many years. Questions about this program may be directed to Jim Tate, Chairman of Willistown Recycling Committee, 610-647-7361. ■

## Malvern's Victorian Christmas

Friday, December 4

6:15–9 PM

Saturday, December 5

10 AM–2 PM

Don't miss the Malvern Borough's 2009 Victorian Christmas! The celebration begins on Friday night at 6:15 with the lighting of Malvern's Town Tree in Burke Park. Following the tree lighting, there will be musical performances throughout the town, strolling street performers, children's shows, horse and carriage rides, a hay ride, and more! Shops will be open and many will host open houses with refreshments.



Santa Claus will hear the wishes of all children in the pavilion at Burke Park on Friday. Saturday brings more festivities and holiday workshops—some require advanced registration.

For complete information, visit [www.malvernvictorianchristmas.org](http://www.malvernvictorianchristmas.org). ■



# POLICE UPDATE

## From the Chief



By the time you receive this newsletter, football season is in full swing and hopefully the Phils are making a run at the Championship.

At this point you are thinking what does this have to do with police work? The answer is, please celebrate responsibly. We have had the occasion of meeting the driver who has left a party and has had too much to drink. Designate a driver if you are going to drink.

Halloween is right around the corner. Please report suspicious activity and remember to have your children wear reflective items so they can be seen by motorists. Have your children carry a flashlight and remind them to stay off the roadway. I know from experience (having children of my own) that they dart from house to house. Please have them travel in groups with adult supervision.

I am entering my 26th year of Law Enforcement work and my 20th year with the Willistown Police Department. When I first arrived at Willistown, I noticed the great relationship the residents and the police department shared. Through my 20 years, you have always been very supportive of your police department. I have met a lot of great people who either know me through the Department or by coaching baseball and football. We thank you for your support and we are working very hard to keep Willistown safe. I would also like to thank our Board of Supervisors for their support. Our current Board of Bill Shoemaker, Norman MacQueen and Bob Lange have been outstanding to work with and have all of our interests at heart.

*John M. Narcise*

Chief of Police

## Vehicle Safety Refresher Tips

### ■ School Buses

School is back in session and that means increased traffic volume including school buses. Here are a few things to remember:

When approaching a stopped school bus with its red lights flashing, you must stop at least ten (10) feet away from the bus and remain so until the flashing red lights are turned off and the stop arm has been withdrawn. The only time you are not required to stop is when you are approaching a stopped bus traveling in the opposite direction on a highway divided by a physical feature such as a grass divider or concrete median. Painted lines do not divide a highway. For example, if a school bus were stopped eastbound on Lancaster Avenue at Central Avenue, westbound traffic on Lancaster Avenue would not be required to stop; however, a school bus stopped at Lancaster Avenue and Woodview Way requires all traffic to stop in both directions. A violation of this law will result in a \$250 fine, five points on your driving record, and a 60-day suspension of your operator's license.

### ■ School Zones

School zones are another consideration. These are the flashing amber signs that you see around the schools. These signs flash during student drop-off and pick-up times. When the lights are activated, the speed limit around the school is 15 MPH.

When the school zone is not active, the speed limit reverts back to the posted sign. If the road is not posted and you are in a residential district (neighborhood, homes close to the street), the maximum limit is 35 MPH. A non-posted urban district is 45 MPH.

Keep in mind these laws are in place for the safety of our children!

### ■ Non-working Traffic Signal

Would you know what to do if you came to an intersection that is controlled by a traffic signal and the power was out? You would treat the intersection as if it were a 4-way stop. This means that all the intersections along Lancaster Avenue would become 4-way stops. And, if you and another motorist came to an intersection at the same time, the motorist to the right has the right of way.

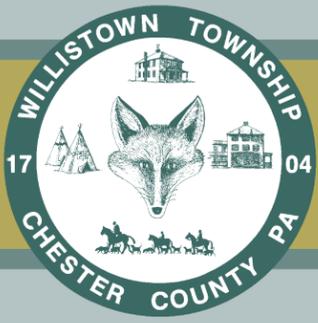
### ■ Headlight Requirements

Please remember that if the weather conditions require the use of your windshield wipers, you are required to turn on your headlights, no matter what time of day.

### ■ Driving by Emergency Situations

There is a Pennsylvania Law which requires all motorists to move over or slow down when they encounter a police traffic stop, disabled vehicle, or a tow truck assisting at a scene. You must move to a lane that is not adjacent to the emergency scene. If you cannot move over due to traffic volume or oncoming traffic, you must reduce your speed enough so that you would be able to stop suddenly if someone or something were to come into your lane. Failure to move over or slow down can result in a fine up to \$250 and a possible 90-day suspension of your driver's license.

Remember to drive on the roadway as you would expect someone to drive through your neighborhood. As always, wear your seat belt.



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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### November 1

Family Fall Fest  
Sugartown Garden, 1-4 PM

### November 3

Election Day  
7 AM-8 PM

### November 4

CRC Annual Awards Dinner  
White Manor Country Club, 6 PM

### November 11

Township Comprehensive Plan  
Public Meeting  
General Wayne Elementary School  
7:30 PM

### November 13-December 14

Sixth Annual Coat Collection  
See page 9 for locations.

### December 4, 6:15-9 PM

### December 5, 10 AM-2 PM

Malvern's Victorian Christmas  
Malvern Borough

### First Thursday of the Month

Willistown Township EAC Meetings  
Township Building, 7 PM



For Malvern and  
Paoli Library activities,  
see page 8.



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# Willistown's Rich History CELEBRATED

*Acres of Quakers*, the 300th anniversary history of Willistown Township written and compiled by John Nagy and Penny Goulding and underwritten by the township, contains over 700 pages of information devoted to the history, architecture, culture, transportation, and genealogy of Willistown and more than 500 historic and contemporary photographs. The buildings indicated on the *Breou Farm Atlas* of 1883 (some no longer standing) are included in this volume. This handsome, hardcover book is now available at the following locations:

- The Chester County Book & Music Co.
- The Artful Framer
- Chester County Historical Society
- Willistown Township Building

Mail order slips are also available on the Willistown website at [www.willistown.pa.us](http://www.willistown.pa.us). The price of the book is \$195.00. PA sales tax is \$11.70 per book and shipping & handling is \$6.00 per book. ■

