

WILKINS TOWNSHIP

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COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Wilkins Township Summer Festival



A huge thank you goes out to all the people who came out and made Summer Festival the success it was. On Tuesday opening night the festival went on even with the threat of rain. Wednesday evening was a different story. The weather forecasters stated that we would be hit with a very bad storm but they did not predict the funnel cloud that came through, tore down the vendor booths and sent the residents running for cover.

Wilkins Township Recreation Advisory Board would like to take this opportunity to thank some very special people who helped make sure that everyone was safe. Commissioner Joe Costa got everyone out of the vendor booths and under the big tent right before they collapsed. Mr. Costa assisted our Police Department by staying at the site of the Summer Festival to ensure that all was safe so our Police Department could be out helping our community in need during the flood.

Thanks to all of our Volunteer Fire Departments #1, #3, and #4, for their continued support not only to the Recreation Advisory Board but also for their endless hours of dedication to our community during the flood.

Thanks to Paul Vargo and his road crew for their help not only with the flood but also with setting up and dealing with all the rain especially when the vendor booths kept collapsing. They were a big part of ensuring everything ran smooth. To all the food vendors for all the different foods and treats. There was something for everyone! We would also like to thank Frankie Day from 770 KFB oldies radio for donating his time on Friday and Saturday night and being the master of ceremonies.



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Back to School Checklist

Motorists – School Bus Safety:

The driver of a vehicle meeting or overtaking any school bus stopped on a highway or traffic way shall stop at least ten feet before reaching a school bus when the red signal lights on the school bus are flashing and the side stop signal arms are activated. The driver shall not proceed until the flashing red signal lights are no longer activated. In no event shall a driver of a vehicle resume motion of the vehicle until the school children who may have alighted from the school bus have reached a place of safety. The driver of a vehicle approaching an intersection at which a school bus is stopped shall stop his/her vehicle at that intersection until the flashing red signal lights are no longer activated.

Any person who violates these laws commits a summary offense and shall upon conviction be sentenced to pay a fine of \$250.00.

Remember to:

Drive slowly and cautiously, obey all traffic laws and signs. Be alert for children walking to bus stops and schools. Do not pass school buses when moving or stopped. Pay attention to buses' emergency lighting when loading and unloading children.

Safety Skills for Your Children –

To and From School:

Rehearse your children's full name, address and phone number with them.

Teach your children how to make emergency phone calls from home, cell phones and public phones.

Show your children safe places that they can go in an emergency – like a neighbor's house, an open business or a store.

Make sure your children are taking the safest route to school, bus stops and to friend's houses.

Encourage your children to walk with friends – not alone –



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Wilkins Township Summer Festival 2009

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What can I say, what a guy! Thanks to all the great bands that got to play. Thanks to Tropical Amusements for all the neat rides and games for all to have fun. Thanks to Beth Humberston for overseeing the annual car cruise. Next years will be even bigger!

Thank you to our Police department along with the Sheriffs department for making all feel safe. Their presence was very much noticed and appreciated. A Thank you goes out to Rebecca Bradley our Township manager for all of her continued support and input for helping make Summer Festival a success. A Huge Thanks to Mr. John King of LG Realty along with Mr. Barry Layton for donating the use of the lot behind Sears so we could have Summer Festival and the lot behind building 7 on Saturday for the Fire Truck Cruise; and Mr. Mike McWilliams of Pittsburgh East Nissan for his donation of the beautiful fireworks display from Pyrotecnico. They were just amazing as they lit up the sky.



Last but not least, thanks to our local business and all the people who donated to or had a part in this years Summer Festival. Your support is vital as a community and to the Recreation Advisory Board. Thanks to the Commissioners of Wilkins Township for their support and help with the aid of our flood victims. The Recreation Advisory Board is already working on Summer Festival 2010 and we plan on making it bigger and better yet. See you next year. ■

Joy Voeltzel (Secretary Recreation Advisory Board)

WILKINS TOWNSHIP BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

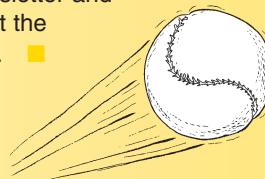
Congratulations to all of the players, parents, and coaches this season. It was a success due to the efforts of lots of folks and we appreciate everyone's efforts.

We would like to thank our team sponsors: Patrick T. Lanigan Funeral Home, Wilkins Twp. Shop-N-Save, The Prestogeorge Coffee Company, Johnny Mock Auto Body, Mele Site Development, and State Representative Paul Costa.

Also, a special thanks goes to the volunteers who worked the drink booth at the Summer Festival. We raised over \$ 2,000. for the program. We would like to thank Wilkins Twp. Shop-N-Save for

supplying our soft drinks and water, Turner's Dairy for the Iced Tea, and the Sunoco Gas station on Route 22 for donating the ice. Lastly, we thank all of you in the Township for patronizing our booth. The proceeds will be put to good use in the program, making an affordable, safe environment for boys and girls to learn and play baseball and softball. Keep an eye out for sign ups next year. They will take place some time in February. Dates and times will be in the next newsletter and will be available at the Municipal Building. ■

Wilkins Twp.
Baseball Board



Back to School Check List

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and to stay in well-traveled and open areas where others can see them.

Teach your children to walk confidently and stay alert to what is going on around them.

Encourage your children to lookout for other children's safety and to tell you or an adult anything they see that does not seem right.

Tell your children to never accept a gift or a ride from someone that they do not know well.

Teach your children to go to someone they can trust for help – a police officer, school crossing guard, neighbor, family friends or family members.

When walking to a bus stop or to school, tell children to walk off to the side of the road facing on-coming traffic and to stay alert at all times for on-coming vehicles.

When at a bus stop, teach your children to stay as far as possible off of the roadway and to be alert to passing traffic.

When loading on and off a bus, teach your children to pay attention to any moving vehicles on the roadway.

Safety Skills for Your Children – When your Child Arrives Home from School:

Make sure your children can reach you or a trusted family member or friend by telephone at work, if needed.

Have your children check in with you or a neighbor when they get home from school.

Work out an escape plan at home with your children in the event of a fire or other emergency.

Teach your children to never open the door to a stranger.

Caution your children about answering the phone and accidentally letting a stranger know they are home alone.

Make sure your children know how to work the door and window locks and that they use them when they are inside the house alone.

Always let your children know to dial 911 if there is an emergency or they need help.

Safety & Security is Everyone's Responsibility!
Let's Have a Happy and Safe School Year! ■

Wilkins Township Craft Show



The Recreation Advisory Board is hosting its first ever Craft Show on Saturday November 7th at 10 am. Come and see all of the neat ideas for your holiday shopping and gift giving.

We are looking for crafters with special talents or residents that may have their own business like Avon, Tupperware, Candlelight, Pampered Chef, etc.

If you have any questions or are interested in renting a table, please feel free to contact me at joyvoeltzel@yahoo.com. ■

What's Going On? What's Going On? What's Going On?



June 17th Flood:

On June 17, 2009, the National Weather Service in Pittsburgh reported that Wilkins Township received four inches of rain within an hour and one-half. This torrent of water caused extensive flooding in Wilkins – especially along Thompson Run (Larimer Avenue), Chalfant Run (Lower Rodi Road) and Saw Mill Run (Brown Avenue, Ivy and Wilbur Street). The Township's estimates of infrastructure damage are currently \$2.1 million. As of the writing of this article, the Township is awaiting a final determination from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for funding. If FEMA determines that affected municipalities have reached the financial threshold for the declaration of a disaster, then funding will be made available to make repairs to the Township's infrastructure.

In addition to seeking disaster relief assistance from FEMA, the Township Board of Commissioners recently submitted a letter of intent to the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), requesting that a feasibility study be prepared to determine what flood hazard mitigation steps should be taken in the Chalfant and Saw Mill Run channels. If approved, USACE will provide \$100,000 for the study. Implementation of recommendations must be completed within three years and may cost up to \$7,000,000, with the Township's required share 35% of the total cost.

The Township applied for and received an emergency permit through the Department of Environmental Protection to remove two large sediment bars from Chalfant Run. Allegheny County has agreed to provide the Township with large dump trucks at no cost. Debris removal has



been and will continue to occur over the next several months. Residents can help protect their properties by making sure that downspouts are not connected to sanitary lines and that sanitary laterals are free from breaks. Water infiltrating the Township's sanitary sewers from these two sources can cause basement flooding in homes not protected by backflow preventers. In addition, residents who install rain barrels help to alleviate storm water run-off. Although a relatively new concept, rain barrels not only conserve water, but also can be home-made at a low cost and add an attractive landscaping feature. Finally, residents should never place grass, vegetation or liquid waste products into catch basins. Catch basins which become clogged due to the introduction of solid matter will cause localized flooding in a moderate rain storm. Introducing liquid products, such as oil or gas to a catch basin pollutes our water resources and is prohibited by the Township.

Greenhouse Gas Emissions Grant:

Wilkins Township, along with the Borough of Forest Hills and the Municipality of Penn Hills were recently awarded \$47,000 by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection to determine what each respective municipality's carbon footprint is and how each municipality can reduce that footprint while at the same time, reducing energy costs. The municipalities are working in cooperation with Duquesne University on this project and expect that it will be completed by the summer of 2010. It is the Township's intention to seek future grant dollars to implement the recommendations of this study through the Department of Environmental Protection Growing Greener Grant Program.

Lions Park Master Site Plan:

The Township of Wilkins received a \$25,000 grant through the Community Development Block Grant Fund to hire a consultant to undertake a study of Lions Park. Issues which will be reviewed include: constructing an alternate access road, reviewing additional land acquisitions, reviewing current amenities and working with the

public to determine whether or not new amenities – such as an expanded walking trail – are warranted. The Board of Commissioners recently awarded this project to HRG, Inc. Representatives of HRG plan to hold public meetings and also to mail surveys to the residents of the community seeking public input. The Board would love to see you at a meeting and welcomes your response to the survey!

Funding to implement the recommendations of this study will be sought through the Department of Natural Resources in the spring of 2010. ■



We know our name frightens many but this is what we are truly about.

We are a group of women (of all ages) dedicated to serving the community in every way we can. We send baskets of cheer to residents who need a pick-me-up. We donate time and money and cookies to our friends at the V.A. Hospitals. We sponsor the newspaper recycling, Clean-up, and the Memorial Day Ceremony in the Township. We started and continue to contribute to the Wilkins Township Disaster Relief. We are ardent supporters of each of our fire departments and our local meals on wheels as well as many other charities which touch our residents.

We do all of this with the money we raise during Summer Festival, our annual spaghetti dinner and our election day bake sales.

We meet the second Tuesday of each month at the Wilkins Township Community Center and have lively meetings with interesting programs.

We do all of this and have fun doing it together.

If you are interested in helping your community, please join us at 7 PM on the second Tuesday of any month. ■

Community Center Grand Opening



The Recreation Advisory Board hosted the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Wilkins Township Community Center that was held on May 6 2009. It was great to see the support from the residents, local business owners and organizations that were able to attend. A huge Thank you goes out to Kuhn's Market who donated the beautiful cake. Thanks to Commissioners Bill Wilson, Joe Costa and Paul Padula who officially opened the center. A

million thanks goes out to Paul Vargo and our road crew for their hard work and talents for this beautiful building for all to share. The Recreation Advisory Board would like to take this time to thank everyone that had their hand in making this community center possible. ■

Public Works Notes

The 2009 Leaf Collection Program is scheduled to begin on October 19th. A complete schedule is included in this issue of the newsletter. If you do not receive one, please call 412-824-6650 ext.10 for a copy. In addition to the scheduled pick ups, residents are free to deposit leaves and yard waste at the Linhart Park Compost Facility at any time of the year. The facility is open 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM daily.

The Compost Facility is maintained by the Township and is located behind the ball field at Linhart Park. There is a large "pile" of composted leaves from last year. It is very nice material and you are free to use it at no charge. Please note that this is limited to resident's use at their homes only and is not available to contractors and landscapers for commercial use or resale.

Beginning in the fall, Township workers will once again be cleaning and video inspecting sewer lines throughout the Township. They do carry identification and are required to show it if asked. During the course of the sewer work we are finding a number of manholes in yards that have been covered over by property owners. This practice is not permitted. You should be aware that when these are found they will be uncovered and/or raised to the

existing grade. *As a reminder, Township workers have no need to enter homes to do this work, should someone want to enter your home using the pretext of working for the Township, you should notify 911 immediately.* The new Township Community Center has been completed and is now open. It has two meeting rooms, kitchen facilities and restrooms. A play area is being constructed in the rear and should be completed soon. The Center is already being used by the Senior Citizens, Women's Club and the Recreation Board. The Board of Commissioners is currently reviewing regulations for the use of the Center by the residents who wish to rent the facility. We would like to extend our appreciation and thanks to State Senator Jay Costa, State Representative Paul Costa and the Wilkins Area Industrial Development Authority who provided the funding for the renovation. Because of their help we were able to complete the Community Center without the expenditure of any Township funds.

Once again you may obtain firewood when available. When we are cutting trees we have been placing the wood in the lot across from the Community Center. There is no cost and is for the use of Township residents only.

With the start of the school year, please watch for children walking to bus stops and obey all laws concerning school buses. ■

Wilkins Township Volunteer Fire Company # 1 News



The Wilkins Township Volunteer Fire Company #1 would like to thank all Wilkins Township citizens for their continued support in 2009. Fundraising efforts are still ongoing, and we appreciate any donations that you can give. Your donations help us maintain and purchase the necessary equipment to protect and serve Wilkins Township. Wilkins Township VFC # 1 would also like to thank all of the Wilkins Fire Departments, Wilkins Police, Wilkins DPW, citizens and business owners who spent countless hours with the clean up from the flooding during the week of June 17th, and the weeks after. Everyone's help was appreciated in this matter! We would also like to thank Renton VFC of Plum Boro, Churchill VFD, Forest Hills VFD, Chalfant VFD and North Braddock VFD for their support and help during the flood.

UP COMING EVENTS

**** Please note our annual open house will be October 6, 2009 @ 6:30 pm****
Our annual Fire Safety Calendar will be distributed around the last week of September. Please support the local businesses on our calendar. Without them we wouldn't be able to make it possible to have this wonderful fire safety program.

Luminary Sales Begin November 1st Call 412-829-0530 to place your luminary order.

Wilkins/Churchill Rotary Annual Pancake Breakfast will be held on November 8, 2009, at the Woodland Hills High School. Proceeds benefit the Wilkins Township and Churchill Fire Departments. Tickets are \$6 for an adult and children are \$ 3. Call 412-829-0530 to purchase your tickets.

Santa will be traveling through the Wilkins # 1 District on Saturday December 12, 2009. Look for the flyers to find the times Santa will be in your area.

Please Help Today and Donate!
Wilkins Township VFC # 1 United Way Designated Agency Code is 1396 ■



FIRE CO. No.4

Wilkins VFC #4 recently replaced our 25-year-old pumper truck with a new engine capable of pumping 2,000 gallons per minute of water or compressed air foam. It incorporates state-of-the-art technologies such as a 10 Kw hydraulic generator, and a 3,600 watt light tower to illuminate fire scenes.



- Wilkins VFC #4's new pumper truck

The new truck's advanced features enhance our ability to protect the township's revenue-generating businesses and industrial facilities, schools, high-rises, homes and apartments, assist our first-alarm mutual aid communities, and support

EMS, police, and HazMat teams. Further, it will improve response effectiveness in case of a major disaster, such as a terrorist incident or natural catastrophe, involving one of our three major highways, rail line, or industrial facilities. The new engine cost nearly \$500,000. Of that, \$308,700 was covered by a

federal grant and \$100,000 was obtained through a low-interest, 15-year state loan. The remainder must be raised from the community.

We are your neighbors. Like you, we have work and family responsibilities. We are unpaid volunteers who provide fire suppression, rescue, and damage control services – totally without charge. To be effective, we must keep up our skills through training and frequent drills, be prepared to deploy specialized vehicles and equipment, and make personal sacrifices – all to protect your life and property.

We need more volunteer firefighters and volunteers to perform tasks such as cleaning and maintaining equipment, and handling necessary paperwork. Also, we must continually raise funds to purchase, maintain and operate our vehicles and equipment. So consider joining us, and when asked to donate, please do so. ■

Renovating Or Building A New Home?

You Can Earn Up To \$2,500 In Tax Credits By Making Your Home "Visitable"!

The Visitability Tax Credit is a new tax incentive to help residents make their home accessible to friends or family who have wheelchairs or have trouble climbing stairs. Even if you currently do not know anyone who has a mobility limitation, you are still eligible for this tax credit. You should consider making your home visitable now. You, a family member, or even a friend may need these design advantages in the future. The tax credit is worth up to \$2,500 and can be spread over the course of five years. Making your home more "visitable" is not a difficult task, especially when building a new home or doing other renovations. This tax credit will be helpful to offset construction cost. To read more visit our website at www.wilkins-township.com or for more information contact Richard Mertizer, staff person for the City Of Pittsburgh/Allegheny County Task Force on Disabilities at 412-255-2102 or richard.mertizer@city.pittsburgh.pa.us ■



2009 Wilkins Township Leaf Collection Schedule

**Monday, Oct. 19,
Nov. 2 & Nov. 16**

Lucia Drive
Elizabeth Street
Greensburg Pike
Dowling Avenue
Miller Street
Alpine Boulevard
Briaridge Drive
Tynewood Drive
Larchwood Drive
Leax Lane

**Tuesday, Oct. 20,
Nov. 3 & Nov. 17**

Highland Avenue
Clugston Avenue
Negley Avenue
Semmens Street
Rebecca Street
Thompson Street
McMasters Avenue
Dorothy Street
John Street
Peter Street
Quarry Street
Grandview Avenue

**Wednesday, Oct. 21,
Nov. 4 & Nov. 18**

Penhurst Drive
Braddley Drive
Harwick Drive
Radcliff Drive
Heritage Drive
George Lane
Harrison Road
Patterson Street
Barnes Street
George Street
James Street
Railroad Street

**Thursday, Oct. 22,
Nov. 5 & Nov. 19**

Dunbar Drive
Delaney Drive
Gilmore Drive
Hart Drive
Queenston Drive
Kingston drive
Frazier Drive
Charmwood Drive
Elwood Drive
Old Wm. Penn Highway
Ridgecrest Drive
Princeton Drive

Note:

Leaves must be placed in street. Crews will not pick up bagged leaves or enter yards.

**Monday, Oct. 26,
Nov. 9 & Nov. 23**

Roland Road
Stevendale Drive
Rita Drive
Nanette Drive
Lilly Lane
Brown Avenue
Lucinda Drive
Moss Street
Tongalucas Street
Ivy Street
Wilbur Avenue

**Tuesday, Oct. 27,
Nov. 10 & Nov. 24**

Saw Mill Run
Mortimer Avenue
Spur Road
Beaver Street
Beech Street
Washington Avenue
Hazel Street
Cline Street
Wallace Avenue
Ridge Street
Powell Street

**Wednesday, Oct. 28,
Nov. 11 & Nov. 25**

Peffer Road
Gardenia Drive
Hibiscus Drive
Curry Court
Curry Avenue
Farnsworth Avenue
Leneake Street
Linhart Street
Churchill Lane
Coal Street
Meadow Street
Churchill Road
Vinesian Place

**Thursday, Oct. 29,
Nov. 12 & Monday, Nov. 30**

Hawthorne Drive
Thorncrest Drive
Calmont Drive
Laurel Drive
Orion Drive
Jefferson Heights Road
Sunset Drive
Sylvia Lane
Old Northern Pike
Gilchrest Drive
Ridgewood Drive

Street Smarts for Seniors



Being alert, confident and aware of your surroundings are your best defense against crime.

When Traveling:

Use the safest and most direct route. Travel in the daytime and with one or more people whenever you can. Avoid dark, secluded areas.

Avoid wearing valuable jewelry that might tempt a thief.

Carry only money or credit cards you will need.

If you use a purse, carry it firmly, close to your body and hold onto the clasp. Never leave your purse unattended.

When returning home, have your house key in your hand before you get to the door.

Safety in your Car:

Choose a well-lit space when parking.

Make sure you can easily see your car and the area around it from a distance. Look around before you get out of your car.

Lock all doors while you are in the car and when you leave it.

Have your car key ready before you reach your car.

Before you get into your car, check that no one is hiding in it.

Being Secure in Your Home:

Do not open your door to strangers.

If delivery or repair person arrives without notice, ask their name and the telephone number of the company that they work for. Call the company before unlocking the door.

If your name is listed in the phone book, use your initials instead of your first name. Do not list your address.

Never give information to wrong number callers.

Do not hide house keys anywhere outside.

Do not put your name or address on your key ring.

Remove or prune bushes that hide windows and doors.

Light outside entrances, garage doors, sidewalks and parking areas.

Do not leave ladders or tools outside.



FIRE CO. No. 3



We will hold our annual Hoagie sale on Election Day November 3rd. See any Wilkins #3 Fireman to place your order.

Wilkins Twp. #3 V.F.C. is hosting their Annual Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday September the 13th from 2:30 to 7:00 pm. You can eat in or takeout.



Come out and dance with us! We will be having a fundraising dance at the firehouse on October 17th starting at 8pm to???. Bring your favorite beverage and munchies a \$5.00 donation is requested. Tickets will be sold at the door. The band Mid Life Crisis plays classic rock for more info on the band look at their site <http://mlcrocksoul.com>. Contact us for any other information on the dance.

Thank you to those who already turned in your 2009 donation to your Fire Company and a reminder to those who still need to do so. (We also understand that times are tough so please donate what you can afford)

Our Banquet Hall is available for rentals year round. Please call 412-271-4000

Just a reminder!



United Way Contributions can be directed to your Fire Company just click on to <http://www.unitedwaypittsburgh.org/> Our agency code is 2613

Volunteer Today! Check out our Web site "Get on the truck.org"

Help us help you make sure your house number is visible so that Emergency personal can see it easily



Catch the Reading Bug!

C.C. Mellor Memorial Library

Main Branch
1 Pennwood Avenue • Edgewood, Pa 15218
412-731-0909

444 Avenue D • Forest Hills, Pa 15221
412-824-3567

HYPERLINK "<http://www.ccmellorlibrary.org>"
www.ccmellorlibrary.org

Way Cool Wednesdays in Wilkins returns on September 16 from 3:30 to 4:30 pm in the Wilkins Township Community Center. Andrea McNeill, Children's Librarian at the C. C. Mellor Memorial Library will take children on a voyage to outer space. Through stories, activities, games and crafts children up to fourth grade will look at various aspects about planets, stars, space travel, and more. The program is free, registration is not required, and runs through December 16. For more information on this out-of-this-world fun call the C. C. Mellor Library at 412-731-0909.

September is National Library Card month. This card is the most important card in your wallet opening up a world of enlightenment, entertainment and enrichment for you and your family. A card is free and can be obtained on-line or by visiting the C. C. Mellor Memorial Library in Edgewood or Forest Hills. To order on-line go to HYPERLINK "[http://](http://www.ccmellorlibrary.org)

www.ccmellorlibrary.org"
www.ccmellorlibrary.org.

To visit the library go to:

C. C. Mellor Memorial Library
1 Pennwood Avenue
Edgewood, PA 15218
412-731-0909

Mon-Thurs 10am-8pm
Fri 10am-5pm
Sat 9am-4pm

Forest Hills Branch Library
444 Avenue D
Forest Hills, PA 15221
412-824-3567

Mon, Fri, Sat 10am-2pm
Tues, Weds 4pm-8pm

Check Us Out!





Citizen's Assistance Program

As a part of the Wilkins Township Police Department's new approach to community oriented policing, we are offering Township residents an opportunity to provide us with the name and telephone number of an individual with whom we may make contact in the event that we are required to gain access to your home for emergency purposes.

As our population grows older, our police officers are frequently asked by the loved ones or neighbors of our older residents to provide well-being checkups. By providing the department with the name and phone number of a key-holder, the police officers could better serve these types of requests.

Please note that we ARE NOT requesting a key to your home. We are providing you with an opportunity to give us information that we will keep on file in the Police Department. In the event of an emergency, the officer on-duty would contact the individual listed on the card so that access can be granted to the home. If you are interested in this program, please fill out the following form and mail it back to the Wilkins Township Police Department.

Mail Completed Form To:
Wilkins Township Police Department
110 Peffer Road
Turtle Creek, PA 15145

Questions? Please call: 412-824-0032
Township of Wilkins Police Department

Name of Resident(s):
Address:
Home Phone Number:
Cell Phone Number:
Name of Designated Key holder:
Home Phone Number of Designated Key holder:
Cell Phone Number of Designated Key holder:
Signature of Resident Date

The Pumpkin Patch Party



Hey kids the Recreation Advisory Board is stirring up some fun things to do at the annual Pumpkin Patch party this year. We will have an afternoon filled with great things to do for all ages.

So mark your calendars and come join in all the fun. Costumes are optional. Please complete the form below and send back by October 14th 2009 to reserve your space. This event is for all Wilkins Township residents' children 10 and under.

Saturday October 24th 2009 beginning at 1pm Wilkins Township Community Center (behind the municipal building)

Please mail this form to make reservation for your family to the Irene J. Pohl Building 110 Peffer Road Turtle Creek, Pa 15145 attn: Recreational Advisory Board

The deadline for reservations is:
October 14th 2009

Family Name:
Phone Number:
Address:
Childs Name/Age/M or F:
Child's Name/Age/M or F:
Child's Name/Age/M or F:
How may over 10 attending:

THERE WILL BE NO REGISTRATION FORMS ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE. ALL CHILDREN 10 AND UNDER MUST LIVE IN THE TOWNSHIP TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FESTIVITIES. PLEASE INCLUDE PHONE NUMBER FOR CANCELLATION.

Joy Voeltzel
Secretary Recreation Advisory Board



Wilkins Township 2009 Light Up Night

The days get shorter and the air gets chilly - it can only mean one thing: Christmas is around the corner! We hope you will join us Friday, December 4th from 7pm to 9 pm for the 3rd Annual Wilkins Township Light Up Night and Children's Christmas Party. Come and watch the beautiful township tree sparkle and spend an evening filled with fun and surprises. This event is free to township residents young and old, however, children 10 and under must register by November 16, 2009 so that Santa can see whether they have been naughty or nice. This year's event will be at the Community Center and we hope to see you all there!!

Please mail this form to make reservation for your family to the Irene J. Pohl Building 110 Peffer Road Turtle Creek, Pa 15145 attn: Recreational Advisory Board

The Deadline for reservation is
November 16st 2009.

Family Name:
Phone Number:
Address:
Childs Name/Age/M or F:
Child's Name/Age/M or F:
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How many adults over 10:

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Secretary Recreation Advisory Board



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110 Pepper Road
Turtle Creek, PA 15145

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Margo Epstein
Sandy Albert

Check out our web site at:
www.wilkinstownship.com

Wilkins Shining Seniors



The Seniors of Wilkins are having fun at their meetings and at our outings. We held our annual picnic at Linhart Park where we enjoyed a catered lunch and many games, including bocci and bingo. Our most recent outing was to The Rivers Casino for an afternoon of play. One of the upcoming trips is a cruise on the Gateway Clipper during Light-up Night.

Most meetings are complete with entertainment and a snack provided by the members.

We welcome new members at each meeting.

We meet in the new community center the third Thursday of each month, at 1 PM.

Please join in the fun. ■

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Spaghetti Dinner



The Wilkins Township Democratic Committee will host their annual Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, October 11, 2009, in the Wilkins Township Community Center. The event will feature delicious pasta, salad, and dessert for a mere \$6 donation. There will also be raffles and door prizes.

The democratic candidates, local, county and state, will also be in attendance to meet with you.

The dinner begins at 3 PM and tickets may be purchased at the door. ■



Reminder to All Senior Citizens:

The Allegheny County Sheriff's Office will make a Crime Safety Presentation at the Wilkins Township Community Center on Thursday, September 17, 2009 beginning at 1:00 PM - All are welcome!



"Trick-or-Treat will be observed in the Township on Saturday, October 31, 2009 from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM"