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OUR COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER FALL ISSUE 2016



SOLARIZE ALLEGHENY

JOIN US FOR AN ELECTRIFYING EVENING!

The Pittsburgh region is known by residents as one of the cloudiest places in the United States, so solar energy can't possibly work here, right? Actually, solar energy works very well and a home in Wilkins Township can produce as much solar electricity as a home in Arizona just by adding an extra solar panel or two to the system.

Germany is the leading solar nation and gets about as much sun as Alaska, and of course, Pennsylvania gets far more sun than Alaska – or Massachusetts, or New York or Ontario, Canada where there are many more solar energy systems installed than Pennsylvania.

Solar is the fastest growing source of new electricity generation in the world and the United States Energy Information Agency predicts that for the first time in history more new electricity will come from solar energy this year than from wind or natural gas. One of the reasons solar is growing so rapidly is that solar is now half the cost than in 2010 and is now close to the cost of the monthly electric bill with a solar loan or home equity line of credit.

In Pennsylvania, there are about 8,000 solar systems and there is momentum growing in our region through a new program called Solarize Allegheny, a project funded by the Heinz Endowments and managed by nonprofit marketing firm SmartPower to highlight the benefits of solar investment to home and business owners. The campaign started in 2015 and has been in 17 communities in Allegheny County. **Solarize Churchill, Wilkins Township and Chalfant is starting this Fall with a launch event at the Edgewood Country Club (100 Churchill Road) on Thursday, September 22.**

Refreshments and cash bar at 6 p.m. and solar presentation at 7 p.m.

Free registration at: www.solarize-CWC.eventbrite.com.

The campaign provides education about solar energy to community members and links them to local, qualified solar installers –making the process simple and straightforward for participants. To request a solar quote, click on the blue button "Find Out if My Home or Business is Good for Solar" on the website – www.solarizeallegheny.org. Fill out your contact information and details about your roof and electric bill and the two local, pre-screened, qualified installers will contact you about next steps and provide you with a quote. They take care of the rest so that you can start generating pollution-free, carbon-free energy.



2016 Summer Series Events

The Recreation Advisory Board would like to thank everyone that had a hand in our first-ever Summer Series Events. This was our first year of downsizing our Summer Festival into three separate, smaller events that our residents and friends could come out and enjoy.

Thank you to all of the vendors, bands, car cruise participants and people that came out and enjoyed themselves. A special thank you goes out to Mr. Mike McWilliams from Pittsburgh East Nissan for sponsoring the fireworks display as he so graciously does every year. Rebecca Bradley and Ed Bruener for all of their help and input, without you this would not have been possible. Thank you to the Board of Commissioners for their continued support and to our amazing road crew for always being there for all of our events. Thank you to our police and fire departments for all you do and for making Wilkins a wonderful place to live!



will be on
**Monday,
October 31
from
6-8 p.m.**



HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

1 Pennwood Avenue
Edgewood
412-731-0909
Mon.-Thurs. 10 a.m.-8 p.m.
Fri. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sat. 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Forest Hills Branch
444 Avenue D
Forest Hills
412-824-3567
Mon., Fri., Sat. 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Tues. Weds. 4-8 p.m.

www.ccmellorlibrary.org

Visit us on Facebook

Family Story Times

- C.C. Mellor Forest Hills 10:30 Monday
- C.C. Mellor Edgewood 10:30 Tuesday
- C.C. Mellor Edgewood 10:30 Wednesday
- Churchill Borough Building 10:30 Friday
- Baby Lapsit Edgewood 11:30 Friday

Arts and Crafts Fair

We're looking for vendors for this annual fair which will be held on Saturday, **December 3** and Sunday, **December 4** from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in the ballroom of the Edgewood Community House. There's room for 30 local artists from a variety of mediums to show and sell their original works. If you would like to hear more about the fair, contact Sally at 412-731-0909 or e-mail her at: bogies@einetnetwork.net.

If you are a shopper, we feature a wide variety of high-end crafts including photography, jewelry, pottery, leatherwork, clothing and home accessories. In addition the Edgewood Garden Club will be there selling holiday greens as well as the Edgewood Fire Department with luminaries. Come shop for original work.

September is Library Match Month

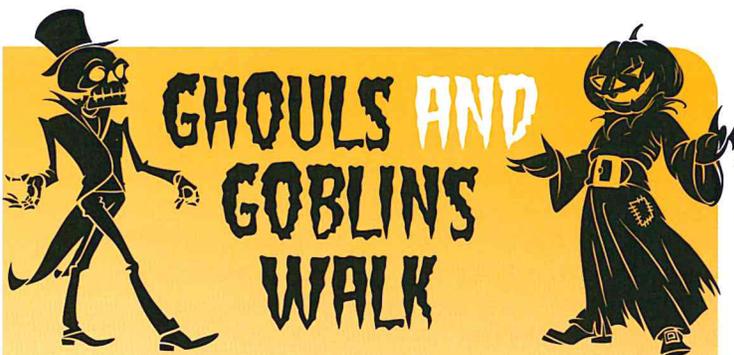
The Jack Buncher Foundation believes in libraries. They prove it by donating \$125,000 to a pool of matching funds for Library Match Month. The goal is to promote libraries and their essential role in each community, to build awareness of libraries' need for funding, to attract new donors, and, of course, to raise more money. All gifts received by C.C. Mellor in the month of September, up to \$500, will receive a pro-rated match according to the total raised by all 46 Allegheny County libraries. Gifts can be made by mail, phone, in person, or online and may come as a check, cash, or credit card. In addition, The Pittsburgh Foundation is hosting a day of giving on Wednesday, **September 21**. Look for your Annual Appeal letter in your mailbox in early September.

Your support makes it possible for C.C. Mellor Library to be a great community asset. Thank you for your generosity.

Interested in keeping abreast of special programs at the library. Check out our monthly newsletters and event calendar on the library's homepage www.ccmellorlibrary.org. Or sign up for our monthly e-mail newsletter.

Register for These Special Events at C.C. Mellor Edgewood

- **Halloween Parade** – Monday, October 24, 6 p.m.
- **Gingerbread Houses** – Wednesday, December 7 from 6-8 p.m. Cost \$6 per family.
- **Poetry Reading** – Saturday, October 22 from 1-3 p.m. by Squirrel Hill Poetry Workshop
- **Voices from the Attic** – Wednesday, November 16, 6:30 p.m. Book discussion on the Civil War by local author.
- **AARP Drivers Training for Seniors Refresher Class**
Tuesdays – October 4 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and
Basic Class – October 11 and 18 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.



GHOULS AND GOBLINS WALK

October 22, 2016 | 2 – 4 p.m.

Wilkins Township Lion's Park

Join our Parade through the park trails. All Wilkins residents young and old are encouraged to dress in costume.

FREE Trick or Treats

Sponsored by:

Wilkins Township Recreation Advisory Board

Meals for Friends is Looking for Volunteers

Meals for Friends, the only local home meal delivery program serving people of all ages, needs volunteers to help prepare and deliver meals to senior and/or disabled community members.

If you have two hours available one or two mornings a week and would like more information, please call 412-824-2400 or e-mail mealsforfriendswilkins3@gmail.com.

If you are interested in receiving meals, or know someone who is, please get in touch with Meals for Friends, using the above contact information.

Meals for Friends will hold a fundraising hoagie sale on **October 27**. The Italian hoagies, from Triangle Bar in Swissvale, will sell for \$6.25 each and can be picked up at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Eastmont. If interested in ordering hoagies, please call 412-824-2400 or e-mail mealsforfriendswilkins3@gmail.com.

2017 RECYCLING CALENDAR

HOLIDAYS OBSERVED: NEW YEAR'S DAY; MEMORIAL DAY; JULY 4; LABOR DAY; THANKSGIVING & CHRISTMAS

PICK UP WILL BE DELAYED ONE DAY AS A RESULT OF THESE HOLIDAYS



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2016 WILKINS TOWNSHIP LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE

NOTE: LEAVES MUST BE PLACED IN STREET. CREWS WILL NOT PICK UP BAGGED LEAVES OR ENTER YARDS.

- Monday, Oct. 17 & 31, Nov. 14**
 Roland Road
 Stevendale Drive
 Rita Drive
 Nanette Drive
 Lilly Lane
 Brown Avenue
 Lucinda Drive
 Moss Street
 Tongalucas Street
 Ivy Street
 Wilbur Avenue
- Tuesday, Oct. 18, Nov. 1 & 15**
 Saw Mill Run
 Mortimer Avenue
 Spur Road
 Beaver Street
 Beech Street
 Montgomery Street
 Washington Avenue
 Hazel Street
 Cline Street
 Wallace Avenue
 Ridge Street
 Powell Street
- Wednesday, Oct. 19, Nov. 2 & 16**
 Peffer Road
 Gardenia Drive
 Hibiscus Drive
 Curry Court
 Curry Avenue
 Fransworth Avenue
 Larimer Avenue
 Leneake Street
 Linhart Street
 Churchill Lane
 Orchard Street
 Coal Street
 Meadow Street
 Churchill Road
 Pine Tree Drive
 Vineseian Place
- Thursday, Oct. 20, Nov. 3 & 17**
 Hawthorne Drive
 Thorncrest Drive
 Calmont Drive
 Laurel Drive
 Orion Drive
 Jefferson Heights Road
 Sunset Drive
 Lougeay Road
 Sylvia Lane
 Old Northern Pike
 Gilchrest Drive
 Ridgewood Drive
- Monday, Oct. 24, Nov. 7 & 21**
 Lucia Drive
 Elizabeth Street
 Greensburg Pike
 Dowling Avenue
 Miller Street
 Alpine Boulevard
 Briaridge Drive
 Tynewood Drive
 Larchwood Drive
 Leax Lane
- Tuesday, Oct. 25, Nov. 8 & 22**
 Highland Avenue
 Clugston Avenue
 Ayers Alley
 Negley Avenue
 Semmens Street
 Rebecca Street
 Thompson Street
 McMasters Avenue
 Dorothy Street
 John Street
 Peter Street
 Crestview Drive
 Quarry Street
 Grandview Avenue
- Wednesday, Oct. 26, Nov. 9 & 23**
 Penhurst Drive
 Braddsley Drive
 Harwick Drive
 Radcliff Drive
 Heritage Drive
 George Lane
 Thomas Lane
 Harrison Road
 Grayhurst Drive
 Patterson Street
 Barnes Street
 Baker Street
 George Street
 James Street
 Railroad Street
- Thursday, Oct. 27, Nov. 10**
Monday, Nov. 28
 Dunbar Drive
 Delaney Drive
 Gilmore Drive
 Hart Drive
 Queenston Drive
 Kingston drive
 Frazier Drive
 Charnwood Drive
 Elwood Drive
 Old Wm. Penn Highway
 Ridgecrest Drive
 Princeton Drive

Composting

This fall Wilkins Township will accept brush and other yard clippings from residents for composting. From **September 19, 2016 to November 1, 2016** a collection dumpster will be located near the Wilkins Municipal Building. Residents are encouraged to drop off yard clippings during this period to help reduce the amount of residential waste that will go to a landfill. Please be aware that Wilkins already accepts and composts leaves and grass clippings at the Linhart Park compost site (see the previous newsletter for more information about our grass composting program).

Please note that we cannot accept: logs, stumps, shrink wrap, styrofoam, glass, shingles, bricks, blocks, aggregates, steel bands, bolts, metal plates, or in general any types of metal.





WILKINS TOWNSHIP FIRE RESCUE COMPANY

NEWS AND HAPPENINGS

Volunteer Fire Company #1

It has remained a busy summer for the members of Wilkins #1 Volunteer Fire Company. Training has continued with the first three modules of the Firefighter Essentials program being completed and the fourth module being held in September. In addition to this our members have trained and tested for National Pro Board Certification in Hazardous Materials Operations. We drill the second, third, fourth, and if applicable the 5th Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. Feel free to stop by and see what we are doing or to fill out an application!

Wilkins #1 achieves State Fire Commissioner Participation Certification! Through the dedication and hard work of our members, Wilkins #1 VFC has been presented with our seal as a Participating Department for the Pennsylvania State Fire Commissioner's Office training program. This program fosters a higher level of training for the fire department and the responding firefighters. In October, the majority of our non-certified members will be taking the firefighter 1 exam which will continue to advance our ranking on this program. Wilkins #1 is currently the only participating department in the township. We are proud of the dedication and determination of our members in achieving this goal.

Our CPR and First Aid course is up and running. In the months of July and August, we have held five classes and certified 50

students in CPR/AED and or First Aid. Interested in learning how? Contact our station at 412-829-0530 or e-mail Mike King at deputy302@comcast.net to schedule a course. We can do from 1-25 per class and will either host you at our training facility or come to you. Cost for training is CPR/AED \$25 per student, First Aid \$25 per student, or if you combine them both it is \$35 per student. Our instructors are American Heart Association certified and you will receive a 2-year certification from the AHA.

In addition to the fire training our members are taking, a group of members will begin a course in September to become certified as Emergency Medical Responders. This group of members will join the firefighters who are already EMT certified, as Wilkins #1 takes the steps to become certified by the Pennsylvania Department of Health as a Quick Response Service (QRS). Once this is done, Wilkins #1 VFC will be licensed and certified to assist WHEMS on medical emergency calls. Interested in helping with QRS calls but no desire to run fire calls? Stop by and fill out an application!

Have some time and some talent? We have a place and a need for every level of participation. From active firefighters, QRS calls, clerical assistance, or vehicle or building maintenance we have a need and a place for anyone. Stop by any Thursday night at 7 p.m. to talk to us!

Volunteer Fire Company #3

Annual Spaghetti Dinner Sunday, September 18 from 2:30 to 7 p.m.

You can eat in or takeout.

WE WILL HOST A DANCE in the banquet hall to benefit the Jeff Wagner Memorial Scholarship Fund. This benefits a senior at Woodland Hills High School. School parents come out and support the dance, **October 22!** Look for more info on our website! Back by popular demand – "Mid-life Crisis" a Classics/Rock band! Come out and dance with us! Bring your

own munchies and refreshments.
Only a \$10.00 per person donation!

October 9 - 15 is Fire Safety Week

- Practice fire exit drills, know two ways OUT (once out, STAY out).
- Check for tripping hazards, check extension cords for cuts and fraying.
- Make sure your house number is visible so that Emergency personal can see it easily .

Stop by the fire house and check out the trucks and equipment.

Annual Hoagie Sale November 8

See any Wilkins #3 Fireman to place your order.

Thank you to those who already turned in your 2016 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 currently unavailable for rentals. We hope this is only temporary.

Volunteer Fire Company #4

In the past several months, we've welcomed three new members. This is wonderful news for us and for you, the community we serve. But we still need more firefighters to protect lives and property here in Wilkins, and more associates to provide needed support.

The "Touch the Truck" event on June 25 was very successful, and our many members participating enjoyed interacting with the kids and parents. We also provided traffic control for the 5K Run/Walk held earlier that day.

On July 25 we had an event similar to "Touch the Truck" at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church bible camp. Here, too, the kids loved to climb in.

As you know, volunteer fire companies always need money for operations and equipment. BUT our greatest need is for members. We pay for all gear and education and training expenses. Also, our volunteer firefighters who meet certain requirements may attend CCAC at little or no cost through the FireVEST Program.

The Allegheny County Fire Volunteer Education, Service and Training Scholarship Program (FireVEST) provides full scholarships for an associate's degree or certificate program at Community College of Allegheny County (CCAC), as well as training at the Allegheny County Fire Academy.

Of the 200 scholarships offered per year, 150 are for new recruits in exchange for a commitment of five years of service to a volunteer fire department in Allegheny County, while 50 scholarships are awarded to existing volunteers in exchange for a commitment of five additional years of service.

Scholarship applicants must be residents of Allegheny County and either be a current volunteer or have joined a volunteer fire department in Allegheny County. Applicants must apply and be accepted to CCAC, file for federal and state financial aid, and complete the financial aid process on time and in its entirety.

Phone: 412-823-2322



Just a reminder!

Don't forget! Daylight Savings ends **November 6**. Replace the batteries in your smoke detector when you turn your clocks back one hour.

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



We are in the EXTREME need of Firefighters.

Can you help? Volunteer Today!

Check out our website
<http://wilkinstownship303.com/>



Century Club of Wilkins Township

Welcome back to the ladies of the Century Club as we kick off the new 2016-2017 year. We look forward to making plans that will continue to support our local nonprofits.

The Century Club reinstated the paper recycling containers at two locations, Wilkins Township Municipal Building parking lot and Eastmont Volunteer Fire Department #4. The proceeds from the disposal of these containers come directly to the Century Club.

The Century Club will again host the Bake Sale and Chili Sale at the Municipal Building on **November 8**.

The Century Club meets at 7 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Community Center, except June, July and August. This is a friendly, social club where the joint efforts of our members and supporters make a positive difference for those we serve, all while enjoying each other's company. Won't you join us? We are accepting applications. Call us at 412-823-2621 – Mary Besseck.

See you soon.

Michelle Oriner

WHAT'S GOING ON? GIMME THE MONEY!



New Advisory

The **Churchill Area Environmental Council** has issued a new advisory, "**MARCELLUS SHALE UPDATE – 2016**" to cover recent events and local news on natural gas drilling and fracking in Chalfant, Churchill, Forest Hills, and Wilkins. The current status of this issue is covered for each municipality and new trends in the industry are discussed.

This advisory will be available at your municipal office in late June, 2016 or you can download a copy from the CAEC website hosted at churchillborough.com. Click "Around Town" on the menu bar, scroll down to "Churchill Area Environmental Council" and then to "Advisories."

Environmental Scholarship

The CAEC and its member municipalities will sponsor a 2017 Graduation Scholarship for a qualifying environmental project.

Any senior graduating from Woodland Hills High School in 2017 is eligible to apply – the deadline is **March 31**. The project cannot be an essay, but must represent "hands-on" environmental activity with the applicant in a leadership role. It may be completed at any high school grade level, and be carried out within the school district.

For more information, examples of project types, and a copy of the application form, go to the CAEC website (see above) or the Guidance Office at WHHS.

Phase I – Lions Park Improvements

The Commissioners are happy to announce that they received \$218,000 in grant funding from the Commonwealth Financing Authority, Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program (GTRP) to implement Phase I of the Lions Park Master Site Plan (2010). Planned improvements include widening and paving the existing access road, installing a parking area, building a Dek Hockey court, creating a multi-use field with baseball backstop; adding a sidewalk from the parking lot to the Dek Hockey court, adding a pedestrian trail from the parking area to Greensburg Pike and adding safety lighting. It is currently anticipated that the project will kick off before the onset of winter and continue through late Spring/early summer.

Multi-Municipal Implementable Comprehensive Plan

Wilkins Township recently partnered with the Municipality of Monroeville and Churchill Borough to seek grant funding through Allegheny County in the amount of \$46,792 to hire a consultant to perform a multi-municipal Implementable Comprehensive Plan. Unlike a traditional Comprehensive Plan, an implementable plan focuses on one or two key challenges within a municipality and provides a workbook approach to resolving those challenges. The County approved the funding and the municipalities, working through our local Council of Governments, executed a contract with Jim Pashek, Pashek and Associates, to perform the study at a total cost of \$100,000 (Wilkins share: \$9,015). The Commissioners are eager to watch this process develop! Keep an eye out for additional information, including meeting schedules, on the Township's website www.wilkinstownship.com.

Active Transportation Planning Grant

The Board of Commissioners recently received notification that Active Allegheny, a division of Allegheny County Economic Development, awarded the Township a planning grant in the amount of \$34,000. The purpose of the grant is to identify residents' active transportation requirements and develop recommendations for addressing those needs. The goal of the plan is to increase available opportunities for residents to safely participate in healthy activities such as walking or cycling to enhance community vitality, sustainability and livability. The Board is looking for volunteers with a special interest in walking, running or cycling who would like to participate on a steering committee to develop this plan. If you are interested, please e-mail Rebecca Bradley, the Township Manager at rbradley@wilkinstownship.com.

2017 Budget Meetings

As summer time winds down and the cooler weather starts to creep in, the Commissioners and department heads will begin to work on next years' spending plan. The first meeting on the 2017 Budget is scheduled for **September 26** beginning at 6 p.m. Additional meetings will be scheduled in October and early November. All residents are invited to attend and participate in these budget meetings.

STORMWATER RUNOFF

What is Stormwater Runoff?

Stormwater runoff is precipitation (rain or snowmelt) that flows across the land. Stormwater may infiltrate into soil, discharge directly into streams, water bodies, or drain inlets, or evaporate back into the atmosphere.

In the natural environment, most precipitation is absorbed by trees and plants or permeates into the ground, which results in stable stream flows and good water quality.

Things are different in the built environment.

Rain that falls on a roof, driveway, patio or lawn runs off the surface more rapidly, picking up pollutants as it goes. This stormwater runoff flows into streams or storm drains that discharge into waterways like the Little Conestoga Creek, the Susquehanna River and eventually the Chesapeake Bay.



Why Can Stormwater Runoff Be a Problem?

Poorly managed stormwater runoff can cause a host of problems. These include:

- **Flooding** – As stormwater runs off roofs, driveways and lawns, large volumes quickly reach streams, causing them to rise quickly and flood, instead of a natural slow and steady water rise. When more impervious surfaces exist, flooding occurs more rapidly and can be more severe, resulting in damage to property and people.
- **Pollution** – Stormwater running over roofs, driveways, roads and lawns will pick up pollutants such as oil, fertilizers, pesticides, dirt/sediment, trash, and animal waste. These pollutants “hitch

a ride” with the stormwater and flow untreated into local streams, polluting our waters.

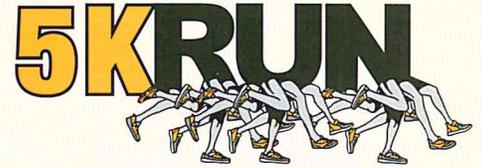
- **Stream Bank Erosion** – When stormwater flows into streams at unnaturally high volumes and speeds, the power of these flows can cause severe stream bank erosion. Eroding banks can eat away at streamside property, create dangerous situations, and damage natural habitat for fish and other aquatic life. This erosion is another source of sediment pollution in streams.

- **Threats to Human Health** – Stormwater runoff can carry many toxic pollutants, such as toxic metals, organic compounds, bacteria, and viruses. Polluted stormwater can contaminate drinking water supplies and hamper recreational opportunities as well as threaten fish and other aquatic life.

What Can I Do to Help?

As a homeowner, you can help avoid the problems associated with stormwater runoff by:

- Reducing impervious areas so that the rain soaks into the ground.
- Planting native trees and plants which help infiltrate stormwater and increase evaporation and transpiration.
- Following the lawn care practices described in this guide (guide found at www.stormwaterguide.org).
- Managing stormwater on-site with rain gardens, rain barrels and similar practices.
- By doing many small things, you have a big impact on improving stormwater management.



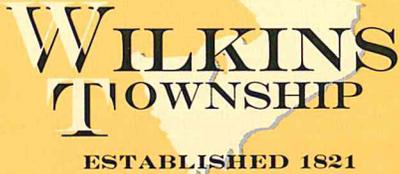
5K Walk/Run Race

The Recreation Advisory Board would like to thank everyone for another successful event. We certainly had a great time and the weather was beautiful. It was our first year with the new route through Penhurst and back to Wilkins Primary. Everyone stated they really liked this course better and it was a more scenic view.

Thank you to Frank Rizza for your leadership and for putting this all together. Thank you to Keith Balkey and Stephanie Bonda for mapping out our new route. A special thank you to Chief Krancic and the police force and to Ed Bruener and our amazing road crew as well as our fire departments for all of your help and assistance. A very special thank you to all of the race participants and to the following sponsors and donors:

Bar on Brown & Grill
Bob Evans
Buffalo Wild Wings
Daily's Juice
Dental Arts of Pittsburgh
Elks Club
Jordan Banana
Keystone Health Club
Primanti Brothers
Residents Inn Marriott
Sam's Club
Shealer Chiropractic
Sheetz-Wilkins Township
Target
True Runner/Shadyside
Woodland Hills School District

Nicole Cackovic (Oh My Posh)
Jay Costa
Paul Costa
Mike Doyle
Sylvia Martinelli



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Stephanie Bonda
Beth Humberston
Simone Tanz
Richard Voeltzel

Check out our website at:
www.wilkinstownship.com

Pizza Party with Santa!

The days get shorter and the air gets chilly – it can only mean one thing: Christmas is around the corner! This year the Annual Children’s Christmas Party will be held on **Saturday, December 3** at 11:30 a.m. at the Community Center. Come spend an afternoon filled with fun and surprises. This event is free to township residents young and old, however, children 10 and under must **register by November 18, 2016** so that Santa can see whether they have been naughty or nice. We hope to see you there!!

Please mail reservation forms to:

Irene J. Pohl Municipal Building
110 Pepper Road, Turtle Creek, Pa 15145
Attn: Recreational Advisory Board

The Deadline for reservations is November 18, 2016.

Family Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____

Child's Name/Age/M or F _____

Adults over 10: Please circle 1 or 2 _____

E-mail address _____

(To receive the Township planned events via e-mail, please include your e-mail address)

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.

Please note: Due to capacity and safety issues for everyone, only 2 adults per family permitted to attend. No early entry and doors open promptly at 11:30 a.m.

Thank you, The Recreation Advisory Board.