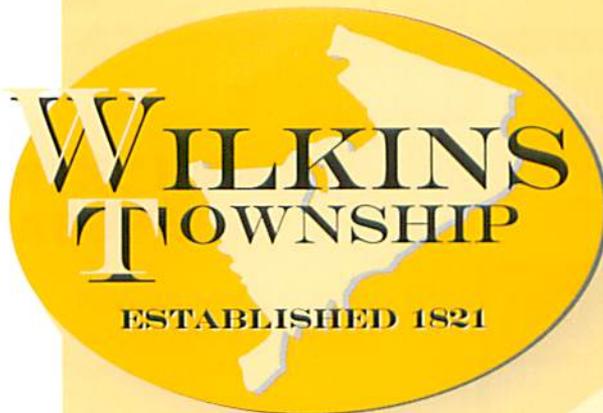


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OUR
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Wilkins Township Summer Festival 2013

The 19th annual Wilkins Township Summer Festival will be celebrated on Tuesday June 18, 2013 through Saturday June 22nd. The hours this year will be from 6 pm to 11 pm nightly. Summer Festival will be held at Penn Center parking lot behind Sears.

The Wilkins Township Recreation Advisory Board has planned another year packed full of fun for the whole family. Tropical Amusements are back providing the Carnival midway. The rides will operate from 7 pm to 11 pm nightly. Both single tickets and all night wrist bands are available for sale. There will be a variety of food from all the vendors, so come hungry.

There will be free entertainment from these bands nightly performing 2 sets 7:30 and 9:15pm as follows:

Tuesday	June 18	Dallas Marks
Wednesday	June 19	Totally 80's
Thursday	June 20	Billy Price
Friday	June 21	Father John and the Soul Searchers
Saturday	June 22	Joe Grushecky and the House Rockers

The car cruise starts at 5 pm on Friday June 21st. The entry fee is a \$5.00 donation with all proceeds going to the Wilkins Township Recreation Advisory Board. Rain date is on Saturday the 22nd.

On Saturday June 22nd at 10:30 pm Pyrotecnico will be putting on a spectacular fireworks display again this year.

Please come join in all the fun and support Wilkins Township non-profit groups. We hope to make this the best Summer Festival yet! *See you there!* ■



Wilkins Township Annual 5-K Race

Saturday June 22
Registration 7:00am
Race begins 8:30am

Wilkins Township will host our second annual 5k run/walk race on Saturday June 22nd. The race will begin at 8:30 am at D'Imperio's and go through the roads of Wilkins Township. This race is for all ages and awards will be given to the top two overall Men and Women as well as the top three runners in each division. Cost for the race will be \$20 with our first 100 entrants receiving a free t-shirt to go with your participation gift bag. You can register by sending your form to the Wilkins Township Municipal Building or online at www.active.com under events. For more information please contact the Wilkins Township Recreation Board or visit www.active.com for more details on how to register. ■



WILKINS TOWNSHIP BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

Our Baseball, T-Ball, and Softball teams are in full swing and can be seen playing ball at Lions Park, The Municipal building field and at Linhart Park.

We would like to thank our team sponsors for their support in keeping Wilkins Township's programs the most affordable in the area:

Prestogeorge Coffee Company

Wilkins Twp. Shop-n-Save

Johnny Mock Auto Body

Patrick Lanigan Funeral Home

State Representative Paul Costa

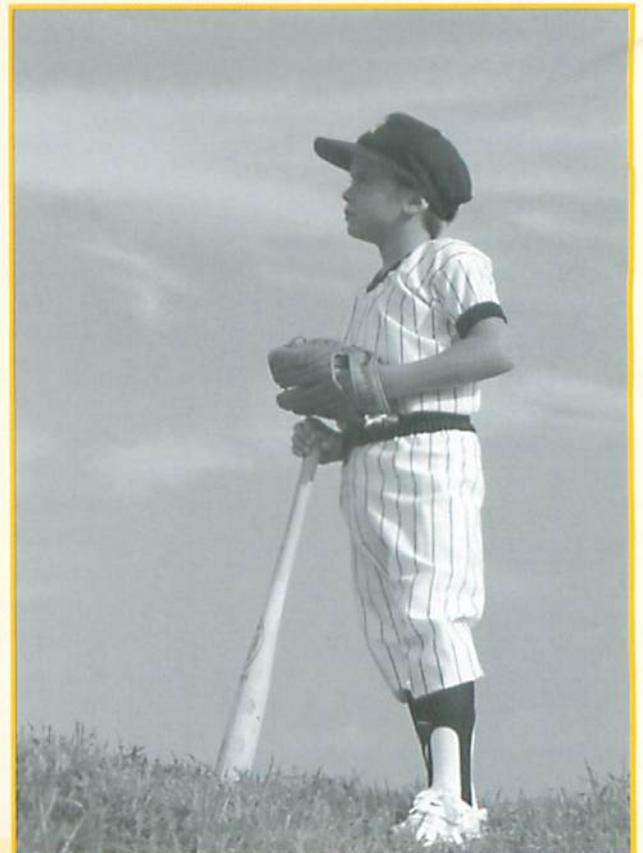
The Italian Club

Buffalo Wild Wings, Home team advantage program

We will be selling beverages at Summer Festival again this year and look forward to seeing you there.

Wilkins Township Website Receives a Facelift

Check out the Township's new and improved Website at: [HYPERLINK "http://www.wilkinstownship.com"](http://www.wilkinstownship.com) The new site is much easier to navigate and includes all the information that was available before – plus new content, including a calendar of events! We are still making improvements and welcome you to submit any digital photography that you have of the Township – parks, commercial areas or neighborhoods. If you have historical photographs that we can scan, please give us a call (412) 824-6650! We'd love to include as many images of our past and present as we can! If you have suggestions for additional improvements or questions about where to find things, please click the "Questions" tab in the left hand margin to share your thoughts. ■



Eastmont-Wilkins

FIRE Co. No.4



In calendar year 2012, we responded to a total of 140 calls, including structure fires, motor vehicle accidents/fires, downed trees, utility issues, police and/or EMS assist, and carbon monoxide issues to name a few. As always, we participated regularly in training and drills to maintain and improve our skills in firefighting and rescue work.

We are purchasing a new rescue vehicle to replace our out-of-date rescue. The chassis and cab are currently in production.



The new rescue will be compliant with current national standards.

On April 20, we participated in Clean Up Wilkins day, picking up trash along roadsides in the township.

Again this year, we will have a booth at the Summer Festival. Stop by and see us.

We are currently conducting our annual fund drive. For those who have contributed, thank you. For those of you who have not yet done so, please make a donation. Also, if you donate through the United Way, our code is 880323.

Our all-volunteer company has two pressing needs: funds and members. Of these, **OUR GREATEST NEED IS FOR NEW MEMBERS.** Without a sufficient number of firefighters, our mission to preserve the lives and property of Wilkins residents will be compromised. We cover all gear and training expenses. In addition to firefighters, we need more associate members to provide vital support to help fulfill our mission. To join our company, go to our website at www.wilkins304firerescue.com and click on "Online Membership Application" near the top of the page.

REMEMBER: Check the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. They could save your life and those who live with you. Note that if you want to call our fire hall, our non-emergency number is 412-823-2322. For emergencies dial 911. ■



Wilkins Visits the Meadows

We are providing a trip for all residents on June 25th to the Meadows.

The bus will depart Penn Center at 11 AM and will leave the Meadows at 5 PM.

The cost per person is \$23 and will give each \$15 in slot play and \$5 in food coupons.

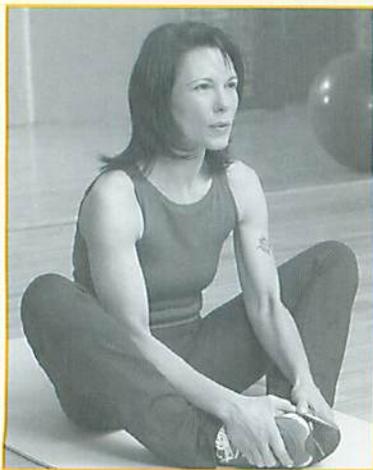
Also everyone will receive a free ice cream cone to enjoy.

If interested, please call Sylvia at 412 823-8696 ASAP.

The bus is filling quickly. ■



YOGA at the community center



The Wilkins Township Recreation Board will sponsor yoga sessions once per week for eight weeks beginning on Tuesday June 18 at 6:30 PM (the sessions will run through August 20, and there will be no classes on July 9 or July 16). The instructor is Commissioner Mike Boyd, who is working toward certification as a yoga instructor. The sessions will be beginner-friendly and offered at no cost. Please wear comfortable athletic clothing that allows free movement, and bring a yoga mat and, if you would like, water. We look forward to seeing you there. ■

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, 110 Peffer Road, Turtle Creek, PA 15145.

Township of Wilkins Police Department Citizen's Assistance Program

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: _____

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

Questions? Please call: 412-824-0032





Wilkins Township Volunteer Fire Department



835 Railroad Street
(right off Larimer Avenue)
412-829-0530

Hello Everyone,

It is that time of the year when the azaleas are blooming and the weather is turning warm and dry. The spring rains were light this season and between the lack of rain and the warm days we have experienced higher than normal brush fire calls. Please watch over your open fires.

The Summer Festival is just on the horizon and we are all looking forward to once again playing Chuck-A-Luck and listening to all of the good music. Stop by our booth this year and meet us. You will find that you are not that much different than we are and you would probably find that you want to spend some more time with us.

We are always looking for volunteers that are looking for a way to give back to the community and for a way to get out of the house. You do not have to run into a burning building to be a firefighter. We are always looking for people who can do small tasks such as: typing, handy work around the station, filing, directing traffic and all sorts of small things. You don't have to be big and strong just willing to help out once in a while. We have just added five (5) new members and would appreciate the opportunity to show you what we do.

Feel free to call us or stop in. Our practice night which is Thursday night and we meet at 7:00 PM. ■



FARMERS MARKET of WILKINS Twp.



at the
**Community
Center**

**EVERY
WEDNESDAY
3-7 PM**

June 12th thru Oct 23rd
RAIN or SHINE !

Wilkins Township Summer Parks Program

Where:

Linhart Park – James Street
Lions Park – Miller Street
Eastmont Park – Frazier Drive

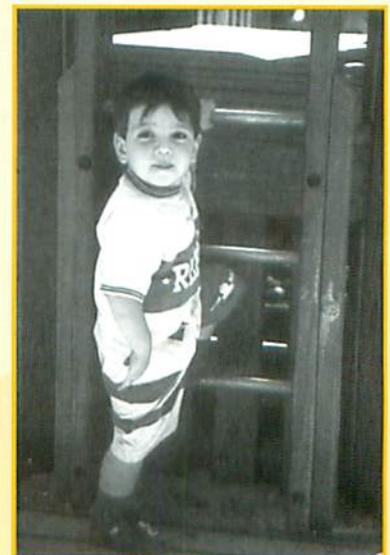
When:

June 10th – August 16th
Monday – Friday
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Who:

All Wilkins Township Children

Come join the fun at one of the Township's three parks this summer! Every summer, the Township sponsors a summer program at our three community parks. Children will be supervised by a Township employee and will have an opportunity to play and make crafts each day. Lunch is provided each day of the twelve week program at no cost. The lunch program is sponsored by the Allegheny County Department of Human Services / Offices of Community Service. ■



Construction Professionals



State Law requires every municipality to have a Uniform Construction Code (UCC) Board in place to hear appeals if they arise. Wilkins Township is participating in a multi-municipal board through the Turtle Creek Valley Council of Governments (TCVCOG). Are you a plumber, electrician, engineer, or in the building trade? If so, you are invited to apply to serve on this board. The board meets at the TCVCOG office which is located in the Monroeville Municipal Building, but only as needed. A \$50 stipend is paid for each hearing attended. This is a great opportunity for busy professionals to serve our region. Please contact Rebecca Bradley at the Township Municipal office (412)824-6650 x 10 if you are interested in serving. ■

Wednesday Night in the Park

Come join your neighbors for fun in the park each Wednesday night beginning August 7th at 7 PM. We will begin a series of Bocce games in Linhart Park. If you are inclined to show off your skills at this fun game, please join us. If you just like to have fun, please join us. Bring your favorite snack and drink and a set of Bocce balls, if you have them.

We are predicting great fun for all. ■



Century Club

Women of Wilkins

The Century Club of Wilkins Township is just for you.

We provide a friendly place for women of our Township to meet and chat about current events in the community and each other.

We also provide donations to our local charities and to many other charities.

We have one major fundraiser each year, and two minor ones.

We meet the second Tuesday of the month at 7 PM in the Community Center.

We are looking for women who want to be a part of our community

Please see our booth at summer festival and talk to our women. Find out how you can become a member. ■



CLEAN-UP WILKINS

Our annual clean-up Wilkins was held on April 20th.

About 50 people attended and picked up over 60 bags of litter off of the streets on Wilkins Township.

One of our senior citizens cleaned Route 22 single-handed on that day.

So a special shout out goes to Phil Dodge for his hard work.

Thanks to everyone who participated. ■





FIRE CO. No.3



Wilkins Twp. #3 V.F.C. is hosting their Annual Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday September the 15th from 2:30 to 7:00 pm.

You can eat in or takeout.

Thank you to those who already turned in your 2013 donation to your Fire Company and a reminder to those who still need to do so. Reminders will be going out soon.

A message from the President

When you have an emergency who do you call?

The Fire Department.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

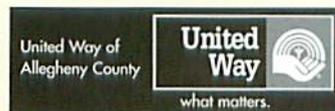
Believe it or not we are all volunteers as well as your neighbors and we depend on the donations of our residents to assist us in our funding. Our last fund drive was the lowest in our department's history. We serve 1,035 homes in our district and of those only 203 homes donated. The total collected was \$9,219 which is only 19.6%. We do receive some help from the Township and from the fish fry's, hoagie sales, spaghetti dinners, dances and other fund raisers, but that isn't enough. We need the help of our residents as well. Your donations go toward purchasing new equipment as well as keeping the existing equipment in top notch condition. It takes over \$8,000 to gear each firefighter and costs between \$300,000 and \$1,000,000 to purchase a new fire truck. All three of our Volunteer Fire Departments are in desperate need of volunteers; all that's needed is your time and dedication to Wilkins Township.

Thank you for your support!

Our Banquet Hall is currently un-available for rentals.

We hope this is only temporary

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

Check out our Web site <http://wilkinstwp303.com/>

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

See you at the Summer Festival! Please visit us at our booth

WILKINS TOWNSHIP

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Turtle Creek, PA 15145

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Say Hello to our...

Shining Seniors

WILKINS SENIOR CITIZENS

The third Thursday of each month is the day that our Wilkins Seniors meet.

The time is 1 PM and the place is our Community Center.

A program is planned each month and dessert is offered.

Trips are planned and fun is had by all.

Join your neighbors for an afternoon of fun. ■

...enjoy summer, live, laugh, love!