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# WARMINSTER TOWNSHIP

BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

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## Welcome From the Township Manager

In May, I was appointed as Township Manager for Warminster. I'm thrilled to be aboard and am excited about all this community has to offer. As you can see in this newsletter, Warminster is full of activities for you and your family. Through your support and the hard work of our staff, we're doing everything possible to make Warminster a great place to live, work, and play. If you ever need to contact me, please feel free to e-mail me at [TownshipManager@warminsterpa.org](mailto:TownshipManager@warminsterpa.org). I look forward to working with the entire community.

Gregg Schuster

## WARMINSTER RESIDENTS, WE NEED YOUR HELP!

### Enclosed Survey Seeks Resident Input on Potential Park Facilities

Warminster Township is seeking your input on how best to utilize the \$1.7M in RACP grant funding that we have received through the efforts of Representative Bernie O'Neill for the next stage of development at Warminster Community Park. Your input could help determine the future of WCP and the entire Park System. Please complete the short pullout survey located in this newsletter on page 14-15 and return it to the Township building or Park office. The survey can also be completed on line at [www.warminstertownship.org/parksurvey](http://www.warminstertownship.org/parksurvey). Please respond by November 1, 2016 for a chance to win movie tickets. *Thanks in advance for your help!*

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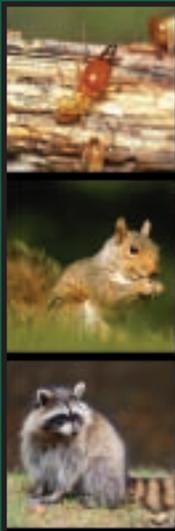
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## TOWNSHIP DEPARTMENTS, PHONE NUMBERS & MEETING DATES

Administration: .....(215) 443-5414	Animal Control Officer: .....(267) 317-1380
Five Ponds Golf Club: ..... (215) 956-9727	Licenses and Inspections: .....(215) 443-5423
Parks and Recreation: .....(215) 443-5428	Police Department (business): .....(215) 443-5000
Warminster Library:..... (215) 672-4362	Public Works:.....(215) 443-7592
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Warminster Twp. Board of Supervisors .....1st & 3rd Thursdays @ Twp. Bldg.  
 Warminster Municipal Authority .....2nd Monday @ WMA  
 Library Board .....2nd Wednesday @ Library  
 Zoning Hearing Board .....2nd & 4th Wednesday @ Twp. Bldg.  
 Planning Commission .....2nd & 4th Tuesday @ Twp. Bldg.  
 Parks & Rec Committee .....1st Wednesday every other month @ WREC

Contact 215-443-5414 for an agenda or to appear before a Board or Commission

## WARMINSTER WORKS by Jason Croley, Vice-Chair, Board of Supervisors

The Great Recession hit many towns' economies hard and Warminster was no exception. The crisis impacted the small business owner as well as large corporations. The recovery was slow and it took its toll in our community, with a number of storefronts going vacant and large tracts sitting abandoned.



This downturn in business was compounded by an extremely soft real estate market. From the standpoint of a municipal government, this was catastrophic as two major income streams for municipalities are real estate transfer taxes and business taxes. Faced with increasing cost for services, health care and pensions, Warminster could not afford to wait for the recovery to take place on its own timetable. Consistent with our desire to ensure that Warminster is a premier destination for families and business to call home, action was required.

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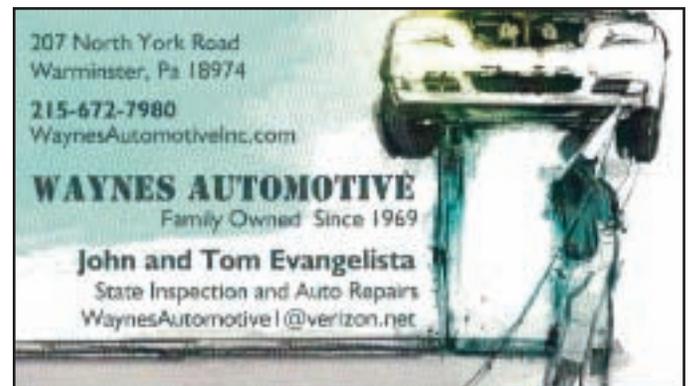
Starting in 2014, the township started actively marketing our community at every opportunity. At conferences, regional meetings, Chambers of Commerce and any and every appropriate venue, Warminster officials were out there, telling our story to business leaders. The township also took a look at its own methods in order to identify other possible impediments, such as an overly complex permitting process and the need for improved customer service. In 2015, the new Economic Development Committee was created because of the legwork completed by Supervisor Dan McPhillips. I was fortunate enough to be asked to join the committee and become part of a coalition of officials, residents and business owners working together to help improve our business climate.

The changes in approach, attitude and culture have paid off with a renewal of Warminster as a center of commerce. Since 2014, Warminster has welcomed a diverse line up of businesses including Citadel Federal Credit Union, Batteries & Bulbs, The Big Scoop, Advance Auto Parts, Dino's Pizzeria and the York Diner. We have also had successful businesses like Havis Inc and Pierce Aluminum increase their commitment to our community through expansion of their properties and their workforces.

Over the course of 2016 & 2017, Warminster will welcome even more terrific business into town. At the corner of Street & Jacksonville, Chick-Fil-A and Mission BBQ will be the first tenants on a site expected to be home to a number of businesses. Further up Street Road at the SMG Sportsplex Center, AAA will soon be opening an AAA Car Care Center. AAA's arrival has also led to the remodeling of the SMG Sportsplex Center. The center will receive a new façade, increased landscaping and multiple new tenants, including the Warminster branch of the Central Bucks YMCA and Bellagio Jewelers, who decided to call Warminster home after 28 years in Northeast Philadelphia.

Traveling down York Road towards Hatboro, you will see the new Taco Bell. Change direction and head up York Road towards Warwick and you will soon see work begin on the transformation of the old Kmart site into Weis Markets, complete with gas pumps and beer café.

Despite all this terrific economic development, the work never truly ends. We continue to market the township to prospective employers. The number one resource we have in this effort is the residents of Warminster. Not only do our residents comprise both the prospective customer and employee base, they are also invaluable in helping to develop strategies to improve our local economy. We invite all residents to attend the monthly meetings of the Economic Development Committee. They are held the second Monday of each month at 7pm in the Township Administration building, 401 Gibson Avenue. We hope you will come out and lend your voice to our economic revival.



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The Township will hold a series of special events this year for our community. Business sponsorships are needed to continue to offer these activities to residents for free or minimal cost. For more information, contact the Parks & Recreation Office at 215-443-5428 or email us: recreation@warminsterpa.org. Registration for events will be available on the township website: www.warminstertownship.org/recreation.

**ANNUAL FALL GOLF SCRAMBLE - ALL NEW!**

**Come play regular golf or try new FootGolf!  
Monday, October 10, 2016 (Columbus Day!)**

If you've never tried it FootGolf is the latest craze and takes half the time! Instead of using a club to hit a ball, FootGolf is more like soccer as players kick a ball into the hole – it's easier and even more fun!



Both types of golf will start with a shotgun, they just start at different times. Regular golfers will play 18 holes starting 9:00 AM; Foot Golfers will play 9 holes and begin at 12:30 PM @ Five Ponds.

**FEES**

**18 Holes of Golf: \$110/golfer \$425/foursome**  
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Parks & Recreation and Gilmore & Associates will host their annual Best Ball Golf Outing! This outing is Golfer-friendly and a ton-o-fun and raises funds for community activities. Join Gilmore, Citadel & O'Neil as sponsors. Opportunities are available for tee signs, courtesy cart and lunch sponsors.

**Call for information and entry forms: (215) 443-5428.**

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**Saturday, November 19, 2016  
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**SAFETY TOWN OPEN FOR BUSINESS**



Warminster Parks & Recreation and the Warminster Rotary Club are teaming up again to perform an expansion on Safety Town located in Warminster Community Park. The current "leases" for this popular and unique play area come to an end in December of 2016 and, if not renewed by current business holders, certain "storefronts" may be available for a 5-year lease period. Business sponsorship is also being sought for recyclable benches, a shed for big wheel/trike storage and a sunshade. If interested, contact the Parks & Recreation Department for more information.

**TREE CHIPPING PROGRAM**

Don't forget about our Christmas Tree Chipping Program. Recycle your Christmas tree after the holidays. Parks & Recreation will chip it and use chips for park trails. If we get a huge pile, residents are welcome to take some home for your garden. Don't forget to remove decorations before drop off. Drop off trees at WCP in the designated area of the parking lot from Dec. 26, 2016-Jan. 31, 2017.



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**TOUCH A TRUCK**

**Saturday, October 22, 2016**

**Time: 10:00 AM-1:00 PM at Warminster Community Park**

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**ANNUAL EGG SCRAMBLE**

Thursday, April 13, 2017  
 Time: 4:30 PM Rain or shine  
 Fees: FREE ~ Pre-registration required!!



Attention area children, ages 3-10! You are invited to participate in the annual Egg Scramble, sponsored by FULTON BANK and Mr. E. Bunny. Eggs will be scattered outside around WCP, 1100 Veterans Way, for age groups: 3-4 yrs, 5-7 yrs & 8-10 yrs.



**DISCOUNT TICKETS**

Warminster Parks & Recreation has discount Premier Regal Entertainment Movie Tickets, Flower Show, Ski Lift, Area Attractions and Amusement Park tickets (in season) available for sale Mon-Fri from 9AM-4PM at the WREC@WCP. Go on line for prices and info. [www.warminstertownship.org](http://www.warminstertownship.org). or call the office at 215-443-5428.



**WATCH FOR INFO ON OTHER 2017 EVENTS (all dates subject to change)**

- SPRING & FALL COMMUNITY YARD SALES – April & August 2017 @ WCP
- BUCKS COUNTY MILE – May 2017 @ WCP
- 22th ANNUAL RUBBER DUCKY REGATTA – Sunday, May 21, 2017 @ Kemper Park
- WARMINSTER TOWNSHIP MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY & PARADE – Monday, May 29, 2017
- KIDS' FATHER'S DAY FISHING DERBY – Sunday, June 18, 2017 @ Peace Valley Park, New Britain

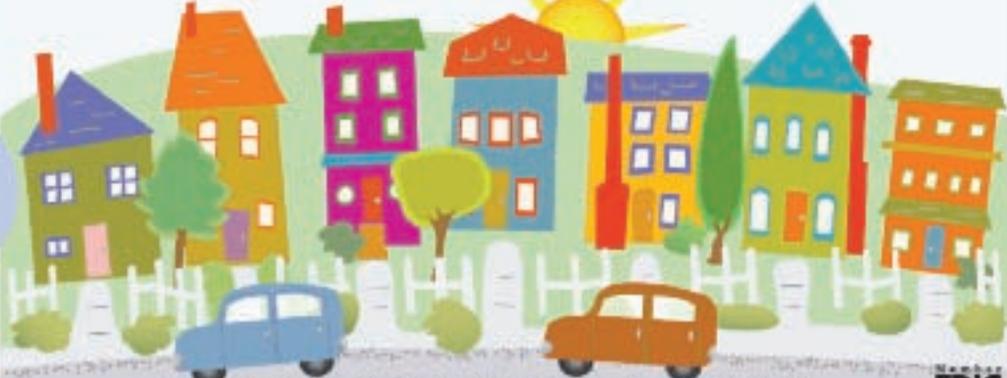


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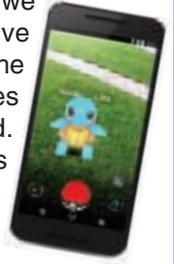
- **Park encroachment** - If your residence backs up to a park, please be aware of your property boundaries before installing sheds, pools and play equipment. Items that encroach on park land must be removed at the cost of the homeowner no matter how long they have been in place.
- **No dumping reminder – dumping in the parks or public lands is illegal.** Leaves, trees, limbs, trimmings and other yard waste must be removed and disposed of properly through the trash company.
- **Commemorative benches and trees honoring friends, family, pets and others are available for placement in any Township park.** For more information, contact Parks & Recreation at 215-443-5428 or download forms from the website: [www.warminstertownship.org](http://www.warminstertownship.org).

**DON'T GET LOST IN THE CROWD,  
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### POKÉMON GO IN THE PARKS - Get Up, Get Out & Explore!

Pokémon Go gamers have taken over the parks! While we invite players, young and old, to enjoy this fun and active pastime, we want you play safely. As you walk through the real world, especially public parks, your smart phone notifies you of Pokémon characters nearby that can be captured. The Pokémon website stresses safety and reminds players that they should never play Pokémon Go while on a bike, driving a car, riding a skateboard, or doing anything else where you should be paying attention. Walking is the best way to catch them, so while playing in the parks, be sure that you:



- **Stay to the right** on trails, so that bikers, walkers and runners can get around you.
- If you are gathering with a bunch of friends to compare captures at a designated PokeStop or Gym, **please step off the trail altogether** to prevent accidents.
- If crossing a trail to capture a character, **please be sure that you look both ways** before stepping across the trail.
- **Do not play Pokémon Go from your car!** Pulling off unexpectedly can cause accidents with other vehicles and cyclists that are using the same thoroughfare. Park your car and walk to capture Pokémon Go characters!
- **During hot days, be sure to carry water with you.** WCP is over 240 acres and characters are everywhere! Water refills are available at the pavilion water fountain.
- **If you bring your dog,** be sure that they are on a leash, have water, and also stay to the right.
- **Be alert at all times and stay aware of your surroundings.** If you respond to a "lure" module, be extra careful and stay away from secluded or isolated areas.
- **Warminster Parks are open dawn to dusk.** If you are found in the park after dark, you risk being cited by our police department.

**So get on your feet to find and catch the wild Pokémon!**

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# Dying Ash Tree Removal in Township Parks

Work began this summer at several of the Warminster Township Parks to remove the dying Ash trees that have been affected by the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). The Emerald Ash Borer is a non-native, invasive species that is killing all types of ash trees within the Township. Originating in Michigan, the EAB has spread throughout the United States and is killing large quantities of ash trees in its wake. This green beetle, no bigger than a dime, burrows under the bark, lays eggs and then the larva feed on the tree. This damage disrupts the transport of water and nutrients between the roots, leaves and growing tissue and causes rapid decline and death in the tree. This rapid decline renders the tree and limbs unpredictable and potentially hazardous.



Healthy Ash Tree

Infected Ash Tree

## Park Grant Update

Warminster Township Parks & Recreation Department is hoping to hear by November if we have received grant funds from the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) Community Conservation Partnership Grant Program (C2P2). If funds are allocated, they will be used for improvements to Warminster Community Park including a soccer field, 2 baseball fields, a spray park, parking, trails, stormwater, and entry drive from Bristol Road. The Park staff is also working on revamping the scope of work for the RACP grant and asks all residents to provide your input by responding to the survey located within this newsletter.

Throughout the fall, a certified arborist will continue to visit all of the parks and township open space and marking ash trees for removal. The Township has inoculated numerous ash trees in Kemper Park to try to preserve some of them, but many are beyond saving and may become a potential hazard to residents walking and picnicking in the park. While annual inoculation against this insect may help, there is no "cure" once the tree is infected. The Kemper Park landscape will be the most affected with over 60 trees scheduled to be removed. Additional ash trees will be removed at other Township parks and in the public right of way. Plans are underway for a fall 2016 & spring 2017 planting to replace the trees in these parks to promote future greening and forestry management.

The Township has awarded contracts to several professional tree services to assist with completion of removal, pruning, and general care and maintenance of our trees to ensure safety in our parks and public right of way. If your property abuts a park area and you are concerned about dead ash trees, please call the Parks & Recreation Department at 215-443-5428 to schedule the arborist for an evaluation. For more information on the Emerald Ash Borer and how it can affect trees in your backyard: check out the FAQ's worksheet on the township website; or the Department of Conservation & Natural Resources website: <http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/forestry/insectsdisease/eab/>



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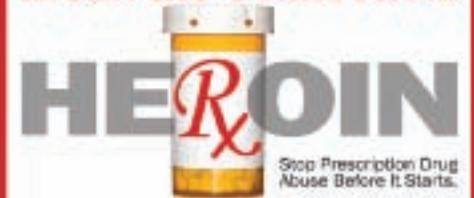
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# WARMINSTER PARK FACILITIES

The Parks & Recreation Department continues to oversee the 410 acres of parks and open space and to provide the community with a variety of annual special events. Volunteers are always needed to assist! For more information: [www.warminstertownship.org/recreation](http://www.warminstertownship.org/recreation)



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<b>The Crossing @ Christ Home</b> Access @ Cloverly Dr or Norristown Rd	14 EPZ						◆	◆				◆						
<b>Crooked Billet Green</b> 25 Van Horn Drive	8.2			◆			◆			◆		◆			◆			
<b>Devonshire Court</b> Gorson Drive	6.8 EPZ																	
<b>Ivy Woods</b> Kirk Road, off Jacksonville	12																	
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<b>Maple Street Park</b> 525 Maple Street	0.6			◆								◆						
<b>Meadow Run Park</b> 700 Fairfield Drive	2.9								◆			◆						
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<b>Szymanek Park</b> 200 Street Road	10.8			◆		◆ ✓				◆		◆		◆	◆			
<b>Warminster Community Park</b> 1100 Veterans Way (Park & Rec/YMCA offices) 1275 Newtown Road (Side Entrance) 350 E. Bristol Road (Maint. Bldg)	243		◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆		◆				
<b>Werner Park</b> 100 Kirk Road	6.8					◆ ✓			◆	◆		◆	◆ S	◆	◆			



Happy Birthday!!

## National Parks Celebrates 100th Birthday

With the National Parks turning 100 in August of 2016, we invite all area residents to get outside and enjoy local parks too! No need to travel across the country when you can enjoy a park right in your back yard. The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources has created a website to make them easy to find: <http://maps.dcnr.pa.gov/localparks/>. Nothing is more relaxing than taking a walk, riding your bike, interacting with nature, or just having a picnic with family and friends. There are tons of places to "Get Outside" close to home!

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**FOOT GOLF:** It's here. Five Ponds is now offering a FootGolf course accredited by the Federation for International FootGolf and the American FootGolf League. Instead of using a club to hit a ball, FootGolf is more like soccer as players kick a ball into the hole. Some say this is much easier and even more fun. There are special rates to play FootGolf every evening at Five Ponds.

**GET GOLF READY:** Interested in learning to play golf? Five Ponds is proud to offer Get Golf Ready, a national program designed to teach you how to play golf in just 4 group lessons. \$125 Registration Fee. Call the golf shop to sign-up for our Fall Schedule: Tuesdays & Thursdays, Sept. 13, 15, 20, 22 from 4:30-6:00 PM | Saturdays, Sept. 10, 17, 24, & Oct. 1 from 2:00-3:30 PM

**ANNUAL PARK & REC GOLF OUTING** to be held on Monday, October 10, 2016 is a ton o' fun, Best Ball Scramble featuring classic golf and the latest craze - FootGolf! Fees include greens fee/cart, prizes, beverages & buffet lunch. Proceeds benefit park development. Registration & sponsorship opportunities available - call or go online [www.warminstertownship.org/specialevents](http://www.warminstertownship.org/specialevents).

**PGA JR. LEAGUE GOLF:** This widely successful summer program will be expanded into a Fall Schedule. Open to Boys and Girls ages 8 to 13, this is an innovative program based on a "learn through play" approach. This will take place Sunday afternoons throughout the fall.

**KYLE QUINN MEMORIAL FALL SCRAMBLE:** The 10th Annual Kyle Quinn Memorial Fall Scramble will take place Friday, October 21 with a 12:30 Shot-Gun. \$125 per player includes 18 Holes, Cart, Prizes, Buffet Dinner and Beverages, with proceeds benefiting the Kyle Quinn Scholarship Fund, Kyle Quinn Skate Park and YMCA Summer Camp.

**DRIVING RANGE AND PRACTICE CENTER:** Five Ponds has one of the best practice centers in the area, with grass tees and multi-green short game area. Plus, this is OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

**RESIDENT DISCOUNTS:** Five Ponds is happy to offer Warminster residents a \$5 discount off greens fees Monday through Friday, includes Regular and Senior 18-Hole rates.

**2017 GOLF OUTINGS:** We are the process of booking golf outings and events for the 2017 Season. Groups scheduling this fall can lock into 2016 pricing.

*To learn more about any of these programs - call  
Five Ponds at 215-956-9727 or Visit [www.5Pondsgc.com](http://www.5Pondsgc.com)*

**HOLIDAY PARTIES:** Looking for a cozy place for your holiday party, banquet or function? Five Ponds has a wonderful banquet hall with top notch catering service provided by Memorable Affairs. Call Cathy at 215-674-1047 for more details.

**GIVE THE GIFT OF GOLF:** Looking for that "perfect gift" this holiday season? The Gift-of-Golf will never disappoint. Here are some example gifts you can get from Five Ponds: 1) Golf Lessons from one of our PGA Professionals, 2) Loyalty Pass providing discounts on pre-paid rounds of golf and 3) Wide-selection of golf apparel, equipment and golf balls out of our Golf Shop.

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## ADULT SERVICES - ONGOING ADULT PROGRAMMING AND CLASSES

### AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB - 3rd Thursday of each month at 10:30 AM. Drop in!

Join our Adult Services Assistant Librarian for a lively book discussion and movie. Film shown at 10:30 followed by staff led talk at 1:00. Bring your own bag lunch or popcorn and snacks!

### EVENING BOOK CLUB - 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 PM. Drop in!

A fun filled patron(s) run club! Selections and discussion handouts are on hold for book club members at the Information Services Desk, as available.



### STITCH AND KNIT - Each Tuesday of the month at 1PM. Drop in!

Crochet and knitters gather in the small meeting room to share project details, swap stories and skills, and bask in their productivity.

### COLOR MY WORLD - 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM. Drop ins welcome!

Join our relaxing cookies and coloring group—a sugar-fueled, colored-pencil, intricate design session for grown-ups!

### COOKBOOK CLUB - At 6:30 PM, dates vary. Register online!

We choose a theme, you choose the recipe, and then we cook, share, and offer evaluations of the books. Occasional expert visits and workshops will be paired with that program's topic. Look at our events calendar online, check out the library monthly newsletter, or give us a call at 267-317-1333 to find out more about upcoming club dates and chosen cooking genres/cuisines.

### LIBRARY USER TIPS AND KNOW HOW 101 - Thursday October 13th at 10:30 AM. Register online!

Yes, it is true; we have more professional, reliable information and access to all sorts of entertaining and educational services that you probably aren't aware of! Join us for our first class and learn about and how to use the many tools and hidden gems available with your library card like help with technology & devices, downloading, streaming, researching, online classes & more!

## FEATURED ADULT PROGRAMMING AND CLASSES

### MURDER MYSTERY- YOU ONLY DIE ONCE- PRESENTED BY VICTORIAN VANITIES - Tuesday, 10/25 at 6:00-8:00PM, Register Online!

Join us for this whodunit complete with props, prizes, and costumes! Participants will be chosen on a first come, first serve basis. Participation is optional, content is suitable for persons' ages 13 and up.

### MADNESS, MOUNTAINS, AND MIRACLES - 4,000 MILES ALONG THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL- Author Presentation and Book Signing - Monday, 9/26 at 6:30 PM

Join us with the Blissful Hiker, Lauralee Bliss, and hear about her journey (twice!) on the Appalachian Trail. She's a current section hiker and has logged over 6,000 miles of trails. Come learn about hiking, gearing, and reach for your hiking dreams! Visit her site at: <http://www.blissfulhiking.com>

### WHAT IT'S WORTH ANTIQUE APPRAISAL - Presented by Victorian Vanities - Tuesday, 9/27 at 5:30-8:00 PM. Register Online!

Bring in that treasure your grandmother gave you and find out its value! Evaluations are provided on a first come, first served basis. \*Presenters will not appraise gold jewelry, guns, or Nazi memorabilia

### DEVICE ADVICE- OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER - 1st Thursday of each month at 10:30 AM. Register Online!

A Series of three programs run by an unbiased professional: Smartphones (10/6), Laptops/Desktops (11/3), and Tablets (12/1). The program will begin with an informational overview followed by Q&A.

### MOST IMPORTANT VICE PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES- PRESENTED BY VICTORIAN VANITIES - Tuesday, 11/1 at 6:00-8:00PM.

Need a break from the elections? Join us for a discussion on past vice presidents and which men were the most influential. No registration required!

### LIBRARY HOURS:

Monday-Wednesday 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM  
 Thursday & Saturday 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
 Friday 12:00 PM- 5:00 PM  
 Please see Library Township webpage for Holidays & Closing Notices

### SERVICES AVAILABLE TO LIBRARY CARD HOLDERS:

- Borrow books, e-books, magazines, audio books, DVDs, music CDs, and video games for free.
- For our remote users who are ALWAYS ON THE GO! See our complete list of free Downloads & Streaming, and Research & Learning APPS and DATABASES.
- Museum and Local Attractions Pass Cards: free admission to exciting and fun places all over Bucks County, Philadelphia and New Jersey for our Warminster/Ivylnd residents! We have passes to 13 different locations, where there is something for all age groups. Visit our township webpage for detailed information or stop by the Information Services Desk.
- Book a Librarian for one-on-one help with smartphones, tablets and e-readers.
- Schedule a technology device support session with a trained professional.
- Use our free Wi-Fi access and our internet computers for research and recreation.
- Hold a meeting in one of our hourly rate conference rooms.



## YOUTH SERVICES - ONGOING CHILDREN AND TEEN PROGRAMS

### FALL AND WINTER STORY TIMES. DROP IN!

Fall Story Time Session 1 will run from 9/13-10/20 and Fall Story Time Session 2 will run from 11/8-12/22. Winter Story Time Session will run from 1/17-3/9. Pre-K Story Time will be on Tuesdays at 10:30 AM, Baby Story Time will be on Wednesdays at 10:30 AM, and Toddler Story Time will be on Thursdays at 10:30 AM.

### AMERICAN GIRL CLUB - 2nd Monday of each month at 6 PM. Register Online!

Join us each month to learn more about an American Girl with games, crafts, activities, and snacks. This program is for kids in grades 1-5. You do not need to bring a doll to participate.

### BLOCKHEADS - 3rd Wednesday of each month at 4:30 PM. Register Online!

Use your imagination to build Lego creations. Each month we present a theme for the children to build and expand upon. This program is for children in grades K-6.

### TIME TRAVEL TUESDAY - 3rd Tuesday of each month at 4:30 PM. Register Online!

Learn more about how people lived throughout history with active games, building projects, crafts, and more. This program is for kids in grades K-3. *Note: In September Time Travel will run the 4th Tuesday, 9/27, at 4:30PM.*

### FUN FEATS OF SCIENCE - 2nd Wednesday of each month at 4:30PM. Register Online!

Learn more about specific science themes through books, experiments, crafts and activities. During the fall we will explore leaf chromatography, Harry Potter Potions, constellations and how to be a top secret spy! This program is for kids in grades 1-4.



### CHESS CLUB - 1st Saturday of each month from 2 PM-3 PM. Register Online!

Join us on the first Saturday of each month starting in October for our new Chess Club! The chess sets were generously donated to us this summer and now we are putting them to good use. High School chess club members will visit the library to teach children grades 1-5 how to play.

### CRAZY 8'S MATH CLUB (For Grades K-2) - Mondays at 4:30 PM. Runs weekly 9/19-11/14. No session will run on Halloween. Register Online!

Math meets mischief in this non-traditional math club! We will be offering one session this fall for grades K-2. Registration is required. Club will run for 8 weeks and participants are asked to commit to all 8 sessions.

### MAKE AND TAKE CRAFTS - Friday 9/23, 10/28, 11/18, and 12/16 at 2 PM. Register Online!

Join us for a fun craft program. This fall we will be making leaf sun catchers, toilet paper bats, Turkey hats, and bubble wrap snowy trees! This program is for kids ages 3-7.



## FEATURED CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

### CHILDREN'S SPACE DEDICATION - Tuesday, 9/20 at 11:00 AM. Drop in!

Directly after story time join us for our Children's Space Dedication. We will be showing off the new space and recognizing & thanking the Friends of the Warminster Library volunteer group! Light refreshments will be served.

### WEE PLAY MONDAYS - Mondays, 9/12-12/19 at 10:30 AM.

This program will not take place on 10/3. Drop in! A drop-in play time for our youngest friends. We will put out our Wee Build toys in the Children's area and caregivers and their little ones can play, discover and learn. For ages Birth-Pre K.

### AUTHOR VISIT: THE MAGIC IN CLOUDS - Monday, 10/3 at 10:30 AM. Register Online!

Discover the magic in clouds and fire up your imaginations! We will be visited by local children's author Joan Scala as she shares a fun imaginative cloud game followed by a reading of her book *The Magic in Clouds*. This program is appropriate for children grades K-2.

### HALLOWEEN STORY TIME AND PARADE - Tuesday, 10/25 and Thursday, 10/27 at 10:30 AM. Drop in!

Join us for a fun Halloween Drop in Story Time followed by our annual Halloween parade. Be sure to wear your costumes!

### 90 SECOND NEWBERY POPCORN PREVIEW - Wednesday, 11/2 at 6 PM. Drop in!

90 Second Newbery participants, parents, family, and friends are welcome to join us as we show our 90 second film complete with a red carpet and popcorn! Be sure to stay for our funny blooper reel!

### THANKSGIVING FUN WITH FOODS - Wednesday, 11/23 at 2 PM. Register Online!

Enjoy a fun program where we will learn about the 1st Thanksgiving, make our own butter and create dream catchers.

### HAPPY NOON YEAR PARTY - Thursday, 12/29 at 11:30 PM. Drop in!

Celebrate the New Year without having to stay up super late! We will read some stories, make noise makers and then count down until noon. Afterwards we will have a small snack. This program is appropriate for children grades PreK-2nd. No registration required!



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## Warminster Township Free Library (continued)

### TEEN PROGRAMS

**TEEN ADVISORY GROUP** - 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7 PM. Drop in!

Want a say in what our library has to offer teens? Maybe you just want to hang out and eat some snacks? Then join the Teen Advisory Group or TAG, which meets every month! We plan library events for teens and discuss volunteering opportunities.

**ANIME CLUB** - 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM. Drop in!

Do you read graphic novels and Manga? Do you enjoy learning about Japanese culture? Then join us each month as we watch an episode of popular anime show and talk about the manga. We will also be pairing the program with themed activities. Snacks will be provided.

*Note: In November the club will take place on the last Wednesday, 11/30, at 6:30PM.*

**TEEN READING LOUNGE** - Dates TBD, January-March

Stay tuned for a continuation of the Teen Reading Lounge. This Spring, we will read and discuss books about robotics and engineering, and then practice our robotics using LEGOMindstorm robotics kits. The Teen Reading Lounge is a grant through the Pennsylvania Humanities Council.

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

**UNCORKED ARTIST HALLOWEEN TREE BYOB FUNDRAISER** - Thursday, 10/6 at 7-9:30 PM. Space limited so sign up. Register at <http://www.theuncorkedartist.com>

Join us at The Uncorked Artist at 1414 Old York Rd. for a fun night out – sipping, snacking, painting & raising money for your library! For every registration the Uncorked Artist will contribute \$10 to the Friends of Warminster Library.

**A LIFE OF MY OWN: MEETING ELEANOR ROOSEVELT** - Saturday, 1/28 at 1-3:00 PM

Actress Linda Kenyon to return to us as Eleanor Roosevelt. Come be dazzled with her personification of one of America's most influential and admired first ladies. Tickets can be purchased starting in January at the circulation desk for \$10/person. Space limited. Snow date February 4th.



### FRIENDS ANNUAL APPEAL

- Recently households in Warminster Township and the surrounding area received a letter asking you to consider making a monetary donation to the Friend of the Warminster Library.
- The Friends have set their sights on helping to transform the small meeting room into an area to accommodate additional services to include computer & technology classes, group work and quiet study. This by far is our biggest venture!
- We hope you will consider donating to the Friends so that we may continue to fund literacy based projects in our community.

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# WARMINSTER COMMUNITY PARK USE AND AMENITIES SURVEY

Warminster Township Parks & Recreation would like your input to help determine park and recreation priorities for our community. Warminster Township has been awarded \$1.7 million in grant funding to make improvements to Warminster Community Park (WCP). Please respond to the questions below as they relate specifically to facilities and amenities in WCP.



This survey should take less than 10 minutes to complete. Residents are invited to complete and submit the survey on line at [www.warminstertownship.org/parksurvey](http://www.warminstertownship.org/parksurvey) or return completed paper surveys to the Township Building (401 Gibson Ave) or the Parks & Recreation office in Warminster Community Park. Please respond by November 1, 2016.



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1. There are many benefits that you and your household may receive because of recreational facilities in the parks. Please rank the options below, 1 to 5 with 1 being the most important benefit for you and your family

- \_\_\_\_\_ a. Improve physical health and fitness
- \_\_\_\_\_ b. Help reduce crime
- \_\_\_\_\_ c. Preserve open space and the environment
- \_\_\_\_\_ d. Increase property values in the surrounding area
- \_\_\_\_\_ e. Promote our community and help attract new residents and business

2. What does your family value most about visiting parks, in general? Please rank the options below 1 to 5 with 1 being the option that your family values the most.

- \_\_\_\_\_ a. Natural features (open space, woodlands, wildlife habitats)
- \_\_\_\_\_ b. Athletic and sports features (fields, courts, etc.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ c. Playgrounds (swings, slides, climbers, etc.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ d. Passive features (trails, benches, picnic facilities, etc.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ e. Other, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

3. Please indicate the number of cumulative visits by you and your family to Warminster Community Park on average per month (check one):

- \_\_\_\_\_ a. At least one time/week
- \_\_\_\_\_ b. 2-3 times/month
- \_\_\_\_\_ c. 1 time/month
- \_\_\_\_\_ d. Less than 1 time/month
- \_\_\_\_\_ e. Not at all

4. The following is a list of recreation activity categories. Please select one response for each activity if members of your household would like to or do participate in the listed activities. (YES, NO, NO OPINION)

- |  |                              |                             |                                     |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. Aquatics  | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| b. Outdoor recreation  | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| c. Exercise and fitness  | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| d. Concerts  | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| e. Community Special events  | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| f. Environmental education   | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| g. Youth Organized sports (baseball, soccer, wrestling, basketball etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| h. Adult Organized sports (baseball, soccer, wrestling, basketball etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| i. Non-organized sports  | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| j. Walking, Running, Biking  | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| k. Other, please specify _____   | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |

5. From the following, please tell us if you would use Warminster Community Park (WCP) more if: (respond YES, NO, NO OPINION)

- |  |                              |                             |                                     |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. WCP facilities were better maintained                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| b. WCP facilities had the right equipment (Please specify _____)         | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| c. WCP facilities were closer to my neighborhood                         | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| d. There was better access to WCP – multiple entrances                   | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| e. WCP operating hours were more convenient                              | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| f. More/better information available about locations of parks and trails | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| g. WCP had better security   | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| h. WCP facilities were closer to where I live                            | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| i. If I/we had more free time  | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| j. WCP had more/better facilities for persons with disabilities          | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| k. WCP had more/better parking by facilities within the park             | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |
| l. WCP was closer to public transportation                               | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION |

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# WARMINSTER COMMUNITY PARK USE AND AMENITIES SURVEY continued

6. Are you satisfied with the current facilities/amenities offered in the Warminster Community Park?

- Satisfied   
  Slightly Satisfied   
  Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied   
  Slightly Dissatisfied   
  Dissatisfied

7. What future recreational uses/features would you like to see incorporated into the Warminster Community Park? Please select one response for each activity (YES, NO OR NO OPINION)

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <p>a. Amphitheater/ Band Stand    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>b. Athletic Fields</p> <p>    i. Baseball    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>    ii. Field Hockey    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>    iii. Football    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>    iv. Lacrosse    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>    v. Multi-use Athletic    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>    vi. Rugby    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>    vii. Soccer    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>    viii. Softball    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>    ix. Synthetic Turf    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>c. Basketball    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>d. Beach Volleyball    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>e. Bocce    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>f. BMX Track    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>g. Concession Stand    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>h. Community Center    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>i. Community Garden    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>j. Disk Golf    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>k. Dog Park    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>l. Environmental Center    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>m. Formal Garden    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>n. Game Tables    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>o. Gazebo    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>p. Greening of the runway (trees, grass, etc)    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>q. Handball    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> | <p>r. Handicapped parking    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>s. Horseshoes    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>t. Ice Skating    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>u. Indoor Facility / Gymnasium    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>v. Labyrinth/Meditation Garden    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>w. Natural Areas/Passive Open Space    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>x. Parking centrally located in the park    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>y. Perimeter fencing improvements    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>z. Pickleball    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>aa. Picnic Shelters    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>bb. Playgrounds    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>cc. Rock Climbing Wall    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>dd. Roller Hockey    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>ee. Shuffleboard    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>ff. Skate Park    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>gg. Spray Park / Fountain    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>hh. Street Hockey    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>ii. Swimming Pool    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>jj. Tennis    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>kk. Tot Lots    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>ll. Trails:</p> <p>    i. Bike / Hike    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>    ii. Exercise / Fitness    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>    iii. Nature    <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NO OPINION</p> <p>mm. Other, please specify _____</p> |
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8. Are you or your family in favor of incorporating artificial athletic turf fields in the Warminster Community Park, with the understanding that artificial athletic turf fields generally need to be replaced every 8-10 years?

- IN FAVOR   
  SOMEWHAT IN FAVOR   
  NEUTRAL, SOMEWHAT NOT IN FAVOR   
  NOT IN FAVOR

9. Is it important to you or your family that restrooms be provided in close proximity to recreational features in the Warminster Community Park?

- YES   
  NO   
  NO OPINION

## General Demographics

*The following demographic question is optional and is included in order to validate the survey. All responses are confidential.*

10. Counting yourself, how many people in your household are?

- |                     |                    |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| # _____ Under age 5 | # _____ Ages 33-45 |
| # _____ Ages 5-12   | # _____ Ages 45-60 |
| # _____ Ages 13-19  | # _____ Ages 61-74 |
| # _____ Ages 20-32  | # _____ Ages 75+   |

**OPTIONAL: If you wish to have an opportunity to win movie tickets or receive email updates regarding this survey and municipal information, please provide the info below:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_





# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES

Administration: 401 Gibson Avenue, Warminster | Phone: 215-443-5414  
Public Works: 910 W. Bristol Road, Warminster | Phone: 215-443-7592  
*Eric Hinz, Director*

*Department of Public Works & Facilities includes care and maintenance of roads, municipal stormwater facilities, traffic signals, street lights and municipal buildings & facilities.*



## ROAD PROJECTS IN THE WORKS!

Warminster Township's 2016 road improvement program will include the milling and paving of 11 roads in the Township with possible roads to be added before November 2016. In the best interest of the Township, the paving work will be completed by the Public Works crews to ensure quality and longevity on road projects this year and in the future. The roads chosen for paving this year were designated based on the Warminster Township paving history map and include: N. Newtown, Alicia, Sheldon, Estelle, Lillian, Watson Glenn, Benn, Dick, Deerfield, Independence, and Greene Rd. Associated handicap accessible curb ramps will also be upgraded as part of the

paving projects and residents on these roads will be notified in advance of the construction schedule. Questions or issues about the 2016 Road Program can be directed to Eric Hinz, PW Director, at 267-317-1310.

## MUNICIPAL STORMWATER TIPS

### *What YOU Can Do to Make A Difference!*

- Conserve water every day. Take shorter showers, fix leaks and turn off the water while brushing your teeth.
- Use hardy plants that require little or no watering, fertilizers or pesticides in your yard. Do not over apply fertilizers. Consider using organic or slow release fertilizers.
- Recycle yard waste in a compost pile and use a mulching mower to leave grass clippings on the lawn.
- Pick up after your dog, and dispose of the waste in the toilet or the trash.
- Drive less—walk or bike instead. Many pollutants in our waters come from car exhaust and car leaks.
- Adopt your watershed! Learn more at [www.epa.gov/adopt](http://www.epa.gov/adopt) or call the EPA's Water Resource Center at 202-566-1729 to get started.
- Don't pour toxic household chemicals, used oil, or antifreeze down the drain. Visit the County recycling website: <http://www.buckscounty.org/government/CommunityServices/PlanningCommission/Recycling> to find out where you can go to dispose of hazardous wastes properly.



**Useful Links:** [www.warminstertownship.org/public-information/stormwater-management](http://www.warminstertownship.org/public-information/stormwater-management);

[www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/stormwater\\_management/21377](http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/stormwater_management/21377); [www.dep.state.pa.us](http://www.dep.state.pa.us), or [www.epa.gov/nps](http://www.epa.gov/nps)

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**FALLING LEAVES . . . Yard Waste Ordinance #537**



With fall upon us, the Public Works department asks that residents work with us to keep our storm drains, creeks, and basins free of yard debris. Leaves are the number one cause of storm drain blockages and could cause flooding and property damage. Problems with neighborhood flooding prompted the Board of Supervisors to pass an ordinance to not permit yard waste and debris in the street gutters. To help keep our sewer and storm water management system flowing, please be sure that neither you, nor your lawn care contractor, blow clippings, leaves, etc. into the street or you may be fined. All yard waste should be

placed in paper bags at the curb. *Reminder...If you back up to a park or open space, leaves should still be bagged and put out at the curb, not piled in the woods or along the creek.*

**WASTE & RECYCLING COLLECTION INFORMATION**

**Trash Collection** - To collect trash & recyclables more efficiently, J.P. Mascaro & Sons, the contracted trash removal service for Warminster Township, has broken the Township into eight sections. Visit: [warminstertownship.org/public-information/trash-recycling](http://warminstertownship.org/public-information/trash-recycling) to view a map and find out when your trash collection day is, what to do with bulk items, how to recycle e-waste and more! Call J.P. Mascaro with questions: 1.800.432.1616



**Single Stream Recycling Information** - Single-stream recycling allows residents to place all recyclables: cans, bottles and plastics together with newspapers, cardboard, and mixed paper in one container. There is no need to separate items since the “single stream” recycling process used allows all recyclables to be mixed together. Single-stream recycling will be collected by a compaction truck. Only recyclables will be on this truck on your recycling day, it cannot collect non-recyclable items.

**No Hazardous Wastes!** Car batteries, gasoline, motor oil, pesticides, oil-based and other toxic and hazardous materials do not belong in the trash! Call the Bucks County Planning Commission at 215-345-3400 for information on disposing of these materials. Many auto stores accept used motor oil and car batteries.

**Yard Waste Collection Day**

- **We compost your grass and leaves!** Place all grass and leaf waste into fifty-gallon Kraft biodegradable bags or loose in cans, no plastic bags! Up to ten containers or bags per week. No branches, stumps, or logs! Place these items out as bulk items.
- **Don't mix trash** with your grass or leaves.
- **Grass and leaves** will be picked up once per week from April 1st to December 15th each year. December 16th through March 31st, put them in the regular trash.

*Questions? Call JP Mascaro at 1-800-432-1616 or the Township @ (215)443-5414, Mon-Fri, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM.*



**GETTING READY FOR SNOW**

With winter fast approaching, the Township hopes that all residents will assist with keeping streets clear so that plows can move unwanted snow.

- **Ordinance #625** states that it is unlawful for residents to park vehicles on any road following accumulation of 3” or more of snow/ice until snow/ice has been completely plowed from the full width of the road way. Please move cars off the streets when it starts to snow, so that the Township can more effectively and safely remove the snow/ice. Curb to curb plowing begins when snow conditions reach 3 inches or more.
- **It is unlawful to shovel, push, plow or otherwise cause snow** to be placed onto, across, or upon any roads, streets or sidewalks if the snow is allowed to remain on the road, street, sidewalk or right-of-way.
- **When the Township plows the roads**, the plowing causes the snow to get pushed up to driveways, curbs, and sidewalks. It may be more convenient for home owners to shovel after the Township plows the roads as opposed to prior.
- **Please trim back all trees, branches and bushes** along your front curb line and at corners to help improve road conditions and allow for emergency vehicle access.
- **Remember to keep all trash cans out of the street.** Portable basketball nets in the street are considered a traffic obstruction and owners may be cited. Please move them back off the street when not in play. If they are struck during emergency services or snow plowing, the owner is responsible for all damages.
- **Warminster Township is not responsible for replacing mailboxes** located in the right of way that are damaged during snow plowing. To avoid snow plow damage to your mailbox, any person with a mail box located along the street should be sure that the mailbox is secure in the ground.
- **The Township is divided into grids for snowplowing.** Some areas have been bid out to local contractors to aid our Public Works Department in plowing snow.

*Please shovel sidewalks & around fire hydrants – the house you save may be your own!*





# WARMINSTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

401 Gibson Avenue, Warminster, PA  
Emergency: 9-1-1 or 215-672-1000 | Business: 215-443-5000

## Body Camera Funding Awarded to a Coalition of Bucks Co. Police Departments

Warminster Township Police Department will be part of a coalition of local police departments that will benefit from a new program instituted by the US Department of Justice which has awarded over \$23 million in funding for body-worn cameras to support law enforcement agencies. Although the pilot program will fund this effort in 32 states, in this area Doylestown, Chalfont, New Britain, and Warminster will be part of this program. According to the Department of Justice Attorney General Lynch, "This vital pilot program is designed to assist local jurisdictions that are interested in exploring and expanding the use of body-worn cameras in order to enhance transparency accountability and credibility. The impact of body-worn cameras touches on a range of outcomes that build upon efforts to mend the fabric of trust respect and common purpose that all communities need to thrive."

The local Coalition has been working since October 2015 to implement this program which is still in the testing phase. No date has been set yet to go live as there are still many details to work out including finding the best equipment, data storage and developing policies and procedures for each department. As the program progresses, information will be available on the township website. *Information provided by the DOJ Office of Public Affairs; For more info visit <http://www.bja.gov/bwc/pdfs/BWCP-IP-Award-Fact-Sheet.pdf>.*

**GOT DRUGS?** Do you have unwanted or expired medicines? No problem! In addition to clearing up storage space, reducing the number of medications kept in the home can prevent accidental ingestion, misuse, and also keep the environment cleaner. Warminster participates in the Bucks County Medication Disposal program and has a free and anonymous drop off box located in the Warminster Police Department lobby, 401 Gibson Ave. Since first participating, Warminster has collected over 1,000 lbs. of unwanted or expired medications. As of August 2016, we collected 390 lbs. For more information on the program, please call 215-968-4713.

## PET OWNER INFORMATION

- **Dog Licenses Required** - According to Pennsylvania State Law, all dogs three (3) months of age or older must have a current dog license and a current rabies vaccination administered by a licensed veterinarian\*\*\*. Dog licenses may be purchased at the WREC, Mon thru Fri from 9 AM-4 PM, at Bucks County Treasurer's office in Doylestown-(215) 348-6244, or online at [www.padoglicense.com](http://www.padoglicense.com). You must provide proof of spaying to receive the discount.
- **Noise Ordinance** - Pet owners should be aware that Warminster Township has an ordinance in place regarding un-provoked incessant noise made by animals\*\*\*. For more info regarding this and other Pennsylvania State Dog Laws, contact Craig Claycomb, Animal Control Officer (267) 317-1380. \*\*\*Violators are subject to a \$100-\$500 fine for non-compliance\*\*\*
- **Pooper-Scooper Ordinance** - Pet owners are required to clean up after their animals, not only in the parks, but on all public and private property throughout the Township (Ordinance #565), or face the possibility of a fine up to \$1,000.





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# DEPARTMENT OF LICENSES AND INSPECTIONS

910 West Bristol Road Warminster, PA 18974 | Phone: 215-443-5423 | Fax: 215-443-7911  
Email: licenses&inspections@warminsterpa.org | Hours: Monday-Friday: 8:00AM-4:00PM

**B**elow is a list of the general items that require building permits. Check with the L&I office before you do home improvement for permit requirements. Please allow at least three (3) weeks for the residential permit process. Permits are processed on a first come, first served basis; if all items are included with the initial permit submittal, permit will be issued sooner. The staff at Licenses & Inspections will be happy to help you through the process.

- **Additions** - adding onto building by either going up or beyond the present footprint of building
- **Alterations** - within the dwelling such as but not limited to:
  - New kitchens, bathrooms, laundry rooms
  - Separating or enlarging existing space within the dwelling to new uses
  - Garage to liveable space
- **Concrete Replacement in Right of Way** - Along street, curb, driveway apron and sidewalk. Concrete must meet 3500 PSI from a PENN DOT Certified Supplier. Absolutely No Bag Concrete is allowed!
- **Deck** - New or replacement
- **Demolition** - of main building, pools, and other accessory structures
- **Electric** - New or replacement - also includes service upgrade or replacement
- **Fencing** - New or Replacement
- **HVAC** - Heater, ventilation system, air conditioner & chimney liner, hot water heater, and other mechanical appliance or systems
- **Patios and Walkways** - Add to, or replace, hardscape, concrete, etc. – considered Impervious Surface
- **Plumbing** - Re-routing or installing new
- **Re-Roof of Dwelling** - which includes replacement of sheathing
- **Sheds** - OVER 144 square feet (need building permit and zoning permit); UNDER 144 square feet (need zoning permit only for placement)
- **Swimming Pools** - Above ground or In-ground pool packet includes stormwater management and other related permit applications
- **Street Opening** - for gas, plumbing, electric or other utilities
- **Stormwater Management** - Application & information
- **Underground Storage Tanks (UST)** - Tank Removal or installation
- **Wood burning Stove, Fireplace or Fireplace Insert** - Installation or replacement.
- **Zoning Applications (additional) for:** “No impact home-based business or Accessory In-law Dwelling”



## CHECKLISTS FOR PERMIT SUBMITTAL:

Contact Licenses & Inspections for a complete packet which includes a checklist which shows items that are required to be included for the different permit submittals. Permit application may be rejected if all items are not included.

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# DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & SERVICES

401 Gibson Avenue, Warminster | Phone: 267-317-1313

Joe Velten, Director/Emergency Management Coordinator/Fire Marshal

**Emergency Services – What if no one answered the call?** Warminster Township is staffed and protected by a 100% Volunteer Firefighting Force and a combination Paid/Volunteer Ambulance Corps. The Warminster Ambulance Corps, Warminster Fire Department, and Hartsville Fire Company need volunteers so that someone is always available to answer your call for emergency services. Dedication is essential, a commitment to training is necessary, and satisfaction is guaranteed. Be a Hero in your own community!



**Early Warning Saves Lives** - The most dangerous part of any fire is the smoke. This is why working smoke detectors are an essential tool needed to give you and your family early warning of a fire. You need to have a smoke detector on every level and each bedroom. The best protection is an interconnected smoke detector system. New technologies allow smoke detectors to be connected WIRELESSLY! A smoke detector that is activated in the basement or distant part of your house will activate all smoke detectors in the house. This will give you valuable seconds to escape.

**Practice your Escape Plan** - Fire Drills are not just for school students! Businesses practice for the safety of their employees; you should plan and practice an escape plan for your family. When you are in an emergency there is no time to panic, seconds count. Plan and practice how you will get out of your home, a secondary way out, and a safe place to meet.

**Emergency Response - ADDRESS** - This is hard to read. How will an Ambulance find your house? How can a police officer respond to your call? Your ADDRESS NEEDS to be clearly visible from the street, in number form, at least 4" high, and in a contrasting color from the background. Help us find you.

### **Hartsville Fire Company – [www.hartsvillefc.org](http://www.hartsvillefc.org)**

New members are always welcome, stop in any Tuesday evening around 6:30 PM, call 215-672-9242, or visit the website for more information about how you can become a member of the Hartsville Fire Company.

### **Warminster Fire Department – [www.warminsterfd.com](http://www.warminsterfd.com)**

Warminster Fire Department is always seeking volunteers to staff its three fire stations located within the Township. Interested individuals must be 16 years of age to participate in formal training. Stop in on any Tuesday night at 6:45 PM at 300 Madison Avenue, call 215-675-4691 and leave a message, or visit the website.

### **Warminster Volunteer Ambulance Corps – [www.wvamb.com](http://www.wvamb.com)**

Proudly serving Warminster Township for over 50 years, we provide both Advanced Life Support and Basic Life Support 24 hours/7 days a week. Please contact the office at 215-441-0333 or visit our website to see how you can make a difference.

**Emergency Notification** - If there is a Township wide emergency or significant weather event that will be affecting us, we have the ability to notify you by various means. You will need to register, sign up, or add to your "favorites" to get contacted via:

*Ready Notify – [bucks.alertpa.org](http://bucks.alertpa.org)*

*[www.warminstertownship.org](http://www.warminstertownship.org)*

*[www.facebook.com/warminstertownship](https://www.facebook.com/warminstertownship)*

*[twitter.com/warminsterpa](https://twitter.com/warminsterpa)*

*[www.warminstertownship.org/resources/stay-connected](http://www.warminstertownship.org/resources/stay-connected)*

**Snow Removal** - During a high snowfall event, emergency response is still a top priority. We need clear access to you. If a township snow emergency is declared you must get your vehicles off of the street and clear fire hydrants that are in front of your residence. You are a key part of our quick response; clear streets allow our public works to move snow so police, fire, and ambulance can get to your emergency. When you clear a fire hydrant of snow, we can find it faster. Please help us help you when responding to your emergency.



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# Ben Wilson Senior Activity Center

580 Delmont Ave, Warminster  
Phone: (215) 672-8380 | Fax: (215) 672-4501  
Open Mon-Fri, 9:00 AM-3:30 PM

## Grant Awarded to BWSAC to Improve Facility and Programs

The Pennsylvania Department of Aging has chosen Ben Wilson Senior Activity Center as one of its grant recipients for a Senior Community Center grant. This grant for \$49,925 will be used by Ben Wilson to modernize its facilities, improve technology, and expand programming for its senior members.

Ben Wilson is the largest senior community center in Bucks County, serving approximately 1,200 members, and more than 1,500 different visitors each year. The senior center has run out of space for new programs, and the Department of Aging grant, funded by the Pennsylvania Lottery, will enable the center to better utilize its space, expand programs by 40%, create an internet café for the senior community, and update its facilities.

The Ben Wilson Senior Activity Center (BWSAC) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization supported by more than 130 volunteers, the county's Area Agency on Aging, grants, and fundraising revenue through events and donations. Our mission is to promote the social welfare of persons aged 55 and better by encouraging good fellowship and companionship among members through social activities, community improvement projects, and other activities conducive to the physical, mental, and social well-being of our members. BWSAC is an essential part of the lives of our senior members. Each member's quality of life is greatly improved by the social activities and programs we offer. We strive to do much more than fill the social calendar for our members. Our center builds relationships, provides health and fitness programs, and most importantly keeps our seniors Young in Spirit and Mind.

Please stop by anytime to check us out! We offer bridge, pinochle, canasta, mahjong, billiards, knitting/sewing, art class, woodcarving, Wii bowling, line dancing, aerobics, Zumba, haircuts, computer classes and more. We are also proud to say we serve a well-balanced meal daily Monday-Friday and also deliver meals on wheels to many local residents in need. We have orientation once per month and all are welcome. We are located at 580 Delmont Avenue, Warminster directly behind Giuseppe's Restaurant on Street Road. Hours are M-F, 9am-3:30pm.



## Upcoming Events:

- September 23rd: .....Annual Spaghetti Dinner
- October 3rd: .....Tribute Luncheon to Township Staff & Volunteers
- October 21st: ..... Designer Bag Bingo
- November 5th: .....Lottery Party
- November 13th: .....Annual Fashion Show
- December 2nd & 3rd: .....Craft Fair

## COMMUNITY, CIVIC AND SPORT ORGANIZATIONS

The different Warminster Sport & Civic Organizations operate independently of the Township and its departments. We do not oversee their operations, set prices or policies, or act as a mediator during disputes. If you have questions, comments or suggestions, please contact each organization.

### BENJAMIN WILSON SENIOR CENTER

www.wilsonseniorcenter.com  
Administration: 215-672-8380

### BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

www.buckscountybsa.org  
Doylestown office: 215-348-7205

### BUCKS COUNTY AREA AGENCY ON AGING

www.buckscounty.org: 267-880-5700

### BUCKSMONT ART LEAGUE

www.bucksmontartleague.com

### BUX-MONT MEALS ON WHEELS

Information: 215-443-9784

### BUX-MONT MEN'S SR. BASEBALL LEAGUE

www.leaguelineup.com/buxmont  
Nick Chichilitti: 215-534-4770

### CENTENNIAL AQUATIC CLUB

www.centennialaquaticclub.org

### CENTENNIAL SINGERS

www.centennialsingerspa.org Information: 215-518-7820

### CRAVEN HALL HISTORICAL SOCIETY

www.Craven-Hall.org Erik Fleischer: 215-675-4698

### FRIENDS OF WARMINSTER LIBRARY

Information: 215-672-4362

### FRIENDS OF WARMINSTER PARKS

info@friendsofwarminsterparks.org

### CANCER SUPPORT COMMUNITY @ GILDA'S CLUB

215- 441-3290 or visit www.cancersupportphiladelphia.org

### GLACIER ICE HOCKEY CLUB @ BCICESPORTS

www.glacier.goalline.ca

### GREATER BUCKSMONT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

www.bucksmontchamber.com Admin: 215-672-6633

### NATIVITY CYO SPORTS

www.nativityofourlord.org Parish Center: 215-675-1925

### NETWORK OF VICTIM ASSISTANCE (NOVA)

Phone: 215-343-6543 | 24-hr hotline: 1-800-675-6900  
website: www.novabucks.org

### SOUTHAMPTON-WARMINSTER AREA LIONS CLUB

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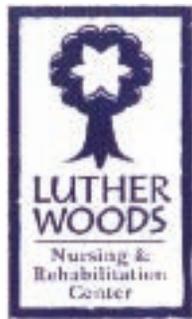
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