



# WILLISTOWNE CRIER

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## FOR POLLINATORS' SAKES, DON'T SPRING INTO GARDEN CLEANUP TOO SOON!

### A reminder from the Willistown Environmental Sustainability Commission:

As tempting as it may be to dive into your spring garden cleanup, it's important to wait until the weather is consistently above 50 F. This allows overwintering insects to emerge safely before you remove the debris that could be providing them with shelter.

### KEY POINTS TO REMEMBER:

- **Wait for warmer temperatures:** Don't rush into spring cleaning. Pollinators in our area often emerge from early to late spring and may be in various stages of life (egg, larva, pupa, or adult) depending on the species.
- **Leave some debris:** Dead leaves and plant stems offer valuable shelter for beneficial insects, giving them a place to rest as they wake up.
- **Cut back gradually:** If possible, trim plants in stages so insects can move to safer spots before the rest of your garden is cleaned up.

While it can be tough to overlook a "messy" garden, especially with all the spring garden inspiration around, waiting a bit longer will support the pollinators who help bring your flowering trees, flowers and vegetables to life.

## FROM THE MANAGER'S DESK...

It's been an eventful 2025 so far in Willistown Township, particularly for our Public Works department as they have expeditiously and skillfully responded to winter weather events throughout January and February. Keeping our Township roads clear and safe is a top priority here in Willistown.

Speaking of our roads, one of the priorities that the Board of Supervisors set for the year 2025 was the commencement of a Circulation Study. The Study will assess movement throughout the Township via trails and sidewalks, focusing on connecting people—most specifically pedestrians and cyclists—to destinations and resources, and providing routes for passive recreation.

Readers might know that the latest iteration of the Willistown Township Comprehensive Plan, Guidelines for Growth and Sustainability, which was adopted by the Board of Supervisors in 2023, calls for this Study as a strategy for implementing policies for roads in the Township. As the Comp Plan notes, *"The main circulation goals of Willistown Township are to continue and enhance the efficiency and safety of the current circulation system while better accommodating pedestrian and bicycle traffic and preserving the rural character of the community."*

The Township Planning and Zoning staff are spearheading the effort in conjunction with the Township Planning consultant and

other subject matter experts to ensure that the Study is comprehensive and Township-wide. The Board of Supervisors has budgeted \$50,000 for the Study in the 2025 Budget, and the Township may also pursue grant funding if it becomes available.

Per the Comp Plan, the Study will seek *"to identify areas where sidewalks, off-road trails and bike lanes can be accommodated."* Residents should understand that potential projects that are identified and prioritized in this Study will require further planning and design development, which is not a part of the scope of this Study. As the Comp Plan also notes, *"[p]reserving the character of the local roadway network will have to be balanced when improvements are considered to accommodate equestrian, bicycle, and pedestrian circulation."*

The Board of Supervisors knows that this is an issue about which many residents are passionate and the Township will want to hear from individuals and interest groups. There will be an opportunity for public input throughout the Study process. More information from the Township will be shared either via the WillisTowne Crier, letters on Township letterhead, or the Township website. You can sign up for Study-specific updates at [www.willistown.pa.us/notifyme](http://www.willistown.pa.us/notifyme). Enter your phone number and/or email address and make sure to click the "Circulation Study Updates" item.

– Shanna Lodge, Township Manager

# WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP PARKS & RECREATION

## SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR ANNUAL SUMMER PARK PARTIES AT GREENTREE PARK!

### SCHOOL'S OUT/LET'S GO WILMA!

Tuesday, June 17th, 5:30-8:00pm  
(rain date June 18th)

### GREENTREE IN TUNE & ON TAP WITH THE SUN BROTHERS BAND

Tuesday, June 24th, 5:30-8:30pm  
(rain date June 26th)

### GREENTREE IN TUNE & ON TAP WITH JEFF DOMENICK & THE FRACTION

Tuesday, July 15th, 5:30-8:30pm  
(rain date July 17)

### WILLISTOWN COUNTRY FAIR

Tuesday, August 19th, 5:00-7:30pm  
(rain date August 21)

## PARK IMPROVEMENTS COMING THIS SPRING

- New swing set at Rita Reves Memorial Park
- New water fountain & bottle filler at Greentree Park
- New dugout fence and back stops at Rita Reves Memorial Park baseball & softball fields
- Field groomer & zero turn mower for improved playing field upkeep at Rita Reves Memorial and Mill Parks

## HIKE WILLISTOWN SERIES

Pre-registration is required.

### PA WILDLIFE EARTH DAY WALK

Tuesday, April 22 (rain date April 23)

TIME: 10:00am-11:30am

LOCATION: Okehocking Preserve

AGES: 12 and up

Pre-registration required—[WillistownEarthDayWalk.eventbrite.com](https://www.willistownearthdaywalk.eventbrite.com)



Join environmental educator Dawn White, of Indian Run Environmental Education Center, and her animal ambassadors to learn more about our local wildlife. Meet live birds of prey and reptiles, discover their roles in our local ecosystems, and find out how we can better accommodate wildlife in our yards and neighborhoods. The program will be followed by a nature walk through the woods and fields of Okehocking Preserve, to discover various species of plants and animals. Please leave dogs at home for this program. IREEC is based in Glenmoore, PA, and conducts a variety of traveling, environmental education programs for various audiences. Learn more at [www.indianruneeec.org](http://www.indianruneeec.org).

### SERPENTINE BARRENS TOUR AT SERPENTINE & WILLISBROOK PRESERVES

Tuesday, May 13 (rain date May 20)

TIME: 10:00am-11:30am

LOCATION: Serpentine & Willisbrook Preserves

AGES: 12 and up

Pre-registration required—[WillistownSerpentineTour.eventbrite.com](https://www.willistownserpentine.com)

Join us for an enlightening tour of the Serpentine Barrens at Serpentine & Willisbrook Preserves, hosted by our expert Willisbrook Preserve Manager Erin Smith. This special event is designed specifically for Willistown Township residents who may be unfamiliar with this unique and fascinating ecosystem. In early spring, the Serpentine Barrens come alive with a vibrant display of native plants and wildlife that thrive in this rare and distinctive landscape. Erin will guide you through the preserve, explaining the geological history that shaped the barrens and how it supports a variety of rare and specialized species. This tour will provide a deeper understanding of the preserve's importance to local biodiversity, as well as conservation efforts underway to protect this natural treasure. Whether you're a longtime resident or new to the area, this is an excellent opportunity to connect with the local environment and learn more about the incredible flora and fauna that make Serpentine & Willisbrook Preserves a hidden gem. Perfect for nature enthusiasts, families, and anyone curious about the natural world around them.

## SUMMER CAMPS

Registration is now open for Willistown Weekly Summer Fun Camps

More information at [willistown.pa.us/camps](http://willistown.pa.us/camps) • Register at [jumpstartsportsphilly.com](http://jumpstartsportsphilly.com)

June 16 – August 8 (8 Weeks)

CAMP LOCATION: Sugartown Elementary School, 611 Sugartown Road, Malvern

AGES: For Boys and Girls Ages 5-12 Years Old

CAMP TIMES: Half-Day 9:00am-12:00pm • Full-Day 9:00am-3:00pm

Before Camp Care 8:00-9:00am

After Camp Care 3:00-5:30pm

Jump Start Sports provides Willistown's Summer Fun Camps, and we include more than sports! Children ages 5-12 will enjoy games, arts and crafts, water play, sports, free play, and more. We focus on cooperation, teamwork, sportsmanship, and summertime fun. Themes change weekly. Each day features a full-camp game in the morning, skill instruction in a sport, and recreational games and activities.

### RESIDENT RATES\*:

Half Day: \$180/week or \$1300 for all 8 weeks

Full Day: \$225/week or \$1600 for all 8 weeks

Before Care: \$40/week or \$200 for all 8 weeks

After Care: \$60/week or \$350 for all 8 weeks

### NON-RESIDENT RATES:

Half Day: \$190/week or \$1350 for all 8 weeks

Full Day: \$235/week or \$1650 for all 8 weeks

Before Care: \$40/week or \$200 for all 8 weeks

After Care: \$60/week or \$350 for all 8 weeks

\*Willistown residents: email [parks@willistown.pa.us](mailto:parks@willistown.pa.us) with you name and address to receive the resident discount code.

## EVENTS 2025

UPCOMING

APRIL  
18 -20

EASTER  
FLOWER SALE

FRI, SAT 9A - 3P  
SUN 9A - 1P



MAY 3

FINE CRAFTS &  
ARTISAN FAIR

SAT 10A - 2P



JUNE 7

OPEN HOUSE

SAT 1P - 4P



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OUR FACEBOOK PAGE!

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### APRIL EVENTS

- **Consent for All Ages** (April 5th, 11:00am or 2:00pm)
- **Broadway on a Budget** (April 18th, 5:30pm)
- **Healthy Development for Kids** (April 19th, 11:00am)
- **Yarn Swap** (April 19th, 9:00am–4:00pm)  
*Drop in to take some yarn or leave some yarn.*
- **John James Audubon Center Songbird Walk** (April 26th, 10:30am–12:00pm)
- **How to Organize Digital Photos** (April 29th, 6:00pm–8:00pm)

### MAY EVENTS

- **Unearthing the Battle of the Clouds** (May 1st, 12:30pm)
- **Italian Conversation Group** (May 6th at 5:30pm and May 7th, 10:00am)
- **Adult Improv Games** (May 16th, 6:00pm)
- **Medicare 101** (May 21st, 6:00pm)
- **Saturday Scrapbooking** (May 24th, 11:00am)

### RECURRING PROGRAMS

- **Poetry Circle** (2nd & 4th Monday of the month at 2:00pm)
- **Morning Book Club** (3rd Tuesday of the month at 9:30am) *See our website calendar for each month's book selection. There will be no Morning Book Club on May 20th.*
- **Books and Bevies** (3rd Thursday of the month at 5:30pm) *A theme-based book club that meets at a different restaurant each month.*
- **Fiber Friends** (4th Monday of the month at 5pm) *Monthly meet-up for those who enjoy crafting in a group. Bring whatever fiber project you are currently working on!*
- **Zoom Yoga** (2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 7:00pm) *Virtual*
- **Afternoon Chair Yoga** (3rd Thursday of the month at 1:00pm) *Held in person at the library.*
- **Documentary of the Month** (April 9th and May 14th at 5:00pm)
- **Senator Comitta's Mobile Office** (1st Tuesday of the month at 10:00am) *Help for residents of Senate District 19 including obtaining senior Septa key passes. No appointment required!*
- **Human Needs Network Mobile Office** (1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10:00am) *Help with human needs assistance programs.*

## PAOLI LIBRARY

### TEENS EXPLORE LIFE THROUGH ART

Teen Art Workshops and special art programs have been enjoyed for many years at Paoli Library. This year, a grant from the Pennsylvania Humanities Council is providing funding for teens to work with librarians to take art programming to the next level. Teens discussed with Sarah, Paoli Library's Youth Librarian, what they desire from art programs at the library: a chance to talk while engaging in art; a chance to learn new skills; and a chance to connect to the community. This spring, look for art workshops for teens to learn to process their world in art; more opportunities for teens to use art as a tool to improve mental health; and a new Little Free Art Library created and maintained by teens. Community members can enjoy the tiny canvases on display in Paoli Library's Little Free Art Library, take one home, and/or contribute their own.

### EXCITING PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

Paoli Library is delighted to welcome Aimee, our new Adult Programming Librarian! Aimee has been getting to know Paoli's adult patrons and understanding their interests. Based on those interests, our calendar of adult programs is growing every month. Find adult craft nights where adults can connect with one another while learning a new creative skill like soap making or portrait painting. Come out to a health & wellness program, such as talks about managing dementia or accessing Medicare. Meet other adults at the Jigsaw Puzzle Exchange, adult game night, virtual book club, or the in-person cookbook club, Cook & Connect. Have an idea for a program for adults? Come into the library to talk with Aimee!



### STORYTIMES AND MUCH MORE

Storytimes are beloved for a reason, and Paoli Library's storytimes are something special! Miss Sarah greets you at the bottom of the stairs—or, when the weather gets nice, at Greentree Park—and young children and their grown ups enjoy songs, stories, dancing, and connecting. There are storytimes for babies, toddlers, and families each week at Paoli Library. Watch the calendar for special programs for young children, too, such as Baby Block Party offered in partnership with Ivy Rehab; Toddler Art; and Breakfast & Books. Storytimes and programs for young children are wonderful for caregivers seeking connection, too!

## 2024 WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

The Willistown Township Community Service Award recognizes a resident who gives their time to the community by serving on a Township board or commission. Today, Karl Malessa is being honored as the recipient of the 2024 Willistown Township Community Service Award. Karl and his wife Mary Ellen moved to Willistown in 1979 to raise their son. Karl soon became involved with Willistown Recycling Commission when his neighbor, Jim Tate, the first recipient of the Willistown Community Service Award, suggested he apply to join the Commission. On the Recycling Commission, which was since renamed the Environmental Sustainability Commission, Karl has coordinated the semi-annual shredding event for Township residents and has volunteered at many other recycling events over the years. In addition, Karl monitors the CD/DVD/audio tape bin behind the police station monthly and ships the contents to be recycled.



In addition to his service on the ESC, Karl has lent his passion for and knowledge of gardening to the Willistown Community Garden since its inception in 2011; he was appointed site manager of the Garden in 2013. In this role, Karl onboards and mentors new gardeners; oversees gardeners' tasks of weeding, mulching, and watering the garden; coordinates volunteer days; and ensures designated produce is delivered to the West Chester Food Cupboard. The Willistown Community Garden proudly donated almost 800 pounds of produce to the Cupboard in 2024.

Throughout his years of service, Karl is always willing to lend a hand to make Willistown the best it can be and to help improve the lives of others in our greater community. The Willistown Township Board of Supervisors expresses our gratitude with this small token and by recognizing Mr. Karl Malessa as the recipient of the 2024 Willistown Township Community Service Award.

– Willistown Township Board of Supervisors, December 16, 2024

# CELEBRATING SERVICE AND WELCOMING NEW OFFICERS

The Willistown Township Police Department would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to two of our esteemed officers as they retire after decades of dedicated service.

**SERGEANT GEORGE HILL** retires after 37 years in law enforcement. He began his career with the Elkton Police Department in Maryland in 1988, where he served as a field training supervisor, a member of the emergency response team, and led the Law Enforcement Explorers program. In 1995, he returned home to Willistown Township, where he served in various capacities, including as a D.A.R.E. officer, hostage negotiator, and member of the bicycle unit. He also earned a master's degree in Homeland Security from Wilmington University. In 2007, he was promoted to Sergeant in the patrol division. Sergeant Hill now looks forward to enjoying retirement with his family, especially his grandchildren.

**SERGEANT MICHAEL LAPIRA** is retiring after 34 years of service. He began his career in 1991 with the Wilmington Police Department before joining Willistown Township in 1995. Over the past 30 years, he has served the community with pride and integrity, achieving the rank of Sergeant

in 2007. Beyond his patrol duties, Sergeant LaPira played key roles as a police association president, firearms instructor, taser instructor, and baton instructor. He also oversaw training units and other programs within the department. In retirement, he plans to spend more time with his wife, Jennifer, and their three children, Julia, Jenna, and Dominic.

We thank both Sergeant Hill and Sergeant LaPira for their years of dedicated service and wish them all the best in their well-earned retirements. As we say farewell to two outstanding officers, we are also proud to welcome two new members to our law enforcement family.

## OFFICER JEFFREY HAUGHEY

joins us after a distinguished 25-year career with the Marple Township Police Department, where he retired as a Sergeant. A Drexel Hill native, Jeff has served in various roles, including motor officer, firearms instructor, and use-of-force instructor. He was also a SWAT Operator and Tactical Commander for the Central Delaware County Tactical



Response Team. He holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from West Chester University and a Master of Science in Public Safety Management from Saint Joseph's University. Jeff is supported by his wife, Bethany, and their four children, Julia, Nick, Mike, and Macie, who are excited to be part of the Willistown Township community.

## OFFICER ADAM ARDARY

comes to us from the Drexel University Police Department, where he spent 13 years, the last three as a Sergeant. A graduate of Springfield High School and Widener University, Adam began his law enforcement career with Norwood Borough and Upper Providence Township before moving to Drexel University PD. He currently resides in Glen Mills with his wife, Kaitlin, and their two daughters, Madison and Ella.



We are excited to welcome Officers Haughey and Ardary to the Willistown Township Police Department and look forward to the contributions they will make to our community.

## RECYCLING NEWS & EVENTS

### RECYCLING REMINDER:

Please flatten all cardboard boxes as it helps save space and makes it easier for collection crews. Additionally, keeping recyclables loose and not in plastic bags ensures the recycling machine runs smoothly and prevents jams. Small efforts like this can make a big difference in the recycling process!

### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENTS IN CHESTER COUNTY

Hazardous Household Waste (HHW) collection events are held throughout Chester County each year. Visit the Chester County Solid Waste Authority at [chestercountyswa.org](http://chestercountyswa.org) for a complete list of accepted items, location and event times. Registration required for all events.

### 2025 PLANNED DATES / LOCATIONS OF HHW COLLECTION:

**Saturday, April 12 - Phoenixville**  
**Friday, June 20 - Coatesville**  
**Saturday, August 23 - Oxford**  
**Sunday, October 5 - Downingtown**

Residential only - businesses and contractors will be turned away. No TVs, electronics, latex paint or Freon appliances will be accepted. Please call the Chester County Solid Waste Authority at 610-273-3771 with any questions regarding the planned collection dates.

### DOCUMENT SHREDDING

**Saturday, April 26**

**TIME:** 9:00am-12:00pm

**LOCATION:** 688 Sugartown Road  
*Willistown Residents only*

Here is an opportunity to dispose of sensitive documents that you've been storing but have been reluctant to dispose of as trash. Cancelled checks, new checks that you'll never use, insurance statements, tax forms, charge/bank/debit statements, receipts, confidential letters, and brokerage statements are some of the many types of sensitive documents that people need to dispose of with finality in this age of identity theft. Shredding will take place on site in a specially equipped truck.

**Limit: Six boxes or paper bags preferred, please place items in the trunk or rear of your vehicle for easier unloading.** Do not bring newspapers, magazines, cardboard, wallpaper, books, sheets of plastic, or three-ring binders. Remove all binder clips. Items containing staples, standard paper clips, or rubber bands will be accepted.

### E-WASTE RECYCLING DROP-OFF

**Saturday, May 17**

**TIME:** 9:00am-12:00pm

**LOCATION:** 688 Sugartown Road  
*Willistown Residents only*

The Environmental Sustainability Commission has organized its annual one-day, no-charge, drop-off E-Waste recycling program for their residents. Please note due to a change in vendors we are only taking E-Waste: Computers, monitors, tablets, cellphones, printers, laptops, servers, keyboards, computer mice, fax machines, typewriters, small appliances, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, dorm fridges, microwaves, telephones, cameras, calculators, and TVs including tube and projection TVs. **Please place items in the trunk or rear of your vehicle for easier unloading.**

**ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:** Large appliances such as washers, dryers, refrigerators, mattresses, oil tanks, upholstered furniture, tires, metal, and household hazardous waste.

## HISTORIC SUGARTOWN

Visit [historicsugartown.org](http://historicsugartown.org) for event information and to register.

### BOOKBINDING WORKSHOPS

- **Intro to Marbling**  
(April 5th, 9:00am–3:00pm)
- **Bookbinding Level II**  
(May 3rd, 9:00am–3:00pm)
- **Intro to Marbling**  
(June 7th, 9:00am–3:00pm)
- **Book Sewing**  
(June 14th, 9:00am–3:00pm)

### MODERN CALLIGRAPHY FOR BEGINNERS

**Saturday, May 10, 1:00–2:30pm**

Whether you're a stationery nerd, DIY Bride-to-be, or just a crafty individual, you'll be introduced to modern calligraphy with a pointed dip pen and ink in this workshop. We will cover all the basics and prepare you to add those unique lettered details to your snail mail, wedding paper goods, home decor, and more! The perfect crafty afternoon out!

Class is \$70 per person. Class includes 1.5 hours of instruction and demonstration, our beginner's calligraphy kit (two nibs, black ink pot, 2 letter guides, tracing paper, and straight pen holder), and all materials to write on. Everything is yours to keep at the end of the workshop! Feel free to come early & grab your seat. Class will start promptly at 1PM!

### HERSTORY LIVING HISTORY WEEKEND

**Saturday, May 17 – Sunday, May 18**

HerStory is an outdoor living history encampment to take place on Historic Sugartown's campus featuring reenactors who will showcase the lives of American women in the 19th-Century. The weekend will showcase the everyday lives of women, such as the women who occupied the town of Sugartown, and their contributions to the community and culture of Willistown Township. HerStory spotlights the lives of women, the tools of women, and the thoughts and voices of women.

### SUMMER BIERGARTEN

**Thursday, June 12, 5:00–8:00pm**

We'll have beverages available from Locust Lane Craft Brewery, Chaddsford Winery, and Manatawny Stillworks and food from Dixie's Down Home Cooking and On the Roll Food Truck. Music will be supplied by Johnny Never!

# WILLISTOWN CONSERVATION TRUST EVENTS

Please register in advance at [wctrust.org/calendar](http://wctrust.org/calendar).

### OTTERS IN OUR WATERS: EXPLORING OTTER POPULATIONS, CONSERVATION, AND THEIR VITAL ROLE IN NATURE

**Thursday May 15, 2025**

**TIME:** 6:00–7:00pm **FEE:** \$10

**LOCATION:** Rushton Conservation Center – 915 Delchester Road, Newtown Square, PA 19073

The story of the resurgence of the North American river otter (*Lontra canadensis*) is one of the great success stories of modern wildlife conservation. In this lecture we will explore otter populations, conservation, and their vital role in nature with Director of Watershed Protection Program, Lauren McGrath.



### WORLD BEE DAY HONEY TASTING

**Tuesday May 20, 2025**

**TIME:** 5:00–6:30pm **FEE:** \$25

**LOCATION:** Rushton Farm – 911 Delchester Road, Newtown Square, PA 19073

Rushton Farm Field Manager, Noah Gress, who is also one of the region's preeminent beekeepers, will lead a fascinating discussion about honey bees — their roles within the hive as a super organism and their role within an agriculture system. Attendees will get to taste fresh honey off the comb and watch a live bee colony in an observation hive.



### BARNs & BBQ

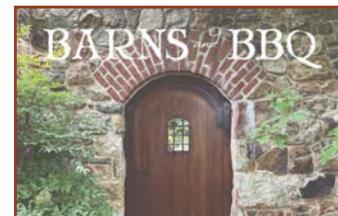
**Saturday May 31, 2025**

**MORNING BARN TOUR:** 9:00am–1:00pm

**PACKET PICKUP (WCT OFFICE):** 9:00am–1:00pm

**EVENING BARN TOUR AND BBQ DINNER:** Starting at 2 pm

**FEE:** \$50–\$300 **LOCATION:** Multiple locations



We are excited to welcome you back to WCT's most anticipated event of the year: Barns & BBQ! Join us for an exclusive look at a variety of barns in the bucolic Chester County countryside. Two self-guided barn tour opportunities allow access to beautiful barns and stunning farms. Guests can choose either a morning tour-only ticket or an evening tour ticket that concludes at one of Willistown's premier properties, where we will enjoy a cocktail reception, bountiful barbecue, live music, and an auction that features a range of unique experiences.

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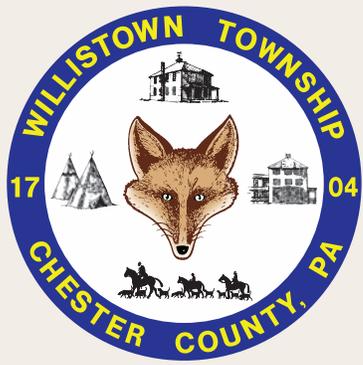
**"All Hands on Deck" *Getting your deck ready for Spring.***

As the snow melts and warmer days can be seen on the horizon, it's a great time to assess the condition of your deck. Whether your deck has weathered through the winter or if you're considering building a new one, there are important permitting requirements to keep in mind before starting any construction project or improvement. Ensuring that your deck is compliant with Willistown's building, planning & zoning regulations will help prevent unexpected setbacks of your deck project.

### HERE'S WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS:

- A Building Permit is required for any structural changes to any deck that is more than 30" above ground level AND any deck that is less than 30" above ground level if it has a roof or covering above it.
- A Building Permit is required to enclose a deck or construct a three-season room.
- Homeowner Association approval is required for all proposed exterior projects located within an HOA Community. Documentation of approval must be attached to applications.
- A Zoning Permit is required for all proposed projects that require a Building Permit.
- A Zoning Permit must be approved before a Building Permit can be reviewed.
- Inspections are required for issuance of project certificates of completion
- All Permits are required to be applied for and issued before any work may begin.

By keeping these permitting requirements in mind, you can ensure that your deck is both safe and compliant with local regulations. Taking the time to obtain the necessary approvals and inspections will help prevent delays and ensure your outdoor furniture has a place to stay for years to come. Whether you're repairing, replacing or constructing a new deck, following these guidelines will set you up for a smooth and successful project.



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Charles E. Coxe Memorial Campus  
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Malvern, PA 19355

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Coxe Memorial Campus  
688 Sugartown Road  
Malvern, PA 19355  
**Phone:** 610-647-5300  
**Email:** [comments@willistown.pa.us](mailto:comments@willistown.pa.us)

**Administration Office Hours**  
Monday – Friday: 9:00am–5:00pm

**Board of Supervisors**  
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## WILLISTOWN TOWNSHIP BULLETIN BOARD



**April 22**  
**PA Wildlife Earth Day Walk**  
at Okehocking Preserve  
10:00–11:30am  
Pre-registration required

**April 26**  
**Document Shredding**  
Willistown Township Building  
9:00am–12:00pm

**April 28**  
**Willistown Police Department Awards Night**  
during the BOS meeting  
General Wayne Elementary School  
7:00 pm

**May 13**  
**Serpentine Barrens Tour**  
at Serpentine & Willisbrook Preserves  
10:00–11:30am  
Pre-registration required



**May 17**  
**E-Waste Recycling Drop-Off**  
Willistown Township Building  
9:00am–12:00pm

**For a full calendar of events, visit [willistown.pa.us/calendar](https://willistown.pa.us/calendar)**