



## WillisTowne Crier – eNews Edition

December 2020



### The Township Building is Ready for Fall!

We love helping our residents, but please note the Township Administration building is open by appointment only Monday - Friday 9 am to 5 pm due to COVID-19 restrictions. Please call 610-647-5300 to make an appointment.

Many services are available online including:

[Submitting Permits](#)

[\[https://www.willistown.pa.us/197/Documents-Permits\]](https://www.willistown.pa.us/197/Documents-Permits)

[Paying a Sewer Bill](https://www.xpressbillpay.com/#/) [\[https://www.xpressbillpay.com/#/\]](https://www.xpressbillpay.com/#/)

[Submitting an Open Records Request](https://www.willistown.pa.us/112/Open-Records) [\[https://www.willistown.pa.us/112/Open-Records\]](https://www.willistown.pa.us/112/Open-Records)

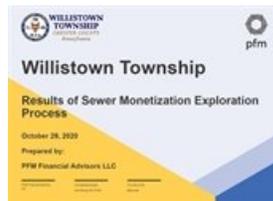
### Volunteers Needed

What makes Willistown such a successful community is the extraordinary contributions of our residents who volunteer their time and talents to our Advisory Boards and Commissions. We currently have a vacancy on our [Recycling Commission](#)



[\[https://www.willistown.pa.us/109/Recycling-Commission\]](https://www.willistown.pa.us/109/Recycling-Commission). Meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month. Interested residents should fill out an [application form](#)

[\[https://www.willistown.pa.us/DocumentCenter/View/1288/Board-and-Commission-Volunteer-Position-Application\]](https://www.willistown.pa.us/DocumentCenter/View/1288/Board-and-Commission-Volunteer-Position-Application) and send in a resume and letter of interest. Volunteer positions are appointed by the Township's Board of Supervisors.



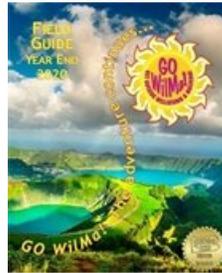
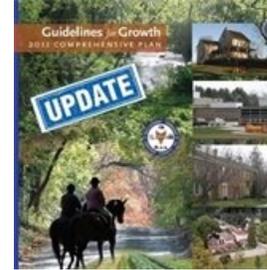
### Sewer Evaluation Presentations & Proposed Ordinance Amendment

If you are a sewer customer in Willistown, and missed the Oct. 29 Sewer Evaluation Meeting or the BOS Regular Public Meeting on Nov 9, all presentations by PFM and Aqua Pennsylvania are available [online](#)

[\[https://www.willistown.pa.us/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=553\]](https://www.willistown.pa.us/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=553). Please note the Township of Willistown will consider the adoption and vote upon the enactment of an Ordinance at its regular meeting on Monday, November 23, 2020 at 7:00 PM regarding the sewer system. Read more about the proposed ordinance amendment, the APA and the Schedules and Exhibits on our [website](#) [\[https://www.willistown.pa.us/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=561\]](https://www.willistown.pa.us/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=561). Make sure to subscribe to our Township [email notifications](#) [\[https://www.willistown.pa.us/list.aspx\]](https://www.willistown.pa.us/list.aspx) to be notified of upcoming important dates and events.

### Comprehensive Plan Survey

48% of Willistown households responded to the Township's Comprehensive Plan Survey. The survey was mailed to every household over the summer. The Township's Comprehensive Plan is updated once every 10 years, and the survey will help prioritize and improve current services, infrastructure, growth and plan for future needs. Visit the Township's [Comprehensive Plan Update Page](#) for the survey results and the project timeline.



## GO WilMa! Year End 2020: The Adventure Continues!

Willistown Parks and Recreation Department is thrilled to announce the year-end continuation of the very popular children's program [GO WilMa](#) [<https://www.willistown.pa.us/172/GO-WilMa/>]

GO *WilMa!* stands for "Get Outside around Willistown and Malvern" and combines parks and recreation, health and wellness, and—FUN. Exploring the natural, historic, and unique treasures of our area brings families together, lifts spirits, and delivers smiles! Following the electronic Field Guide, children and their families and friends explore our region through a series of scavenger hunts that lead to hidden "Inspiration Stations" in our local landscape. Each Inspiration Station highlights an awesome landscape setting that inspires, lifts spirits, and provides the backdrop for our incredible adventure here on earth.

[Registration](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/go-wilma-year-end-outdoor-adventure-program-2020-tickets-128532637579) [<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/go-wilma-year-end-outdoor-adventure-program-2020-tickets-128532637579>] is free and the program runs now through January 2, 2021.

## Willistown Township & Willistown Conservation Trust Celebrating Decades of Community Conservation Partnership



Last month, Willistown Township Supervisors, Open Space Review Board, and Parks & Recreation Board members attended an event hosted by the Willistown Conservation Trust celebrating the 15th anniversary of the private/public partnership that resulted in the protection of [Kirkwood Preserve](#) [<https://www.willistown.pa.us/Facilities/Facility/Details/Kirkwood-Reserve-3>]. The 83-acre preserve boasts rolling hills and grassland, mature woodland, wetlands, a half-mile stretch of Crum Creek, and trails for pedestrians and equestrians.

The Township/Trust collaboration began in 1999 with the Open Space Referendum which residents passed with 80% of the vote. As a result, today the Township owns over 235 acres of publicly accessible green space. The public can visit an additional 169-acres, including Kirkwood, that are owned by local non-profits through partnerships leveraging the Open Space Fund to county, state, and federal funding. The Trust and the Township joined forces on the acquisition and protection of 293 of the 404 total acres protected. This success could not have been achieved without private/public conservation partnerships including funding from the Willistown Township Open Space Fund, Chester County Municipal and Land Trust Grant Programs, PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Preservation Partnership Program, and the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. *And we're not done yet!*



## Willistown Parks and Recreation Will Offer Yoga in 2021

We are very pleased to announce the addition of our Zoom Community Yoga Program to the Willistown Parks and Recreation repertoire. Classes will be open to residents and non-residents. They will be free of charge, and registration will be required. Please sign up for the

[Parks and Recreation News](#) [<https://www.willistown.pa.us/list.aspx>] to receive

updates and the class scheduling poll, or contact [Mary Hundt](#) [<mailto:mhundert@willistown.pa.us>] directly.

Mary, our Director of Parks & Recreation, will be leading the practices. She is a certified yoga teacher, recently received certification in Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction, and has been teaching yoga on a regular basis for the past two years.

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