

# Williams Township Times

Northampton County, PA



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## Summer Recreation

The Williams Township Summer Recreation Program will return for its 53rd year! The program will start on June 18th and end July 27th. It runs daily from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. Activities include arts and crafts, games and special guest presentations. This program is free for children who live in Williams Township, Glendon or Raubsville, and are between the ages of 5 and 13, are welcome to sign up. The forms can be found online at [www.williamstown.org](http://www.williamstown.org) under "Announcements." Looking forward to another fun summer!

## Public Works

Throughout the Spring, Summer and Fall the Public Works Dept. will be out grading, cleaning gutters and drainage pipes along Township owned roadways and easements. We will also be out surveying and collecting an inventory of our storm water pipes and inlets throughout the Township. Residents may see Township employees opening and cleaning manholes, pipes and drainage boxes along the road, within the road right-of-ways and within some drainage easements through their property.

We will also be preparing Stouts School and Steely Hill roads for Fry's Run culvert replacements this summer. The culverts will be done one at a time. Residents should expect extended road closures and detours around that area until both projects are completed.

We will try and post updates on these projects and our annual road project work on the Township website under the public works tab.

## The Center for Animal Health & Welfare

**May 6th, 4 pm | Wine to the Rescue with special guest Shorty Rossi the Pit Boss.**  
Historic Hotel Bethlehem, 437 Main St, Bethlehem.

**August 12th, 9 am-3 pm**  
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**Township Solicitor**  
Jonathan Reiss

**Sewage Enforcement Officer**  
Joseph Black  
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225 Main Capitol Building  
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136th State Legislative District  
215 Northampton Street  
Easton, PA 18042  
P: 610-253-5543

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[www.dent.house.gov](http://www.dent.house.gov)

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**US Senator Robert Casey Jr. (D)**  
840 Hamilton Street, Ste. 301  
Allentown, PA 18101  
P: 610-782-9470  
F: 610-782-9474

The Williams Township Municipal Office  
will be closed on the following dates:

**May 15th • May 28th • July 4th • September 3rd**



## Election Day

Tuesday, May 15th Polls are  
open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm.

The Municipal Office will be  
closed on this day.

## Contact Numbers for Odor/ Environmental Complaints

If you detect an odor, please use the following contact  
numbers to report it

### **Williams Township**

Richard Adams  
Zoning Office: 610-258-0522  
Zoning Office Cell: 484-357-8178

### **DEP-Northeast Region**

1-866-255-5158 - Select Option 2

### **Easton Area Joint Sewer Authority**

610-250-6706

### **Chrin Landfill Inc.**

610-972-9510

## Tax Collector Information

Please place payments in the white mailbox to the left of  
the front doors at the municipal building.

Any questions/concerns, call 484-541-1056 or email Jenny  
Frindt at [jfwmtwptaxcol@gmail.com](mailto:jfwmtwptaxcol@gmail.com).



## Friendly Reminder to Our Residents

Please place the lid on your recycling  
can to prevent your empty bottles  
from blowing around the street.



### **Williams Township Volunteer Fire Company**

## **Annual Carnival Week July 23-28, 2018**

***Support Our Volunteer Fire Company!  
Come join the fun, games, rides and music!***

### **Williams Township Fire Auxiliary**

The Auxiliary is welcoming new members at our regular monthly meetings. Our meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month beginning at 7 pm at the fire house on Morgan Hill Road.

Our events for this year are as follows:

- We will sponsor a Vendor Bingo at the fire house on April 29 beginning at 12:30 pm.
- The annual carnival will be held from July 23 through July 28.
- The basket bingo will be held on September 23 and our fall breakfast will be on Sunday, October 7 from 8 am to 12 noon.

Hope to see you at any of our events this year.



### **Girl Scouts**

The 2018 Winter Olympics may be over, but there are Township Girl Scouts pursuing Bronze, Silver & Gold Awards year-round!



If you, or an organization you support could benefit from a substantial community service project, please contact: Christa Sagrestano at [williamstwpgirlscouts@gmail.com](mailto:williamstwpgirlscouts@gmail.com).

The Girl Scouts of Williams Township were thrilled to make the world a better place for our US soldiers! With cooperation of sister troops in the area, over 500 pounds of candy was collected! The girls packaged and delivered the candy to Support the Troops, Inc. for shipment overseas to our active military personnel. A big thank you to everyone in the Township for their donated candy!

### **Historical Society Calendar of Events:**

- **June 24th, 6 pm | Excerpts from the new Northampton County History, Glenn Kranzley**  
Williams Township Community Park. Public welcome; bring a dish to share and table settings.
- **October 21st, 3 pm | "The Meaning behind 19th c. Tombstone Symbols," Tammy Shane**  
St. John's Church on Morgan Hill. Public welcome.

### **Support the Troops**

Do you know someone serving in the military? Support the Troops, Inc. is a Williams Township based 501 (c) 3, that ships FREE care packages year round to those serving.

Contact Blair or Valerie Ferguson at 610-438-8885 or [sttroops@gmail.com](mailto:sttroops@gmail.com).

They need the full name & address of the soldier and appropriate length of deployment.

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### **Please join the Veterans Memorial Committee**

May 27th Memorial Program, at 6 pm, 655 Cider Press Rd. The Public is welcome.



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## Mary Meuser Memorial Library - Programs 2018

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www.meuserlib.org • visit us on Facebook

Weekly **STORYTIMES** are held on Thursday and Friday mornings from 10:30 am to 11:30 am. Cooper, our special reading buddy, joins us the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month.

Meuser hosts two **AFTER SCHOOL** drop in programs a month, the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month. These programs run from 4 pm to 6 pm. The 2nd week features STEAM activities. The 4th Thursday features games. Bring your own or check out what we have.

**OPEN MIC NIGHTS** are held at the Library on the first Tuesday of every month in the Library Annex from 6:30-7:30 pm. The program is open to all ages and genres including music, poetry and fiction. For updates and performers join our Facebook group, Meuser Library Open Mic.

### MAY

- **Amazing Insects** - A casual talk and extraordinary entomology exhibit by Dr. Gregory Setliff, of Kutztown University - May 17
- **Coffee, Tea & Memories** - 10 Great Scenes in Musical History by Rochelle Christopher - May 24

### JUNE

- **Summer Reading Program begins** – Dates and events TBA
- **Author Visit** – Rebecca Price Janney – DATE TBA

### JULY

- **Coffee, Tea & Memories** - Floods of the Easton/Phillipsburg Area 1865-Present by Leonard Buscemi - July 26

### SEPTEMBER

- **Community Book Fair**- Sept. 8 & 9
- **Bullying Prevention Workshop** - Sept. 27

### OCTOBER

- **Meuser Haunted House and Halloween Celebration**
- **Fall Foliage Bus Trip** - TBA
- **Coffee, Tea & Memories** - Cartoons, Comic Books & Funny Papers - Oct. 18
- **Meuser Geek Night** - The Golden Age of TV Super Heroes (How Old Are You?) by Daniel Redington– Oct. 25

### NOVEMBER

- **Credit Planning & Debt Doctor** - DATE TBA

### DECEMBER

- **Holiday Cheer Day** - Date TBA
- **Wreath Workshop** - Kelly Church - Date and Time TBA

## Northampton County Housing Rehabilitation Program

The Program may be able to provide low-income owner-occupants of single-family residences with a zero-interest, partially-forgivable, deferred-payment loan for up to \$25,000 in home improvements in some cases. The loan can cover a range of improvements necessary for health, safety, and code compliance requirements. Lead-based paint hazards and electrical risks will be identified and removed from the home, and a full complement of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors will be left in all required locations.

The Program can frequently complete repairs to plumbing, electrical, and heating systems; roof, foundation, and exterior wall repairs; trip and fall hazards; moisture, water, and mold issues; drywall repairs; and some incidental items. Funding is also available for accessibility improvements to owners' homes, and such work may be completed at the direction of a physician or other qualified professional.

Program staff will work closely with loan recipients to develop a scope of needed repairs, select a general contractor, and manage the construction process and disbursement of payments to the contractor. The Program is administered by the nonprofit Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley (CACLV) on behalf of Northampton County, and is funded by U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant funds.

### Eligibility Requirements

Homeowners are eligible to apply to the Program if they meet the following requirements, at minimum:

- Owners must be permanent residents and owner-occupants of their single-family home.
- Owners must be current on all municipal, school district, and Northampton County real estate taxes, as well as all municipal bills.
- Owners must carry homeowners' insurance on their property.
- A title search will be ordered and forwarded to Northampton County DCED. The property must not be overly encumbered to accept the loan, per DCED's assessment.
- Owners must not have received housing rehabilitation assistance through this program, or any other housing rehabilitation program (excluding home weatherization or programs providing accessibility modification) within the past five (5) years.
- Owners' household income must be below eighty percent (80%) of Area Median Income per HUD guidelines.
- Other terms, conditions, and requirements apply. Program staff will review them in detail with applicants.

Interested applicants can call CACLV at (610)691-5620 between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday, to speak to program staff for more information.







## Fry's Run Watershed Association Streamside Tour and Native Plant Sale

FRWA will be holding a streamside tour and native plant sale on September 29 at Fry's Run Park on Royal Manor Road and Route 611. We'll be showing the ways the life on the stream affects the life downstream on the Delaware and beyond, and how things influence the wildlife, fish and plants in our neighborhood. There will be a stop on the creek to spotlight history through the ruins of mill dams, and another stop to illustrate the microscopic life that makes all the other life on the stream happen. We'll finish with water testing

so we can see just how clean our stream is.

Native plants will be for sale as a way of bringing in that side of the ecology of the watershed. Plants that provide pollination for the insects are critical for so much of what goes on in life in the watershed, and everywhere.

Check our website ([www.frysrun.org](http://www.frysrun.org)) for more details, or leave your questions at [frysrun@gmail.com](mailto:frysrun@gmail.com)

Looking forward to seeing you there.



## Mariton Wildlife Sanctuary - 2018 Events Schedule

240 Sunnyside Road, Easton, PA 18042-9762 • 610-258-6574 • [timburris@natlands.org](mailto:timburris@natlands.org) • Visit the Web Log at [www.natlands.org](http://www.natlands.org)

Mariton Wildlife Sanctuary presents the following programs this year. All programs are free and open to the public, unless noted otherwise. PLEASE call ahead if you plan to attend at 610-258-6574, or email [timburris@natlands.org](mailto:timburris@natlands.org). Events may be cancelled due to inclement weather or lack of reservations. Follow what is happening at Mariton by checking the Field Notes at [www.natlands.org/field-notes](http://www.natlands.org/field-notes)



### April Walk

**Sunday, April 22 • 1:00-4:00 pm**

We will take a leisurely walk on Mariton's trails to see if any tree buds are starting to open, and to check the recently mowed meadows. Things should be starting to green up at Mariton. Please make reservations.

### Garlic Mustard Removal Day

**Saturday, April 28 • 1:00-4:00 pm**

Garlic Mustard is a non-native plant that is invading our natural areas and affecting the health of our forests. But we continue to make a difference at Mariton with the help of volunteers pulling out the plants. Join us with your gardening gloves, and improve the health of Mariton's forest.

### Tuesday Morning Bird walks

**May 1 – June 5 • 7:30 am-noon**

Each week the group will visit a different location to bird. This is a great chance to learn about spring migrants with knowledgeable people. We meet at Mariton and carpool to other locations. Bring binoculars. (We have loaners available.)

### Spring Wildflower Walk

**Saturday, May 5 • 9:00 am-noon**

Enjoy the beauty of our woodland wildflowers on a guided walk.

### Annual Migratory Bird Census

**Saturday, May 12 • 7:30 am-noon**

We use the peak of the warbler migration to count the spring birds. This is a great opportunity to learn some new birds. Bring binoculars, or borrow ours.

### Annual Nesting Bird Census

**Saturday, June 2 • 7:30 am-noon**

An excellent opportunity to learn the nesting birds of our area. Bring binoculars, or borrow ours.

### Tuesday Morning Butterfly Walks

**June 12 – July 3, 9:00 am-noon**

A guided walk for people wanting to see and learn the local butterflies in Mariton's fields. Species will differ slightly on each walk. Bring binoculars, or borrow ours.

### Annual Butterfly Census

**Saturday, June 23, 9:00 am-noon**

Bring your binoculars and help us count the butterflies in the meadows.

### Tuesday Morning Nature Walks

**October 2 - 30, 9:00 am-noon**

A guided walk to look at birds, fall flowers, butterflies and other wonders at Mariton. Bring binoculars or borrow ours.

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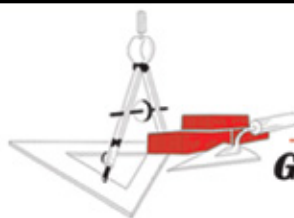
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