



2024 ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

# Spring & Summer Activities Guide & Updates



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Jenkintown, PA 19046

Briar Bush Nature Center  
1212 Edge Hill Road  
Abington, PA 19001

Alverthorpe Park  
498 Forrest Avenue  
Jenkintown, PA 19046

Abington Free Library  
1030 Old York Road  
Abington, PA 19001

Roslyn Branch Library  
2412 Avondale Avenue  
Roslyn, PA 19001

# 2024 BOARD PRESIDENT AND TOWNSHIP MANAGER UPDATES

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I am both honored and pleased to have been elected by my colleagues to a second term as Board President. 2023 was an active year for the Township and 2024 will certainly follow suit. In the last year, we completed a multi-year strategic plan, a recreation, park, and open space plan, a stormwater management plan, an economic redevelopment study, and a pavement management plan. We are grateful to the many residents and Township staff who dedicated their time and energy to complete these thoughtful plans which are interrelated and will serve as a guiding force for the action of the Board in 2024. As I wrote last year, our goal is to achieve sound public policy through the integration of these efforts.

As noted in the Manager's message, we were able to balance the 2024 budget without raising taxes for the second consecutive year. This is a testament to the thoughtful leadership of the Manager and his Department Directors and to the commitment of the Board of Commissioners to maximize the tax dollars provided by our residents to their highest and best use.

Last year, we also created the Economic Development Corporation, which will be a vehicle to maintain existing business communities, support small business owners, enhance downtown centers and drive smart, targeted economic development within the Township. The end goal is to ensure that we maintain and enhance the quality of life that has been a distinguishing feature for the Township and one that has led us to be named one of the top communities to live in the country.

Communities are strongest when residents are engaged in the life of the community. We encourage you to [learn more](#) about volunteer opportunities through our various boards, commissions, committees and councils at [www.abingtonpa.gov/BCCC](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/BCCC). We invite you to share your thoughts, questions, and ideas with the Board of Commissioners at any time through the Contact Your Commissioner function on the Township website at [www.abingtonpa.gov/BOC](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/BOC) or by emailing [publiccomment@abingtonpa.gov](mailto:publiccomment@abingtonpa.gov).

The Board of Commissioners is excited about the work that lies ahead in 2024, and we look forward to working with you to ensure that Abington remains a place that people want to call home and make memories that will last a lifetime.

Best Regards,  
Thomas Hecker

## A MESSAGE FROM THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Township Budget, as presented, holds the current total property tax rate at 5.922 mills, with general fund revenues and expenditures balanced, and wastewater and refuse fees remaining unchanged. The 2024 fiscal plan continues to achieve fund equity at an unrestricted fund balance reserve of three months of operating expenditures and increases our cash reserve beyond previous projections and above fund balance policy requirements, with an FY 2024 balance available for allocation after reserves of \$10,363,861.

The total FY 2024 budget for all operating and capital funds is \$77,343,126, with the general fund totaling \$47,358,059, all other operating funds totaling \$19,747,056, and the general fund improvement capital fund totaling \$6,452,040. FY 2024 general fund expenditures are greater than FY 2023 by \$3,335,357, and all other operating funds are greater than 2023 by \$588,952. FY 2024 general fund revenues are greater than FY 2023 by \$3,335,357. The Township has been granted funds under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) and proposes predominately utilizing the funds received for very specific previously approved select projects and establishes a Culture, Recreation and Parks Infrastructure Investment set aside to be committed in accordance with ARPA guidelines. The ARPA funds will also be used over the next two years to provide seed funding for the Economic Development Corporation and support at the same funding level for the Second Alarmers Rescue Squad (SARS).

The FY 2024 budget demonstrates our commitment to excellence and the resilience of countless dedicated employees and citizen volunteers in continuing their mission of SERVICE (Sustainability, Excellence, Respect, Vision, Integrity, Commitment, and Engagement). It seeks to implement several years of planning and continuous improvement and to build on successful initiatives aligning with the priorities set forth by the Board of Commissioners and the public through the Strategic Planning process. The established culture of excellence in service delivery across all departments will profoundly impact our Township, its infrastructure, and how we conduct business for many years to come.

Respectfully,  
Richard J. Manfredi

*This message was primarily taken from the Township Manager's Budget Message as prepared for the FY 2024 Budget. To view the full message, visit [www.abingtonpa.gov/2024message](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/2024message).*

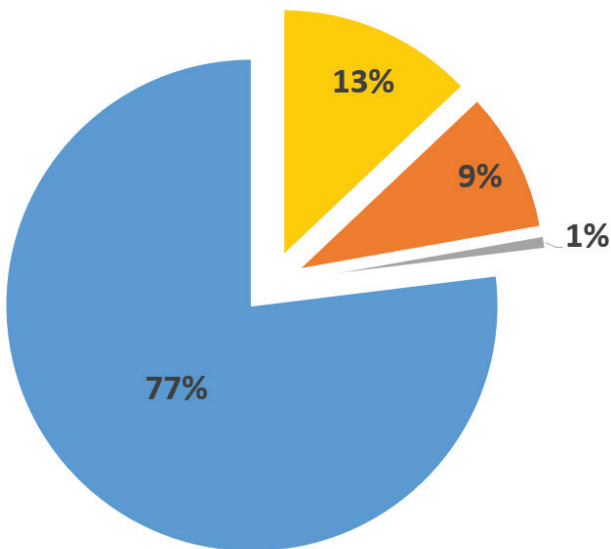
# 2024 BUDGET

## 2024 PROPERTY TAX DISTRIBUTION BY TAXING AUTHORITY

TAXING AUTHORITY	TAX RATE	DOLLARS
Abington School District	35.210	\$5,281.50
Abington Township	5.922	\$888.30
Montgomery County (MC)	4.237	\$635.55
MC Community College	0.390	\$58.50
Total	45.759	\$6,863.85

The tax bill also contains annual fees for refuse collection and processing of sewer services. The above calculations are based on an average household assessed value of \$150,000.

\*Based on estimated assessed valuation of \$3,437,126,167



- Abington Township School District
- Township of Abington
- Montgomery County
- Montgomery County Community College

## GENERAL FUND Revenues and Fund Balance

FUND BALANCES AVAILABLE	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL
Total Fund Balance	\$22,203,376	100.00%
Fund Balance to be Allocated in FY 2024	\$0	0%
Fund Balance Remaining	\$22,203,376	100%

REVENUE SOURCE	AMOUNT BUDGETED	% OF TOTAL
Real Estate Taxes	\$17,263,536	36.45%
Earned Income Taxes	\$10,500,000	22.17%
Other Taxes	\$9,465,000	19.99%
Fees, Licenses and Permits	\$3,536,726	7.47%
Investment Income and Rent	\$1,450,000	3.06%
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$2,608,424	5.51%
Fines and Forfeitures	\$200,500	0.42%
Program Revenues	\$850,000	1.79%
Other	\$1,483,873	3.13%
Total Revenues	\$47,358,059	100.00%
Total Revenues and Fund Balance	\$69,561,435	

## GENERAL FUND Expenses

DEPARTMENT	AMOUNT BUDGETED	% OF TOTAL
General Government	\$4,036,091	8.52%
Public Safety	\$26,351,131	55.64%
Code Enforcement	\$1,167,822	2.47%
Highways and Roads	\$5,993,309	12.66%
Culture and Recreation <sup>1</sup>	\$8,377,291	17.69%
Insurance and Employee Benefits	\$1,432,415	3.02%
Total Expenses	\$47,358,059	100.00%

<sup>1</sup> Includes Library

# PARKS AND RECREATION REGISTRATION INFORMATION

## REGISTER EARLY FOR PROGRAMS

Nothing stops a program in its tracks faster than everyone waiting until the last minute to register. Many of our programs need a minimum number of participants to run, so a program may be canceled if there are not enough registrants. A minimum number of participants must be reached at least one week prior to the program beginning. Registration for these programs are to be completed on their individual websites: Soccer Shots ([www.soccershots.org](http://www.soccershots.org)), Challenger Sports (<https://challengersports.com>), and i9 Sports ([www.i9sports.com](http://www.i9sports.com)).

## REGISTRATION POLICY

Please complete the registration and waiver forms on PAGES 38 - 41 or [REGISTER ONLINE](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/PRregistration) at [www.abingtonpa.gov/PRregistration](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/PRregistration). You will be considered registered for a program only after the proper forms and fees are received by the Parks and Recreation Department before the stated deadline. You will not receive a confirmation unless otherwise noted. Registrations without accompanying fees will NOT be accepted. If you mail a registration in, the registration will be entered at the end of the work day. Non-residents may have a delayed registration start date and/or a higher registration fee.

## MAIL-IN OR IN-PERSON REGISTRATION

**Abington Parks & Recreation Office:** 515 Meetinghouse Road, Jenkintown, PA 19046

- Monday - Friday, 8 AM - 4:30 PM
- 215-576-5213

**Briar Bush Nature Center:** 1212 Edge Hill Road, Abington, PA 19001

- Business Hours: Monday - Friday, 9 AM - 5 PM
- 215-887-6603

## PAYMENT FOR PROGRAM

Payment is due at the time of registration. You may pay by Visa, Master Card, Discover, American Express, branded debit card, cash, or check. Checks should be made payable to "ABINGTON TOWNSHIP". All returned checks will be assessed a fee of \$25. If it is a Briar Bush Nature Center program (pages 21 - 24), please make checks payable to: "FRIENDS OF BRIAR BUSH". Separate checks are encouraged. List all participants in the family on one form but send a separate check for each program. This way if one program is full, it does not affect everyone, since payment must be processed in order to be considered registered in a program.

## CANCELLATION OF A PROGRAM

Weather and other conditions may force us to cancel or postpone a program. The Department will make every effort to make the decision as early as possible. If there are any questions about the status of a program, please call our office at 215-576-5213 between 8 AM and 4 PM, Monday through Thursday, or check our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/abingtontownship](http://www.facebook.com/abingtontownship) or the Township website at [www.abingtonpa.gov](http://www.abingtonpa.gov).

## REFUND POLICY

A 20% service fee will be charged for ALL refund requests. Requests must be made at least five (5) business days before a program is scheduled to begin. There will be no service fee if the refund amount is applied to a future program within the calendar year or the program is cancelled by the Township. Refunds will not be issued once the program begins, or outside of the date range specified above. ALL refunds will be returned by check. For Briar Bush Nature Center's refund policy, please visit [www.briarbush.org](http://www.briarbush.org).

## PHOTO POLICY

On occasion, we may take photos or video of individuals enrolled in programs or using parks facilities. Please be aware that these images are for Township use and may be used in future promotional materials.

## SCHOOL DISTRICT DISCLAIMER

The Abington School Board of Directors assumes no responsibilities for the opinions, information, and possible typographical errors and omissions, etc., that may be reflected in this guide.

## RECEIPTS

Receipts needed for tax or child care credit must be requested at the time of payment. Receipts will not be provided after the initial transaction.

# YOUTH PROGRAMS

## Soccer Shots

Soccer Shots is an energetic children's soccer program with a focus on character development. We positively impact children's lives on and off the field through our best-in-class coaching, communication, and curriculum.

Please register **ONLINE** at [www.soccershots.org](http://www.soccershots.org). Please note, there is a \$35 annual registration fee.

**Soccer Shots Mini (2-3 years old)** is a high-energy program introducing children to fundamental soccer principles, such as using your feet, dribbling, and the basic rules of the game. Through fun games, songs, and positive reinforcement, children will begin to experience the joy of playing soccer and being active.

**Soccer Shots Classic (3-5 years old)** utilizes creative and imaginative games to focus on basic soccer skills like dribbling, passing and shooting. We also highlight a positive character trait in each session, such as respect, teamwork, and appreciation.

**Soccer Shots Premier (5-8 years old)** focuses on individual skill, fitness, and sportsmanship, providing children with an opportunity to be challenged through fun games and team interaction. Children will also be introduced to competition in a developmentally appropriate manner.

### SESSION I

Date:	Wednesdays, April 3 - May 22
Age:	2 - 3 years old
Time:	4:30 PM - 5 PM
	5:15 PM - 5:45 PM
Age:	3 - 5 years old
Time:	4:30 PM - 5:10 PM
	5:05 PM - 5:45 PM
	5:50 PM - 6:30 PM
Age:	5 - 8 years old
Time:	5:50 PM - 6:30 PM
Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Cost:	\$180
Make Up Dates:	May 29 & June 5

### SESSION II

Date:	Saturdays, April 6 - June 1 (No session May 25)
Age:	2 - 3 years old
Time:	8:45 AM - 9:15 AM
	9:30 AM - 10 AM
Age:	3 - 5 years old
Time:	8:45 AM - 9:25 AM
	9:20 AM - 10 AM
	10:05 AM - 10:45 AM
	10:50 AM - 11:30 AM
Age:	5 - 8 years old
Time:	10:05 AM - 10:45 AM
	10:50 AM - 11:30 AM
Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Cost:	\$180
Make Up Dates:	June 8 & 15

### SESSION III

Date:	Sundays, April 7 - June 2 (No session May 26)
Age:	2 - 3 years old
Time:	2 PM - 2:30 PM
Age:	3 - 5 years old
Time:	2:35 PM - 3:15 PM
Age:	5 - 8 years old
Time:	3:20 PM - 4 PM
Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Cost:	\$180
Make Up Dates:	June 9 & 16

### SESSION IV

Date:	Wednesdays, June 19 - August 7
Age:	2 - 3 years old
Time:	4:30 PM - 5 PM
	5:15 PM - 5:45 PM
Age:	3 - 5 years old
Time:	4:30 PM - 5:10 PM
	5:05 PM - 5:45 PM
	5:50 PM - 6:30 PM
Age:	5 - 8 years old
Time:	5:50 PM - 6:30 PM
Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Cost:	\$180
Make Up Dates:	August 14 & 21

### SESSION V

Date:	Saturdays, June 22 - August 10
Age:	2 - 3 years old
Time:	8:45 AM - 9:15 AM
	9:30 AM - 10 AM
Age:	3 - 5 years old
Time:	8:45 AM - 9:25 AM
	9:20 AM - 10 AM
	10:05 AM - 10:45 AM
	10:50 AM - 11:30 AM
Age:	5 - 8 years old
Time:	10:05 AM - 10:45 AM
	10:50 AM - 11:30 AM
Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Cost:	\$180
Make Up Dates:	August 17 & 24



**SOCCER SHOTS (CONT'D)****SESSION VI**

<b>Date:</b>	Wednesdays, September 4 - October 16
<b>Age:</b>	2 - 3 years old
<b>Time:</b>	4:30 PM - 5 PM
	5:15 PM - 5:45 PM
<b>Age:</b>	3 - 5 years old
<b>Time:</b>	4:30 PM - 5:10 PM
	5:05 PM - 5:45 PM
	5:50 PM - 6:30 PM
<b>Age:</b>	5 - 8 years old
<b>Time:</b>	5:50 PM - 6:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Ardsey Community Center
<b>Cost:</b>	\$158
<b>Make Up Dates:</b>	October 23 & 30

**SESSION VII**

<b>Date:</b>	Saturdays, September 7 - October 26
<b>Age:</b>	2 - 3 years old
<b>Time:</b>	8:45 AM - 9:15 AM
	9:30 AM - 10 AM
<b>Age:</b>	3 - 5 years old
<b>Time:</b>	8:45 AM - 9:25 AM
	9:20 AM - 10 AM
	10:05 AM - 10:45 AM
	10:50 AM - 11:30 AM
<b>Age:</b>	5 - 8 years old
<b>Time:</b>	10:05 AM - 10:45 AM
	10:50 AM - 11:30 AM
<b>Location:</b>	Ardsey Community Center
<b>Cost:</b>	\$180
<b>Make Up Dates:</b>	November 2 & 9

**SESSION VIII**

<b>Date:</b>	Sundays, September 8 - October 27
<b>Age:</b>	2 - 3 years old
<b>Time:</b>	2 PM - 2:30 PM
<b>Age:</b>	3 - 5 years old
<b>Time:</b>	2:35 PM - 3:15 PM
<b>Age:</b>	5 - 8 years old
<b>Time:</b>	3:20 PM - 4 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Ardsey Community Center
<b>Cost:</b>	\$180
<b>Make Up Dates:</b>	November 3 & 10

**CHILDREN'S RUNNING PROGRAM**

Help your child gain confidence, strength, and the ability to embrace a challenge, all mental benefits of learning to run. Consider the physical benefits, and running provides something extra special. Whether your child is a natural runner or completely new to running, your child will learn how to run smart, listen to their body, and prioritize self-care in this 8 week program. With an emphasis on FUN, we will work on building endurance, setting goals, and gaining confidence together. With a focus on positivity and support, rather than metrics or athleticism, this program is designed with your child's confidence in mind.

<b>Date:</b>	Tuesdays, April 2 - May 21
<b>Time:</b>	4:30 PM - 5:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park
<b>Age:</b>	10 - 14 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$105

**AMAZING ATHLETES**

This multi-sport program introduces children to the fundamentals of 10 sports in a fun non-competitive environment, helping them to develop physical literacy, learn about nutrition and muscle identification, and master 6 key motor skills. The Amazing Athletes curriculum is custom designed to provide both variety and repetition through interactive sports lessons that focus on skill development and personal progression using age-appropriate sports equipment.

<b>Date:</b>	Fridays, April 5 - May 24
<b>Time:</b>	2 years old: 9:30 AM - 9:55 AM
	3 years old: 10 AM - 10:30 AM
	4 - 6 years old: 10:35 AM - 11:05 AM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park
<b>Age:</b>	2 - 6 year olds
<b>Cost:</b>	2 years old: \$96 3 - 6 years old: \$112

**ARCHERY**

Looking for something fun and new? Come learn the sport of archery at Alverthorpe Park. Instructor Ehren Gross will teach you the basics of the sport and hitting your first bullseye. All equipment will be provided. Group size is limited so sign up today!

<b>Date:</b>	Wednesdays, May 1, 8, 15 and 22 (Rain Date: May 29)
<b>Time:</b>	4:30 PM - 6 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Campground (Crossroads of Jenkintown and Holmestown Roads)
<b>Age:</b>	8 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$220 per person



# YOUTH PROGRAMS

## LIFEGUARD CERTIFICATION AND RE-CERTIFICATION

The primary purpose of the courses in the American Red Cross Lifeguarding program is to provide participants with the knowledge and skills needed to:

- Prevent, recognize and respond to aquatic emergencies in deep water pools (7 feet or greater)
- Provide professional-level care for breathing and cardiac emergencies, injuries, and sudden illnesses until emergency medical services (EMS) professionals take over. **All participants must attend the entire course**, participate in all class sessions, and complete the online course work before the first class.

### Course Prerequisites

To participate in the lifeguarding (including deep water) course, participants must:

- Be at least 15 years old on or before the final scheduled session of the lifeguarding course.
- Successfully complete the two prerequisite swimming skills evaluations:

Prerequisite 1: Complete a swim-tread-swim sequence without stopping to rest: Jump into the water and totally submerge, resurface then swim 150 yards using the front crawl, breaststroke or a combination of both. (Swimming on the back or side is not permitted. Swim goggles are allowed.) Without a break, tread water using only the legs for 2 minutes; then swim 50 yards using the front crawl, breaststroke or a combination of both.

Prerequisite 2: Complete a timed event within 1 minute, 40 seconds:

Starting in the water, swim 20 yards. (The face may be in or out of the water. Swim goggles are not allowed). Surface dive (feet-first or head-first) to a depth of 7 – 10 feet to retrieve a 10-pound object. Return to the surface and swim 20 yards on the back to return to the starting point, holding the object at the surface with both hands and keeping the face out at or near the surface. Exit the water without using a ladder or steps.

### American Red Cross Lifeguarding- Blended Learning

<b>Date:</b>	Friday, April 19 Saturday, April 20 Sunday, April 21
<b>Time:</b>	5 PM - 9:30 PM, April 19 9 AM - 6 PM, April 20 & 21
<b>Location:</b>	April 19, Abington High School Pool April 20, Ardsley Community Center Cafeteria April 21, Willow Grove YMCA Pool
<b>Age:</b>	15 years and older
<b>Cost:</b>	\$285 per person

### American Red Cross Lifeguarding Review

An abbreviated lifeguarding course that briefly reviews course information and allows practice of skills and knowledge before testing. Prerequisites: A current certification in Red Cross Lifeguarding/First Aid/CPR/AED is required to participate in the review course. Students who successfully complete this course will receive a certificate for Lifeguarding/First Aid/CPR/AED which is valid for 2 years.

<b>Date:</b>	Wednesday, May 29 Thursday, May 30
<b>Time:</b>	5:30 PM - 9:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Crestmont Pool
<b>Age:</b>	15 years and older
<b>Cost:</b>	\$140 per person

## SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM

This 7-week outdoor supervised summer playground program is open to children ages 6-12 years. The program will be offered at two locations, Penbryn and Crestmont Parks. Activities will include sports, arts and crafts, and special events. Each site will operate from 9 AM – 3 PM Monday through Friday. Supervision will NOT be available for early drop offs or late pick-ups. Registration will begin Monday, March 4, 2024, and will be completed online. Paperwork will be emailed once registration is complete.

<b>Date:</b>	June 17 - August 2
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 3 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Crestmont and Penbryn Parks
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$750

## BABYSITTING WORKSHOP

This certification course provides teens with the confidence and skills to care for youngsters. Prospective employers will be happy to hire babysitters who have acquired this official recognition. Upon completion of the course, you will receive an ARC Certification Card, as well as child care concepts. You must attend the entire course, pass the evaluations, and show the maturity to properly care for children. Please bring a lunch and a pen or pencil.

<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, July 13
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 3 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Crestmont Clubhouse
<b>Age:</b>	11 - 15 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$80 R / \$100 NR



## i9 BASKETBALL

This league focuses on learning new skills, practicing good sportsmanship and having fun! Children are generally grouped with other children of similar size and abilities. In this league everyone plays, every game! Practices are conveniently held on game day-just prior to the game. There are no tryouts, no drafts, no fundraisers. Start times may rotate from week to week. **Please register ONLINE at [www.i9sports.com](http://www.i9sports.com).**

- Age groups 4-5 years and 6-7 years: Play (practice and game) a total of 60 minutes in a 5 on 5 format.
- Ages group 8-9, 10-12 & 13-14 years: Play (practice and game) a total of 60-75 minutes in a 5 on 5 format.

## SPRING BASKETBALL

<b>Date:</b>	Saturdays, April 6 - May 11
<b>Time:</b>	8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Basketball Court
<b>Age:</b>	4 - 14 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$165 if registered by March 8 \$185 if registered after March 8

## SUMMER BASKETBALL: AGES 4 - 7 YEARS OLD

<b>Date:</b>	Tuesdays, June 25 - July 30
<b>Time:</b>	5 PM - 7:15 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Basketball Court
<b>Age:</b>	4 - 7 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$165 if registered by May 24 \$185 if registered after May 24

## SUMMER BASKETBALL: AGES 8 - 14 YEARS OLD

<b>Date:</b>	Thursdays, June 27 - August 8 (No games July 4)
<b>Time:</b>	5 PM - 8:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Basketball Court
<b>Age:</b>	8 - 14 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$165 if registered by May 24 \$185 if registered after May 24



## AIKIDO

Aikido is a Japanese martial art developed by Morihei Ueshiba; his goal was to create an art that practitioners could use to defend themselves while also protecting their attackers from injury. Because the aikido curriculum consists of throws, beginners learn how to safely fall or roll. The specific techniques for attack include both strikes and grabs; techniques for defense consist of throws and pins. After basic techniques are learned, students study freestyle defense against multiple opponents, and techniques with weapons. Aikido related training emphasizes the use of coordinated whole-body movement and balance similar to yoga and Pilates.

## CHILDREN'S AIKIDO

<b>Session I:</b>	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and/or Thursdays, March 5 - April 25
<b>Session II:</b>	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and/or Thursdays, April 30 - June 20
<b>Time:</b>	6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Ardsley Community Center
<b>Age:</b>	7 - 11 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$75 for 1 class per week \$95 for 2 or 3 classes per week

## ADULT AIKIDO

<b>Session I:</b>	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and/or Thursdays, March 5 - April 25
<b>Session II:</b>	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and/or Thursdays, April 30 - June 20
<b>Time:</b>	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Ardsley Community Center
<b>Age:</b>	12+ years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$75 for 1 class per week \$95 for 2 or 3 classes per week

## LITTLE NINJAS

Our Little Ninjas program is designed to teach children important life skills in a fun, exciting, and enriching manner. Each week will focus on a different life skill such as memory, control, teamwork, coordination, fitness, balance, focus, and discipline. Children will learn the importance of good manners and respect for others.

<b>Session I:</b>	Tuesdays, March 5 - April 23
<b>Session II:</b>	Tuesdays, April 30 - June 18
<b>Time:</b>	6 PM - 6:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Ardsley Community Center
<b>Age:</b>	4 - 6 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$75 per person

# YOUTH PROGRAMS

## PARENT ASSIST MULTI SPORT

### US Sports Institute

This program allows children aged 2.5 - 4 to experience a variety of sports throughout their program with a helping hand from mom or dad! Children will have the opportunity to try lacrosse, soccer, t-ball, track & field, and parachute games in a safe, structured environment. This program is ideal for any child that needs a little help from mom or dad. This is an excellent opportunity for you to spend quality time together while easing your child into social situations with support and confidence, which will enable them to move onto our Multi Sports Squirts classes. As well as all Squirts programs, the emphasis is on safety, fun, and learning. All sports are presented in a positive and relaxed environment with an emphasis on participation, interaction, and communication.

<b>Session I:</b>	Sundays, April 14 - June 9 (No class May 26 & Rain Date: June 16)
<b>Session II:</b>	Sundays, September 15 - November 3 (Rain Date: November 10)
<b>Time:</b>	1:30 PM - 2:15 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Session I: Crestmont Park Session II: Roychester Park
<b>Age:</b>	2.5 - 4 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$184



## SQUIRTS MULTI SPORT

### US Sports Institute

The US Sports Institute Multi Sport program allows children aged 3 - 5.5 to experience a variety of sports throughout their program. It is the perfect introduction to athletics for your future sports star! All sports are taught in a safe, structured and fun learning environment. Each session is comprised of a series of games and activities designed to ensure learning and most importantly fun, fun, fun!

<b>Session I:</b>	Sundays, April 14 - June 9 (No class May 26 & Rain Date: June 16)
<b>Session II:</b>	Sundays, September 15 - November 3 (Rain Date: November 10)
<b>Time:</b>	3 - 4.5 years old: 2:20 PM - 3:05 PM 4 - 5.5 years old: 3:10 PM - 3:55 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Session I: Crestmont Park Session II: Roychester Park
<b>Age:</b>	3 - 5.5 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$184

## SENIOR SQUIRTS MULTI SPORT

### US Sports Institute

US Sports Institute Multi Sports Senior Squirts is an introductory program that is a perfect stepping stone for children who have graduated from USSI's Multi Sports Squirts programs or for children looking for their first ever sports experience. Players will learn key skills through small-sided scrimmages in a variety of sports including lacrosse, soccer, t-ball, and track & field. All Senior Squirts curricula create an environment which allows players to develop and progress within sports.

<b>Session I:</b>	Sundays, April 14 - June 9 (No class May 26 & Rain Date: June 16)
<b>Session II:</b>	Sundays, September 15 - November 3 (Rain Date: November 10)
<b>Time:</b>	4 PM - 4:45 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Session I: Crestmont Park Session II: Roychester Park
<b>Age:</b>	4.5 - 6 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$184

## MULTI SPORTS CAMP

### US Sports Institute

The US Sports Institute's flagship summer multi sports camp gives players aged 5 - 12 the opportunity to experience up to 3 different sports each day, and over 12 sports in 1 week. Every camp is coached by our professional, international staff who are trained to encourage maximum participation, good sportsmanship, and above all-FUN!

<b>Session I:</b>	June 24 - 28
<b>Session II:</b>	July 15 - 19
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park
<b>Age:</b>	5 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$205

## BASKETBALL CAMP

### US Sports Institute

The summer basketball camp introduces a wide range of skills throughout the week including dribbling, passing, and shooting. Each day ends with small-sided games where the coaches encourage good sportsmanship and teamwork. Participants will develop an understanding of offensive and defensive plays, and be encouraged to implement these skills into realistic scrimmage's and game-play situations. This summer camp is appropriate for basketball players ranging from beginners to those already well versed in the sport of basketball. Groups are separated by age and ability to ensure all players flourish in the optimum positive environment while having a great time!

<b>Session I:</b>	July 8 - 12
<b>Session II:</b>	August 12 - 16
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park
<b>Age:</b>	5 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$205



## SCHOOL'S OUT SKATEBOARDING SESSION

Learn about the skateboard and how your body works with the board to stay safe and develop higher level tricks! We start by finding your stance to learn pushing, turning, and stopping which is the essence of skateboarding. Then we will explore how the board rotates in 3 ways, how using your head, shoulders, hips, and legs allow you to stay in control and be more body aware to perfect your technique. Sign up today so you can be out there rolling tomorrow!

<b>Date:</b>	Tuesday, April 23
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 10:30 AM OR 11 AM - 12:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Patrick Kerr Skate Park (in Roslyn Park)
<b>Age:</b>	7 - 13 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$25 per person



## SUMMER SKATE CAMP

The Skateboard Academy of Philadelphia is the area's premier skateboarding camp! This program teaches beginners to advanced skill levels in all forms of skateboarding. The lessons they learn on the skateboard translate into skill sets they can use off the skateboard as well. Campers learn self-control, patience, perseverance, community, and commitment to name a few benefits. This is an outdoor camp. Please be sure to bring water, snack, sunscreen, and protective gear. All participants will be required to wear a helmet.

<b>Session I:</b>	June 24 - 28
<b>Session II:</b>	July 15 - 19
<b>Session III:</b>	July 29 - August 2
<b>Session IV:</b>	August 12 - 16
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 11:30 AM
<b>Location:</b>	Patrick Kerr Skate Park (in Roslyn Park)
<b>Age:</b>	7 - 13 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$155 R / \$180 NR

## CHALLENGER SOCCER

Join us for an International Soccer Camp without leaving your area! Coached by a team of international and US-based staff, our week-long half-day and full-day soccer camps improve your child's soccer skills while providing a unique cultural experience. Rooted in British training methodology, these camps introduce our international training tactics to campers across the U.S and Canada. Our curriculum and coaching foundation from around the world truly reflect the global nature of the sport today. We use age appropriate practice to help players at their own pace, learn brand new skills, and become an all-round better player... while having an amazing time! **Please register for Challenger Soccer programs at <https://challengersports.com>.**

<b>Session I:</b>	July 22 - 26
<b>Session II:</b>	August 12 - 16
<b>Time:</b>	Tiny Tykes: 8 AM - 8:45 AM Half Day: 9 AM - 12 PM Full Day: 9 AM - 3 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park
<b>Age:</b>	Tiny Tykes: 3 - 5 years old Half Day: 6 - 12 years old Full Day: 7 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	Tiny Tykes: \$145 Half Day: \$230 Full Day: \$302

## CHESS

Chess Wizards has been teaching the game of chess since 2002. Join us this summer for tons of challenging chess lessons, exciting games, and cool prizes. You'll improve your chess skills, meet new friends, and work out your most powerful muscle-your brain! Our camps include fun team chess games (like Corner Chess), recess time (of course), snacks, tournaments, and puzzles. Each camper receives a t-shirt, trophy, and puzzle folder. We include all materials necessary for your child to participate. Full day participants should bring a lunch. Unleash your brain power and spend part of your summer with Chess Wizards!

<b>Session I:</b>	June 24 - 28
<b>Session II:</b>	August 5 - 9
<b>Time:</b>	Full Day: 9 AM - 3 PM Half Day: 9 AM - 12 PM or 12 PM - 3 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Ardsley Community Center
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	Full Day: \$360 Half Day: \$240





# YOUTH PROGRAMS

## JUNIOR DOWN ON THE FARM

### Young Rembrandts

We will explore a farm and all the elements that are seen on a farm, including a barn and a tractor, among others. In addition, we will learn to draw a variety of animals that live on the farm. We will use pencils, markers, and color pencils to complete our drawings.

<b>Date:</b>	Saturdays, April 20, 27, May 4 & 11
<b>Time:</b>	10 AM - 11 AM
<b>Location:</b>	Crestmont Clubhouse
<b>Age:</b>	4 - 7 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$80

## CHARACTER CREATION-ANIME/MANGA

### Young Rembrandts

If you have Manga Mania, sign up for this class! During this program we'll be drawing and coloring all things ANIME! Artists will learn to draw their own anime style characters ranging from easy to challenging- this is a great way to perfect those skills and learn new manga tricks.

<b>Date:</b>	Saturdays, April 20, 27, May 4 & 11
<b>Time:</b>	11:15 AM - 12:15 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Crestmont Clubhouse
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$80



## FAVORITE APPS & VIDEO GAMES

### Young Rembrandts

Art is all around us, including on phones and online. Join Young Rembrandts for a camp mimicking the amazing world imagery of our favorite apps and video games! Every day, students will learn new illustrations and coloring techniques inspired by popular video games. Artwork is inspired by pixel block characters, plants, zombies, and many more classic apps and games. If your child loves to game and draw, they'll have a blast putting their own personal touches on some of these favorites!

<b>Date:</b>	July 22 - 26
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Roychester Community House
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$175

## FASHION RUNWAY CAMP

### Young Rembrandts

This stylish Young Rembrandts camp is tailored for the aspiring fashionista. Join us for 5 days of runway chic as we illustrate the various aspects of fashion design. Step into the shoes of a fashion magazine as you design and draw an eye-catching fashion magazine cover. And let's not forget about purses! Design the perfect purse to go along with the outfit of your dreams. Finally, draw your model stepping out onto the runway in your fashion originals. If you love to design clothes, this camp is a perfect fit!

<b>Date:</b>	August 12 - 16
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Roychester Community House
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$175



## MAGIC CAMP

Are you interested in learning magic and how to make some balloon animals? Magic is a great hobby that is not only fun, but empowers young people. They gain self-confidence, increase reading skills, develop better coordination, and gain valuable life-long public speaking, social, and communication skills. In this exciting new camp, children will learn how to perform a variety of magic tricks that they will be able to do right away! Taught by Magician Arlen Zachary, who has been entertaining audiences for years! The last class will conclude with a magic show where parents can watch participants perform. Each participant will receive a certificate of completion as well as a magic gift.

<b>Date:</b>	August 12 - 16
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Crestmont Clubhouse
<b>Age:</b>	10 years and older
<b>Cost:</b>	\$210 R/\$245 NR

## BROADWAY BOUND BY STAGE COMPANY

Join us for this theater camp where participants will bring their singing, acting, and dance skills together in this week-long camp. Broadway Bound campers will perform a show about a theater troupe trying to get their show to Broadway. A final performance will take place on August 23rd.

<b>Date:</b>	August 19 - 23
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 3 PM Final Performance: 4 PM on August 23
<b>Location:</b>	Ardsley Community Center
<b>Age:</b>	8 - 13 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$240 R/\$310 NR

## NATURE POTTERY

### INDI Studio

Kids will study the outdoor world of birds, bugs, plants, and more in this fun, hands-on exploration of the intersecting worlds of clay and nature. Each child will take home a clay structure (terracotta) and oil base clay nature projects. Please bring a nut-free lunch (full day only), light snack, and drink. All supplies are included.

<b>Date:</b>	June 24 - 28
<b>Time:</b>	Full Day: 9 AM - 3:30 PM Half Day: 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Roychester Community House
<b>Age:</b>	5+ years old
<b>Cost:</b>	Full Day: \$385 per person Half Day: \$200 per person

## POTTERY DESIGN CAMP

### INDI Studio

Camp is a great way to spend a week getting to know the art of ceramics, while meeting new friends and fellow artists. Each day begins with a new lesson on hand building, followed by a guided project incorporating the new technique taught. We will also be dabbling with modeling clay (oil-based polymer). All terra cotta projects will be glazed by the participants and then taken back to INDI Studios at the end of the week to be fired. All pieces will be available for pick up within 10 days from the last day of camp. Please bring a nut-free lunch (full day only), light snack, and drink. All supplies are included.

<b>Date:</b>	July 29 - August 2
<b>Time:</b>	Full Day: 9 AM - 3:30 PM Half Day: 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Roychester Community House
<b>Age:</b>	5+ years old
<b>Cost:</b>	Full Day: \$385 per person Half Day: \$200 per person

## POTTERY & JEWELRY DESIGN CAMP

### INDI Studio

Combine INDI Studio's Pottery Design half-day camp with their half-day Jewelry Design Camp for a full day Designer Camp Experience! Designers will participate in both morning Design Camp and afternoon Jewelry Camp while socializing with their fellow artists. All pieces will be available for pick up within 10 days from the last day of camp. Please bring a nut-free lunch (full day only), light snack and drink. All supplies are included.

<b>Date:</b>	August 26 - August 30
<b>Time:</b>	Full Day: 9 AM - 3:30 PM (Pottery and Jewelry) Half Day: 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM (Jewelry only)
<b>Location:</b>	Roychester Community House
<b>Age:</b>	5+ years old
<b>Cost:</b>	Full Day: \$385 per person Half Day: \$200 per person

For more information on INDI Studio, visit [www.indistudio.org](http://www.indistudio.org), [www.facebook.com/indistudio](https://www.facebook.com/indistudio), or [www.instagram.com/indistudio1](https://www.instagram.com/indistudio1).



## DINOSAUR CLUB

Is your child a dinosaur enthusiast or paleontology lover? Come join us at our Dinosaur Club as we dig into prehistoric time to learn about different species that roamed the earth, the Mesozoic era, and share our favorite fun-filled facts about the amazing world of dinosaurs.

<b>Date:</b>	Tuesdays, September 10, 17, 24, & October 1
<b>Time:</b>	5 PM - 6 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park
<b>Age:</b>	5 - 9 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$150

## NASA STEM EXPLORERS

### Mad Science

Developed in partnership with NASA, campers will think & act like NASA innovators during this program inspired by the NASA OPTIMUS PRIME Research Challenge (NASA OPSPARC). Use creative & collaborative skills to design a mission patch, train like an astronaut, build a Mars rover & solve real-world engineering problems. Learn to use space suit cooling tubes to solve a problem on Earth!

<b>Date:</b>	June 17 - 21
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$210

## MAD MACHINES & ROCKING ROCKETS

### Mad Science

Spring into a medley of science! Learn about the Earth and its animal inhabitants, simple machines, rocketry, and chemical reactions; there's something for everyone! Build and race a car, concoct creations with chemistry, analyze animal tracks and cap off the week with a rocket launch!

<b>Date:</b>	June 24 - 28
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$210

# YOUTH PROGRAMS

## FUNKY FORENSICS

### Mad Science

Step into the shoes of a detective—uncover the science involved in evidence gathering and analysis. Using your observational skills, collect evidence and analyze the clues left behind. Recreate the scene of a crime using schematics. Use science to connect the dots and help sniff out the suspects in this hands-on investigation into the science of sleuthing!

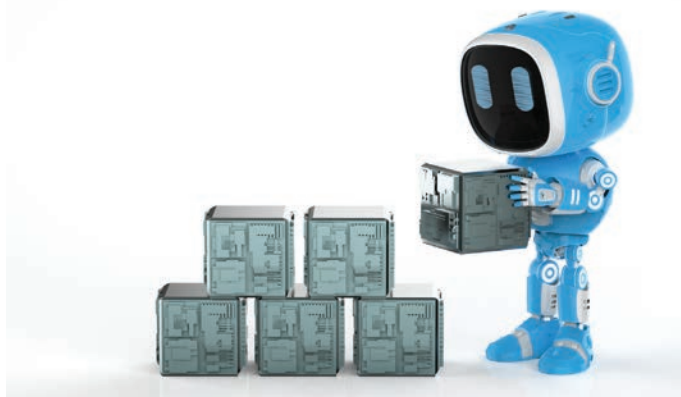
<b>Date:</b>	July 1 - 5 (no camp July 4)
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Roychester Community House
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$172

## ROBOTS - PATHS TO POWER

### Mad Science

Explore the discoveries & inventions that have made robots possible. From learning how robots light up to getting them moving with gears, we will experiment with different sources of energy & even get to take a hand-powered generator home. We will see how these energy sources affect the environment & how they compare with sustainable energy while thinking about future energy sources.

<b>Date:</b>	July 8 - 12
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$210



## MAD MACHINE & JR. ENGINEERS

### Mad Science

Whether you enjoy building or destroying structures, you'll love this camp! Work with pulleys, wedges, screws, and levers, build your own catapults and play robot soccer! Exercise your ability to work with others while constructing a geodesic dome big enough for all campers to fit inside! Let the engineering excitement begin!

<b>Date:</b>	July 15 - 19
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Roychester Community House
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$210

## BRIXOLOGY

### Mad Science

Our LEGO™ BRIXOLOGY camp was developed in partnership with LEGO™ Master Builders! Team up to build exclusive creations that will test your engineering abilities! Build carnival rides, drawing machines, mechanical animals, truss bridges, and space stations. Try your hand at aerospace, nautical, biomechanical, and even structural engineering! Let the tinkering begin!

<b>Date:</b>	July 22 - 26
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$210



## SUPER SLIMY SMOKY SCIENCE

### Mad Science

Dive into a variety of scientific fields as you solve a mystery, stretch silly putty and slime, copper-plate nickels, tinker with circuits, and investigate optical illusions. Become captivated by lasers, dry ice, and hair-raising experiments! You will love what happens when you mix science and fun!

<b>Date:</b>	July 29 - August 2
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$210

## ZOMBIE SURVIVAL CAMP

### Geoventures

Are you prepared for the zombie invasion? In this playful spooky camp, attendees will learn real survival skills with an exciting immersive storyline. Survival skills will include proper protocol for building zombie-proof shelters, locating supply caches using GPS, tracking the undead's movements, and camouflaging skills. Join us to have a blast with games and challenges and leave with some new useful knowledge of emergencies and life in the wild. Bring a water bottle and healthy snack; wear comfortable shoes and dress for activity and weather.

<b>Date:</b>	July 15 - 19
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
<b>Age:</b>	9 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$195



## NATURE CHEMIST

### Geoventures

Learn about our world through safe and nature friendly science experiments! Use plants to cause magic color changes, play with non-newtonian slimes, create a rainbow volcano, and more! Each day will include games, hands-on activities, discussions and teamwork. Bring a water bottle and healthy snack; wear comfortable shoes and dress for activity and weather.

<b>Date:</b>	August 5 - 9
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 8 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$195



## ACTING OUTSIDE

### Geoventures

All the world's a stage! Join us for some dramatic acting fun, hilarious improv games, inspiring scenes, and even stage fighting skills, using the outdoors for both inspiration and setting! Bring a water bottle and healthy snack; wear comfortable shoes and dress for activity and weather.

<b>Date:</b>	August 12 - 16
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
<b>Age:</b>	7 - 11 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$195

## MINE ISLAND

### Challenge Island

Grab your pickaxe and dig into the most exciting summer camp on the block! We'll swap computers for creativity and mousepads for imagination as our STEAM Teams teleport into action-packed Mine Island hotspots. We'll build shelters, create crafting tables and mine for materials- and be sure to watch out for those pesky mobs! It's no wonder our massively popular Mine Island Camp is a Challenge Island Kids Choice favorite every year.

<b>Date:</b>	August 5 - 9
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Roychester Community House
<b>Age:</b>	7 - 13 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$145



## NATURE ADVENTURES

### Geoventures

Uncover the mysteries of nature and its creatures one adventure at a time! Be explorers of the planet and animal worlds around us. Together we'll encounter creatures, identify prints and tracks, explore ecosystems, play stealthy games, and hunt for natural treasures. Join us for a great adventure every day!

<b>Date:</b>	August 19 - 23
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 8 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$195



## ISLAND TUBE FEVER

### Challenge Island

Tune into imagination and creativity at Challenge Island's Island Tube Camp! You and your STEAM Team will build your very own studio and take part in a whole haul of super tuber activities! From slime to squishies to science experiments; from taste tests to mystery wheels to Secret Island Surprise Balls, there's plenty of fun for everyone. One of the most "liked" camps, the Kids Choice Challenge Island adventure gets thumbs up all around!

<b>Date:</b>	August 19 - 23
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Roychester Community House
<b>Age:</b>	7 - 13 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$145

# ADULT PROGRAMS

## AIKIDO

Aikido is a Japanese martial art developed by Morihei Ueshiba; his goal was to create an art that practitioners could use to defend themselves while also protecting their attackers from injury. Because the aikido curriculum consists of throws, beginners learn how to safely fall or roll. The specific techniques for attack include both strikes and grabs; techniques for defense consist of throws and pins. After basic techniques are learned, students study freestyle defense against multiple opponents, and techniques with weapons. Aikido related training emphasizes the use of coordinated whole-body movement and balance similar to yoga and Pilates.

<b>Session I:</b>	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and/or Thursdays, March 5 – April 25
<b>Session II:</b>	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and/or Thursdays, April 30 – June 20
<b>Time:</b>	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Ardsley Community Center
<b>Age:</b>	12+ years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$75 for 1 class per week \$95 for 2 or 3 classes per week



## ADULT WATERCOLOR

Watercolor painting with Melissa Olson is open to all levels. Learn fundamental watercolor techniques and discover the lively and expressive possibilities of watercolor within a friendly and supportive community. Independent painting with critique of ongoing work encourages students to explore their own artistic style. Note: Before purchasing watercolor supplies, please bring what you have to the first class, and receive recommendations for additional materials.

<b>Session I:</b>	Tuesdays, March 12 - May 14
<b>Session II:</b>	Wednesdays, March 13 - May 15
<b>Session III:</b>	Tuesdays, September 17 - December 10
<b>Session IV:</b>	Wednesdays, September 18 - December 11
<b>Time:</b>	9:45 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Crestmont Clubhouse
<b>Age:</b>	18+ years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$240 R/\$260 NR



## INTRODUCTORY TENNIS

Tennis truly is a lifetime sport. Whether you have never had real instruction, forgot what you once knew, or never picked up a racquet, this is the clinic for you. Truly an instructional clinic, we will build your game from the ground up, and work some games in along the way to keep the learning fun and engaging. Come learn a love for this awesome sport that is a great alternative in this chaotic time. Participants need racquets and water, all other equipment will be provided. If daytime clinics do not work with your schedule, visit Topspin Tennis Academy's site for adult evening options [www.playtopspin.com](http://www.playtopspin.com).

<b>Session I:</b>	Tuesdays, March 19, 26, April 2, 9, 16
<b>Session II:</b>	Thursdays, March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18
<b>Session III:</b>	Tuesdays, April 23, 30, May 7, 14, 21, 28
<b>Session IV:</b>	Thursdays, April 25, May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
<b>Time:</b>	Sessions I & III: 10:30 AM - 12 PM Sessions II & IV: 9 AM - 10:30 AM
<b>Location:</b>	Penbryn Park (Ardsley Community Center Gymnasium if inclement weather)
<b>Age:</b>	18+ years old
<b>Cost:</b>	Sessions I & II: \$135 Session III & IV: \$165

## LEARN TO FACE PAINT

Have you ever wondered what it would take to be a face painter? Jane Lashner, owner of Fabulous Faces Face painting, LLC., will go over the basics in this two-hour class and introduce you to supplies and techniques you will need to get started having fun with this art form. Jane will be teaching how to use supplies, simple faces to learn right away, and proper hygiene techniques and other useful tips. This will be a basic class to get you started in your face painting journey. Each participant will receive their own water-based face painting kit with brushes.

<b>Date:</b>	Tuesday, August 6
<b>Time:</b>	10 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Crestmont Clubhouse
<b>Age:</b>	18+ years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$75



## SPRING PICKLEBALL 101

Pickleball continues to grow in its popularity. This sport is easily accessible and much simpler to pick up than many racket sports. Come enjoy learning both the techniques and skills required to get involved in this sport. Participants need paddles and water (protective eyewear encouraged). All other equipment will be provided. TopSpinTennis Academy can help you acquire paddles if you contact them in advance. Please visit [www.playtopspin.com](http://www.playtopspin.com).

<b>Session I:</b>	Tuesdays, March 19, 26, April 2, 9, 16
<b>Session II:</b>	Tuesdays, April 23, 30, May 7, 14, 21
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM – 10:25 AM
<b>Location:</b>	Penbryn Park (Ardsley Community Center Gymnasium if inclement weather)
<b>Age:</b>	18+ years old
<b>Cost:</b>	Session I: \$135 Session II: \$165

## ROUND ROBIN PICKLEBALL

If you have the basic concepts and want to play matches, come join us. We will vary the scoring and exact match format depending on the skills and number of participants, but we will mix up partners and create opportunities to play. Participants need paddles and water (protective eyewear encouraged). All other equipment will be provided. Topspin Tennis Academy can help you acquire paddles if you contact them in advance.

<b>Session I:</b>	Wednesdays, March 20, 27, April 3, 10, 17
<b>Session II:</b>	Wednesdays, April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
<b>Time:</b>	10:30 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Penbryn Park (Ardsley Community Center Gymnasium if inclement weather)
<b>Age:</b>	18+ years old
<b>Cost:</b>	Session I: \$108 Session II: \$130



## PICK-UP PICKLEBALL

Do you want to play Pickleball but do not have a regular partner? Do you want to meet new people that enjoy the same sport as you? Beginners to advanced players can stop by Alverthorpe Park on Tuesday mornings for Pick-up Pickleball! This is a resident only program; please have proof of residency when entering the park. Players must provide own equipment. Please check in at the Control Building before going to the courts.

<b>Date:</b>	Thursdays, April 25, May 2, 9, 23
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park
<b>Age:</b>	18+ years old
<b>Cost:</b>	Free

## SPRING PICKLEBALL 201

Come further your skills in pickleball. If you have the basic concepts down and want to improve your shots, tactics, and skills, join us for this clinic. Participants need paddles and water (protective eyewear encouraged). All other equipment will be provided. Topspin Tennis Academy can help you acquire paddles if you contact them in advance.

<b>Session I:</b>	Wednesdays, March 20, 27, April 3, 10, 17
<b>Session II:</b>	Wednesdays, April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM – 10:25 AM
<b>Location:</b>	Penbryn Park (Ardsley Community Center Gymnasium if inclement weather)
<b>Age:</b>	18+ years old
<b>Cost:</b>	Session I: \$135 Session II: \$165





# ADULT PROGRAMS

## HEALTH LECTURE FOR ADULTS

TRY, Therapy Restoring You, who provides outpatient home therapy presents *Arthritis and Strategies to Reduce the Stress on Your Joints*. Please come join them to learn about the different types of arthritis with a focus on Osteoarthritis and Rheumatoid arthritis. They will show you how different factors may affect joints through your daily activity as well as your nutrition. Learn strategies that you can start to implement to reduce the stress on your joints while maintaining an active and healthy lifestyle.

<b>Date:</b>	Tuesday, April 16
<b>Time:</b>	2 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Crestmont Clubhouse
<b>Cost:</b>	Free (please pre-register)

## KNOW YOUR MEDICARE OPTIONS

This seminar is suitable whether you have decisions to make during the upcoming enrollment period (October 15th - December 7th), or just want to learn in preparation of that time. Presented by Steven Bobrin, a Medicare planning specialist with DelVal Senior Advisors. During this seminar you will learn:

- How Medicare works and what it covers
- How Part D prescription cards work and how to pick the right one for you
- The difference between Medicare supplements and Medicare Advantage plans

<b>Date:</b>	Tuesday, April 23 OR Wednesday, June 19
<b>Time:</b>	6:30 PM - 8 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Crestmont Clubhouse
<b>Cost:</b>	Free (please pre-register)

## LIFEGUARD CERTIFICATION AND RE-CERTIFICATION

The primary purpose of the courses in the American Red Cross Lifeguarding program is to provide participants with the knowledge and skills needed to:

- Prevent, recognize and respond to aquatic emergencies in deep water pools (7 feet or greater)
- Provide professional-level care for breathing and cardiac emergencies, injuries, and sudden illnesses until emergency medical services (EMS) professionals take over. **All participants must attend the entire course**, participate in all class sessions, and complete the online course work before the first class.

### Course Prerequisites

To participate in the lifeguarding (including deep water) course, participants must:

- Be at least 15 years old on or before the final scheduled session of the lifeguarding course.
- Successfully complete the two prerequisite swimming skills evaluations:

Prerequisite 1: Complete a swim-tread-swim sequence without stopping to rest: Jump into the water and totally submerge, resurface then swim 150 yards using the front crawl, breaststroke or a combination of both. (Swimming on the back or side is not permitted. Swim goggles are allowed.) Without a break, tread water using only the legs for 2 minutes; then swim 50 yards using the front crawl, breaststroke or a combination of both.

Prerequisite 2: Complete a timed event within 1 minute, 40 seconds:

Starting in the water, swim 20 yards. (The face may be in or out of the water. Swim goggles are not allowed). Surface dive (feet-first or head-first) to a depth of 7 – 10 feet to retrieve a 10-pound object. Return to the surface and swim 20 yards on the back to return to the starting point, holding the object at the surface with both hands and keeping the face out at or near the surface. Exit the water without using a ladder or steps.

### American Red Cross Lifeguarding- Blended Learning

<b>Date:</b>	Friday, April 19 Saturday, April 20 Sunday, April 21
<b>Time:</b>	5 PM - 9:30 PM, April 19 9 AM - 6 PM, April 20 & 21
<b>Location:</b>	April 19, Abington High School Pool April 20, Ardsley Community Center Cafeteria April 21, Willow Grove YMCA Pool
<b>Age:</b>	15 years and older
<b>Cost:</b>	\$285 per person

### American Red Cross Lifeguarding Review

An abbreviated lifeguarding course that briefly reviews course information and allows practice of skills and knowledge before testing. Prerequisites: A current certification in Red Cross Lifeguarding/First Aid/CPR/AED is required to participate in the review course. Students who successfully complete this course will receive a certificate for Lifeguarding/First Aid/CPR/AED which is valid for 2 years.

<b>Date:</b>	Wednesday, May 29 Thursday, May 30
<b>Time:</b>	5:30 PM - 9:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Crestmont Pool
<b>Age:</b>	15 years and older
<b>Cost:</b>	\$140 per person

## A.R.C.A.T. INFORMATION

ARCATs (Alverthorpe Retired Citizens of Abington Township) is a senior group for those who live in Abington Township and the surrounding area and who are at least 55 years old. ARCAT began over 50 years ago and is run by a staff of volunteers under the sponsorship of Abington Township Parks and Recreation. Members have the opportunity to enjoy trips and tours designed with seniors in mind. There is an annual fee of \$5 to join the group and members will be put on the ARCAT mailing list to receive newsletters, which will include the details of upcoming trips. To join, simply mail in the application found at the bottom of this page with the annual \$5 fee. For more information, visit our website at [www.abingtonpa.gov/PR](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/PR) or call Abington Township Parks and Recreation at 215-576-5213. For questions regarding trips, please call Nancy Bowes at 215-285-5376.



### 2024 Program Includes:

- General meetings at the Crestmont Clubhouse
- Spring luncheon at Sandy Run Country Club
- Holiday Luncheon
- One-day bus trips

**ARCATs 2024 Membership Application**  
**\$5 per person (Memo section write ARCAT dues 2024)**  
**Mail to: Abington Township - Department of Parks and Recreation**  
**515 Meetinghouse Road, Jenkintown, PA 19046**

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

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Apt #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

# SPECIAL EVENTS

## SPORTS EQUIPMENT SWAP

Looking to clean out some of your children's sports equipment? Look no further! Abington Parks and Recreation will be collecting and distributing used sports equipment back into the community. Bring your new and gently used (in good condition) sports equipment to the drop-off and pick out some other equipment. You do not need to donate in order to take items.

<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, March 9
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM (Drop off equipment) 9 AM - 11:30 AM (Shop for equipment)
<b>Location:</b>	Ardasley Community Center Gymnasium
<b>Cost:</b>	Free



## ALVERTHORPE PARK EGG HUNT

Bring your basket and hunt for filled eggs! Get your picture taken with the Bunny! Hunt starts at 10 AM sharp!

<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, March 23
<b>Time:</b>	10 AM Sharp
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park
<b>Age:</b>	Preschool - 4th grade
<b>Cost:</b>	Free

## SPRING CAMPING WORKSHOP

Join us at Alverthorpe Park Campground for a day (and night) of hands-on learning! Whether you're a first-time camper or just getting back into a tent, you'll enjoy this informative workshop as we dive into the basics of tent camping. Tent camping is a great way to enjoy nature with your family and friends, but knowledge and preparation can make for an even better experience. We'll cover packing for a camping trip, setting up tents, fire-building, cooking meals, and more! Saturday dinner and snacks are included as well as Sunday breakfast with your overnight stay. (No experience necessary. Staying overnight is not required. A packing list will be sent after registration). **Please call Alverthorpe Park at 215-884-6568 to register.**

<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, May 4 – Sunday, May 5 (Rain Date: 5/11 - 5/12)
<b>Time:</b>	1 PM on May 4 to 11 AM on May 5
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Camp Grounds
<b>Cost:</b>	\$75 per family of 4 and \$10 for each additional person (Call to register.)

## PARENT-CHILD MINIATURE GOLF TOURNAMENT

Join us for a Par-Tee! Each child that registers will be paired with a single parent/guardian. Each age group will have a maximum of 18 teams. Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place for each age group. Please register by Friday, July 5th by 5 PM.

<b>Date:</b>	Friday, July 12 (Rain Date: Saturday, July 13)
<b>Time:</b>	7 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Miniature Golf Course
<b>Age:</b>	6 - 12 years old
<b>Cost:</b>	\$15 per team

## MOVIE UNDER THE MOON

Please join us for a movie on the big screen in the park this summer! Bring lawn chairs and blankets! Drinks and snacks will be available for purchase.

<b>Date:</b>	Friday, August 16 (Rain Date: Saturday, August 17)
<b>Time:</b>	Movie begins at dusk
<b>Location:</b>	Conway Field
<b>Movie:</b>	TBD
<b>Cost:</b>	Free



## PENBRYN POOCH PLUNGE

Penbryn Pool has gone to the dogs! Help us wrap up the pool season with your furry friend(s). Dogs and their owners are invited to splish, splash, paddle, and play!

<b>Date:</b>	Sunday, September 8
<b>Time:</b>	11 AM - 1 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Penbryn Pool
<b>Cost:</b>	\$10 per dog (humans are free!) Must pre-register.



## BACKPACKING 101

Join us at Alverthorpe Park Campground for a day of hands-on learning! Whether you're a first-time backpack camper or just looking for a good shakedown for your next trip, you'll enjoy this informative discussion as we dive into the basics of backpacking and trail camping. Backpacking is a great way to fully immerse yourself in nature with your family and friends, but knowledge and preparation can make or break your trip. We'll cover planning a backpacking trip, essential gear, packing for the hike and trail camping, setting up tents, fire-building, cooking meals, and more!

<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, October 5
<b>Time:</b>	1 PM - 2:30 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Camp Grounds
<b>Cost:</b>	\$20 per person

## CAPE MAY BUS TRIP

Beat the crowds and shop the preseason deals with us at the Washington Street Mall in Cape May! Washington Street Mall is Pedestrian Street with shops and restaurants lining it, from book stores, boutique shops and everything in between, Washington Street will have everything you are looking for, not to mention it is only a few blocks from the beach which has a beautiful walkable sea wall!

The bus will leave the main lot of Alverthorpe Park at 9 AM (sharp) and travel non-stop to Cape May. The bus will leave Cape May at 5:30 PM from Washington Street Mall and return to Alverthorpe Park around 8 PM.

<b>Date:</b>	Thursday, May 9
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 8 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Alverthorpe Park Main Parking Lot
<b>Cost:</b>	\$65 per person

## SHREDDING EVENTS

Residents of Abington Township are encouraged to bring personal and confidential documents and files to Abington Township's FREE shredding events. No need to remove binder covers, paper clips, or staples. All material will be recycled. NO businesses. Abington Township residents ONLY. For more information, visit [www.abingtonpa.gov/pwevents](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/pwevents).

<b>Location:</b>	2201 Florey Lane, Abington, PA 19001
<b>Date:</b>	Saturdays, April 27 & October 19
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Cost:</b>	FREE. ABINGTON RESIDENTS ONLY. NO BUSINESSES.

## THE INFLUENCERS, OR THE PROMINENT FAMILIES OF THE OLD YORK ROAD AND THE ORGANIZATIONS THEY FOUNDED

### Old York Road Historical Society Lecture

The influencers of local history include many prominent families that formed organizations which furthered the growth of our area. From Abington Hospital to Jenkintown Day Nursery to country clubs, these families established the groups that still provide support and opportunity to many Abington residents.

<b>Date:</b>	Thursday, April 25
<b>Time:</b>	6 PM
<b>Location:</b>	Crestmont Clubhouse
<b>Age:</b>	All Ages
<b>Cost:</b>	Free

## TRASH CLEAN OUT WEEK

During trash clean-out weeks, the Township will collect everything you place in your trash cans PLUS any additional normal trash placed in store bought refuse bags you put out with your regular trash on your SCHEDULED trash collection day.

NO electronics, hazardous waste, construction material, or large items will be accepted.

For more information, visit [www.abingtonpa.gov/pwevents](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/pwevents).

<b>Date:</b>	April 22 - April 26 October 7 - October 11
<b>Time:</b>	Items must be at the curb by 7 AM on your normal trash collection day.
<b>What:</b>	Any trash that does not fit within your trash cart should be placed in trash bags weighing no more than 30 lbs next to your trash cart at the curb.  NO electronics, hazardous waste, construction material, or large items will be accepted.
<b>Cost:</b>	FREE

## ELECTRONICS COLLECTION

Abington Township is proud to offer their residents the opportunity to responsibly recycle obsolete electronics. We partner with eForce Compliance for this event. This service is available to residents of Abington Township ONLY. PLEASE NOTE: There is a cost for TV's and monitors. For more information, visit [www.abingtonpa.gov/pwevents](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/pwevents).

<b>Location:</b>	2201 Florey Lane, Abington, PA 19001
<b>Date:</b>	Saturdays, February 24 & November 16
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM - 12 PM
<b>Cost:</b>	FREE. ABINGTON RESIDENTS ONLY. NO BUSINESSES.

For a full list of events and updates, please visit [www.abingtonpa.gov](http://www.abingtonpa.gov). The Township calendar is regularly updated with new activities and event changes!

# BRIAR BUSH NATURE CENTER

Briar Bush Nature Center is a rich oasis and a gem of the Abington Township park system. Our 12.5 acres feature over a mile of trails winding through a mixed deciduous/coniferous forest. Our doors and grounds are open to all residents and guests.



*Welcoming you to a world of wonders!*



## CONTACT INFORMATION

Address: 1212 Edge Hill Road  
Abington, PA 19001  
Phone: 215-887-6603  
Email: [info@briarbush.org](mailto:info@briarbush.org)  
Website: [www.briarbush.org](http://www.briarbush.org)

## NATURE CENTER HOURS

Dede Long Nature Museum: OPEN Daily 10 AM - 4 PM  
Griscom Bird Observatory: OPEN Daily 10 AM - 4 PM  
Pond: OPEN Daily 10 AM - 4 PM  
Trails: OPEN Daily from Dawn to Dusk  
Remain aware of trail closures.

Business Hours: Monday - Friday: 9 AM - 5 PM

*Briar Bush Facilities MAY be closed in early 2024 due to an important enhancement project focused on accessibility, safety and wildlife habitat. Call before your visit for the most up-to-date hours.*

## MUSEUM ADMISSION

- Friends of Briar Bush Members - FREE
- Abington Township Residents - FREE
- Others - Pay what you can.

## BECOME A MEMBER!

Friends of Briar Bush (FOBB) membership is available at many levels. Visit our website for more information.

### BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP INCLUDE:

- Discounts on programs and summer camps
- Discounts in the Briar Bush Nature Shop
- A subscription to our newsletter
- Invitations to our members-only events
- Facility rentals for birthday parties or other celebrations
- Discounts/free admission to select nature centers through the Association of Nature Center Administrators (ANCA) Reciprocal Program
- And more!



## COME EXPLORE OUR:

Dede Long Nature Museum	Includes a variety of animal ambassadors, nature exhibits, and a play area dedicated to our youngest visitors.
Forested Trails	12 acres of forested trails lined with thick logs and mulched for easy walking.
Griscom Bird Observatory	A peaceful cabin with a panoramic window that looks out onto a bird habitat. The observatory houses exhibits for all ages that highlight bird identification, migration, and citizen science.
Nature Playscape	A natural play area complete with water play, sandpit, stick tunnel, balance logs, natural benches, and more!
Pond	Explore life at the pond during every season.

# BRIAR BUSH NATURE CENTER

## IMPORTANT REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Due to an improvement project, Briar Bush's spring programs MAY take place at alternate locations or be rescheduled. We hope to complete the project and return to regular use on or before April 1, 2024. Thank you to our funders: PA DCNR, Abington Township, and all the members and supporters of Friends of Briar Bush!

Most programs require registration for participants ages 2+. Children under 2 years of age are free of charge. To register, visit [www.briarbush.org](http://www.briarbush.org). Review all program information at the time of registration including program location. Questions or need help registering? Call 215-887-6603 from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

## PROGRAMS FOR FAMILIES

### FAMILY NATURE NIGHT

Bring the whole family for a fun night complete with live animal encounters and interactive stations relating to the theme of the night - all at your own pace. Family Nature Nights are geared toward children with sensory processing disorders and feature a forest therapy segment! The program will take place indoors and outdoors. Light snacks will be provided.

Sponsored by Child Development Foundation.

To register, visit the [Registration Page](#) or call (215) 887-6603.

<b>Location:</b>	Briar Bush Nature Center
<b>Date:</b>	Friday, May 17, 2024 - Senses in Nature
<b>Age:</b>	Children with Sensory Processing Disorders and Their Families
<b>Time:</b>	6 PM - 7:30 PM
<b>Cost:</b>	FREE (Registration is required.)

### EARTHFEST

Celebrate the Earth with BBNC at our annual Earth Day celebration! Enjoy a variety of activities including guided hikes, animal encounters, games, Nature Playdates, and crafts!

<b>Location:</b>	Briar Bush Nature Center
<b>Date:</b>	Sunday, April 14, 2024
<b>Age:</b>	All Ages
<b>Time:</b>	1 PM - 4 PM
<b>Cost:</b>	FREE (Registration is not required.)

### POND EXPLORATION

Let's see what's hopping at the pond! Join us as we meet our land and aquatic turtles, then head to the pond to catch the frogs, tadpoles, and aquatic insects that call this place their home. Get ready to make a splash! This program will take place outdoors, so please dress for the weather and in clothing and footwear that can get wet and muddy.

To register, visit the [Registration Page](#) or call (215) 887-6603.

<b>Location:</b>	Briar Bush Nature Center
<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, May 18, 2024
<b>Age:</b>	All Ages
<b>Time:</b>	1 PM - 2 PM
<b>Cost:</b>	Non-Resident: \$8.00 Abington Resident: \$7.20 Briar Bush Member: \$6.40

## HOT S'MORE NIGHTS

Join Briar Bush educators in themed activities, live animal shows, guided hikes, and s'mores around the campfire!

Registration coming soon. Visit [www.briarbush.org](http://www.briarbush.org) for updates.

<b>Location:</b>	Briar Bush Nature Center
<b>Date:</b>	Wednesday nights in July and August
<b>Age:</b>	All Ages
<b>Time:</b>	7 PM - 8:30 PM
<b>Cost:</b>	Non-Resident: \$10.00 Abington Resident: \$9.00 Briar Bush Member: \$8.00
<b>Schedule:</b>	July 10, 2024 - Sensory Adventure - Explore Briar Bush using your five senses!  July 17, 2024 - The Color of Night - Discover how animals use colors and test your own ability to see colors at night!  July 24, 2024 - Owl Prowl - Learn about these fascinating nocturnal flyers and likely meet a live owl guest!  July 31, 2024 - Animal Locomotion - Watch Briar Bush animals move in their own unique ways. Then play locomotion games!  August 7, 2024 - All About Bears - Join us as we tell stories, songs, and facts about bears.  August 14, 2024 - Creatures of the Night - Learn about wild animals that fill the woods at night and meet Briar Bush's night animals too!  August 21, 2024 - Herp, Herp, Hooray! - Reptile or amphibian? Learn the difference with Briar Bush animals and a trip to the pond. (FREE Briar Bush Member Program!)





# BRIAR BUSH NATURE CENTER

## PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

### MAGIC MORNINGS

Toddlers can bring their favorite adult for walks, animal encounters, crafts, games, stories, and more! Each week features a new theme, which repeats throughout the week (register for one day per week).

To register, visit the [Registration Page](#) or call (215) 887-6603.

<b>Location:</b>	Briar Bush Nature Center or Alternate Location TBD Pending Construction Progress
<b>Date:</b>	MOST Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays March - May
<b>Age:</b>	2 to 5 year-olds with an adult
<b>Time:</b>	10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
<b>Cost:</b>	Non-Resident: \$12.50 - Additional child in same household: \$7.50 Abington Resident: \$11.25 - Additional child in same household: \$6.75 Briar Bush Member: \$10.00 - Additional child in same household: \$6.00

### NATURE PIONEERS

Children are invited to join us on their own for age-appropriate activities, walks, animal encounters, crafts, games, and more! Each week features a new theme, which repeats throughout the week (register for one day per week).

To register, visit the [Registration Page](#) or call (215) 887-6603.

<b>Location:</b>	Briar Bush Nature Center or Alternate Location TBD Pending Construction Progress
<b>Date:</b>	MOST Thursdays, March - May
<b>Age:</b>	4 to 6 year-olds
<b>Time:</b>	1 PM - 2:30 PM
<b>Cost:</b>	Non-Resident: \$15.00 Abington Resident: \$13.50 Briar Bush Member: \$12.00

### SCHOOL'S OUT, GET OUTSIDE!

When school is not in session, students can spend a day with Briar Bush exploring the outdoors, meeting live animals, making crafts, playing in nature, and more.

To register, visit the [Registration Page](#) or call (215) 887-6603.

<b>Location:</b>	Briar Bush Nature Center or Alternate Location TBD Pending Construction Progress
<b>Date:</b>	Select Holidays and In-Service Days
<b>Age:</b>	Children in Grades K-5
<b>Time:</b>	Half-Day Session: 1 PM - 3:30 PM Full-Day Session: 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM
<b>Cost:</b>	Half-Day Session - Non-Resident: \$30.00 Half-Day Session - Abington Resident: \$27.00 Half-Day Session - Briar Bush Member: \$24.00 Full-Day Session - Non-Resident: \$75.00 Full-Day Session - Abington Resident: \$67.50 Full-Day Session - Briar Bush Member: \$60.00

## PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

### A JOURNEY TO BACKYARD DIVERSITY

In March 2021, BBNC Educator and native gardening nerd Katie Fisk bought her first house and began converting the outdoor space from a typical suburban yard to a wildlife oasis. Follow her journey of the bumps and successes she's had along the way and learn how you can begin your own native gardening journey.

To register, visit the [Registration Page](#) or call (215) 887-6603.

<b>Location:</b>	Crestmont Park Clubhouse 2595 Rubicam Avenue, Willow Grove, PA 19090
<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, March 9, 2024
<b>Age:</b>	Adults
<b>Time:</b>	10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
<b>Cost:</b>	Non-Resident: \$8.00 Abington Resident: \$7.20 Briar Bush Member: \$6.40

### EDIBLE PLANT WALK

Get a taste for the bounty of your own backyard! Join us on a walk along the trails to rediscover plants that people have used for centuries as food and medicine. Discover how to identify, ethically harvest, and prepare edible wild plants. After the walk, taste samples of pine needle tea and more! (Participants will walk and stand along trails. Please dress for the weather.)

To register, visit the [Registration Page](#) or call (215) 887-6603.

<b>Location:</b>	TBD Pending Construction Progress
<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, April 27, 2024
<b>Age:</b>	Adults
<b>Time:</b>	10 AM - 11 AM
<b>Cost:</b>	Non-Resident: \$8.00 Abington Resident: \$7.20 Briar Bush Member: \$6.40

### OUTDOOR SURVIVAL CAMP - FOR ADULTS!

This program is back by popular demand! Adults, do you long for the carefree days of summer camp? It's time to capture a bit of that magic! Spend an afternoon at Briar Bush with survival fanatic Katie Fisk doing the same activities taught in our popular Outdoor Survival Camp for 10-12-year-olds: learn how to start a fire, carve a spear, make a shelter, and take the hypothermia challenge. Do you have what it takes? (This program will take place outdoors rain or shine. Please dress for the weather.)

To register, visit the [Registration Page](#) or call (215) 887-6603.

<b>Location:</b>	Briar Bush Nature Center
<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, May 4, 2024
<b>Age:</b>	Adults
<b>Time:</b>	1 PM - 4 PM
<b>Cost:</b>	Non-Resident: \$25.00 Abington Resident: \$22.50 Briar Bush Member: \$20.00

# BRIAR BUSH NATURE CENTER

Summer is a time when learning and play go hand-in-hand. Briar Bush Summer Camps give your child the opportunity to experience the wonders of nature through scientific discovery, interpretive hikes, live animal encounters, games, crafts, nature play, and more.

## SUMMER CAMP 2024

Our 12.5 acres of forest serve as the perfect summer camp setting in the middle of the suburbs. Older campers have the opportunity to explore outside of the Briar Bush forest through regional day trips. Provide your child(ren) with memories full of excitement, new experiences, nature exploration, and all-around fun in the outdoors. Visit our [website](https://www.briarbush.org) for weekly themes.

Visit [www.briarbush.org](https://www.briarbush.org) to register and for updates.

- Briar Bush Member registration opens Monday, January 29.
- Non-member registration begins Tuesday, January 30.



## SEEDLINGS HALF-DAY CAMPS

<b>Location:</b>	Briar Bush Nature Center
<b>Date:</b>	Weekly from June 10 - August 30, 2024
<b>Ages:</b>	4 - 6 year-olds
<b>Time:</b>	AM Session: 9:30 AM - 12 PM PM Session: 1:30 PM - 4 PM
<b>Cost:</b>	Non-Resident: \$175.00 - \$285.00/week Abington Resident: \$157.50 - \$256.50/week Briar Bush Member: \$140.00 - \$228.00/week

## SAPLINGS FULL-DAY CAMPS

<b>Location:</b>	Briar Bush Nature Center
<b>Date:</b>	Weekly from June 17 - August 30, 2024
<b>Ages:</b>	6 - 7 year-olds
<b>Time:</b>	9:30 AM - 4 PM
<b>Cost:</b>	Non-Resident: \$250.00 - \$410.00/week Abington Resident: \$225.00 - \$369.00/week Briar Bush Member: \$200.00 - \$328.00/week

## FULL-DAY TRAVEL CAMPS

<b>Location:</b>	Briar Bush Nature Center Weekly Regional Field Trips
<b>Date:</b>	Weekly from June 17 - August 30, 2024 (See Overnight Camp for week of July 22-26.)
<b>Ages:</b>	8 - 9 year-olds and 10 - 12 year-olds
<b>Time:</b>	9:30 AM - 4 PM
<b>Cost:</b>	Non-Resident: \$285.00 - \$500.00/week Abington Resident: \$256.50 - \$450.00/week Briar Bush Member: \$228.00 - \$400.00/week

## OVERNIGHT CAMP

<b>Location:</b>	Briar Bush Nature Center Hickory Run State Park
<b>Date:</b>	July 22 - 26, 2024
<b>Ages:</b>	11 - 15 year-olds
<b>Time:</b>	Monday: 9:30 AM - 4 PM Tuesday - Friday: Overnight Friday Pick-Up: 4:00 PM
<b>Cost:</b>	Non-Resident: \$600.00/week Abington Resident: \$540.00/week Briar Bush Member: \$480.00/week

## EXTENDED CARE

<b>Location:</b>	Briar Bush Nature Center
<b>Date:</b>	Weekly from June 10 - August 30, 2024
<b>Ages:</b>	4 - 15 year-olds
<b>Time:</b>	Before Care: 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM After Care: 4 PM - 5:30 PM
<b>Cost:</b>	Before Care: \$30.00/week After Care: \$45.00/week

## CAMP AIDE PROGRAM

Our Camp Aide Program is designed to give teens the opportunity to gain naturalist, leadership, education, and communication skills while earning community service hours, building resume experience, and having a fun-filled summer. Camp Aides assist counselors with camp preparation, group management, daily activities, camp clean-up, and more!

To apply, complete the application found on our [website](https://www.briarbush.org).

<b>Location:</b>	Briar Bush Nature Center Potential Field Trips/Overnight Camp Locations
<b>Date:</b>	Weekly from June 10 - August 30, 2024
<b>Ages:</b>	13+ year-olds
<b>Time:</b>	Schedule varies by camp week.
<b>Cost:</b>	Volunteer Program; No Cost



# ABINGTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

Welcome to the Abington Township Public Library (ATPL). ATPL serves the communities of Abington Township and Rockledge Borough in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

We offer our library patrons two convenient locations: Abington Free Library and Roslyn Library.



**Abington Township  
Public Library**

The mission of the Abington Township Public Library is to champion learning and foster connections for everyone in our community. Our values of knowledge, trust, inclusion, and thinking big are the core principles that guide the work of the library and our community of patrons, friends, supporters, staff, and volunteers.

## ABINGTON FREE LIBRARY

Address: 1030 Old York Road  
Abington, PA 19001

Phone: 215-885-5180

Email: [abingtonlibrary@mclinc.org](mailto:abingtonlibrary@mclinc.org)

Hours of Operation:

- Monday - Thursday: 9:30 AM - 9 PM
- Friday - Saturday: 9:30 AM - 5 PM
- Sunday: 1 - 5 PM

## ROSLYN BRANCH LIBRARY

Address: 2412 Avondale Avenue  
Roslyn, PA 19001

Phone: 215-886-9818

Email: [abingtonlibrary@mclinc.org](mailto:abingtonlibrary@mclinc.org)

Hours of Operation:

- Monday: 11 AM - 9 PM
- Tuesday/Thursday: 11 AM - 6 PM
- Wednesday/Sunday: Closed
- Friday: 11 AM - 5 PM
- Saturday: 10 AM - 2 PM

## JOIN, LEARN, AND SUPPORT:

<b>Becoming a Member</b>	Anyone who lives, works, or attends school in Abington Township or Rockledge Borough can get a library card with full borrowing privileges. Visit <a href="http://abingtonfreelibrary.org/get-library-card">abingtonfreelibrary.org/get-library-card</a> for more information.
<b>Join the Friends of Abington Libraries</b>	The Friends are community members who work to keep the Abington Libraries strong. The group sponsors new programs, books and equipment, and the adult literacy program. For more information visit <a href="http://abingtonfreelibrary.org/friends-library">abingtonfreelibrary.org/friends-library</a> .
<b>Library of Things</b>	We're more than just books! Borrow a hot spot, Chromebook, turntable, museum pass, tool kits, board games, and more! Check out <a href="http://abingtonfreelibrary.org/library-things">abingtonfreelibrary.org/library-things</a> .
<b>Programs and Events</b>	The Library hosts programs and events year-round for all ages! All events and programs can be found at <a href="http://abingtonfreelibrary.org/calendar">abingtonfreelibrary.org/calendar</a> .
<b>eResources</b>	Abington Township Library offers over 50 eResources for residents that provide access to books, music, movies, journals, newspapers, and popular applications. For a full list, please visit <a href="http://abingtonfreelibrary.org/e-resources">abingtonfreelibrary.org/e-resources</a> .
<b>Questions?</b>	Got Questions? Call 215-885-5180, ext. 113. Visit <a href="http://abingtonfreelibrary.org/contact-us">abingtonfreelibrary.org/contact-us</a> for Live Chat, Email, or Text.
<b>Stay Connected!</b>	Follow us on <a href="https://www.facebook.com/AbingtonLibrary">Facebook</a> (@AbingtonLibrary), <a href="https://www.instagram.com/AbingtonLibrary">Instagram</a> (@AbingtonLibrary) and <a href="https://www.tiktok.com/@atplibraries">TikTok</a> (@atplibraries). To learn more about the libraries, visit <a href="http://abingtonfreelibrary.org">abingtonfreelibrary.org</a> .

## ADULT LITERACY

### INTERMEDIATE THROUGH ADVANCED ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

<b>Location:</b>	Abington Free Library
<b>Date/Time:</b>	Mondays, 7 PM - 8:30 PM Tuesdays, 10:30 AM - 12 PM

### BEGINNING ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

<b>Location:</b>	Abington Free Library
<b>Date/Time:</b>	Tuesdays, 6 PM - 7:30 PM Thursdays, 12:30 PM - 2 PM

### NEW TUTOR TRAINING

<b>Location:</b>	Abington Free Library
<b>Date/Time:</b>	March 19, 21, 25, 6:30 PM July 10, 11, 17, 6:30 PM

For more information: [abingtonfreelibrary.org/adult-literacy-program](http://abingtonfreelibrary.org/adult-literacy-program).



## ROSLYN LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Unless otherwise noted, programs are held at the Roslyn Library: 2412 Avondale Ave., Roslyn, PA 19001

### STITCH AND CHAT

Adults and teens, drop in with your handicrafts.

<b>Date:</b>	Fridays
<b>Time:</b>	1 PM - 3 PM

### PLAYDATE ON AVONDALE

<b>Date:</b>	Fridays
<b>Time:</b>	10:30 AM - 12 PM
<b>Age:</b>	2 - 6

### ROSLYN STORYTIME

Registration starts March 4.

<b>Date:</b>	Thursdays, March 21 - May 26
<b>Time:</b>	10:30 AM
<b>Age:</b>	3 - 5

### SECRET GARDEN PLAYDATE

Drop-in.

<b>Date:</b>	Friday, March 15
<b>Time:</b>	10:30 AM - 12 PM
<b>Age:</b>	2 ½ - 6

### SECRET GARDEN 3-D ART CLASS

Registration starts February 26.

<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, March 16
<b>Time:</b>	11 AM - 12 PM
<b>Age:</b>	8 - 12

### BUILD IT UP AND KNOCK IT DOWN

Registration starts February 26.

<b>Date:</b>	Monday, March 18
<b>Time:</b>	6:30 - 7:15 PM
<b>Age:</b>	4 - 10

### CONTAINER GARDENING

With Master Gardener Leigh Kieser. Registration starts March 18.

<b>Date:</b>	Monday, April 8
<b>Time:</b>	7 - 8 PM
<b>Age:</b>	Adults and teens ages 14 and up

### MLANJENI'S MAGICAL THEATER WEEK CELEBRATING CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK

Registration starts April 15.

<b>Date:</b>	Monday, May 6
<b>Time:</b>	6:30 PM - 7:15 PM
<b>Age:</b>	4 - 10

### PUPPETS: A REMAKE LEARNING EVENT

Registration starts April 22.

<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, May 11
<b>Time:</b>	11 AM - 12 PM
<b>Age:</b>	4 - 12

### SHIZEN PAPER

Registration starts April 22.

<b>Date:</b>	Monday, May 13
<b>Time:</b>	7 PM - 8 PM
<b>Age:</b>	Adults and teens ages 12 and up

### WHO LIVES WHERE? WITH THE CENTER FOR AQUATIC SCIENCES

<b>Date:</b>	Friday, June 28
<b>Time:</b>	10 AM - 10:45 AM
<b>Age:</b>	1st through 5th grade

### MAD SCIENCE: MAD MACHINES

<b>Date:</b>	Friday, July 5
<b>Time:</b>	10 AM - 10:45 AM
<b>Age:</b>	1st through 5th grade

### MAKE A MOBILE

<b>Date:</b>	Friday, July 12
<b>Time:</b>	10 AM - 10:45 AM
<b>Age:</b>	4 - 12

### TODDLER TIME

Registration starts June 3.

<b>Date:</b>	Tuesdays, June 25 - August 6
<b>Time:</b>	10:15 AM - 10:45 AM
<b>Age:</b>	18 - 26 months

### ROSLYN STORYTIME

See website for dates.

<b>Date:</b>	Thursdays
<b>Time:</b>	10:30 AM - 11 AM
<b>Age:</b>	3 - 5

### NATIVE ANIMALS OF PENNSYLVANIA WITH BRIAR BUSH

Registration starts July 1.

<b>Date:</b>	Monday, July 22
<b>Time:</b>	6:30 PM - 7 PM
<b>Age:</b>	4 - 10

### ADVENTURES WITH A STORY

Registration starts 3 weeks before each event.

<b>Date:</b>	Tuesdays, July 9, 22, and August 5
<b>Time:</b>	2 PM - 3 PM
<b>Age:</b>	Entering 2nd to 4th grades

## ABINGTON LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Unless otherwise noted, programs are held at the Abington Free Library: 1030 Old York Rd., Abington, PA 19001.

### Abington Children's Programs

#### RAINBOW CONNECTIONS

Meet new friends and talk about LGBTQ+ themed books and topics in a safe space. Registration required.

<b>Location:</b>	Zoom
<b>Date:</b>	Second Monday evening of April, May, and July
<b>Time:</b>	6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
<b>Age:</b>	LGBTQ kids and allies in grades K-5

#### PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Registration required.

<b>Date:</b>	Thursdays, March 14 – April 11
<b>Time:</b>	10:30 AM
<b>Age:</b>	3 - 5



#### DOGGONE GOOD READERS

Read aloud to a registered therapy dog. Registration required.

<b>Date:</b>	April 6
<b>Time:</b>	10 AM OR 10:45 AM
<b>Age:</b>	Grades 1 - 5

#### SUMMER READING KICK-OFF PARTY

Kick off a summer of reading and fun with crafts, snacks, books, and more!

<b>Date:</b>	June 17
<b>Time:</b>	4 PM - 6 PM
<b>Age:</b>	All ages

#### ABINGTON READS

<b>Date:</b>	Mondays, July 1 - July 29
<b>Time:</b>	6 PM – 6:45 PM OR 7 PM – 7:45 PM
<b>Age:</b>	Children entering grades 1-3 are paired with a teen reading buddy.

### Abington Teens Programs

#### AB-TAB

The Teen Advisory Board. No registration required—just come by!

<b>Date:</b>	Third Monday of the month
<b>Time:</b>	6 PM - 7:30 PM

#### Q-CREW

LGBTQ+ teens and allies. No registration required—just come by!

<b>Date:</b>	Second Tuesday of the month
<b>Time:</b>	6 PM - 7:30 PM

#### PENDANT-MAKING CLASS

<b>Date:</b>	Thursday, March 21
<b>Time:</b>	7 PM - 8:15 PM
<b>Age:</b>	Grades 6 - 12

#### TEEN CRAFT FAIR

Local teen artisans are invited to sell their wares at our Teen Craft Fair.

<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, July 6
<b>Time:</b>	11 AM - 3 PM
<b>Age:</b>	Teens entering grades 6 - 12

### Friends of the Library

#### FRIENDS OF THE ABINGTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARIES MEETINGS

<b>Location:</b>	Abington Free Library
<b>Date:</b>	Second Saturdays of February, May, September, and November
<b>Time:</b>	9:45 AM

#### BOOK & PLANT SALE & FLEA MARKET

<b>Location:</b>	Abington Free Library
<b>Date:</b>	April 27
<b>Time:</b>	9 AM



## Abington Adult Programs

Unless otherwise noted, programs are held at the Abington Free Library: 1030 Old York Rd., Abington, PA 19001.

### NATIVE WOMEN AND ALLIES SPEAK: WHAT YOU WEREN'T TAUGHT IN SCHOOL

Film screening and Q&A with the filmmakers.

Date:	Tuesday, March 5
Time:	7 PM - 8:30 PM

### DECLUTTER, DOWNSIZE, & ORGANIZE

Date:	Monday, April 8
Time:	7 PM - 8 PM

### RUTH AND ROBERT ABEL MEMORIAL BOOK AND FILM DISCUSSION GROUP

Registration is a must: [abingtonfreelibrary.org/events](http://abingtonfreelibrary.org/events)

Date:	March 13: <i>I Have Some Questions for You</i> , by Rebecca Makkai April 10: <i>Bewilderment</i> , by Richard Powers May 15: <i>Tom Lake</i> , by Ann Patchett
Time:	7 PM - 8 PM

### GARDEN FESTIVAL

Spring has finally blossomed, so you know what that means: the Abington Free Library's Garden Festival is back! Join us for an afternoon filled with free gardening-oriented entertainment for all ages.

Date:	Saturday, March 23
Time:	1 PM - 3 PM

### A CONVERSATION WITH AUTHOR JENNIFER WEINER

Celebrate National Library Week with a conversation with NY Times bestselling author Jennifer Weiner. Books for sale and for signing. Tickets available on [abingtonfreelibrary.org/events](http://abingtonfreelibrary.org/events).

Location:	Penn State Abington
Date:	Monday, April 8
Time:	6:30 PM

### LOCAL AUTHOR EXPO

Support local authors and learn about publishing a book from local experts. Shop for books for all ages and interests.

Date:	Saturday, April 13
Time:	12 PM - 4 PM

### MINDFULNESS MEDITATION

Join our Saturday mindfulness sessions and take steps towards enhancing your well-being.

Date:	Saturdays, May 4 and July 6
Time:	11 AM - 12 PM

### ELAINE WOLFSON MAGILNER MEMORIAL CONCERT SERIES

Back, by popular demand, Rory Michelle Sullivan with an evening of her original songs and performance!

Date:	May 16
Time:	7 PM

### A CONVERSATION WITH AUTHOR AYANA MATHIS

Join us for a conversation with NY Times bestselling author Ayana Mathis. Books for sale and for signing. Tickets available on [abingtonfreelibrary.org/events](http://abingtonfreelibrary.org/events).

Location:	Penn State Abington
Date:	Tuesday, June 4
Time:	6:30 PM

### SUNDAY'S ON MONDAY

Join our in solving the NYT Sunday Crossword. Drop-in.

Date:	Mondays
Time:	10:30 AM

### ADULTS READ YA BOOK CLUB

Join YA Librarian Sara Huff for a book discussion.

Date:	First Thursday of the month
Time:	7 PM - 8 PM

### ONE-ON-ONE TECH HELP

Sign up for a free, 30-minute, one-on-one session. Register online or call the Information Desk at 215-885-5180, ext. 113.

Date:	Thursdays
Time:	10:30 AM - 12 PM

### STITCH AND CHAT

Bring your current projects and stitch with us.

Date:	Thursdays
Time:	6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

### VIRTUAL DAYTIME BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

See [abingtonfreelibrary.org/events](http://abingtonfreelibrary.org/events) for details.

Date:	First Thursday of every month
Time:	1 PM

### LIBRARY SPEAKERS CONSORTIUM

Bestselling authors share their books with you in a live, virtual forum. Several events are scheduled each month. Dates and details can be found here: [libraryc.org/abingtonfreelibrary](http://libraryc.org/abingtonfreelibrary). ATPL's Author Series is sponsored by the Friends of Abington Township Public Library.



# POLICE EVENTS

## CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

Each year the Abington Police Department offers a Citizens' Police Academy (CPA). In the program, Township residents meet on a weekly basis with Police Officer instructors for lessons on various aspects of the law enforcement profession. Subjects include criminal and traffic law, the police role in the judicial process, APD equipment, training, resources and limitations of the Police Department. In return, the instructors often find a newly-developed law enforcement awareness among participants, as well as an increased sensitivity to the challenges of 21st century policing. The increased citizen-police understanding that results from the close interaction of the CPA environment is an excellent vehicle for building bridges between the police and the community.

Not surprisingly, program alumni often volunteer to assist with future projects for APD and the community. Graduates are also encouraged to participate as block captains leading their neighborhood to crime prevention information, awareness and educational programs. For more information about the Citizens' Police Academy or to register, contact Officer Christine Da Cunha: [cdacunha@abingtonpa.gov](mailto:cdacunha@abingtonpa.gov) or 267-536-1097.

<b>Location:</b>	Public Safety Training Facility (2200 Florey Ln.)
<b>Date:</b>	Wednesdays, March 6 - April 24
<b>Time:</b>	7 PM - 9 PM
<b>Age:</b>	18 & up
<b>Cost:</b>	Free

## C.A.P.T. DESIGNER BAG BINGO

Citizens and Police Together will be hosting a 16 Game, Designer Bag BINGO! Beer, Wine and Soda included. Raffle Baskets and 50/50. Coach, Michael Kors, Kate Spade. ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT D.A.R.E. For Information call Kait Metzinger: 267-536-1082 or [kmetzinger@abingtonpa.gov](mailto:kmetzinger@abingtonpa.gov).

<b>Location:</b>	North Penn V.F.W.
<b>Date:</b>	March 8
<b>Time:</b>	7 PM - 10 PM (Doors open at 6 PM)
<b>Cost:</b>	\$30 in advance / \$40 at the door

## PAL DESIGNER BAG BINGO

The Police Athletic League will be hosting a 16 Game, Designer Bag BINGO! Beer, Wine and Soda included. Raffle Baskets and 50/50. Coach, Michael Kors, Kate Spade. ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT ABINGTON'S YOUTH. For Information call Jan Harris: 267-536-1083 or [jharris@abingtonpa.gov](mailto:jharris@abingtonpa.gov).

<b>Location:</b>	North Penn V.F.W.
<b>Date:</b>	April 19
<b>Time:</b>	7 PM - 10 PM (Doors open at 6 PM)
<b>Cost:</b>	\$30 in advance / \$40 at the door

## PAL CASINO NIGHT

For more information, visit [www.abingtonpal.org](http://www.abingtonpal.org).

<b>Location:</b>	North Hills Country Club
<b>Date:</b>	May 11
<b>Time:</b>	TBA

## POLICE EXPLORERS

The Abington Township Police Department's Explorer Program meets every second Tuesday of every month and provides an opportunity for young men and women to experience first-hand how a police department functions. The program, geared towards kids interested in a future in law enforcement, gives youths self-confidence, discipline, and a feeling of community involvement. They are trained in all aspects of law enforcement, including report writing, traffic stops, crime scene investigation, self defensive tactics, firearm safety, arrest procedures, criminal laws, etc.

Police Explorers perform a variety of community services which is not only personally satisfying but a valuable experience which is frequently asked for when applying for college. The Explorers also work with the Community Policing Division and help with special events by assisting with traffic control and support.

If you are interested in becoming a Police Explorer or would like more information, please email Explorer Advisor Officer Christine Da Cunha at [cdacunha@abingtonpa.gov](mailto:cdacunha@abingtonpa.gov) or call 267-536-1097. (Police Explorers must be between 14 to 20 years old. If you are under the age of 18 you need parental consent to participate.)

## C.A.P.T. FIELD DAY

Enjoy a fun filled day with the family! Activities & games for all ages. We will have a dunk tank, bounce houses, obstacle courses, kids craft corner, face painting, DJ, and so much more!

Field Day serves as a fundraising project for the C.A.P.T. organization. The proceeds benefits drug and alcohol prevention programs and community activities in Abington and Rockledge.

<b>Location:</b>	Abington High School Practice Field
<b>Date:</b>	May 18 (Rain Date: May 19)
<b>Time:</b>	11 AM - 4 PM

## APD OFFICER MATHEWS MEMORIAL

Join us as the Abington Township Police Department remembers Officer Mathews for the 75th Anniversary of his line of duty death. The Department will also be taking this time to highlight all the different units here at Abington to give residents an opportunity to learn more about what we do.

<b>Location:</b>	Police Department, 1166 Old York Rd.
<b>Date:</b>	June 1
<b>Time:</b>	10 AM - 4 PM

## BATTLE OF THE BADGES BLOOD DRIVE

<b>Location:</b>	Public Safety Training Facility (2200 Florey Ln.)
<b>Date:</b>	TBA
<b>Time:</b>	1 PM - 6 PM

## PRE-NIGHT OUT BLOCK PARTY

<b>Location:</b>	Abington Town Center, Target Parking Lot, Abington, PA
<b>Date:</b>	August 5
<b>Time:</b>	5 PM - 9 PM

## RIT-A BOOK DAY

In celebration of National Read a Book Day, members of the Abington Township Police Department will be handing out Rita's water ice and books to the children in our community.

<b>Location:</b>	Abington Township Free Library
<b>Date:</b>	August 29
<b>Time:</b>	3 PM - 5 PM

## ABINGTON POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE (PAL)

### Abington Police Department's #1 Juvenile Crime and Violence Prevention Program!

**Location:** Salem Baptist Church, 2801 Woodland Road, Roslyn: Enter on Pershing Avenue.

**Hours:** will be most Fridays & Saturdays, 7 - 10 PM (except Holiday weekends) No one admitted after 8:30 PM.

**For:** Boys and girls age 10 through seniors in high school (membership expires on 19th birthday). Must be an Abington Township resident or attend school in Abington Township.

**JOIN** at any time. Parent/Guardian must accompany child to register at the PAL site. Forms are on the PAL website or available at the PAL site. All applications will be processed through the Abington Township Police Department for membership.

**FREE** activities & programs.

### SPRING/SUMMER OFFERINGS

Abington PAL offers a wide variety of activities and off-site trips. They include but are not limited to:

- **YOUTH POLICE ACADEMY:** Held at Penn State Abington Campus, date pending
- **TRIPS:** Reading Phillies, Iron Pigs, Phillies games, etc. Dates pending.
- **SPORTS:** COPS vs. PAL member events – Basketball, dodgeball, kickball, ping pong, and pool tournaments
- **CRAFTS:** Painting, jewelry making, wreath making, and more
- **CLASSES:** 5-week classes on various topics. Ex: knitting, tennis, and woodworking/tool skills/life skills
- **EDUCATIONAL:** Cooking classes, Book Club, Jeopardy
- **CAMP:** Life Skills Summer Camp
- **MISC:** Bingo, Pictionary challenge, trivia, jigsaw puzzles, movie nights, nail salon night, and holiday parties

Abington PAL receives no tax dollars but depends on contributions and fundraisers for support. **Abington PAL Is COPS and YOU Helping Kids!** Information: 267-536-1083. Email [PAL@abington.org](mailto:PAL@abington.org) or visit [www.abingtonpal.org](http://www.abingtonpal.org) Like us on [Facebook \(AbingtonPolicePAL\)](https://www.facebook.com/AbingtonPolicePAL/), [X \(@AbingtonPal\)](https://twitter.com/AbingtonPal), & [Instagram \(abingtonpal29\)](https://www.instagram.com/abingtonpal29/).

**PAL Fundraiser: Designer Bag Bingo – Friday, April 19, 2024 \*Save the Date\***

## VOLUNTEER WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Abington Township Fire Department (ATFD) is an all-volunteer fire department, and we are always looking to welcome new members, starting at the age of 16. All PPE, training and equipment is provided free of charge. All new members receive training to become nationally certified firefighters at our own fire training facility located here in Abington. To learn more about joining the ATFD as a firefighter or non-emergency volunteer, visit [www.abingtonfd.org](http://www.abingtonfd.org) or call 267-536-1055.

## ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

### HELPING ABINGTON GO GREEN!

The Environmental Advisory Council provides education and resources to help our community be informed stewards of our Township natural resources and provides guidance and advice to the Board of Commissioners on environmental issues.

**MEETINGS:** 7 PM on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

### The EAC can help you:

- Live more sustainably
- Make your yard & home healthier
- Understand water quality and stormwater issues
- Learn about the benefits of installing rain barrels at your home
- Connect to local watershed and conservation organizations
- Identify volunteer/service learning opportunities that help conserve/restore natural areas

### CONTACT US

**Email:** [EAC@abingtonpa.gov](mailto:EAC@abingtonpa.gov)

**Facebook:** @AbingtonEAC

**Instagram:** @abingtontownshipecac

**X:** @AbingtonEAC

**Website:** [www.abingtonpa.gov/EAC](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/EAC)

## HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

### What's an HRC?

Many Abington residents are unaware of the existence of the Abington Township Human Relations Commission (HRC). The HRC exists to promote the provisions of Abington Ordinance 2029, which prohibits discrimination in housing, employment, and public accommodations.

We develop and facilitate educational programs, participate in community outreach efforts, identify problem areas in community relations, and suggest and aid in solutions.

We would love to hear your thoughts and concerns about fair and equal treatment in our Township. Would you like us to meet with you, your business or community organization?

**Meetings:** 7 PM on the 1st Wednesday of each month.

**Website:** [www.abingtonpa.gov/HRC](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/HRC)

**Facebook:** @AbingtonHRC

**Instagram:** @abingtontownshiphrc

## SHADE TREE COMMISSION

### CONTACT US for fun tree planting activities for the whole family!

**Email:** [stc@abingtonpa.gov](mailto:stc@abingtonpa.gov)

**Facebook:** @AbingtonTrees

**Website:** [www.abingtonpa.gov/STC](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/STC)

**Meetings:** 7:30 PM on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

### WE CAN HELP YOU CARE FOR YOUR TREES!

- Water trees weekly for the first year and during dry spells
- Prune sparingly and never top a tree!
- Mulch like a donut, not like a volcano
- Visit [www.isa-arbor.com](http://www.isa-arbor.com) to locate a certified arborist for expert advice in caring for your trees and before removing a tree!

### WE CAN HELP YOU CHOOSE YOUR TREE!

- Choose native trees, shrubs & perennials
- See our resource list for which trees fit on your property

### WE IMPROVE OUR TOWNSHIP'S WELLBEING!

- Increased tree canopy means fewer health concerns
- Healthy trees means less flooding and clean water
- Well-placed trees increase home value and beautify our township

**Learn about our Master Tree Action Plan and view the story-map:** [www.abingtonpa.gov/treestorymap](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/treestorymap)

**E-Newsletter Sign Up:** [www.abingtonpa.gov/stcemail](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/stcemail)

# FACILITY RENTALS

Please call 215-576-5213 for rules and regulations related to the use of each facility.

## ARDSLEY COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTER

2828 SPEAR AVENUE, ARDSLEY, PA 19038

Contact information for availability, pricing and questions: 215-576-1630 or [parksinfo@abingtonPA.gov](mailto:parksinfo@abingtonPA.gov)

### CLASSROOMS

**Size:** Vary, classrooms hold up to 25 people.

**Availability:**

- Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays: 9 AM to 8:45 PM

**Pricing:** \$12/hour



### CAFETERIA

**Size:** 20 x 50 sq. ft., can fit approximately 80 people

**Availability:**

- Year-round
- Monday - Sunday: 9 AM to 11 PM

**Pricing:**

- \$100 cleaning fee
- Large events such as birthday parties, baby showers, etc.: \$75/hour
- Weekly rentals such as organizational rentals, 1-time rentals: \$13/hour
- Kitchen rentals: \$40/day



### GYMNASIUM

**Size:** 50 x 80 sq. ft., capable of seating 400 - 500 people

**Availability:**

- Monday-Sunday: 9 AM to 11 PM

**Pricing:**

- Large events such as weddings, concerts, etc.: \$95/hour
- Weekly rentals such as organizational rentals: \$15/hour

Activities held in the gym include sports leagues, concerts, classes and more!



## CRESTMONT CLUBHOUSE

2595 RUBICAM AVENUE, WILLOW GROVE, PA 19090

Contact Information for availability and pricing: 215-576-5213

### CLUBHOUSE

Rentals of the clubhouse are exclusive to Abington residents ONLY.

This beautiful space can be used for events such as birthday parties, bridal showers, workshops, networking parties, etc.

**Size:** The facility can hold up to 85 people.

**Availability:**

- Monday - Sunday: 9 AM - 10 PM

**Pricing:**

- \$100/hour plus \$100 cleaning fee per rental and \$100 key deposit due at time keys are picked up. \$100 key deposit is returned once building is inspected and keys have been returned.

**Learn more by watching this video:**

[www.abingtonpa.gov/crestmontclubhouserental](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/crestmontclubhouserental)





## ALVERTHORPE PARK

498 FORREST AVENUE, JENKINTOWN, PA 19046

**Contact Information:** 215-884-6538

Reservations for 2024 will be accepted starting January 2nd at 8 AM. Reservations may be made in person at the Alverthorpe Control Building or by phone at 215-884-6538. **Please note, reservations must be made by an Abington Township adult resident. The guests attending a reservation do not need to be Abington residents.** For questions, please call 215-884-6538.

	Time	Cost	Bathrooms on-site	Private Parking
Picnic Shelter	Full Day (9 AM - 9:30 PM)	\$300 (\$275*)	Yes	Yes, 50 spaces
	Half Day (9 AM - 3 PM and 4:30 PM - 9:30 PM)	\$270		
Mini-Golf Pavilion	Full Day (10 AM - 7 PM)	\$230 (\$205*)	No	No
	Half Day (10 AM - 2 PM and 3 PM - 7 PM)	\$200		
Pre-School Pavilion	Full Day (10 AM - 7 PM)	\$205 (\$180*)	Yes	No
	Half Day (10 AM - 2 PM and 3 PM - 7 PM)	\$175		
Camp Sites (approx. 8 available)	Check-out is by 4 PM Max of 4-day stay	\$15 per site, \$20 deposit required for camping keys **	No	Yes
Picnic Tables (approx. 60 available)	Rentable during current park hours	\$5 per table	No	No

\*A discounted rate is available between 3/4/24 - 4/21/24 & 9/3/24 - 10/6/24

\*\*No charge for bonafide scout organizations; deposit is returned when keys are returned to control building.



Mini-Golf Pavilion



Picnic Shelter



Pre-School Pavilion

# LOCAL PARKS AND POOLS

	Dog Park	Walking Path/Trails	Tennis Courts	Pickleball	Swimming Pools	Basketball Courts	Football/Soccer	Baseball/Softball	Nature Areas	Playgrounds	Grills	Ice Skating
<b>ALVERTHORPE</b> 498 Forrest Ave.		X	X(L)	X(L)	X	X(L)	X	X	X	X	X	
<b>ARDSLEY</b> Tennis & Jefferson Ave.		X	X			X(L)	X	X		X		
<b>ARDSLEY COMMUNITY CENTER</b> 2828 Spear Ave.							X	X		X		
<b>ARDSLEY WILDLIFE SANCTUARY</b> Maple & Jefferson Ave.		X							X			
<b>BAEDERWOOD</b> Highland Ave.		X							X	X	X	X
<b>BOY SCOUT GAME PRESERVE</b> Meadowbrook & Valley Rd.									X			
<b>BRIAR BUSH</b> 1212 Edge Hill Rd.		X							X			
<b>COATES PRESERVE</b> Highland Ave.		X							X			
<b>CONWAY</b> 911 G Ave.							X(L)	X(L)				
<b>CRESTMONT</b> 2595 Rubicam Ave.			X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X		X		X
<b>CROSSWICKS BIRD SANCTUARY</b> Crosswicks Rd.									X			
<b>EDGE HILL WOODS</b> 749 Roslyn Ave.		X							X			
<b>EDMUND R. MICCIOLO MEMORIAL PARK</b> 1001 Old York Rd.									X			
<b>ELK STREET</b> 419 Elk Ave.										X		
<b>ETHEL JORDAN</b> Jenkintown Rd. & Osceola Ave.						X		X		X		
<b>EVERGREEN MANOR</b> Osbourne & Phipps Ave.									X	X		
<b>FOX CHASE MANOR</b> 717 Fox Chase Rd.									X			
<b>GROVE PARK</b> 1383 Easton Rd.	X	X										
<b>HALLOWELL</b> 1900 Kenmore Ave.							X	X				
<b>JACKSON</b> Sherwood Ave.		X							X			
<b>KAREBROOK</b> Cox & Valley Rd.									X			
<b>LORIMER PARK</b> 183 Moredon Rd.	Montgomery County Park, please visit <a href="http://www.montcopa.org/972/Lorimer-Park">www.montcopa.org/972/Lorimer-Park</a> for more information.											
<b>MANOR WOODS</b> Forrest & Douglass Ave.									X			
<b>MEADOWBROOK BIRD SANCTUARY</b> Relevation & Meadowbrook Rd.		X							X			
<b>NORTH HILLS/ DENNIS DOUGHERTY</b> Tennis & Pine Ave.								X		X		
<b>PENBRYN</b> 300 Houston Ave.		X	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)		X		X
<b>ROCKWELL</b> Rockwell & Stratford Ave.										X		
<b>ROSLYN</b> 818 Anzac Ave.		X				X(L)	X(L)	X(L)		X		
<b>ROYCHESTER</b> 1837 Harding Ave.			X			X(L)	X(L)	X		X		X
<b>RUBICAM</b> Rubicam & Franklin Ave.		X				X(L)				X		

## ROYCHESTER AND GROVE PARKS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT COMING SOON

Abington Township (the Township) and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) have partnered to design and implement the Abington Environmental Infrastructure Improvement Project (the Project) at Roychester and Grove Parks, a stream and habitat improvement project along Sandy Run Creek. Sandy Run Creek, part of the Wissahickon Creek Watershed, has been adversely affected by development over the past century, causing flash flood conditions with rapid stream flows, increased stream bank erosion, and habitat impairment. The purpose of the project is to stabilize, naturalize, and improve ecosystem function along Sandy Run Creek. Specific objectives include enhancing and restoring aquatic, wetland, and riparian habitat; improving infiltration of flood waters; stabilizing stream banks; reducing erosion; managing invasive species; and reconnecting floodplains.

In Roychester Park, the stream banks are severely eroded and disconnected from the surrounding floodplain. Additionally, invasive species and other factors reduce the quality of the habitat for birds, insects, fish, and other aquatic and wildlife species. The project will re-grade and stabilize the banks of Sandy Run Creek; replace and re-locate a sanitary sewer line out of the eroding stream bank; replace two in-stream culverts with steel footbridges; and plant native plants in riparian and upland portions of the park.

In Grove Park, the main section of the creek is channelized with concrete, which reduces the aquatic habitat value and increases water velocities during storms. The project will remove the concrete lining; disassemble gabion (rock-filled wire basket structures); re-grade the stream banks; grade a new tributary, which will receive water from a stormwater outfall; and plant native riparian and wetland plants.

Construction is expected to begin in Summer of 2024 and last a total of one year between the two parks. Please check the project website for updates: [www.abingtonpa.gov/USACEproject](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/USACEproject).

The project is funded by the federal government (USACE) and the Township.

(L) Indicates facility is night lighted.

# ALVERTHORPE PARK

**LOCATION:** 498 Forrest Avenue, Jenkintown, PA 19046

## HOURS:

- WINTER: 10/2/23 - 3/3/24, 8 AM - 5 PM
- SPRING: 3/4/24 - 4/21/24, 8 AM - 8 PM
- SUMMER: 4/22/24 - 9/2/24, 8 AM - 10 PM
- FALL: 9/3/24 - 10/6/24, 8 AM - 8 PM

**CONTACT:** 215-884-6538

**Please Note:** Alverthorpe Park is open to Township residents ONLY. To access the park, a form of identification showing residency is required. Residents are able to bring non-resident guests.

## Bike Pike

The 1.7 mile bike pike travels around the park's activity areas and through its natural areas, providing a scenic and pleasant trip. The bike pike is open year-round weather permitting.

## Fishing

Resident fishing tags are available for purchase for \$4. For more information, please contact the Control Building in Alverthorpe Park, Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 4:30 PM at 215-884-6538.

## Wading Pool

The facility located in Alverthorpe Park's preschool area is available to Abington Township residents 5 years of age and under at no charge. The wading pool will open daily beginning Saturday, June 15, 2024, and will close Labor Day, September 2, 2024. The hours of operation are from 11 AM to 5 PM. There is a maximum of 35 people allowed inside the pools fenced in area.

## Miniature Golf

The 18-hole miniature golf course is open to Abington residents and their guests. The course is open weekends from 10 AM to 9 PM beginning Memorial Day weekend (May 25, 2024). It opens daily from 10 AM to 9 PM beginning Monday, June 17, 2024 and ending on September 2, 2024. Weekend operations (10 AM to 7 PM) will continue through the month of September ending on September 29, 2024. Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

<b>Weekdays (10 AM - 5 PM)</b>	\$4
<b>Weeknights, Weekends, &amp; Holidays</b>	\$4



## Par-Three Golf

The Par-3 golf course remains open year round for a fee, weather permitting. Greens fees are as follows:

		Player	Senior
<b>Weekdays (8AM- 5 PM) Fees</b>	9 - holes	\$7	\$4
	18 - holes	\$9	\$5
<b>Weekends &amp; Evenings Fees</b>	9 - holes	\$8	\$8
	18 - holes	\$10	\$10
<b>Additional 9-holes</b>		\$2	\$1 (weekday only)

NOTE: Golfers MUST be 7 years of age or older to play. Golfers 7-13 years may play, but MUST be accompanied by an adult 18 years or older and must have their own golf clubs. Children under 7 years of age are not permitted on the course.

## Tennis Courts/Pickleball

**Weeknights:** Court reservations may be made after 5 PM in person or by phone at Alverthorpe Park. Courts will be held for 15 minutes past starting time unless a call is made stating party will be late (no reservation fee).

**Weekends/Holidays:** Court reservations will be taken after 12 PM on Wednesdays. Non-refundable weekend/holiday reservation fee: \$1. Court time limited to 1.5 hours. One resident must accompany each non-resident guest. Those wishing to use courts prior to scheduled time will be charged the full court fee.

### Times and Fees:

Each time period will be limited to 1.5 hours beginning at 8:15 AM.

	Player		Child* /Senior	
Type	Singles	Doubles	Singles	Doubles
<b>Everyday (10 AM - 5 PM) Fees</b>	\$5/crt	\$8/crt	\$2/crt	\$3/crt
<b>Reservation Fee</b>	\$1			

\* Children ages 12 years and younger



# RECREATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

The following groups along with area colleges and churches, provide organized recreation in Abington Township. If you would like your organization to appear on our list, please contact our office at [parksinfo@abingtonpa.gov](mailto:parksinfo@abingtonpa.gov).

## Local Scouts Groups

Group	Contact	Phone/Email
Boy Scout Troop 437 Roslyn	Patrick Kelly	pkelly1776@gmail.com
Abington Troop 1		trooponeabington@gmail.com
Abington Troop 7	Jenn Vincent/ Jim Amons	jenntwontz@verizon.net/ jamins@bensalemsd.org
Girl Scouts of Southeastern PA ( <a href="http://www.gsep.org">www.gsep.org</a> )		215-564-2030
Glenside Pack 48	Keith Galle	pack48glenside@gmail.com 267-625-8838
Glenside Troop 48	Matthew Frey	matthew-frey@comcast.net
Boy Scout Troop 72	Glenn Arizini	Troop72overlookhills@gmail.com
Overlook Hills Pack 72	Sherry Sutton	charlaynesutton@comcast.net



## Athletic Organizations

Organization	Website	Phone/Email	Address
Abington Bulldogs Youth Wrestling Club (K-8)		bulldogsabington@gmail.com	
Abington Fall Softball		razz663@aol.com, 215-663-9440	733 Seminole Avenue, Jenkintown, PA 19046
Abington Raiders Football & Cheer	<a href="http://www.abingtonraiders.org">www.abingtonraiders.org</a>	Joe Reid, 610-787-0553 AbingtonRaidersfootball@gmail.com	
Abington-Roychester Baseball	<a href="http://www.abington-roychesterbaseball.com">www.abington-roychesterbaseball.com</a>		
AC United Soccer Club	<a href="http://www.acunited.org">www.acunited.org</a>	info@acunited.org JC Escobar, acunitedsc@gmail.com, 215-385-2825	P.O. Box 1065, Roslyn, PA 19001
Ardsley- North Hills Athletic Association	<a href="http://www.anhaa.org">www.anhaa.org</a>		Conway Field, 911 G Avenue, Ardsley, PA 19038
Crestmont Community Summer Basketball League (ages 8-16)		215-432-3177	P.O. Box 74, Glenside, PA 19038
Dolphins Community Aquatics Association (DCAA)	<a href="http://www.dcaaswimming.org">www.dcaaswimming.org</a>	Shelly Spooner shelly@dcaaswimming.org	
Jenkintown Abington Little League	<a href="http://www.jenkintownjya.com">www.jenkintownjya.com</a>		P.O. Box 14, Jenkintown, PA 19046
Glenside Gaelic Club	<a href="http://www.glensidegaelicclub.com">www.glensidegaelicclub.com</a>	glensidegaelicclub@gmail.com	P.O. Box 824, Glenside, PA 19038
Glenside Youth Athletic Club	<a href="http://www.gyac.org">www.gyac.org</a>	gyac@gyac.org	
Hunter Soccer Club	<a href="http://www.huntersc.com">www.huntersc.com</a>	Fifi Bertl, Huntersctravel@gmail.com	220 Houston Avenue, Glenside, PA 19038
Abington Area Womens Softball League		Brittany Kohler 267-888-1451 aaws19038@gmail.com	
Roslyn Boys and Girls Club	<a href="http://www.rbgclub.org">www.rbgclub.org</a>		P.O. Box 1043, Roslyn, PA 19001
Saint John of the Cross Crusader Football	<a href="http://www.crusaderfootball.org">www.crusaderfootball.org</a>		2812 Phipps Avenue, Willow Grove, PA 19090

# POOL MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

## LOCATIONS

Abington Township maintains two pool facilities:

- **Penbryn Park**, 200 Houston Avenue, Glenside, PA 19038 (Houston Ave. & Egerton Ave., Glenside)
- **Crestmont Park**, 2595 Rubicam Avenue, Willow Grove, PA 19090 (Old Welsh Rd. & Rubicam Ave., Crestmont)

## HOURS OF OPERATION

**Alverthorpe Wading Pool:**

- June 15 - September 2: 11 AM - 5 PM

**Crestmont and Penbryn Pools:**

- May 25 - 27, June 1 - 2, June 8 - 9, June 15 - 16: 12 PM - 7 PM
- June 22 - August 18: 11 AM - 9 PM
- August 19 - September 1: 11 AM - 8 PM
- September 2: 11 AM - 5 PM

## TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP

### Season Membership

A season membership is valid from May 25 through September 2, 2024. Pools open on Saturdays and Sundays beginning May 25 and for daily use beginning June 22.

### Household Season Membership

A household is defined as all individuals occupying a single family dwelling. Everyone being considered as a household will need to prove by way of official documentation, that they reside at the address listed on the pool application. There is no maximum number of household members. After three (3) household members have signed up for a seasonal membership, each additional individual will be charged an additional fee as listed below.

### Daily Admission Pass

The daily admission pass is a type of membership and not a one day pass. An individual must go in person to Alverthorpe Manor to pay a one time fee and receive an ID card. Once registration is complete, the resident can visit the pools for a daily fee. The Township does not offer a one day only pass. If you have any questions, please call 215-576-5213.

### Guest Privileges

Residents with a pool membership automatically receive guest privileges and can bring 5 guests or less per visit for a nominal fee listed below. Each guest must complete the Township's General Liability and Release before entry into the pool. Parent/Guardian must sign on behalf of youth guests. The forms can be found online at [www.abingtonpa.gov/waivers](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/waivers) or at the front desk. Non-residents are not permitted to bring guests.

## MEMBERSHIP FEE STRUCTURE

* Fees subject to change.	UNTIL APRIL 15, 2024	AFTER APRIL 15, 2024	NON-RESIDENTS
	RESIDENTS ONLY		
Season Membership			
Individual under 18	\$85	\$110	\$160
Individual 18 or older	\$90	\$115	\$180
Senior Citizen (65 and older)	\$30	\$30	\$55
Household (3 individuals occupying a single family dwelling)	\$190	\$220	\$360
Each additional person(s)	\$10	\$10	\$30
Daily Admission Pass (Includes one time fee and fee per visit)			
One Time Fee	\$25	\$35	Not available
	Weekday	Weekend/Holiday	
Under 18 years of age	\$4	\$5	
18 years of age and older	\$5	\$6	
Guest Fees (Paid at pool. Residents can bring non-residents as guests.)			
	Weekday	Weekend/Holiday	Not available
Under 18 years of age	\$10	\$10	
18 years of age and older	\$10	\$10	
Evening Rate (after 5 PM)	Half Price	Half Price	

## POOL ID-REQUIRED

All members, both daily and seasonal, will be issued photo identification cards which must be shown for admission into pool area. Photo identification cards must be taken at the Parks & Recreation office between scheduled business hours. Identification cards are not transferable. If a card is used by someone other than the authorized purchaser, it must be surrendered and no refund will be made. Lost cards must be reported immediately to the Pool Management. Cards should be retained from year to year and DO NOT expire. **There is a fee of \$5 to replace a lost ID card.**

## REFUNDS

Refunds for pool memberships must be requested two (2) full weeks before the opening date of the pools and will be assessed a 20% refund fee. There are NO refunds after opening day.



## HOW TO REGISTER

Abington Township residents can register for use of Township pools online, by mail, or in person. Abington Township residents, who are registering for the first time, will need to provide proof of residency when obtaining their ID.

### ONLINE

Registering online is the most convenient way to register for a pool membership. To register online:

1. Visit [www.apm.activecommunities.com/abingtonparksandrec](http://www.apm.activecommunities.com/abingtonparksandrec).
2. Log in or create account.
3. Add to cart selected membership.
4. Pay for membership and plan a time to get an ID if you do not already have one.
5. Complete waiver forms.
6. Head to the pool!

### MAIL

Resident who wish to register by mail can do so by:

1. Completing the Pool Membership Application and waiver forms found in this guide.
2. Mail application with payment to the Abington Township Parks and Recreation Department at 515 Meetinghouse Road, Jenkintown, PA, 19046. \*\*\*Checks should be made payable to Abington Township.
3. Plan time to get an ID if you do not already have one.
4. Head to the pool!

### IN-PERSON

Residents can register and obtain an ID by visiting the following locations:

#### Alverthorpe Manor

- **Location:** 515 Meetinghouse Rd., Second Floor, Jenkintown, PA 19046
- **Contact:** 215-576-5213
- **Hours:**  
Monday - Friday, 8 AM to 4:30 PM  
Saturday Hours: 9 AM - 1 PM  
May 18, 2024  
June 22, 2024

#### Crestmont Clubhouse

- **Location:** 2595 Rubicam Ave., Willow Grove, PA 19090
- **Contact:** 215-576-5213
- **Hours:**  
Tuesday Evening Hours: 5 PM - 8 PM  
April 9, 2024  
May 21, 2024  
June 4, 2024  
June 11, 2024  
June 25, 2024



# ABINGTON TOWNSHIP PROGRAM PARTICIPANT LIABILITY WAIVER AND RELEASE

I acknowledge that I voluntarily have applied, for myself and/or any additional family members or minors in my care, to participate in program(s) and/or events offered by the Township of Abington.

I understand that participation in such program(s) involves risk of injury. I understand these risks are entirely my responsibility. I expressly assume these risks. In particular, I am aware of the risks and hazards inherent upon entering the program area(s) and I choose to voluntarily enter the premises, knowing the conditions might become more hazardous and/or dangerous for myself and I voluntarily assume all such risks, loss, damages, or injury that may be sustained by my participation.

By signing this release of liability and participating in the program(s), and in consideration for being permitted to participate in the program(s), I do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and/or for any additional family members and minors in my care for whom I am submitting a registration, fully and forever release, indemnify, and discharge Abington Township and their officers, officials, departments, and other representatives and their heirs, administrators, successors and assigns, from any and all manner of action, cause of action, suits, debts, accounts, controversies, damages, claims and demands whatsoever, which I or my legal representative, and/or any minors in my care may have or acquire against Abington Township and their officers, agents and other representatives, by reason of any loss resulting from personal injury or damage to personal property belonging to me and/or any minors in my care which may occur during or by reason of my, and/or any additional family members' or minors' in my care, participation in the program(s), whether the same be known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated. I fully and forever release and discharge Abington Township and their volunteers and vendors, employees and agents from any and all negligent acts and omissions in the same. I hereby grant Abington Township and any of its officials, officers, agents and other representatives full authority to take whatever action they may consider to be warranted regarding my, and/or any additional family members' or minors' in my care, health and safety, and I fully release Abington Township, its officials, officers, agents and other representatives from any liability for such actions taken on my behalf or on behalf of any additional family members or minors in my care.

I understand that no health and/or accident insurance is provided by Abington Township. I also understand and agree, for myself, and/or for any minors in my care, that I am solely responsible for the cost and expense for furnishing medical or other insurance to cover any expenses related to any such personal injuries or property damage.

Please check each program the participant is registering for:

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Acting Outside                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 19 Basketball                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Penbryn Pooch Plunge          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Watercolor                | <input type="checkbox"/> Introductory Tennis                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Pick-Up Pickleball            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aikido                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Island Tube Fever                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Pottery Design Camp           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Amazing Athletes                | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Down on the Farm                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Pottery & Jewelry Design Camp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Babysitting Workshop            | <input type="checkbox"/> Learn to Face Paint                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Robots Path to Power          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Backpacking 101                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Lifeguard Certification/Re-Certification | <input type="checkbox"/> Round Robin Pickleball        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Basketball Camp                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Little Ninjas                            | <input type="checkbox"/> School's Out Skateboarding    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brixology                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Mad Machine and Jr. Engineers            | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Squirts Multi Sport    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Broadway Bound by Stage Company | <input type="checkbox"/> Mad Machines and Rocking Rockets         | <input type="checkbox"/> Skateboard Camp               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cape May Bus Trip               | <input type="checkbox"/> Magic Camp                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Soccer Shots                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Challenger Soccer               | <input type="checkbox"/> Mine Island                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Spring Camping                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Character Creation Anime/Manga  | <input type="checkbox"/> Multi Sports Camp                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Spring Pickleball 101         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chess                           | <input type="checkbox"/> NASA Stem Explorers                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Spring Pickleball 201         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Running Program      | <input type="checkbox"/> Nature Adventures                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Squirts Multi Sport           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dinosaur Club                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Nature Chemist                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Playground Program     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fashion Runway Camp             | <input type="checkbox"/> Nature Pottery                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Super Slimy Smoky Science     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Favorite Apps & Video Games     | <input type="checkbox"/> Parent Assist Multi Sport                | <input type="checkbox"/> Zombie Survival Camp          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Funky Forensics                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Parent Child Mini Golf                   |  |

Adult Participant Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**If participant is a minor, parent/guardian must sign below:**

Minor Participant Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

# ABINGTON TOWNSHIP POOL PARTICIPANT LIABILITY WAIVER AND RELEASE

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING– THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED FOR ALL POOL MEMBERS. EACH MEMBER AGE 18 AND OVER MUST SIGN THIS FORM. PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST SIGN ON BEHALF OF ANY MINOR MEMBERS.

I acknowledge that I voluntarily have applied, for myself and/or any additional family members or minors in my care, to participate in program(s) and/or events offered by the Township of Abington, including pool membership or visiting the pool.

I understand that visiting and/or participation in activities at the pool involves risk of injury. I understand these risks are entirely my responsibility. I expressly assume these risks. In particular, I am aware of the risks and hazards inherent upon entering the pool area and I choose to voluntarily enter the premises, knowing the conditions might become more hazardous and/or dangerous for myself and I voluntarily assume all such risks, loss, damages, or injury that may be sustained by my entering and/or participation.

By signing this release of liability and participating in the program(s), and in consideration for being permitted to participate in the program(s), I do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and/or for any additional family members and minors in my care, fully and forever release, indemnify, and discharge Abington Township and their officers, officials, departments, and other representatives and their heirs, administrators, successors and assigns, from any and all manner of action, cause of action, suits, debts, accounts, controversies, damages, claims and demands whatsoever, which I or my legal representative, and/or any minors in my care may have or acquire against Abington Township and their officers, agents and other representatives, by reason of any loss resulting from personal injury or damage to personal property belonging to me and/or any minors in my care which may occur during or by reason of my, and/or any additional family members' or minors' in my care visiting and/or participation in activities at the pool, whether the same be known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated. I fully and forever release and discharge Abington Township and their volunteers and vendors, employees and agents from any and all negligent acts and omissions in the same. I hereby grant Abington Township and any of its officials, officers, agents and other representatives full authority to take whatever action they may consider to be warranted regarding my, and/or any additional family members' or minors' in my care, health and safety, and I fully release Abington Township, its officials, officers, agents and other representatives from any liability for such actions taken on my behalf or on behalf of any additional family members or minors in my care.

I understand that no health and/or accident insurance is provided by Abington Township. I also understand and agree, for myself, and/or for any minors in my care, that I am solely responsible for the cost and expense for furnishing medical or other insurance to cover any expenses related to any such personal injuries or property damage.

Please print clearly:

Adult Participant Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

***If participant is a minor, parent/guardian must sign below:***

Youth Participant Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

# ABINGTON TOWNSHIP SWIMMING POOL APPLICATION

Please Print Clearly

APPLICANT'S NAMES	D.O.B.	SCHOOL	BAR CODE #	AMOUNT
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Base Fee \_\_\_\_\_

Add'l Person(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Total \_\_\_\_\_

Change of Address from Last Year      Yes      No

REMINDER: Your ID Cards are permanent and should be kept from year to year. A charge will be assessed for lost cards.

## POOL RULES AND REGULATIONS

I agree, for myself and/or for any additional family members or minors in my care, to comply with all Abington Township rules and regulations, including any rules and regulations governing any activities or programs for which I, and/or any additional family members or minors in my care, have registered, and understand and agree that noncompliance with any such rules and regulations by me, or any minors in my care, may result in termination of the privilege to use Abington Township facilities and/or participate in Abington Township-sponsored activities and programs. In the event of such a termination for cause, I understand that I will not be entitled to be reimbursed for any registration, activity or program fees.

Parent's/Individual's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT TYPE

CASH \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK # \_\_\_\_\_ CREDIT \_\_\_\_\_

VISA/MASTERCARD/DISCOVER 16 DIGIT # \_\_\_\_\_ EXP \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/yyyy)

Card Security Code \_\_\_\_\_ (Located on back of card)

FOR OFFICE USE      RECEIVED BY:      DATE:



# PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

<b>Parent/Guardian:</b> First Name					Last Name	
Address					Email	
City					State	Zip Code
Home Phone (      )					Cell Phone (      )	
Emergency Phone (      )					Emergency Contact	
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First	Last	Mo	Day	Year		

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Total Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 CASH\* CHECK # \_\_\_\_\_ MONEY ORDER # \_\_\_\_\_ VISA\* MASTER CARD\* DEBIT CARD\* (\*IN PERSON)

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SUBMIT NON-EMERGENCY REQUESTS  
OR ISSUES THROUGH OUR ONLINE

# CITIZEN SERVICE REQUEST TOOL

## Examples include:

- ✓ Trash not picked up
- ✓ Faded sign
- ✓ Traffic safety concern
- ✓ Playground equipment issue



TO SUBMIT A REQUEST OR ISSUE, VISIT  
[WWW.ABINGTONPA.GOV/SERVICEREQUEST](http://WWW.ABINGTONPA.GOV/SERVICEREQUEST)



**We can't recycle items contaminated  
with trash. Please place all **TRASH** in  
the **GREEN CART ONLY**.**

**Gray cart is for paper and cardboard.**

**Blue cart is for commingle recycling such as plastics  
#1-7, clear/colored glass, aluminum, & steel/tin cans.**

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Jenkintown, PA 19046

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### **POSITIONS AVAILABLE THIS SUMMER INCLUDE:**

- CAMP COUNSELORS
- LIFEGUARDS
  - Check out our lifeguard certification classes on page 7
- POOL ASSISTANT MANAGERS
- POOL FRONT DESK
- POOL MAINTENANCE
- POOL MANAGERS
- SWIM TEAM COACHES



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