



# Wilkins Township

## Community Newsletter

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### Fall 2022

#### 2023 Budget Hearings

The Wilkins Township Board of Commissioners will meet both in person and virtually at 6 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 26, 2022, and at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, Oct. 24 and Nov. 7, 2022, for the purpose of discussing and preparing the 2023 Township Budget.

The Commissioners will meet a final time at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12, 2022, for the purpose of adopting the final 2023 Township Budget. Links for the virtual budget meetings will be posted on the Board of Commissioners Agenda Packets page of the Wilkins Township website prior to the date of each budget meeting. To view them, visit [www.wilkins township.com](http://www.wilkins township.com).

#### New Website Under Construction

Wilkins Township is working with Revize, a municipal website design company, to construct a new website design. We hope to have the new website up and running by the end of the year. In the meantime, residents can find information and forms on our new temporary website. Please visit [www.wilkins township.com](http://www.wilkins township.com).

#### We Now Accept Credit Card Payments

Wilkins Township has partnered with PayGov.us, which allows us to now accept credit card payments. There is a convenience fee of 3% per transaction with a minimum fee of \$1 for all transactions under \$33.

#### Zoning Hearing Board Vacancy

The Board of Commissioners is seeking residents interested in serving on the Zoning Hearing Board. Interested and eligible residents may apply by submitting correspondence indicating their interest, as well as a copy of their COVID-19 vaccination card, by mail to Rebecca Vargo, Township Manager, 110 Peffer Road, Turtle Creek, PA 15145, or by email to [rvargo@wilkins township.com](mailto:rvargo@wilkins township.com) by October 31, 2022.

Following is a summary of the position: The Zoning Hearing Board is a five-member board appointed by the Board of Commissioners. The function of the Zoning Hearing Board is to hear appeals from the decision and/or interpretation of the Zoning Officer

and hear requests for Variances and Special Exceptions as those terms are defined in the Municipalities Planning Code and Township's Zoning Code. The Zoning Hearing Board meets on an as-needed basis on the fourth Thursday of each month. Zoning Hearing Board members receive an annual stipend of \$250.

Members of the Zoning Hearing Board must be residents of the Township and cannot hold any other elected or appointed office in the Township nor be an employee of the Township. Interested applicants must be able to read and interpret the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code and the Wilkins Township Zoning Code.

#### Tips from Tax Collector Michelle Criner Wilkins Township Taxes

Wilkins Township taxes are currently being accepted at the penalty amount. A reminder notice will be sent out to our residents in October as the final notice of collection. If payments are not made by December 31, 2022, the bill will be turned over for collection.

The most common errors I have encountered that result in the delay of recording your tax payment are:

- No date on the check
- No signature on the check
- Overpaying the tax amount due
- Writing the amount in numbers as \$3,540.00 and then, for example, mistakenly writing out the check line amount as "Three thousand forty dollars."

#### ***THESE MISTAKES COULD COST YOU MONEY IF THEY OCCUR NEAR THE END OF THE DISCOUNT PERIOD.***

Also:

- Please do not send postdated checks.
- Please do not use staples.
- If you want a PAID RECEIPT, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Remember you need a receipt if you file for the Pennsylvania Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program.

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**Woodland Hills School District Taxes:**

Woodland Hills School District taxes receive a discount if paid by August 31, 2022. The face amount is due on or before October 31, 2022. If paid after October 31, you will owe a 10% penalty unless you choose the option of paying **three equal installment payments** using the following timeline:

- 1st payment due October 31, 2022**
- 2nd payment due January 31, 2023**
- 3rd payment due March 31, 2023.**

If the balance is not paid by **March 31, 2023**, your account will be turned over to Jordan Tax Service for delinquent collection.

Reminder: if you pay off your mortgage, buy or sell your property, please notify us by phone 412-824-6860 or email [mcriner@wilkins-township.com](mailto:mcriner@wilkins-township.com). Thank you again for your continued support.

**Meet New Police Secretary Jill Pozzuto**



Jill Pozzuto started in her new job as Wilkins Township Police Department secretary on June 6, but in some ways, it felt like home. That's because, for 25 years, Jill worked as the administrative assistant to the chief of police in McKeesport.

Pozzuto, a McKeesport native and resident, retired from her job there, but she wasn't ready to quit working. Wilkins was a good fit for her next job. With an associate degree in accounting, she "loves" doing payroll. She finds dealing with phone calls from the community is easier because of psychology classes she took.

"It's in my blood, I'd guess you'd say," she said. "It was an easy transition. What happens in one community happens in another."

While Wilkins Township is quieter and doesn't have as much police activity, she plans to use the skills acquired in McKeesport to help update and make the department run more efficiently and smoothly from her end.

In her off time, Jill likes to spend time with family and be outdoors on the river—paddling, kayaking and bicycling on the trails. "It's a good way to work all the weekly pressures and stress out," she adds. "It helps keep you grounded."

**Drug Take-Back Day Oct. 22**



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Drug Take-Back Day, hosted by the Wilkins Elks and Wilkins Township Police Department, will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22 at the Wilkins Elks Lodge, 718 Brown Ave.

Do you have any old prescriptions in your medicine cabinet? Want to keep them out of the hands of kids or others who may abuse them? Turn in your unused drugs for safe disposal. Bring the bottle to the Wilkins Elks and drop them off in our DEA-secure Take-Back Box. The Township Police will be there to assist you, along with officers of the Wilkins Elks.

**Rights of Way**

Public Works will be clearing tree branches, brush and other vegetation along the sides of roads throughout the fall and winter months. This prevents damage to vehicles and makes walking lanes for pedestrians.



**Annual 5k Race/Walk Set for Oct. 29**



The Recreation Advisory Board will host its 10th annual 5K event on Saturday, Oct. 29! If you've participated in past 5Ks in Wilkins Township, the course is familiar to you! We will begin at 9 a.m. sharp at the Wilkins Primary STEAM Academy on Churchill Road. The race will take runners through the Penhurst neighborhood of Wilkins. Prizes will be awarded by age group. Since this is the Saturday before Halloween, please feel free to come in costume. If you wish to participate, please register at [www.runsignup.com](http://www.runsignup.com).



## Public Works Notes

### Yard Waste Drop-off

During the month of October there will be a Yard Waste Drop-Off Container behind the Public Works Garage at the Municipal Building, 110 Pepper Road. Residents can bring and dispose of yard waste materials as follows:

#### *Acceptable Items*

Garden and plant debris  
Leaves  
Shrubs  
Tree limbs, diameter of 4 inches or less

#### *Non-Acceptable Items*

Grass clippings  
Logs  
Whole trees  
Building materials of any type

#### *Rules & Restrictions*

No plastic bags  
No paper recycling bags  
Remove dirt from root balls

### Linhart Park Compost Site

The compost facility maintained by the Township is located behind the ballfield at Linhart Park. There is a large pile of composted leaves from last year, which is very nice material and is available free of charge. Please note that this is limited to residents' use at their homes only and is not available to contractors and landscapers for commercial use or resale.

### Grass Clipping Composting

There is a posted area at the Township Leaf Compost Site at Linhart Park where residents can drop off grass clippings and mix with equal parts of leaf compost (shovel provided). **We would also ask that residents who do not bag their grass to please not blow the grass onto the street.** This helps us keep our streets and catch basins clean and keeps unwanted pollutants out of our streams and rivers.

### Sewer Cleaning and Inspection

Although the bulk of the sewer cleaning and video inspecting is finished, Township workers will be around doing maintenance, follow-up inspections and repairs as needed. Workers do carry identification and are required to show it if asked. While doing

the sewer work, we are still finding manholes in yards that have been covered over by property owners. This practice is not permitted. You should be aware that when these are found they will be uncovered and/or raised to the existing grade.

*Should someone want to enter your home using the pretext of working for the Township, you should notify 911 immediately.*

We are finding several sanitary sewer problems due to the use of sanitary wipes. These products do not break down in the sewer system and they can and do cause blockages and backups in your sewer lines, the township main lines and the wastewater treatment plant. Please dispose of these items in a waste can and do not flush in the toilet.

### Snow Removal

Remember we are here to make your streets safe. Winter will be upon us soon and there some things that residents can do to help during snowstorms:

- Yield to salt and plow trucks especially on hills. If you come upon a truck starting up or down a steep hill, wait and let it pass.
- Please refrain from parking in cul-de-sacs.
- Do not park vehicles on sides of streets that are posted "No Parking." It makes maneuvering our trucks extremely difficult.
- Please maintain trees and bushes that overhang onto the street. This will help us to plow your street safely and doesn't do damage to the plow truck.
- If you have free standing basketball hoops that are either on or hanging over the street, please move them back off the street.

### Code Enforcement Snow Removal Guidelines

With the warmer weather slowly giving way to cooler temps, the Code Enforcement Office would like to remind all our residents of the following guidelines for snow removal:

- Snow is not permitted to be thrown, placed or deposited on any Township street or road.
- If you own or rent a property that has a sidewalk, the sidewalk must be cleared of any snow or ice within 24 hours of a snow or ice storm.

## HELP WANTED



### School Crossing Guards

Wilkins Township is seeking persons interested in becoming a school crossing guard. Guards work 1-2 hours each morning and 1-2 hours each afternoon.

Interested persons can inquire through the police department at 412-824-0032. You must pass all child clearances. Current pay rate is \$15.06 per hour. Our school guards love their jobs!

### Public Works Laborers

The Township of Wilkins is accepting applications for the position of Laborer in the Department of Public Works. This full-time position is labor

intensive, requiring heavy lifting and walking. The ideal candidate must have a proven work and driving history. Experience in asphalt, concrete, sewer construction, snow removal, carpentry and/or electrical work is preferred.

Eligible candidates must be capable of operating a standard shift transmission and possess a valid Pennsylvania driver's license. As a condition of employment, candidates must have, or obtain within one year, a Class "B" commercial driver's license. Graduation from high school or a GED is required, as well as proof of COVID-19 vaccination. Township residency is required within one year of employment. A physical and drug test will be performed prior to employment. To apply, please contact Public Works Supervisor Scott Matthews at 412-824-6650, x18 or [smatthews@wilkinstownship.com](mailto:smatthews@wilkinstownship.com).



## Halloween Trick-or-Treat Times



Stock up on that candy!

Trick-or-treat will be observed from 6 to 8 p.m. on Halloween night, Monday, Oct. 31.

The National Safety Council offers the following tips for a safe Halloween.

### **Costumes:**

- All costumes, wigs and accessories should be fire-resistant.
- If children are allowed out after dark, fasten reflective tape to their costumes and bags, or give them glow sticks.
- Use nontoxic Halloween makeup instead of masks.

### **Out and about:**

- A responsible adult should accompany young children on the neighborhood rounds.
- If your older children are going alone, plan and

review a route acceptable to you.

- Agree on a specific time children should return home.
- Teach your children never to enter a stranger's home or car.
- Instruct children to travel only in familiar, well-lit areas and stick with their friends.
- Tell your children not to eat any treats until they return home.
- Children and adults are reminded to **put electronic devices down**, keep heads up and walk, don't run, across the street.

### **Motorists should:**

- Watch for children walking on roadways, medians and curbs.
- Enter and exit driveways and alleys carefully.
- At twilight and later in the evening, watch for children in dark clothing.
- Discourage new, inexperienced drivers from driving on Halloween.



## **2022 Wilkins Township Leaf Collection Schedule**

The 2022 Leaf Collection Program is scheduled to begin on Oct. 24. So that we may stay on schedule, we ask that residents place leaves out the day prior to the scheduled pickup day and place the leaves in rows along the curb line of the street and not in large piles. Please remove branches, sticks, grass and animal waste from leaves because they clog the machines and cause downtime for the workers.



**Monday, Oct. 24, Nov. 7,  
& Nov. 21**

Lucia Drive  
Elizabeth Street  
Greensburg Pike  
Dowling Avenue  
Miller Street  
Alpine Boulevard  
Briaridge Drive  
Tynewood Drive  
Larchwood Drive  
Leax Lane

**Tuesday, Oct. 25, Nov. 8,  
& Nov. 22**

Highland Avenue  
Clugston Avenue  
Negley Avenue  
Semmens Street  
Rebecca Street  
Thompson Street  
McMasters Avenue  
Dorothy Street  
John Street  
Peter Street  
Crestview Drive  
Quarry Street  
Grandview Avenue

**Wednesday, Oct. 26, Nov. 9,  
& Nov. 23**

Penhurst Drive  
Braddsley Drive  
Harwick Drive  
Radcliff Drive  
Heritage Drive  
George Lane  
Harrison Road  
Grayhurst Drive  
Patterson Street  
Baker Street  
Barnes Street  
George Street  
James Street  
Railroad Street

**Thursdays, Oct. 27, Nov. 10,  
& Monday, Nov. 28**

Dunbar Drive  
Delaney Drive  
Gilmore Drive  
Hart Drive  
Queenston Drive  
Kingston drive  
Frazier Drive  
Charnwood Drive  
Elwood Drive  
Old Wm. Penn Highway  
Ridgecrest Drive  
Princeton Drive

**Mondays, Oct 31, Nov. 14,  
& Tuesday, Nov. 29**

Roland Road  
Stevendale Drive  
Rita Drive  
Nanette Drive  
Lilly Lane  
Brown Avenue  
Lucinda Drive  
Moss Street  
Tongalucas Street  
Ivy Street  
Wilbur Avenue

**Tuesdays, Nov. 1 & 15,  
& Wednesday, Nov. 30**

Saw Mill Run  
Mortimer Avenue  
Spur Road  
Beaver Street  
Montgomery Street  
Beech Street  
Washington Avenue  
Hazel Street  
Cline Street  
Wallace Avenue  
Ridge Street  
Powell Street

**Wednesday, Nov. 2, Nov. 16,  
& Thursday, Dec. 1**

Peffer Road  
Gardenia Drive  
Hibiscus Drive  
Curry Court  
Curry Avenue  
Farnsworth Avenue  
Larimer Avenue  
Leneake Street  
Linhart Street  
Churchill Lane  
Orchard Street  
Coal Street  
Meadow Street  
Churchill Road  
Pine Tree Drive  
Vineseian Place

**Thursdays, Nov. 3, 17,  
& Friday, Dec. 2**

Hawthorne Drive  
Thorncrest Drive  
Calmont Drive  
Laurel Drive  
Orion Drive  
Jefferson Heights Road  
Sunset Drive  
Sylvia Lane  
Old Northern Pike  
Gilchrest Drive  
Ridgewood Drive

## Fire Department News

### Wilkins VFC #1



#### Yes, You Too, Are a Member of the Fire Department

We just have different roles in the fire service. You won't be issued protective gear or asked to respond to the station when an alarm sounds. You won't be required to

spend many hours in detailed training to be prepared to fulfill your responsibilities. But your role is a crucial one. Even though **the number of home fires in the United States has dropped over the last several decades, fire deaths have been rising. House fires today burn faster and are more deadly than ever.** While our role is primarily a reactive one, yours is proactive. We are not dispatched until the fire has already begun. Our mission at that point is to save lives and property. Your mission is to prevent ever getting to that point. You are the first line of defense against a home fire.

So, what are some of the leading causes of home fires and what can you do to prevent them? A recent study by the National Fire Protection Association of home fires in the United States found the following:

- Not surprisingly, cooking fires account for about half of all residential fires and are the leading cause of injuries and second leading cause of home fire deaths. The simplest, safest, and best thing you can do to prevent this from happening is to stay in the kitchen when you are frying, boiling, grilling or broiling food.
- As fall and winter bring colder temperatures, heating equipment becomes a leading cause of home fires, and they are overall the second leading cause of home fires and related injuries and the third leading cause of deaths. Over 81% of home heating fires involved space heaters when they were placed too close to flammable items such as furniture, clothing, mattresses or bedding. Make sure you keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from them and other heating devices such as the furnace, fireplace or a wood stove.
- Never use your oven to heat your home. Have your heating equipment cleaned and inspected each year. Malfunctioning outlets or faulty wiring account for 10% of reported home fires, 18% of resulting deaths and over \$1.4 billion of property damage each year.
- Heat producing appliances such as a toaster, coffee

feemaker, iron or a microwave oven draw a lot of electricity, so plug each of these into a separate outlet to prevent wiring from overheating.

- Make sure the bulbs in your lights match what is safe. The lamp should have a sticker that identifies the maximum wattage. Major appliances such as refrigerators, dryers, washers, air conditioners and microwaves should be plugged directly into a wall receptacle outlet. Extension cords or plug strips should not be used. Extension cords are intended for temporary use, not long term. If necessary, have a qualified electrician properly add additional outlets.
- Candles cause on average 20 home fires per day resulting in an annual average of almost 100 deaths, 670 injuries and about 300 million dollars in direct property damage. Sixty percent of those occurred when some form of combustible material was left too close to the flame. Please remember to keep them away from all flammable items and extinguish them before going to bed or leaving your home.
- How about spontaneous combustion? An average of 1,700 home fires per year are caused by instances of spontaneous combustion or chemical reaction. What causes spontaneous combustion? Oil-based paints, stains and varnishes are often used for home improvement projects. Rags are often used to apply the stain, clean up spills or clean brushes. The oils used in these products release heat as they dry. If the heat is not released into the air, it can build up. The heat is trapped in the rags you have not properly dried and ultimately causes a fire. The rags need to be laid out in an open, non-combustible space and allowed to cool before reusing them. While not extensive, there are similar incidents of mulch spontaneously combusting.
- Rags used to clean around the kitchen should be disposed after use. Trying to wash them traps the oils and grease in the rags and then putting them in the dryer can cause them to ignite due to the heat. And don't forget to clean the lint trap in your dryer after each use.

The issues and preventative measures we have addressed above are not intended to be a full or complete analysis. If you should have any questions, please contact us at [fireprevention@wilkins302.com](mailto:fireprevention@wilkins302.com).

Likewise, if you are part of an organization, you feel would benefit from a fire prevention presentation, please contact us in the same manner.

### Congratulations

We would like to acknowledge our fellow firefighters from Wilkins VFC #3 on the 100th anniversary of their service to the Township. All residents and businesses in the Township owe a debt of gratitude to their members, past and present, who have given their time to keep our community safe.

### Fund Drive

These are certainly challenging economic times, and we are very appreciative of those who have been able to support our annual fund drive. Your donations support the day-to-day operations of both Township fire companies equally. Remember all donations of \$50 or more will be eligible to win a large, flat screen TV.

### CPR and First Aid Classes

If you belong to a group interested in obtaining professional CPR and First Aid training, please contact us at [CPR@wilkins302.com](mailto:CPR@wilkins302.com) and one of our certified trainers will contact you to arrange a class.

### Wilkins VFC #3



#### Fire Safety Week

Fire Safety Week is October 9 through 15. Stop by the fire house and check out our trucks and equipment.

Here are some safety tips:

- Practice fire exit drills, know two ways OUT (*once out STAY out*)
- Check for tripping hazards, check extension cords for cuts and fraying.
- Make sure your house number is visible so that emergency personal can see it easily.

### Just a Reminder!

Don't forget! Daylight Savings ends Nov. 6. Replace the batteries in your smoke detector when you turn your clocks back one hour.

### Mark Your calendars!

Our Lenten Fish fry starts on Friday, Feb. 25, 2023, and continues every Friday thru April 7, 2023. Hopefully by then we can bring back eat in or take out and we don't have supply issues as in the past.

### 2022 Combination Fund Drive

This past year has certainly presented some unique challenges for so many of us. Change has also come to the fire and rescue service in Wilkins Township. Wilkins Township VFC #1 and #3 now combine the funds collected between both fire companies.

We will have a drawing for a 50-inch television for everyone who donated \$50 or more to our fund

drive. The winner will be chosen by the control number on the donation slip. We thank everyone who donated to our fire companies and appreciate your past support and your future donations. Thank you to those who already turned in your 2022 donations!

### Firefighters Needed!

We are in the EXTREME need of firefighters. Can you help? Volunteer today! Please consider joining! We pay all expenses including gear and training. Applications are available on our website. Remember Wilkins Township's fire companies are 100% volunteer! Check out our website at [www.wilkins303.com](http://www.wilkins303.com).

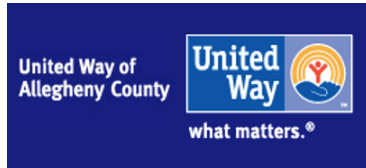
### Do You Shop Online?



Amazon gives back to our Fire Company. Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile

purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service. Support your Wilkins Township Station #303 by starting your shopping at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com).

### Contribute Through United Way



United Way Contributions can be directed to YOUR Fire Company. Our agency code is 2613. Just click on

[www.unitedwaypittsburgh.org](http://www.unitedwaypittsburgh.org).

### Congratulations! 100 years of dedicated service!

Thank you to everyone who came out and supported us at our 100th anniversary open house on July 16. It meant the world to us that everyone came out and learned about the history of our fire department and to see what it has become today. We really enjoyed seeing all the familiar faces and were pleased to meet all the new ones.

Again, thank you to everyone over the years and we cannot wait to see what the next 100 years has in store. Look on our Web page for more info and pictures [www.wilkins303.com](http://www.wilkins303.com).

If you would like to join the fire department or know somebody who is interested, please feel free to give us a call at 412-271-4000, stop by on one of our Thursday evening drill nights, or you can send us a message on Facebook.

The Wilkins #3 Banquet Hall is  
**still NOT available** for rentals.





## Wilkins Residents...Savvy Citizen® is now available!

Wilkins Township would like to introduce Savvy Citizen. Savvy Citizen is a free notification system for Apple and Android users that will enable the township to send information about important township news and events directly to residents' mobile devices. Residents may access Savvy Citizen by downloading the smartphone app or visiting the website below.



For more info:

**SavvyCitizenApp.com**

*Register and become a savvy citizen!*

## Community Garden Seeks New Volunteers

Since late 2018, Wilkins Township has provided two acres on Mortimer Avenue for a community garden.

“We operate as a communal model,” says Rod Campbell, who heads the effort. “Everyone who works gets some of the produce. Extra is available to Wilkins Township residents at large.”

Campbell arranges two work evenings a week, on Mondays and Thursdays from 5 p.m. until 6 or 6:30 p.m. until harvest time finishes in November. Garlic and shallots remain over the winter.

The garden has always included beans and tomatoes. Other plants include the squash and cabbage families, potatoes and root vegetables like this year's sugar beets, several pepper varieties, eggplant, okra and popcorn.

“It's an oddly peaceful setting,” Campbell says—a place for gatherings around a fire with food from time to time. “Good energy there.”

Currently, 10 residents (two families and three individuals) have been tending to the garden.

Residents who would like to get involved can contact Campbell at [rodricke@comcast.net](mailto:rodricke@comcast.net) or Township Manager Rebecca Vargo at [rvargo@wilkinstownship.com](mailto:rvargo@wilkinstownship.com).

“Depending on participation, we'd like to add a pavilion and earth oven/bread oven,” Campbell says. “I still have a vision for the place, but we really need volunteers to help make things happen.”





## **Century Club Activities and Fundraisers**

The Century Club of Wilkins Township is getting ready for a new year! Ladies of the Township are invited to attend our meetings on the second Tuesday of each month, starting Sept. 13, at 7 p.m. at the Wilkins Township Community Center (behind the Municipal Building). This is a great way to socialize with other women in a fun, social setting.

We raise money to benefit Township activities such as our Fire Departments, the local food pantry and Meals for Friends.

- Our next fundraiser is on Election Day, Nov. 8, when we will have a bake sale and chili at the Municipal Building.
- The next big fundraiser is in April 2023 with our Spaghetti Dinner.

We are also still collecting plastic with collection drops at the Municipal Building, Kuhn's and the Wilkins Elks, both on Brown Avenue. We collect soft plastics like grocery bags, water wrappers, and clean plastic food bags. In return, we get a bench for every 500 pounds collected. Our first bench is at the Municipal Building and we hope to get another by the end of the year. It also keeps these plastics from the landfills.

Thank you for supporting our efforts to make Wilkins a fantastic place to live!



**Wilkins Township Community Center**  
(behind the Municipal Building)  
120 Pepper Road, Turtle Creek, PA 15145

**Classes meet from 10 am - 11am**  
**Mondays and Wednesdays (except the first Wednesday of the month)**

Join instructor  
**CONNIE TINSLEY**  
as she conducts  
Silver Sneakers Classic!

- ♦ Your Silver Sneakers membership covers the cost of participation!
  - ♦ Non-Silver Sneakers MAY participate for \$3.00 per session or with the purchase of a Monthly Class Pass!

***Sponsored by:***



1 Memorial Field, Wilmerding, PA 15148  
412-250-SWIM (7946)

**For more information, contact the Wilmerding Community Center.**  
**412-520-7946**

# TOWNSHIP OF WILKINS

## 2023 RECYCLING CALENDAR

HOLIDAYS OBSERVED: NEW YEAR'S DAY; MEMORIAL DAY; JULY 4; LABOR DAY; THANKSGIVING & CHRISTMAS

TRASH & RECYCLING PICK UP WILL BE DELAYED ONE DAY AS A RESULT OF THE ABOVE HOLIDAYS  
IF THE HOLIDAY FALLS MONDAY-THURSDAY

### January

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### September

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### October

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### November

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RECYCLING DAYS ARE HIGHLIGHTED

## Fall 2022

### Brunch with Santa!!

With COVID-19 restrictions loosening, we are excited to announce that Santa will be able to join us for our annual Children's Christmas Party this year. Brunch will be held at 9 a.m. **Saturday, Dec. 3** in the Community Center, next to the municipal building.

Come spend a morning filled with fun and surprises. This event is free to township residents young and old, however, children 10 and under must register by **Friday, Nov. 25** so that Santa can see whether they have been naughty or nice.

Please note: Due to capacity and safety issues for everyone, only two adults per family permitted to attend. No early entry. Doors open promptly at 9 a.m. We hope to see you there!!

If you have any questions, please contact Joy Voeltzel at 412-758-3149 or [joyvoeltzel@yahoo.com](mailto:joyvoeltzel@yahoo.com).

**Mail form below to: Wilkins Township 110 Peffer Road Turtle Creek, PA 15145  
Attn: Recreational Advisory Board**

**DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS Nov. 25, 2022**

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Male or Female \_\_\_\_\_  
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Adults over 18: circle 1 or 2  
Email address \_\_\_\_\_

*(To receive the Township planned events via email, please include your email address.)*

THERE WILL BE NO REGISTRATION FORMS ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE.  
ALL CHILDREN 10 AND UNDER MUST LIVE IN THE TOWNSHIP  
TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FESTIVITIES.  
PLEASE INCLUDE PHONE NUMBER FOR CANCELLATION NOTIFICATION.

### Griswold House Decorating Contest



Does your house light up the street like Clark Griswold's in the movie "Christmas Vacation" or at least shine bright enough that the neighbors notice? Then this is for you! The Township Recreation Advisory Board is hosting its first House Decorating Contest.

Let's light up Wilkins Township! Pull out those decorations, lights and lawn ornaments, and deck out your house. **Judging will take place from Dec. 16 through Jan. 4.** Winners will be notified by the committee!

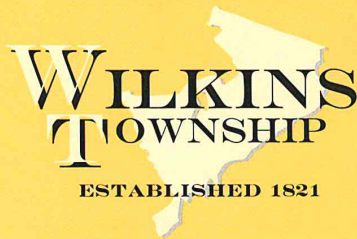
To register your home, please complete and return the form below by **Dec. 15** and send it to:

Wilkins Township, 110 Peffer Road, Turtle Creek PA 15145 Attn: Recreation Advisory Board

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
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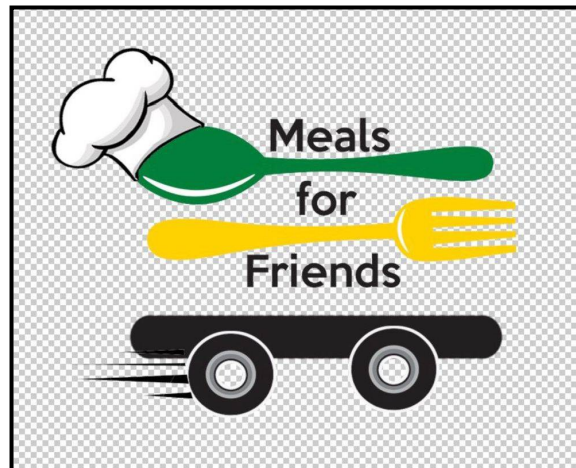
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Michael Boyd, Commissioner  
Brittney Pepper, Commissioner  
Mark Wells, Commissioner

Check out our website at:  
[www.wilkins township.com](http://www.wilkins township.com)

## Meals for Friends Seeks Volunteers



Meals for Friends is looking for volunteers to help prepare delicious, appealing comfort food and deliver it to senior and disabled citizens who live in Wilkins Township, Churchill, Forest Hills, Chalfant, most of Penn Hills and Turtle Creek.

The program is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization that is primarily volunteer run. This independent, community run operation is in Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Eastmont. Meals are freshly prepared, on site, each day of service.

For more information on receiving meals or volunteering to help prepare or deliver them, please call 412-824-2400.