Wilkins Township
Community Newsletter

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Fall 2025

Wilkins Township Looks Ahead: Planning a New Municipal Building with the Community in Mind

Built in 1957, the current Wilkins Township Municipal Building has served the community well—but its age is showing in more ways than one. Reflecting the year in which it was built, the building was constructed with asbestos throughout its ceilings, floors, and walls—making even basic construction work both complicated and costly. The building no longer meets modern standards for accessibility, security or efficiency. Outdated layouts make operations difficult for staff, while structural limitations have left little room for growth or modernization.

Recognizing the need for change, Township officials began exploring the possibility of building a new municipal facility to better serve the community today—and into the future. This summer, through the Local Government Academy's Municipal Intern Program, Wilkins Township welcomed a Community Outreach Intern from the University of Pittsburgh to help lead this early-stage effort. Over several months, the building was assessed from top to bottom, and a 2023 feasibility study by McKim & Creed was reviewed in detail. While the structure remains intact, the study found that renovation would not only be expensive but disruptive, and ultimately less effective than new construction.

Equally important to this process has been community input. An outreach survey gathered nearly 150 resident responses with feedback collected at events, during informal meetings and on Election Day. To ensure a thoughtful approach, the Township also benchmarked similar communities—including Forest Hills, Penn Hills, Pitcairn and Monroeville, all of which have successfully built new municipal buildings within the last two decades, and Swissvale, which is in the process of constructing a new building. Their insights emphasized a common message: focus on what's necessary, stay within budget and design for long-term use.

"There is no final decision yet," said the Community Outreach Intern. "The goal right now is to keep the public informed and involved, while making sure the Township has all the information it needs to plan responsibly." Residents can follow updates on the Township website and its newly launched Facebook and Instagram pages, where photos, survey summaries, and project updates are shared regularly. Whether it's a full rebuild, a partial upgrade or another solution entirely, one thing is clear: it's time to reimagine the future of Wilkins Township's municipal home—and that future starts with your voice.

2026 Township Budget Meetings

The Wilkins Township Board of Commissioners will meet soon to prepare the 2026 Municipal Budget. The meetings will be held at the Municipal Building, 110 Peffer Road, Turtle Creek, PA 15145 on Sept. 29 from 5:30 until 7 p.m. and on Oct. 27 from 6 until 7 p.m. If necessary, the Board will meet on Nov. 10 at 6:30 p.m. The First Reading of the 2026 budget will occur at the regular meeting on Nov. 10 with final adoption slated for Dec. 8.

For additional information and links to virtual meetings, please visit the Township's website https://www.wilkinstownship.com and click on "Commissioners Agendas and Meeting Packets."

Halloween Hours

Trick-or-Treat will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 31.





Don't Forget to Change Your Clocks

Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, Nov. 2 at 2 a.m.; turn your clocks back one hour to 1 a.m.

Lauren Bingham Joins Office Staff



There is a new face working in the Township offices — Lauren Bingham. And if the last name sounds familiar, it might be because her mother, Dawn Bingham, is a long-time employee in that same office.

Lauren joined the staff on May 5 as administrative assistant, replacing Dawn, who transitioned into the accounts payable/payroll specialist position vacated when Karen Luffe retired this spring. Although she has the skills for the job, this is the first time Lauren has worked in an office.

Her former jobs include working at Country Lane Pet Hotel & Pet Supplies, KinderCare and at Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children.

Her duties include, but are not limited to: Greeting and directing the public; answering and directing telephone calls and emails; working with residents who wish to rent the community center or parks; collecting and depositing all payments; updating and maintaining the website; preparing the meeting packets for Commissioners, and preparing the minutes of the meetings.

Lauren is a graduate of Propel Braddock Hills High School and attended vet-tech school. In her spare time, she enjoys bowling, painting, reading, and spending time with family and friends.

WELCOME, LAUREN!

Wilkins Township Code Enforcement

Trash and Recycling

All household trash and recyclables must be placed **inside your containers** — loose bags at the curb are not permitted. Containers may be set out after **5 p.m. the evening before collection** and must be removed within **24 hours** after pickup. Please keep lids closed to prevent litter from blowing around in windy weather.

Residents may also place **one bulk item per month** for collection. Bulk items are picked up on one of your regular recycling days. By following these rules, we can keep our neighborhoods clean and safe all season long.

Snow and Ice

As winter arrives, please remember that sidewalks must be cleared of snow and ice **within 24 hours after snowfall ends.** This helps ensure safe passage for children, mail carriers, and neighbors.
Snow should never be pushed into the street, as it creates hazards and interferes with plowing. Use salt or ice melt sparingly to avoid damage to pavement and waterways. If you're able, check on elderly or disabled neighbors who may need a hand with snow removal.

Together, we can keep Wilkins Township safe and accessible throughout the winter.

Wilkins Elks Scholarship

The Wilkins Elks has over $3.5 million each year available to 2026 graduating seniors from local high schools.

Do you have a senior in your family graduating in 2026? Are they planning on going to a college or university next school year and do you need a little help with paying for tuition, room and board, books and more?

Well, the Wilkins Elks is offering them the opportunity to apply for the Most Valuable Student Scholarship. There are over 500 separate scholarships awarded yearly ranging from $4,000 to $50,000, paid over four years.

Here is the link to the online application process: https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/MVS.cfm.

In this same area, you can find FAQs about the program. Applicants are notified by email about the scholarship awards. Eligibility is simple:

- Current high school seniors, or the equivalent, who are citizens of the United States are eligible to apply.
- Applicants do not need to be related to a member of the Elks or have any affiliation.
- High school graduates are not eligible to apply.
- Applicants must be citizens of the United States on the date their applications are submitted; permanent legal resident status does not qualify.

The applications for the 2025-26 school year opened on Aug. 1 and close on Nov. 14. It is a short window, so don't miss your opportunity. There is no cost to apply.

If you have any questions, please contact Deb Raible at 412-860-7088.

Public Works

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. Residents can bring and dispose of yard waste materials as follows:

Acceptable Items
Grass clippings
Logs
Whole trees
Building materials of any type

Non-Acceptable Items
Garden and plant debris
Leaves
Shrubs
Tree limbs, diameter of 4 inches or less

Rules & Restrictions
No plastic bags
No paper recycling bags
Remove dirt from root balls

Leaf Collection



The 2025 Leaf Collection Program is scheduled to begin on Oct. 20. A complete schedule is included in this newsletter on page 4. So that we may stay on schedule, we ask that residents place leaves out the day prior to your scheduled pickup day, place the leaves in rows along the curb line of the street and not create large piles.

Please remove branches, sticks, grass and animal waste from leaves because they clog the machines and cause downtime for the workers.

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.

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

During the course of 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.

We are finding a number of 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 and the township main lines, as well as the wastewater treatment plant. Please dispose of these items in a waste can and do not flush in the toilet.

Snow Removal



Winter will be upon us soon and there some things that residents can do to help during snow storms: 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 not damage 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. Remember we are here to make your streets safe.

Rights of Way

The department will be clearing tree branches, brush and other vegetation along the sides of township roads throughout the fall and winter months. This is done to prevent damage to vehicles as well as making safe walking lanes for pedestrians along our roadways.

Linhart Park Compost Site

The Compost Facility is maintained by the Township and is located behind the ball field 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. Compost Site hours are daily from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.



Due to illegal dumping at the compost site, GRASS, BRUSH and YARD WASTE are NO LONGER ACCEPTED. Signs have been placed at the site stating that anyone caught dumping anything will be cited. The roads in and out are UNDER 24 HOUR SURVEILLANCE and are reviewed. The compost site is only for residents to come and pick up compost.

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2025 Wilkins Township Leaf Collection Schedule

NOTE: LEAVES MUST BE PLACED IN STREET.
CREWS WILL NOT PICK UP BAGGED LEAVES OR ENTER YARDS.

Monday, Oct. 20, Nov. 3 & Nov. 17

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

Tuesday, Oct. 21, Nov. 4 & Nov. 18

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. 22, Nov. 5 & Nov. 19

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

Thursday, Oct.23, Nov. 6 & Nov. 20

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

Monday, Oct 27, Nov. 10 & Nov. 24

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

Tuesday, Oct. 28, Nov. 11 & Nov. 25

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, Oct. 29, Nov. 12 & Nov. 26

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
Churchill Court

Thursday, Oct. 30, Nov. 13 & Monday, Dec. 1

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

Tips from the Tax Collector

Woodland Hills School District 2025

We are in the middle of the 2025 Woodland Hills School District tax season. As you know, the U.S. Mail is having trouble in delivering the mail. Many times I have not received your tax payment. You can pay your taxes at the Wilkins Township Municipal Building, 110 Peffer Road, Turtle Creek, PA 15145. The building is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There is real estate mailbox in the lobby of the building.

The discount period for tax payments ended Aug. 31. WHSD taxes are now due at **face value.** Installment payments can be made as follows:

- The first installment payment **(exact amount)** is due on **October 31, 2025.**
- The second installment payment **(exact amount)** is due by **January 31, 2026.**
- The third installment payment (exact amount) is due by **March 31, 2026.**

A 10% penalty will be applied to any installments that are late. Unpaid installment balances not paid by March 31, 2026, will be turned over to Jordan Tax Service. **Unpaid school real estate taxes (excluding installments) not paid by December 31, 2025, will be turned over to Jordan Tax Service for delinquent tax collection.**

Wilkins Township Real Estate Tax 2025

Wilkins Township property tax bills for 2025 are now past due and at the penalty amount. **Final** reminder letters will be sent out in November 2025. Payments will be accepted by mail with a postmark of Dec. 31, 2025. If you need a receipt, enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.

In January 2026, all unpaid property tax bills will be turned over to Jordan Tax Service for collection. There is a mailbox located inside the Wilkins Township Municipal Building where payments can be dropped off. The building is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. You can also pay with a credit card online. Go to the Wilkins Township website, look under Real Estate and follow the instructions.

REMINDER: Please **stop** overpaying the amount due. Pay the exact amount. I will send the check back to you for payment of the correct amount. Overpaying causes increased work for the office staff and plays havoc with balancing the books. It is the homeowner's responsibility pay the correct amount. Please help us in keeping your information correct. If you buy or sell a house, change names, pay off a mortgage or obtain a mortgage, please let us know by email or phone: mcriner@wilkinstownship.com or 412-824-6860.

Thank you all for your words of kindness and thank you notes!

Submitted by Michelle Criner, Tax Collector

Police Host License Plate Replacement Event

The Wilkins Township Police Department will be hosting a license plate replacement event on Saturday, Oct. 11 at the Township Building. Anyone who has a license plate on their vehicle that is faded, illegible, peeling, etc. can stop by the Township Building between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. The process should only take a few minutes.



Police officers will verify eligibility to request a replacement registration plate from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation by viewing your plate. They will have the necessary forms on hand and will assist residents in completing the forms. Because displaying an illegible registration plate on a vehicle is a summary traffic offense, and because many registration plates issued in the past few years are fading or peeling, the Police Department is offering this special service to motorists to help ensure compliance with traffic laws and to help prevent residents from incurring potential fines.

If you are interested in this service but are unavailable on Oct. 11, you can stop at the Police Department any time during business hours and we will be happy to assist.

Fire Department News

Wilkins #1 VFC



Summer of Training: This summer, our department hit the ground running with training. Every week, our members focused on a variety of skills, from hitting hydrants to vehicle rescue. We were fortunate to be joined by Wilkins #3 for several trainings, as well as our other mutual aid partners. Several of our members completed other classes, camps, conferences and lectures on their own time as well. As of August, we have eight members starting or completing their state firefighter training this fall.

Back to School! Please pay attention to school bus stops, cross walks and school zones!

Holidays: Be on the lookout for us out and about during Trick-or-Treat hours, Light Up Night and other holiday events in town.

Social Media: Follow us on our Social Media pages to stay up to date with everything going on at #1. Feel free to message our pages for more information and about joining or any other inquiries. Facebook and Instagram: Wilkins Twp VFC #1.

Wilkins # 3 VFC

Fire Safety Week
October 5-11 is Fire Safety Week and it's a good time to:
- Practice fire exit drills and know two ways OUT *(and once out STAY out!)*.
- Check for tripping hazards and check extension cords for cuts and fraying.
- Make sure your house number is visible so that emergency personnel can see it easily.

Just a reminder!
Don't forget! Daylight Savings ends November 2. Replace the batteries in your smoke detector when you turn your clocks back one hour.

Mark your calendars!
Lenten Fish fry starts on Friday, Feb. 21 and continues on every Friday thru April 3, 2026. We will offer eat-in or takeout dinners.

2025 Combination Fund Drive
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 2025 donations!

We are in the EXTREME need of Firefighters.
Can you help? Volunteer today! Please consider joining the fire department as a firefighter! We pay all expenses, including gear and training. Applications are available on our website at http://wilkins303.com/. Remember Wilkins Township is 100% Volunteer!

Become a Junior Firefighter!
Did you know that we have a junior program? Well, we do! Anybody from the ages of 14 to 17 can join and be a part of our program. Train, attend classes and even run calls with our firefighters. Learn the necessary skills in a safe and educational environment. Create bonds that will last a lifetime. Become part of our 303 family. It doesn't cost you a penny and you could even earn volunteer credits for high school/college.



We even have a junior lieutenant, Nicholas Keene, who said this about being a junior at our station:

"As Junior Lieutenant for Wilkins 303, in a year's time, I have seen our Junior program grow greatly from three to triple that. We have nine now. Our role as Juniors on the scene of calls is to assist the firefighters, from grabbing tools to hitting hydrants for the apparatus' water supplies. An example of this was a recent incident on the Fourth of July, where our juniors did multiple tasks, like

pull hose lines off of our truck, lay tools out for possible use and keep the interior firefighters hydrated." Our junior program is overseen by a committee of some line officers, as well as a few mentors. If you're interested, stop by our station any Thursday at 7 p.m. or call the station at 412-271-4000. We'll see you soon!

Donate Through United Way
United Way contributions can be directed to YOUR Fire Company. Just click on https://unitedwayswpa.org. **Our agency code is 2613**.You can also donate to us at https://wilkinstwp303.com/index.php/support-station-303/united-way

Social Media
Follow us on Facebook at Wilkins Township Volunteer Fire Company No. 3 | East Pittsburgh PA | Facebook. Visit our website for more information at http://wilkins303.com/.


Sad news! Our Banquet Hall is currently NOT available for rentals

Meals for Friends

Meals for Friends prepares and delivers delicious, from-scratch meals to seniors and disabled residents living in Wilkins Township, Churchill, Forest Hills, Chalfant, most of Penn Hills and part of Turtle Creek. The program, located at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Eastmont, is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization that is run primarily by volunteers.

We are searching for volunteers to deliver meals and to work in meal prep. Hours for drivers are 9:15 a.m. until the route is finished (typically about 1.5 hours). Hours for kitchen help are 7:30 a.m. until around 10 a.m. We operate on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. If you are interested in volunteering, please call 412-824-2400.

Currently, we are serving 36 clients. If you are interested in RECEIVING meals from Meals for Friends, please call 412-824-2400.

Fire Marshal/Emergency Management

Holiday and Winter Fire Safety
The holiday season is a time for celebration, but it's also a time when the risk of fire increases. Each year, fires caused by heating equipment, decorations and candles lead to injuries and property loss. A few simple steps can help keep your family safe:

- **Heating Safety:** Keep space heaters at least three feet from anything flammable and never leave them running unattended. Have chimneys and furnaces inspected before use.
- **Candle Safety:** Use sturdy holders, keep candles away from decorations and always extinguish them before leaving the room. Consider battery-operated candles for extra peace of mind.
- **Holiday Lights:** Inspect light strings for damage, avoid overloading outlets and turn off decorations when you go to bed or leave home.
- **Christmas Trees:** If using a real tree, water it daily and keep it away from fireplaces, heaters and open flames.

Allegheny County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update
Allegheny County is in the process of updating its **Hazard Mitigation Plan**, which identifies local risks such as flooding, severe storms and landslides, and outlines strategies to reduce their impact.

This plan is critical because it makes communities eligible for federal funding that supports hazard reduction projects, emergency preparedness and disaster recovery. Wilkins Township has been participating in the update process to ensure that our community's needs are represented.

The **final draft of the plan will be available for public review in January 2026.** Residents will have an opportunity at that time to learn more about the County's strategies and how they affect our community. Once adopted, the plan will guide hazard preparedness and resilience efforts for the next several years.

Woodland Hills EMS Subscription Drive

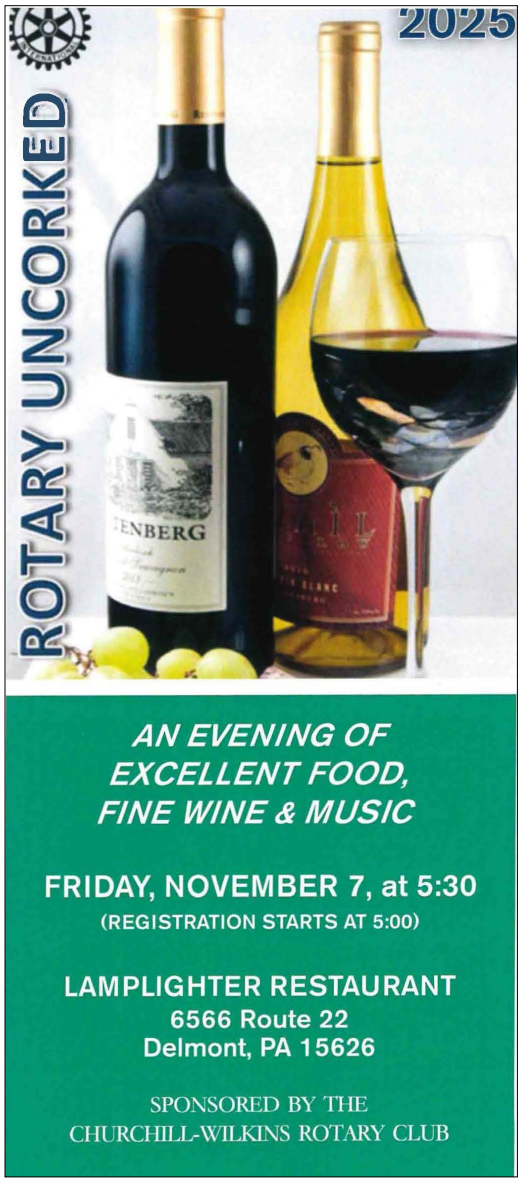


Woodland Hills EMS is the primary EMS service to Braddock Hills, Chalfant, Churchill, Forest Hills and Wilkins Township. So far this year, Woodland Hills EMS has responded to over 3,300 calls for service. We employ 24 EMTs and paramedics and we have been recognized by UPMC as one of the premier services in the area.

Woodland Hills EMS has sent out our Subscription Drive notice. Signing up for this program helps us help you. Your donation helps us with training, updated equipment and employee retention programs.

As a member, you will not be charged for most treatment and no-transport calls. If you are transported, WHEMS forgives 50% of what insurance does not pay.

Please sign up and talk to your neighbors about participating in this program.



Drug Take Back Day Oct. 25



The Wilkins Elks Lodge, in conjunction with the Wilkins Township Police, will be hosting a Drug Take Back Day on **October 25 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.** at the Wilkins Elks Lodge, 728 Brown Ave. in Wilkins (Turtle Creek, 15145).

This is the time to empty your medicine cabinets of all old over-the-counter drugs, and outdated prescriptions you never used or finished. We will take it all. You don't need to remove labels, just bring them as they are and deposit them into our boxes for proper disposal. We will even take your fur babies' prescriptions, too. **Please no liquids or needles**.

There is a proper way to dispose of old medications and the Drug Take Back Program at the Wilkins Elks ensures that this happens. The Police will take possession of all dropped off medications and see that they are properly disposed. Mark your calendars and we'll see you there!

Annual 5K Race/Walk Set for Oct. 25



The Recreation Advisory Board will host its 13th annual 5K event on **Saturday, October 25**. If you've participated in the 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.

We are adding a new category, **Fastest First Responders!** Cash prize to winner for their organization. All county's first responders are invited! 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.

Wilkins Township Women's Club



"Thank you" to everyone who supported our Club this past year! We were able to make generous donations to our two Wilkins fire companies, Meals for Friends, the C.C. Mellor Library and the Wilkins school nurse.

We will have a **Bake Sale on Election Day**, Tuesday, November 4. Please come out to buy goodies and to vote for the important local offices on this year's ballot!

We will again have our **Annual Calendar Raffle in February**. Club members will have tickets for sale later this year!

Clean Up Wilkins Day will be Saturday, April 25, 2026. Please think about coming out to help keep Wilkins beautiful! It is also an easy way to get volunteer hours for school or church!

We are always looking for new members, and the club is open to all ladies in the Township and surrounding communities. Our next meeting is Tuesday December 9 at 7 p.m. in the Community Center. We meet four times per year (March, May, September and December). Please think about attending!

If you'd like more information or would like to be added to the newsletter list, please email Maureen McKeever at maurmomck@gmail.com. Thank you!

Wilkins Township Community Garden



This is a reminder to the public that the Wilkins Township Community Garden is still welcoming volunteers from Wilkins and adjacent municipalities. The garden is currently in full swing, but there is more planting, harvesting and maintenance to be done throughout the fall.

We have adopted a community approach to the garden rather than an allotment system. Our members are encouraged to suggest plants and organic methods of growing them with the understanding that we grow enough to share. There is a fantastic core group this year with a lot of experience, enthusiasm and desire to experiment and share their knowledge.

Our normal work times are Monday and Thursday evenings from 5 p.m. to about 7 p.m. Several of us are there at odd times throughout the week to keep up with watering and small maintenance tasks. If you are interested in joining in and getting your hands dirty, please visit us during a work time, or contact Rod Campbell at rodrickc@comcast.net with any questions you may have. We hope to see you soon.







C.C. Mellor Library News



C.C. Mellor Memorial Library has an exciting lineup of programs coming this fall for all ages. Go to ccmellorlibrary.org to learn more.

This September, Show That You Love Your Library

Save the date! Our annual Adopt-a-Book party will be held on **September 19.** Join us for an enchanting after-hours fundraiser in the library. Enjoy food, drink, and conversation while perusing hundreds of "adoptable" books for our collection. All proceeds support the library.



FALL FUN FOR EVERYONE

Pumpkin Decorating Contest: Oct. 2025

Find your family, flag down your friends, or scout out your troop: it's time to gather your group and enter the C.C. Mellor Pumpkin Decorating Contest! Please go to ccmellorlibrary.org for the rules and important dates.

Kids & Family Programs

Play Dough Playdate: Saturday, September 13 at 9 a.m.
Drop in at CCM Edgewood to squish, roll, and play with play dough! We'll have a variety of stations with activities and challenges to try. All ages are welcome but best for ages 3 to 8.

Pumpkin Creation Station: Saturday, October 19 at 1 p.m.
Pumpkins, pumpkins, pumpkins will be rolling out at our Forest Hills branch. Come enjoy a special Saturday story time with pumpkin stories and a craft. For kids ages 4 to 8.

Dog Man Unleashed: Saturday, November 8 at 10 a.m.
It's everyone's favorite half-man, half-dog crime-fighting sensation, Dog Man! Drop in and visit the stations at CCM Forest Hills! Best for ages 5 to 8 and their families.

Minecraft Mob: Saturday, November 22 at 10 a.m.
Experience your favorite game IRL at the library with crafts, games, snacks, and more in stations around the children's room at CCM Edgewood.

Countdown to Noon: Wednesday, December 31 at 11 a.m.
3, 2, 1, Happy Noon Year! Join the party and countdown to noon with us! We'll have crafts, games, and snacks, plus noisemakers for our grand finale, all so you can be home before nap time.

Tween Programs

Design Lives Here: Wednesdays in September and October at 5 p.m.
Join WQED's Design Lives Here! We'll work on a different challenge every week, engineering our own prototypes with supplies you might have around the house. For tweens ages 8 to 12.

Tween Videogame Tournament at CCM Forest Hills: Thursday, October 23 at 5 p.m.
Bring your friends for snacks and to compete in a Nintendo Switch video game tournament! Ages 9 to 13.

Snack It Up: Wednesdays in November at 5 p.m.
Hungry? Why not Snack It Up? We'll practice following the steps of recipes and try inventing our own snacks. For tweens ages 8 to 12.

Giftable Crafts: Wednesdays in December at 5 p.m.
Let your artsy side free with a different craft every week, perfect for gifting to friends and family or keeping for yourself! Ages 8-12

Teen Programs

Teen Advisory Board: Second Tuesday of each month at 4:30 p.m., beginning Sept. 9
Calling all teens! Come to our Teen Advisory Board! We're looking for a board of teens to meet every 2nd Tuesday to help with planning teen programs and events as well as purchasing any current books of interest.

Teen Board Game Club: First Tuesday of each month at 4:30 p.m., beginning Sept. 2.
Come explore CCM's extensive board game collection with snacks and friends!

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Special Teen Programs at CCM Edgewood

Bracelet Making Workshop: Tuesday, Sept. 23 at 4:40 p.m.
Fall Candle Making Workshop: Tuesday, Sept. 30 at 4:40 p.m.
Spooky S'mores: Tuesday, Oct. 21 at 4:40 p.m.
Headless Horseman Escape Room: Oct. 28 at 4:40 p.m.
Learn to be a Dungeon Master 101: Tuesday, Oct. 18 at 4:40 p.m.
Bread Making Workshop: Tuesday, Nov.25 at 4:40 p.m.

Adult Programs

Meet Mark Fatla, author of *Pittsburgh's Historic Ballparks* - Saturday, September 6 at 6 p.m.
Mark Fatla will be in to speak about his book *Pittsburgh's Historical Ballparks.* Mr. Fatla will also be selling copies of his book for $25 after the presentation.

Dying Curious Non-Fiction Book Club - Fourth Wednesday each month, 12 p.m. starting September 24.
A nonfiction book club for people who want to read about, think about, and talk about, death and dying.

Medicare 101 at Forest Hills - Saturday, October 25 at 1:30 p.m.
This free educational class will cover everything you need to know for this important milestone.

Seed Swap - Saturday, October 4 at 10 a.m.
Come swap seeds to help fill your garden and replenish our seed library!

Financial Workshop for First-time Homebuyers - Saturday, October 18 at 9 a.m.
Experts cover everything from credit to closing with grants available for down payments in some areas. Please register in advance.

All About Vaudeville at Forest Hills: Thursday, November 13 at 2:30 p.m.
Join us for a presentation by Paul Roth of Osher Institutes about the early days of Vaudeville. Refreshments will be served.

D&D One-shot: November 13 at 5 p.m. CCM Edgewood, November 14 at 5 p.m. at CCM Forest Hills.
Are you looking to jump into the magical world of Dungeons and Dragons? Our resident DM, Becka, will be hosting a beginner friendly One-Shot adventure!

Bookmark Making: Thursday, November 20 at 6 p.m.
With the holidays right around the corner, why not stop by and make some bookmark presents? Perfect for that special bookworm in your life.

Victorian Tea: Thursday, December 4 at 2:30 p.m.
Join us for a presentation by Lori McDermott about the history and rituals of tea in the Victorian Age. Refreshments will be served. Please register to save your place.

Adult DM-ing 101: Thursday, December 11 at 5 p.m.
Ever wanted to learn how to run your own Dungeons and Dragons campaign? Come ask our resident DM, Becka, any questions you have!

Our full slate of regular programs will continue through the fall including:

Baby Talk
Family Storytime
Music and Movement Storytime
Makerspace Monday
The Wanderers
Forest Hills Social Hour
Knitting Group
Conversation Salon
Fourth Tuesday Book Club
Drop Dead Book Club
Great Outdoors Book Club
Mahjong
Crafting Circle

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