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Palmer Township Welcomes New Township Supervisors

At the Palmer Township Reorganization/General Business Meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022, the two recently elected Palmer Township Supervisors were sworn into office. Both Joseph Armato and Michael Brett will serve six-year terms.

The Township staff looks forward to working with our new Board in continuing to make Palmer a great place to live, work and play.

Welcome Joseph and Michael!



Michael Brett being sworn-in by Pennsylvania President Judge Jack Panella with his wife Abby.



Joseph Armato being sworn-in by Pennsylvania President Judge Jack Panella

HOLIDAY MUNICIPAL BUILDING CLOSINGS:

Good Friday
April 15, 2022

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

PALMER TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY WEEKEND

• **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17th, 2022**
MOVIES IN THE PARK AT DUSK

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With the recent announcement of a third area code added to our region, it means that we are one of the fastest growing regions on the east coast. A mixture of good and bad news! More business, more housing, more traffic, more litter and more air and water pollution. During 2021, Earth Stewards of Palmer (ESP) collected well over two (2) tons of litter from Township trails and roadways. Either the ESP is becoming more efficient or we as a community are careless, disrespectful of our environment and neighbors. We hear some suggest: "There's nothing you can do to stop the litterbugs." If that is true, then you should take positive counteraction and undo their negative actions by picking up litter. If not YOU, then who?



In the last 80 years, the world chemical output has grown 500-fold, contaminating entire landscapes, accumulating in bodies of animals and plants and ultimately in ourselves via our food chain. Gases, solid particulates, and aerosols cause air pollution which negatively impacts wildlife by changing plant communities, further compounding its adverse impact upon humans. Toxic metals are released into the air by industries and trucks, SUVs, buses, cars, etc. These toxins settle to the ground and are transported via rainwater into Storm Water Runoff Systems (MS4) to streams, rivers, and oceans. Overuse of lawn chemicals results in waterways polluted with nutrients causing massive growth of toxic algae killing off fish populations and increasing diseases and deaths in other wildlife that drink from these waters.

We have very little open land, especially farmland, remaining in Palmer. We need to preserve what little open lands that remain to provide shelter and food for our deer, fox, and other creatures whose habitat we have removed acre by acre. We need to ensure that our streams and rivers remain free from litter, plastics and especially chemicals and oils. Remember, it is not only the wildlife we are preserving, but also our and our children's future that we are preserving!



Litter chokes wildlife, impairs crop growth and creates unhealthy conditions along our roadways, streams, and rivers. Plastics such as one-use bags, water/sports drink bottles, beer/soda cans ultimately break down (60 days to 200 years) into microscopic particulate which are ingested into our food chain and ultimately ourselves.

For one week, ESP collected 4 balloons and 1 candle fired hot air balloon from trailside. There is the need to celebrate one's life, event, etc. Yet, please, do NOT release balloons and their strings, they kill more wildlife than hunters. If we cannot stop litterbugs, then it is up to YOU to take action. With spring just around the corner, you can start with the simple aspect of ensuring that you do not add to roadside litter – keep a litter bag in your vehicle. Properly dispose of all litter others drop on your property, show pride in self, property, and community. While walking the trails, carry out what you carry in! Teach your children to dispose of any trash properly, recycling what can be – see Palmer Township's web site for further insights!



What YOU do to YOUR planet now will impact not only the earth's future but your CHILDREN's future!

Helping Our Businesses



Helping Our Community

Palmer Township Business, Industrial and Professional Association News

On November 4, 2021, the BIP held its 44th Annual Civic Trust Award program at the Seipsville Inn. Bob Blanchfield, President of the BIP, welcomed members and award recipients. Debra Young, Chair of the Awards Committee presented the 2021 awards to the following recipients:

Booster Award Recipient - Diane Grube

The Booster Award recognizes outstanding contributions to the Palmer Township community. It is presented to a person that exhibits outstanding

service to others thus distinguishing Palmer Township through their contributions to their fellow man, business community or political environment.

Palmer Community Weekend is a jewel of the township that other municipalities have tried to mimic, but don't fully succeed. There is a special feeling every year, and that feeling is community. This is not by chance, it has been cultivated and nurtured beginning many years ago with Eddie Grube, Diane's father, and has continued with the Grube family.

In 1976, there was a bicentennial celebration which included covered wagons that camped out at the high school. They paraded through the neighborhoods and ended at Fairview Park to celebrate with a pig roast. Many residents turned out for this and seemed to enjoy getting together with friends and the group.

Years later, Eddie and Supervisor Don Campbell decided that Palmer Township needed something to bring the community together. Remembering the bicentennial event, they planned Palmer Township Community Weekend, held at Fairview Park...and the rest is history.

When Don moved away, Eddie recruited Diane and her sister Cindy to help with the event. It was understood in their family, as soon as you were able, you were expected to set up tables and chairs and be there to help wherever needed. Diane also recruited her niece Nicole over the years and they have made this event what it is today.



In photo left to right: Diane Grube and Debra Young

Community Service Award – The Palmer Recovery Center



In photo from left to right: Maggie Urban-Waala, Director of the Palmer Recovery Center and Debra Young

The Community Service Award recognizes individuals and/or groups who by their service to others or contributions to the Palmer community help to distinguish Palmer as a caring community.

The Palmer Recovery Center is located at 2906 William Penn Highway in the Palmer Business and Commercial Center.

The mission of the Palmer Recovery Center is to provide a safe, sober, and supportive space for those seeking relief from the effects of drugs and alcohol. They offer support groups, certified recovery specialists, advocacy, education, and work to fight against stigma.

The center offers help around the clock, providing on-call services after hours, and provides information about treatment, recovery-based meetings housing, employment, counseling, and other life sustaining needs. The Palmer Recovery Center feels a responsibility to Palmer and the surrounding areas to create a healthier, stronger community, that is better equipped to help those in most need.

This center is operated by Guided Pathways, Inc. and is funded by Northampton County Drug & Alcohol.

Civic Trust Awards

Essence of Health



X-Golf of Lehigh Valley



Enterprise Rent A Car



This award is the highest tribute that the association of professionals can pay to a business, corporation, or individual conducting commerce within the township boundaries of Palmer. It is intended to recognize significant physical improvements to existing properties, as well as new structures, which through the free-enterprise system in turn make an outstanding contribution to the business climate of the township.

This year's Civic Trust Awards were presented to Larry and Effe Bittner from Essence of Health, Christina McAuliffe, Head Pro and General Manager of X-Golf Lehigh Valley, and Enterprise Rent A Car.

Check Presented

The BIP also presented a \$5,000 check to the Miracle League of Northampton County. Jeff Kicska presented the check to Rick Agretto, President of the Northampton County Miracle League. Jeff Kicska is a member of the BIP Board of Directors and is the founder and coordinator of the annual Palmer 5K race. Over the past ten years, proceeds from the race have been donated to the Miracle League for a total of \$50,000.

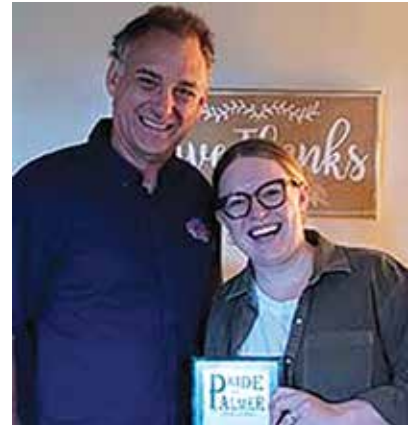


In photo from left to right: Rick Agretto and Jeff Kicska



Pride in Palmer Award

The Business Industrial and Professional Association recognizes those businesses who use Palmer Township in their advertisements. The BIP recently presented their Pride in Palmer Award to the Palmer Recovery Center.



In photo from left to right: Jeff Kicska and Maggie Urban-Waala

Well done!

PALMER PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

It is the Parks & Recreation Department's goal to provide citizens with a safe environment in which recreational opportunity can be maximized. Due to the wide variety of patron needs and use of Township property, it is necessary to establish the following rules and regulations.

Event representative must have permit with them for duration of the event.

Reservations: Will be available to Palmer residents only for the month of January, beginning on January 4th, 2021 at 9:00am. Park rentals will become available to the general public on February 1st, 2021 at 9:00am. All reservations must be completed in person at the Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township, located at 4100 Green Pond Road Palmer, PA 18045, Phone: 610-252-2098



**Pavilion rentals are prohibited during Palmer Community Weekend.*

Fees:

• **Penn Pump** - There are 2 permits available per day at Penn Pump Park. Penn Pump permits allow the consumption of alcohol and access to restrooms. Rental time 8:00am-10:00pm

1. **Penn Pump Pavilion Permit** **Not to exceed 150 people.* Allows parking near the pavilion and pavilion access. Residents \$100.00

1. **Penn Pump Picnic Permit** **Not to exceed 50 people,* required for 10 or more people.

Picnic permit for Penn Pump allows access to tables outside of the pavilion.

Residents \$50.00

• **Riverview**- Permit for Riverview Park allows the responsible use of alcohol. Rental time 8:00am-10:00pm

Residents \$100.00 & Non-Residents \$175.00

• **BIP Pavilion, Briarcliffe, Fairview, Keystone, & Mill Race** – Alcohol prohibited. Rental time 8:00am-10:00pm

Residents \$75.00 & Non-Residents \$150.00

**Briarcliffe is unavailable for rent on weekends from Memorial Day to Labor Day*

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During the holidays members of the fire department begin their "Helping Hands" donations to our local schools. This year we chose to donate winter coats to children in need for the cold weather, as well as turkeys for Thanksgiving dinner.



Santa visited Palmer Township in December, and 2021 was his busiest year ever! After Santa's helpers collected 570 gifts, PMFD drove Santa to 295 stops throughout the Township.

With over 20 years of service as Township Supervisor and Fire Department Liaison, the entire staff at PMFD is grateful for Dave Colver, for his years of backing and guidance. We wish you the best Dave in your future endeavors.

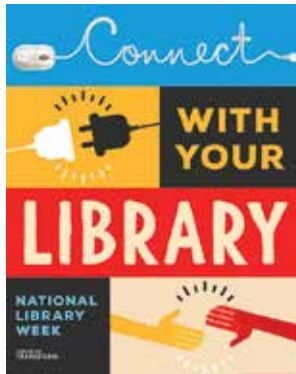


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Upcoming Library Closings

- February 21 (Presidents' Day)
- April 15 (Good Friday)



Join us for National Library Week!

National Library Week is April 3-9, 2022, and this year's theme is "Connect with your Library." Connect with your library this week for fun surprises and to help celebrate public libraries!

Now Available! Purchase library swag featuring the winning designs from our 2021 Dino Design contest! EAPL Dino Designs are available on shirts, tote bags, buttons, stickers, phone cases, and so much more! Visit redbubble.com/people/EAPL to grab your swag!



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Storytime at the Palmer Branch!

Attend in person or virtually! Registration is required to attend.

For more information, contact Katie Cardell at katiec@eastonpl.org or visit the library's website and click the "Palmer" tab.

Spring Session: March 7 – April 12

Register online at bit.ly/EAPLstorytime (link is case sensitive)

Mother Goose Storytime

For children ages 6-24 months with an adult
Mondays @ 10:00am



Teddy Bear Storytime

For children ages 2-3 years with an adult
Mondays @ 10:45 • Tuesdays @ 11:30

Preschool Storytime

For children ages 4-5 years with an adult • Tuesdays @ 10:00

NEW! Sensory Storytime

For children ages 2-6 with an adult.
Designed for children with sensory sensitivities
Mondays @ 11:30

Bedtime Storytime

For children ages 2-6 years old.
Wednesday, March 9 @ 6:00pm

M.A.R.S. CLUB

A monthly meetup for kids ages 8-12 to do rotating and hands-on math, art, reading, and science activities. Meets the **last Wednesday of the month at 4pm**. Upcoming activities include Kandinsky Doodles, a mystery-themed book discussion, and STEM Crime Solving.

Registration is required to attend. Contact Katie at katiec@eastonpl.org for information or to sign up.



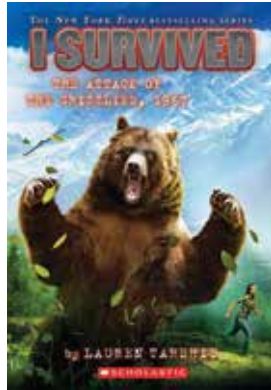
TAX ASSISTANCE: AARP Tax Assistance returns to the library in 2022! Tax preparation assistance will be available at the Main Library (515 Church St.) on Thursday afternoons from 2-6pm. No appointment needed. Contact the Reference Department at 610-258-2917 ext. 307 for more information.



I Survived Book Group

Discusses books from Lauren Tarshis's I Survived historical fiction series. Children discuss the story and participate in related STEM activities. For children ages 8-12. Contact Katie at katiec@eastonpl.org to register.

Wednesday, May 4 @ 4pm
– *I Survived the Attack of the Grizzlies, 1967*



Who Was Book Group

Discusses books from the Who HQ biography and nonfiction series. Children discuss the story and participate in related activities. For children ages 8-12. Contact Jennie at jenniet@eastonpl.org to register.

Wednesday, April 13 @ 4pm – Title TBA

Teen Writers Workshop

Meets monthly on select Saturdays at 1pm. Contact Jamie at jamies@eastonpl.org for more information.

Saturday, March 26
Saturday, April 23

Forever Young Adult Book Group

For adults who enjoy teen and young adult fiction. Join the FYA Facebook group (www.facebook.com/groups/FYABookGroup) or email Katie at katiec@eastonpl.org for information. Meets the third Wednesday of every month at 6:00pm.

Wednesday, March 16 –
Instructions for Dancing by Nicola Yoon

Wednesday, April 20 –
Firekeeper's Daughter by Angeline Boulley



Palmer Adult Book Group

Meets the 4th Tuesday of every month at 6:00pm. Contact Toni at palmeradultbookgroup@eastonpl.org if you would like to receive monthly email reminders.

Tuesday, February 22 – *The Last Thing He Told Me* by Laura Dave

Tuesday, March 22 – *The Night She Disappeared* by Lisa Jewell

Tuesday, April 26 – *Wish You Were Here* by Jodi Picoult



Diverse Voices

Focuses on diverse voices across various mediums and meets virtually for a community discussion on the **last Thursday of the month at 7:00pm**. Email Angie at angelar@eastonpl.org for more information.

Interested in genealogy and local history?

Visit the Marx Room at the Main Library to access local high school yearbooks and alumni directories, county and municipal histories, Easton city directories, church histories and records, cemetery records and obituaries, family genealogies, and more! And, of course, you can visit the historic Easton flag which is permanently housed in the Marx Room. Call 610-258-2917 ext. 309 for more information about these remarkable resources.



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Subscriptions will still be taken though the annual subscription - covers January 1st to December 31, 2022.

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Fire Zones

Our Officers are continuing to patrol upon vehicles double parking in fire zones in our shopping center parking lots. **Fire Zones** are marked with signs and painted markings on the ground, that designate the areas vehicles may NOT park. If a vehicle is parked in a fire zone, at any time, they can be cited and risk having their vehicle towed. Please do not park in **fire zones**, it is a public safety issue in the event of an emergency.



SPORTS

The Palmer U13 team completed their season with a perfect record of 16-0 winning both the BMYSL regular season championship and end of season Garcia Cup tournament in the process.



Back Row: Coach Dumpel, Coach Ritter, Ryan Morgan, Gene Behme, Maksim Segreaves, Donovin Ndukwe, Brayden Potter, Chris Samson, Jason Cho, Coach Andreano, Coach Potter

Front Row: Jack Behme, Greyson Baker, Braeden Ramirez, Ryan Ritter, Christian Lozano, Nicholas Braidio, Dylan Dumpel, Alex Lyons, Matt Andreano, Zarend Huntley

Not Pictured: Alex Cardona



Red Cross

The Red Cross coordinates and hosts annually a Donor Appreciation food party at Charles Chrin Center of Palmer Township to share a bond in being blood donors. This year it was held on Friday, October 16, 2021. We are the only volunteer team that coordinates and hosts such a party. Local businesses donate food. This party is held to acknowledge our blood donor sites including Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township, Green Pond Country Club and Nazareth Y, Slate Belt Y, and Easton Y. These locations are vital in providing us a safe and secure facility. The motto is, "Saving Lives Together!"

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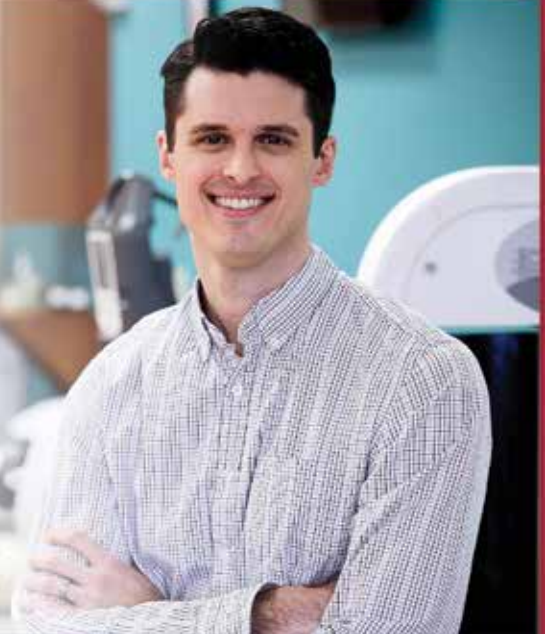
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GUIDE TO UNDERSTANDING STORMWATER RUNOFF AND PROTECTING ITS QUALITY

WHAT IS STORMWATER RUNOFF?

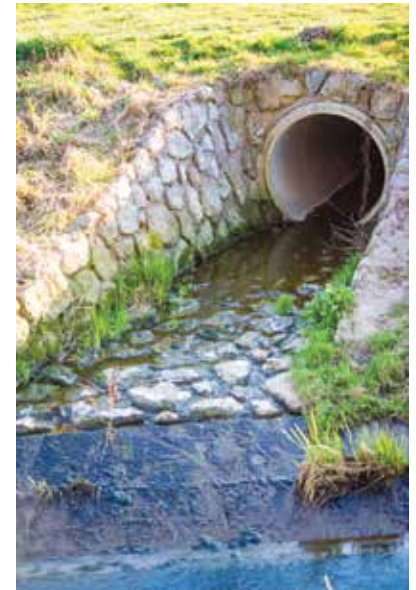
Stormwater runoff occurs when precipitation from rain or snowmelt flows over the ground. Impervious surfaces like buildings, driveways, sidewalks, and streets prevent stormwater from naturally soaking into the ground and thereby increase the amount of runoff.

WHY IS STORMWATER RUNOFF A PROBLEM?

Stormwater can pick up sediment, dirt, chemicals, pathogens, debris, and other pollutants and flow into a storm sewer system or directly to a lake, stream, river, or wetland. Anything that enters a storm sewer system is discharged untreated into water bodies that we may use for swimming, fishing, recreation, and drinking water.

THE EFFECTS OF STORMWATER POLLUTION

- Polluted stormwater runoff can have many adverse effects on plants, fish, animals, and people.
- Sediment can cloud the water and make it difficult or impossible for aquatic plants to grow. Sediment also can destroy aquatic habitats.
- Excess nutrients (fertilizer) can cause algae blooms. When algae die, they sink to the bottom and decompose in a process that removes dissolved oxygen from the water. Fish and other aquatic organisms can't exist in water with low dissolved oxygen levels.
- Bacteria and other pathogens can wash into swimming areas and create health hazards, often necessitating beach closures.
- Debris – plastic bags, six pack rings, bottles, and cigarette butts – washed into water bodies can choke, suffocate, or disable aquatic life like ducks, fish, turtles, and birds.
- Household hazardous wastes like insecticides, pesticides, paint, solvents, and used motor oil and other automotive fluids can poison aquatic life. Land animals and people can become sick or die from eating diseased fish and shellfish or ingesting polluted water.
- Polluted stormwater often affects drinking water sources. This in turn, can affect human health and increase water treatment costs for potable water.
- Stormwater can pick up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants. Polluted stormwater can then flow untreated into a storm sewer system or directly to a lake, stream, river, or wetland. Polluted runoff is a great threat to clean water.



WHAT CAN RESIDENTS DO TO PROTECT STORMWATER QUALITY

By practicing healthy household habits, homeowners and residents can keep common pollutants like pesticides, pet waste, grass clippings, and automotive fluids off the ground and out of stormwater. Adopt healthy household habits and help protect lakes, streams, rivers, and wetlands. Suggestions on how to reduce stormwater pollution by adopting healthy habits have been provided in previous Palmer Newsletters.

WHAT PALMER TOWNSHIP IS DOING TO PROTECT STORMWATER QUALITY

Palmer Township has provided storm sewer inlets with emblems to remind residents not to dump anything into an inlet. Residents are urged to call the Palmer Township Public Services Department if they see someone dumping something into an inlet or they notice an illicit discharge.

ILLICIT DISCHARGES

Illicit discharges include dry weather flows from storm water outfalls along stream banks or a significant volume of an unusual looking or odorous discharge from a storm water outfall during wet weather. Some examples of illicit discharges are automotive fluids (antifreeze, used motor oil, fuel, etc.), concrete slurry, paint products and solvents. If an illicit discharge is found, do not investigate further: this material may be harmful to your health and safety. Instead, immediately notify the Palmer Township Public Services Department at (610) 253-7191 from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm (weekdays); and after hours a message can be left at the Northampton County non-emergency phone number (610) 759-2200.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For more information on stormwater runoff, you can go to the stormwater information link at Palmer Township's web site - www.palmerwp.com or at the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection web site - www.dep.pa.gov

RETIREMENT

We would like to announce that as of October 31, 2021, David Rapp, the Superintendent of the Palmer Township Public Works Department has retired. David (Chip) has been with the Township for over 31 years. Chip has been a dedicated servant to the residents of Palmer Township. Our employees work behind the scenes with little or no recognition for their service, yet everyday perform their duties above and beyond expectation. Chip certainly will be missed by his co-workers and leaves a big void to fill with the many duties he carried out in service to Palmer Township. His never-ending dedication, punctuality, and sincerity towards his work to Palmer is worthy of everyone's admiration. We encourage our employees to follow in Chip's footsteps.

Chip has earned the opportunity to enjoy more time with his family and granddaughter. We wish you well Chip!



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PALMER TOWNSHIP KIWANIS YOUTH CENTER PROJECT

A groundbreaking ceremony was held on Sunday, October 31, 2021, at the location of the new Palmer Kiwanis Youth Center site, 3052 Green Pond Road. Speakers at the event included: David Colver - President of the Palmer Youth Center Project; Robert Williams - Palmer Township Manager; Robert E. Smith - Member of the Business, Industrial and Professional Association Board of Directors; Debra Jo Ashton-Chase - Member of the Palmer Kiwanis; Thomas Lee - Palmer Township Recreation Board; Charles Romfo - President of the Palmer Township Athletic Association; Eston Morgan - Lifetime Member of the Palmer Township Athletic Association; Victor Scomillio - Member of the Palmer Youth Center Board; J. Stuart Pidcock - The Pidcock Company; and Jim Miller - President of Lehigh Valley Health Network - Hecktown Oaks.



Four decades worth of memories were shared from the speakers and residents in attendance about the Palmer Fieldhouse that served our community since the 1960's. Back then a group of township residents volunteered their time and talents to build the fieldhouse and it has served our township well ever since. Unfortunately, it has outlived its useful life and it was time to plan for our future needs.

As our community continues to grow, we will now be able to offer space to accommodate a wide range of activities. The lower level of the new Youth Center will provide services for our youth athletics. The upper level will include a beautiful community room with kitchen area that will service community organizations such as music groups, boy and girl scouts, church groups, charitable organizations, youth clubs and senior groups, to name a few.

Renderings of the new facility were on display at the groundbreaking ceremony and each speaker spoke about their organizations involvement in making this new venture a reality. To date, there has been over \$750,000 in campaign donations received. Listed below are capital campaign naming opportunities that are still available. Every dollar donated makes a difference. Please consider your donation today.

BUILDING NAMING (*Palmer Township Kiwanis*) \$150,000

Main Level

Community Room (<i>Tuskes Family</i>)	\$100,000
Main Porch/Entry (<i>Ealer Family</i>)	\$50,000
Women's Restroom	\$50,000
Men's Restroom	\$50,000
Storage Room	\$35,000
Kitchen (<i>Robert & Rosalie Jones</i>)	\$30,000
Meeting Room	\$25,000
Accessibility Ramp (<i>Ealer Family</i>)	\$25,000
Activities Office	\$20,000
Landscaping (<i>Ealer Family</i>)	\$20,000
Anteroom	\$15,000
Maintenance Room	\$10,000
Coat Closets (<i>Each</i>) (<i>In memory of Dr. Manuel H. Espinosa</i>)	\$5,000

Field Level

Multi-Sport Room (<i>LV Reilly Children's Hospital</i>)	\$100,000
Sport Porch (<i>LVHN Sports Medicine</i>)	\$50,000
Interior Furnishings (<i>Palmer Athletic Association</i>)	\$50,000
Exterior Restrooms (<i>Each</i>)	\$50,000
Interior Restrooms (<i>Each</i>)	\$25,000
Coaches Office	\$25,000
Weigh-In Room (<i>Anonymous</i>)	\$25,000
Utility Room	\$20,000
Building Signage (<i>Kicska Family</i>)	\$15,000

Palmer Township Business, Industrial and Professional Association (BIP) \$100,000

- Palmer Youth Ambassadors - \$2,500 (Each)
- Friends of the Youth Center - \$1,000 (Each)
- Palmer Boosters - \$500 (Each)

If you are interested in being a part of this exciting endeavor, you can send your donation to:

Palmer Youth Center Project
 c/o Charles Romfo
 87 Jonathan Drive, Palmer, PA 18045
 or call Dave Colver: 610-258-8830

Palmer Township Kiwanis Youth Center Project is an approved 501c3 Nonprofit Organization



Below are photos from the groundbreaking ceremony and progress made as of December 31, 2021, on the new building construction:



WHEN IS A PERMIT REQUIRED?

The Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code, as well as, the ordinances of Palmer Township require permits for many types of projects. Activities requiring permits include:



- Any structural change/alteration
- Plumbing
- Electrical
- Mechanical/HVAC (new and replacement)
- Water heaters (new and replacement)
- Reroofing
- Replacement windows
- Decks
- Pools (permanent and temporary)
- Finished basements
- Driveways (replacement, expansion and resurface)
- Signs (except political signs) and banners
- Additional living space conversions
- Patios and patio roofs
- Fences (temporary and permanent)
- Retaining walls
- Sheds and carports (accessory structures)
- Pavilions/Gazebos

The above list may not include all necessary permits. You may contact the Permit or Building Department at (610) 253-7191 for more information.

DEER INFORMATION

There has been some growing concern about feeding the deer in Palmer Township. At this time, Palmer Township does not have any ordinances against feeding the deer although the Pennsylvania Game Commission (PGC) discourages it and has even proposed banning the act. The following website link (<https://www.pgc.pa.gov/Wildlife/Wildlife-RelatedDiseases/Pages/Please-Don't-Feed.aspx#:~:text=It%20is%20unlawful%20to%20intentionally,minerals%20that%20may%20cause%20big>) will inform you of the dangers of feeding wildlife. The Palmer Township Codes Department is not responsible for the enforcement of any recommendations or laws issued by the PGC.

Palmer Pool

Palmer Pool will be opening for the season on **May 28th, 29th and Memorial Day, May 30th**. Season passes will be sold at the Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township starting March 1st. Current members should look for renewal slips in the mail in February.

Follow us on Facebook or visit www.palmercommunitycenter.org for updates on the Palmer Pool.



Attention History Buffs:

The Palmer Historical Society invites your membership and attendance at their informative and educational meetings featuring local and area subjects of intent. Meetings are held in the Palmer Library 10:00AM to Noon February – May and September – November. Membership is \$5.00 per year and includes invitation to all events.

Interested? Contact Ed Dean at 610-253-2281



CURBSIDE RECYCLING

All carts should be placed curbside by 5:00am.

PAPER – office and school paper, newsprint, junk mail, paper bags, phone books, magazines, catalogs, envelopes, wrapping paper (no metallic paper or bows.) Shredded paper should be bagged and placed in the trash cart.



CARDBOARD – corrugated cardboard, paper towels rolls, and shipping, shoe, gift, and food boxes. No waxed coated boxes (i.e. frozen food boxes) or cardboard contaminated with food, paint or oil. Flatten or cut up for easy release from cart.

PLASTIC BOTTLES OR CONTAINERS – Rinsed household containers and bottles (such as soda, water, milk, juice, shampoo, detergent, condiments, yogurt, margarine, to-go containers, pet food, etc.) No Styrofoam. Look for the recycling triangle on the bottom with these numbers inside #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #6, and #7. Lids attached.

NEW FLEXIBLE (NOT RIGID) PLASTICS – these are able to flex or wrap and are rinsed clean of food contamination. Acceptable items include, plastic shopping bags, potato, chocolate chip and snack bags, produce bags including salad, grapes, and carrot bags, shredded cheese packages, pet treat pouches, case wrap, shrink film, bread bags, bubble wrap, cereal bags, drink and juice pouches, paper towel and toilet paper overwraps, detergent pouches, shipping bags.

GLASS - Rinsed clear, brown, and green bottles and jars. Discard lids.

CANS – Rinsed aluminum, bi-metal, and tin cans as well as empty aerosol cans.

METAL POTS AND PANS

CARTONS – Rinsed food cartons that contain milk, juice, broth, cream, egg substitutes, soup, soy milk, and wine boxes.

NO food contaminated items, electronics, textiles, construction debris, or yard waste.

2022 HOLIDAY COLLECTIONS

Trash and recycling collections will be delayed one day following:

Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day and Thanksgiving Day.

2022 Special Curbside Collections:

Bulk Item Collections: Weeks of March 7, May 9, September 12, and November 28

Metal and Appliances Collections: Weeks of April 11 and September 26

Yard Waste Collections: Weeks of June 6 and November 7

For more information on these collections and more, visit www.palmertwp.com

CURBSIDE TRASH

- All trash goes into your green cart with the green lid. Materials outside the cart will not be collected.
- Bag trash to help keep your cart clean and reduce windblown litter.
- **Prohibited items include** recyclables, tires, hazardous waste, liquid paint, electronics, yard waste, construction debris, dirt, rock, and car parts.



Overfilled carts or carts containing prohibited items will not be collected.

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Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township Building Closings: Good Friday – April 15th, 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS:

SENIORS CARDS - PINOCHLE PLAYERS NEEDED: Tuesday Afternoons – 12:30 – 4:00pm. Join them as they play 3, 4, 5 or even 6 handed pinochle! Don't worry if it's been awhile, or if you only ever played one way. They will teach you. Come share the fun and laughter. It's a great way to spend an afternoon. Any questions, call Marj at 610-252-7964 or email to paulm1@rcn.com

AMBASSADOR CLUB: Meets every 3rd Monday of the month at 1:00pm (Not in July, August, or December)

GREATER LEHIGH VALLEY CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN SEWING GUILD: 2nd Thursday of every month, no meetings May, July, or August - 10:00am-1:00pm

PENN ROSE QUILT CLUB: Meets 1st Wednesday of Each Month, 10:00am



ST. PATTY'S DAY ZUMBA: Wednesday, March 16th, 6:00pm-6:50pm

THE KNIFE SHOW: Saturday, April 2nd and Sunday, April 3rd. For more information, visit www.paknifeshow.com. You can buy, sell, and display knives

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: Friday, April 8th, 1:00pm – 7:00pm

SLOT CAR SHOW: Saturday, April 9th, 9:00am – 2:00pm

CAT SHOW: Saturday, April 23rd and Sunday, April 24th



THE CLOTHING TREE: April 27th – April 30th. For more information, visit www.theclothingtree.com

TOY SHOW: Saturday, May 7th, 9:00am – 2:00pm

DREAM...BELIEVE...DANCE RECITAL: Saturday, May 14th and May 15th



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\$2 Children (13 & under)



Camp Palmer 2022

CAMP PALMER will be back for the summer of 2022!!!

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- Weekly Field Trips!
- Daily visits to the Palmer Pool!
- Limited enrollment

Follow us on Facebook or visit www.palmercommunitycenter.org for updates on Camp Palmer

Easter Egg Hunt

at the CHARLES CHRIN COMMUNITY CENTER

BRING YOUR OWN BASKET!

PALMER RESIDENTS INVITED!

FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2022
(RAIN DATE SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2022)

10:00AM - AGES 2-5
11:00AM - AGES 6-8

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EGG HUNT LOCATIONS

Children's Programs

at the Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township

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To register, go to the following website: www.amazingathletes.com/lehighvalley

Click on classes and then scroll down to find your Charles Chrin day and time!

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Join us for your child's birthday party. We provide two trained party coordinators who are ready to get kids moving and excited. We take care of set up and clean up to ensure a stress-free event. We provide pizza, juice, and all paper products. ***Birthday Cake is not provided.**

Children will have the opportunity to play on different gymnastics equipment, including bars, beam, trampoline, and the air trak. They will also play games and play with the parachute! You may have a child that is interested in sports, so we can incorporate the sports theme into your child's special day! After one hour of play time, the party coordinators will escort the children to the food area, where they will serve the children pizza and juice. Don't worry about clean up! The coordinators take care of that in addition to bagging all the birthday gifts to take home! **Please contact Brenda at 610-252-2098 for more information.**

Party Hours
All dates & times vary
based upon availability.

PRICING

Basic-up to 20 Children.....\$250.00/Resident
\$275.00/Non-Resident
Each additional child.....\$5.00
Additional Pizza.....\$15.00 each
Weekday birthday party.....\$220.00
(Monday-Friday—Daytime parties based upon availability)



TUMBLE TIME

Amazing Athletes Tumble Time combines the fun, free play atmosphere of our tumbling equipment AND a taste of our Amazing Athletes sports classes each week! Our tumble time classes will consist of about 30 minutes of free play (parent supervised) on our tumbling equipment, 10 minutes of a structured sport with our Amazing Athletes coach and 5 minutes of bubbles/dancing at the end of class! With a variety of fun tumbling equipment and sports to play, your children will have a blast each week!!



WHEN: Thursdays 9:30-10:15am and 10:30-11:15am

WHERE: Charles Chrin Community Center Of Palmer Township

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SPRING 2022 SESSIONS

SESSION 1: March 15, 22, 29, and April 5

SESSION 2: April 19, 26, May 3, and 10

Cost \$75.00 per 4 week session

Ages 0 – 2 at 10 – 10:45AM Ages 2 – 4 at 11 – 11:45AM

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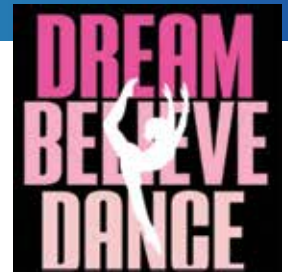
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Charles Chrin Community Center News

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Winter 2 and Spring 1 Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday
PRINCESS PRE-BALLET Ages 3-5 5:45-6:15 NEW STUDENTS ACCEPTED Miss Justine		5:00-5:45 Preschool Ballet, Tap and Tumble Ages 3-5 Miss Megan	5:10-5:40 Mini Comp team	10:30-12:30 Junior Comp Choreography
6:30 - 7:00 TINY TUMBLERS NEW STUDENTS ACCEPTED AGES 3-5- BEG Miss Justine	5:30-6:30 ACRO/TUMBLING AGES 6-TEEN INT/ADV Miss Megan and Miss Justine NEW STUDENTS ACCEPTED	5:45-6:45 Ballet AGES 8- TEEN Miss Megan	LYRICAL BALLET AND TAP 5:45-6:15 AGES 5-10- LEVEL 2 Miss Justine	Private Classes
7:15 - 8:00 ADULT LYRICAL Miss Justine NEW STUDENTS ACCEPTED	6:40-7:10 BEG/INT TAP 8- TEEN Miss Megan	6:45-7:30 BEG/INT CONTEMPORARY AGES 8- TEEN Miss Megan	6:20-7:20 JAZZ HOP AND TUMBLE LEVEL 2 5-10 Miss Justine	
	7:15-8:00 STREET JAZZ/HIP HOP BEG/INT 8-TEEN Miss Megan	7:30-8:00 LEAPS TURNS AND TRICKS AGES 8-TEEN Miss Megan NEW STUDENTS ACCEPTED	Private classes	
		8:00-8:30 Teen Comp Choreography		



WINTER SESSION 2

2/28-4/9 (6 weeks)

Registration opens 1/21/22
NO CLASSES WEEK OF 2/21

SPRING SESSION

4/11-5/13 (5 weeks) • Registration opens 3/1/22
Only select classes available for registration
during these 2 sessions due to recital practice.

Summer registration will open May 16th, 2022

TUITION RATES

Cost per 6-week Session

30 Minutes	\$84.00
45 Minutes	\$96.00
60 Minutes	\$108.00
75 Minutes	\$120.00
90 Minutes	\$150.00
Unlimited	\$195.00

Adults who have their children enrolled in class will receive a discount for their adult class.

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Jr. Panthers Spring Indoor Soccer With Coach Thom & Coach Angelina



At the Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township

Spring Outdoor Session - April 19th – June 4th – 7 weeks

Ages 4 & 5 – Tuesdays 4:30-5:30pm & Saturdays 10:00am-11:00am

Ages 6 & 7 – Tuesdays 5:30-6:30pm & Saturdays 11:00am-Noon

Cost for Indoor Session: Residents \$100 & Non-Residents \$110



- Let your child be active, make friends, and learn a team sport while participating in our instructional league for soccer players throughout the Lehigh Valley
- Focus on the basics of playing soccer, coordination, running, skills and drills, passing and scoring goals!
- All practices and games will take place at the Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township
- Please have children wear shin guards & cleats.
- Volunteer coaches are welcome and encouraged!



Silver Fitness Schedule

Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township, 4100 Green Pond Rd., Palmer, PA 18045



Monday	1:00pm-1:45pm	Zumba Gold August
Tuesday	1:00pm-1:45pm	Silver Core Stretch August
Wednesday	1:00pm-1:45pm	Zumba Gold Toning August
Thursday	1:00pm-1:45pm	Silver Bootcamp August
Friday	1:00pm-1:45pm	Silver Yoga Becky

Our Silver Pass is \$20/month

(includes access to the Fitness Center and all Silver Fitness Classes only)

Drop-in Fee is \$3/class

***Check eligibility through your insurance for Silver & Fit, Silver Sneakers, or Healthways.**

*****We also offer FREE quarterly social events!*****

You can find more information at www.palmercommunitycenter.org

or

call 610-252-2098

Zumba Gold – Latin-inspired, dance fitness program designed for the active older adult, beginner participant, pregnant women, those who need modifications, arthritis sufferers, and those recovering from injury. This is a fun, feel-good, party-like class.

Silver Bootcamp – This is a great way to increase strength, flexibility, balance & coordination. Pilates is regarded as an ideal exercise regimen for people in or over their 50's due to low-impact exercise. Benefits are improved posture, stamina, and strength.

Zumba Gold Toning – "Muscle Toning for the Young at Heart", combines the cardio element of Zumba Gold with strength training techniques.

Silver Core Stretch – A full body stretch using movements that flow smoothly to increase flexibility, decrease muscle tension, develop core strength, and improve muscular balance.

Silver Yoga – This class will begin with a short breath practice and then work up to a mindful flow ending in a relaxing shivasana. Participants will explore getting into and out of different yoga postures and how to make adjustments when necessary. This class will use props, explore variations, and work on balance while increasing both strength and flexibility. No prior yoga experience necessary - all levels welcome! Come explore the beautiful blend of breath and movement to open up the body and enhance mobility.

The Charles Chrin Community Center Fitness Class Schedule

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Yoga 9:30-10:20am Becky		Yoga 9:30-10:20am Becky		
	Zumba 10:45-11:30am August	Zumba Toning 10:45-11:30am August	Zumba 10:45-11:30am August	Bootcamp 10:45-11:30am August	Zumba 10:45-11:30am August	
Silver Fitness Classes!  See full schedule for more details.	Zumba Gold 1:00-1:45pm August Silver Class	Silver Core Stretch 1:00-1:45pm August Silver Class	Zumba Gold Toning 1:00-1:45pm August Silver Class	Silver Bootcamp 1:00-1:45pm August Silver Class	Silver Yoga 1:00-1:45pm Becky Silver Class	
	Zumba 7:00-7:50pm Lisa		Zumba 6:00-6:50pm Lisa			
						

FIT PASS: \$40.00/month

FP includes unlimited classes & use of the fitness center

FIT CARD: 10 Classes/\$50.00

Fit Card does not expire

SILVER PASS: \$20/month

SP includes unlimited silver classes & use of the fitness center.

WALK-INS: \$5.00/class

SILVER WALK-INS: \$3.00/class

- NO REGISTRATION FEES
- NO YEARLY CONTRACT
- MONTH-TO-MONTH PAYMENT

We also accept Silver Sneakers, Silver & Fit, Active & Fit, Renew & Fit, Healthways, Health Plan Partners with qualifying in-surance. Contact your insurance provider to see if you are eligible.



*Watch for upcoming special events throughout the year!

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Session 1: March 2nd – March 23rd

**Session 2: April 6th, 13th 20th, May 4th
(No class the week of April 27th)**

\$60.00 (per 4 week session)



Register early, as we will only accept 8 participants.

Register in person at the front desk at the Community Center.

Payments must be made at the Community Center prior to the session start date.



St. Patrick's Day Zumba Event



Instructor: Lisa

When: Wednesday, March 16th

Time: 6:00PM-6:50PM

**Where: Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township
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Wear your green!



Class Price: \$5

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Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township



AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

If you have a child who is a student at Palmer Elementary, Easton Middle School or Easton Arts Academy, we would love to welcome you to our program! Our After Care program at the Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township will run Monday through Friday from bus drop off to 6pm.

Our program includes:

- CPR & First Aid Certified Staff who meet all requirements set by the Pennsylvania Office of Child Development and Early Learning.
- Time set aside for homework.
- Wi-Fi capability for children who need to use their own electronic devices to work on any homework or for their own entertainment.
- Snack time- children can bring their own snacks and drinks.
- Occasional special movie and television showings.
- Multiple safe play areas both inside and outside.
- Staff led activities as well as free time to devote to their own interests.
- We offer flexible scheduling. You may choose different days each week for your child to attend.



A \$100.00 registration fee is required to guarantee your child's spot.

After school daily rate \$12.00 per day which must be scheduled one week prior.

To Register please visit

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