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## Palmer Holiday Fest & Tree Lighting

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of Palmer Township

Saturday, December 9th, 2023 • 6:15pm

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**HOLIDAY MUNICIPAL BUILDING CLOSINGS:**

**Veteran's Day**  
Friday, November 10th (Observed)

**Thanksgiving Day**  
Thursday, November 23rd

**Day after Thanksgiving Day**  
Friday, November 24th

**Christmas Eve**  
Monday, December 25th  
(Christmas Eve Observed)

**Christmas Day**  
Tuesday, December 26th  
(Christmas Day Observed)

**New Year's Day**  
Monday, January 1st

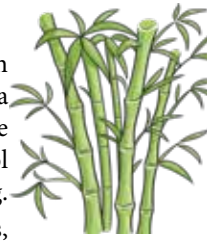
**Martin Luther King Jr Day**  
Monday, January 15th

## MS4 NEWS

*Today's Palmer*

### HAVE BAMBOO?

Per the Township Bamboo Ordinance (Chapter 187), it has been determined that planting, cultivating, and growing bamboo has a negative impact on the health, safety, and welfare of the public at large and must be controlled. For specific instructions on how to control bamboo, refer to Ordinance Chapter 187 or call the Municipal Building.

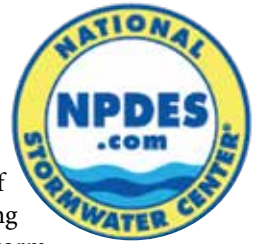


The most effective method for bamboo removal is to cut off the canes, dig out the entire root, and dry it for disposal. Residents should bring completely dried roots to the Township Recycling Center located on Hartley Ave.

*Keep an eye out for future communications regarding  
"Bamboo Root Disposal Week" coming in 2024!*

### MS4- HISTORY AND REQUIREMENTS

Most would agree that they want clean water, clean air, and a healthier planet for the next generation, but what are we doing to improve our quality of life in the long-term? While there are many different laws and regulations surrounding pollution and use of environmental resources, one federal program that is actively working to make a difference on the local level is the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit program. Although this permit program is an important step towards working together to keep our environment clean and healthy, the MS4 permit program is an unfunded state and federal mandate with increasing regulations every permit cycle, which is every five years. An unfunded mandate means that municipalities like Palmer Township are required to meet the permit regulations without any funding assistance, otherwise the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will issue a fine for non-compliance.



The US EPA regulates stormwater management through the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program to comply with the Clean Water Act originally passed in 1948. Each individual state administers permits to their municipalities to comply with state-specific requirements for water quality standards. In Pennsylvania, Palmer Township must follow the standards for surface waters described in Chapter 93 of the Pennsylvania Code. The focus of the permit is for municipalities to develop and implement a stormwater management program to educate residents about stormwater issues and reduce pollutants entering the streams and rivers in each municipality. Palmer Township recently renewed its' MS4 permit for another five-year term to remain compliant with the MS4 program and avoid federal fines.

The permit requirements stipulate the minimum control measures, or MCMs, that must be met in each municipalities stormwater program to be compliant with the MS4 permit. These MCMs include public education and outreach, illicit discharge detection and elimination, construction stormwater management, and municipal operations. These MCMs set standards for minimum education requirements, details for erosion control on construction sites, stormwater infrastructure inspections and maintenance, and record



keeping for annual reports and any illicit discharges that may occur in the Township. Through the MS4 program, Palmer Township has been tasked with reducing water pollution within the Township and educating residents on stormwater management, and steps Palmer has taken to improve the MS4 program. Without any additional funds to pay employees, purchase equipment, or perform necessary

maintenance, Palmer decided to form a stormwater authority to fund these mandated projects and pollutant reduction measures. For more information on specific measures that Palmer Township takes to be MS4 compliant, and our stormwater authority, please visit the Township website: <https://palmertwp.com/stormwater.html>.

# SAVE THE DATE!

April 20, 2024

Palmer Environmental Steering Committee is holding an event to celebrate Earth Day. For more information or inquiries, please check the Palmer Township website and the ESC Facebook page.



The Palmer Township Environmental Steering Committee would like to thank all the residents and surrounding community members that participated in the E-Cycle event despite the rain on September 23. A big thank you to Clean Earth as well for their hard work collecting our recyclables. Make sure to check the Township website and future newsletters for an E-Cycle event next year!



## PALMER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

### Invitation to Join Palmer Township Planning Commission

Palmer Township is looking for a volunteer to fill a pending 2024 vacancy of the Palmer Township Planning Commission. The Planning Commission is an advisory board providing guidance directly to the Township Board of Supervisors. Ideal candidates should have background, interest, or experience in topics of land planning and land development, municipal government, comprehensive planning, and ordinance preparation. The Palmer Township Planning Commission is a seven-person board that meets on the second Tuesday of each month. If you are interested, please send a resume and cover letter of interest to [bdegerolamo@palmertwp.com](mailto:bdegerolamo@palmertwp.com) by November 30, 2023.



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## CURBSIDE RECYCLING

All carts should be placed curbside by 5:00am. Materials placed outside of the carts will not be collected. Lids need to be closed and not overflowing to prevent litter and cart lid breakage.



**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** – paper towel rolls, cereal, cracker, and pasta boxes, shipping and shoe boxes, manila folders, etc. No wax-coated, pizza or other food, paint or oil contaminated boxes. Flatten and/or cut up to release from the cart easily.

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

**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 chip and snack bags, produce bags including salad and carrot bags, shredded cheese packages, pet treat pouches, case wrap, shrink film, bread bags, bubble wrap, cereal bags, drink 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.**

## 2023 HOLIDAY COLLECTIONS

Waste and recycling collections will be delayed by one day following these holidays:  
Thanksgiving • Christmas

## CURBSIDE TRASH

• All trash goes into your green cart with the green lid. Materials outside the cart will not be collected.

• Trash should be bagged before being placed in the cart. Bagging helps keep your cart clean and reduces windblown litter.



• Prohibited items include recyclables (see left), tires, hazardous waste, liquid paint, motor oil, electronics, yard waste, construction debris (wood, concrete, window panes, etc.), dirt, rock, and car parts.

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

## RECYCLING DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

Open to Palmer Residents & Businesses Only

### Hartley Avenue Recycling Center

Monday, Wednesday, Friday,  
8:00am – 4:00pm

Saturday, 10:00am – 3:00pm

Sunday, 12:00pm – 4:00pm

Accepts paper, cardboard, plastic bottles and containers, glass, cans, scrap metals, and yard waste (no more than 3 small bundles of yard waste (no larger than 3' x 3' and not exceeding 40 lbs.) per visit. Free to Palmer residents and businesses.

### Berks Street Yard Waste Composting Center

December, January and February,  
First Sunday of the Month,  
12:00pm – 4:00pm

Accepts large amounts of yard waste for a small fee. NO plastic rope, bags, or twine; grass clippings, tree stumps, soil or dirt, sod, wood, animal excrement, or noxious weeds including bamboo of any kind. Tree limbs must be less than 12" inches in diameter.

Speed limit within the center is 5 MPH at all times.

**Up-to-date and more comprehensive information is always available at [www.palmerwp.com](http://www.palmerwp.com).**

## UPCOMING SPECIAL CURBSIDE COLLECTIONS

Place curbside on your scheduled collection day, but will be collected that week by a separate vehicle.

### BULK ITEM COLLECTION: Week of November 27

One item per collection. Bulk items are defined as items too large to fit into the trash cart; with the general rule of thumb being an item the approximate dimensions and weight of a standard size sofa, and that can be carried by two (2) men. Acceptable items include plastic dishwashers, furniture, mattresses and box springs (wrapped in plastic), rugs rolled up and tied and no larger than 3' x 6'. Unacceptable items include, but are not limited to, electronics, construction debris (i.e. wood, sinks, toilets, doors, windows, siding, roofing shingles, etc.), large glass items (i.e. glass tables, china cabinets, or window panes), hazardous materials, tires, yard waste, grass clippings, or additional household trash. If you can't wait for a bulk item collection, you may request a special bulk item collection by contacting Waste Management Customer Service at 800.621.2100. Identify yourself as a resident of Palmer Township, PA to receive the Township's \$40 per item pickup price. Be sure to get the confirmation number in the event follow-up is needed.

### YARD WASTE COLLECTION: November 6

Unlimited amounts of yard waste (leaves, branches, twigs, flowers, roots, bushes, garden clippings) will be collected curbside. You must place your yard waste at the curb in one of the following ways or it will NOT be collected –

- Place your yard waste in any clean, open-top container (NOT YOUR AUTOMATED CART).
- Tie your yard waste with cotton or hemp twine in bundles no larger than 3' x 3' x 3', weighing no more than 40 lbs. (NO PLASTIC ROPE OR TWINE).
- Place your yard waste in compostable paper bags (NO PLASTIC BAGS).
- No grass clippings, tree stumps loose soils, sod, wood, or tree limbs over four inches in diameter; human or animal excrement; noxious weeds or soil contaminated with hazardous substances.

### LEAF COLLECTION: Eight weeks in the Fall (typically mid-October to second week of December)

Residents must rake their leaves into the street and close to the curb. This collection is highly dependent on weather conditions.



### CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION – First three (3) full weeks in January

Remove any transport bags, tinsel, ornaments, lights, and tree stands.



# Palmer Township Athletic Association Christmas Tree Sale

We will be holding our annual Christmas tree sale  
beginning on Friday, November 24, 2023.

*\*All proceeds from the Christmas tree sale support the sports programs  
for the children of Palmer Township.*



## 2023 ANTHONY J. MINOTTI SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

The Palmer Township Athletic Association recently presented \$1,000 scholarships to 17 area students in the name of Anthony J. Minotti, a former principal and supporter of children's causes in Palmer township.

Since 1975 the Palmer Township Athletic Association has proudly presented 429 scholarships which have totaled \$204,550.

# Congratulations!



**Left to Right (front row)**

Devyn Duplel  
Danyelle Dumpel  
John Cacciatore (Chairman)  
Makenna Assise, Erin Vincent

**Left to Right (back row)**

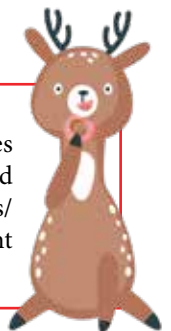
Ashley Cohen  
Leanne Villante  
Joseph Morsillo  
Bryson Vaughn  
Jake Fulmer  
Nicholas Romfo  
Matthew Zingales

**Missing from Photo**

Alexandra Brandstetter  
Hannah Gutekunst  
Jett Hartrum  
Aidan Hutchison  
Mackenzie King  
Mikayla Mattes

### ANNOUNCEMENT

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/WildlifeHealth/Pages/Please-Don't-Feed.aspx#>. It 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.



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## National Game & Puzzle Week

**November 20-25**

Spice up Thanksgiving week by working on a puzzle or playing board games! A week dedicated to enjoying and celebrating the tradition of playing games. Puzzles and games for children and adults will be available in the library all week long!

## PROGRAMMING FOR ADULTS

### Mah-Jongg for Beginners

Try your hand at mah-jongg! Learn the setup of the game, rules and basic strategy from Darrell Ann Murphy, a professional mah-jongg instructor. This eight-week class begins January 2024! Registration is required.

### Paint Night at the Library

Make your own masterpiece with guided instructions and create a painting to take home. All materials will be provided. Registration is required.

Wednesday, November 8 6:00pm

Wednesday, January 24 6:00pm

### Monthly Book Groups for Adults

**Forever Young Adult Book Group** – meets the third Wednesday of the month at 6pm

**Adult Book Group** – meets the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm

**Diverse Voices** – meets virtually the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00pm



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## TWEEN AND TEEN PROGRAMMING



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Meets the first Saturday of the month at 1:00pm

### Teen Take-and-Makes

For ages 12 and up. We give you the supplies and instructions, and you get creating! Each month will feature a different project. Available while supplies last.

## CHILDRENS PROGRAMMING

Don't forget to visit [bit.ly/eastoncal](http://bit.ly/eastoncal) for our full program schedule!



### Weekly Storytimes

Weekly storytimes will conclude December 14 and resume the week of January 15. Registration is not required for weekly storytimes.

### Little Storytime

Ages 0-2. An interactive lap-sit storytime for our littlest friends.

Mondays at 10:00am

### Big Storytime

Ages 3-5. Themed stories and songs for preschoolers and a craft to take home.

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00am

### STEAM Train

Ages 3-5. Stories and activities with different interactive STEM themes each week.

Wednesdays at 11:00am

### Sensory Friendly Storytime

Ages 2-5. Specially designed for children who are neurodiverse or have sensory sensitivities.

Thursdays at 11:00am

### Bedtime Storytime

Cozy bedtime themed stories for ages 3-7. Registration is required.

Last Wednesday of the month at 6:00pm

## EVENTS

### Saturday Crafternoons

Join us select Saturdays for a fun crafternoon! Stop by each month for different sets of themed crafts. Come anytime between 1 and 4 PM to make one-of-a-kind crafts with your family. No registration required.

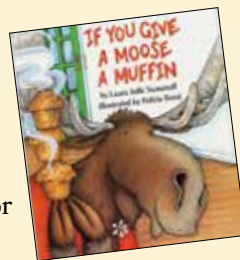
Saturday November 25, December 16, and January 20

### Moose and Muffins

A fun-filled hour celebrating the Laura Numeroff book *If You Give a Moose a Muffin*. Activities for preschool through early elementary aged children featuring books, crafts, challenges, and... muffins! For ages 4 and up.

Registration is required.

Friday, December 8, 2023, 10:30 AM



### I Survived Book Group

Discusses books from Lauren Tarshis's *I Survived* historical fiction series with related STEM activities. For ages 8-11. Registration is required.

Wednesday, December 13 at 4:30pm -

*I Survived the Great Molasses Flood, 1919*



### Homeschool Happenings

Fun opportunities for homeschooling families to connect and learn at the library! Upcoming topics include famous artists, fairy tale STEM, and medieval times!

First Wednesday of the month at 1:00pm

### Noon Year's Eve Party

Can't stay up late, but still want to celebrate? Join us for a Noon Year's Eve party at the library! We will have crafts, snacks, and a dance party while we wait for the countdown to noon. Wear your best New Year's party clothes! For ages 4-10. Registration is required.

Thursday, December 28 at 11:00am

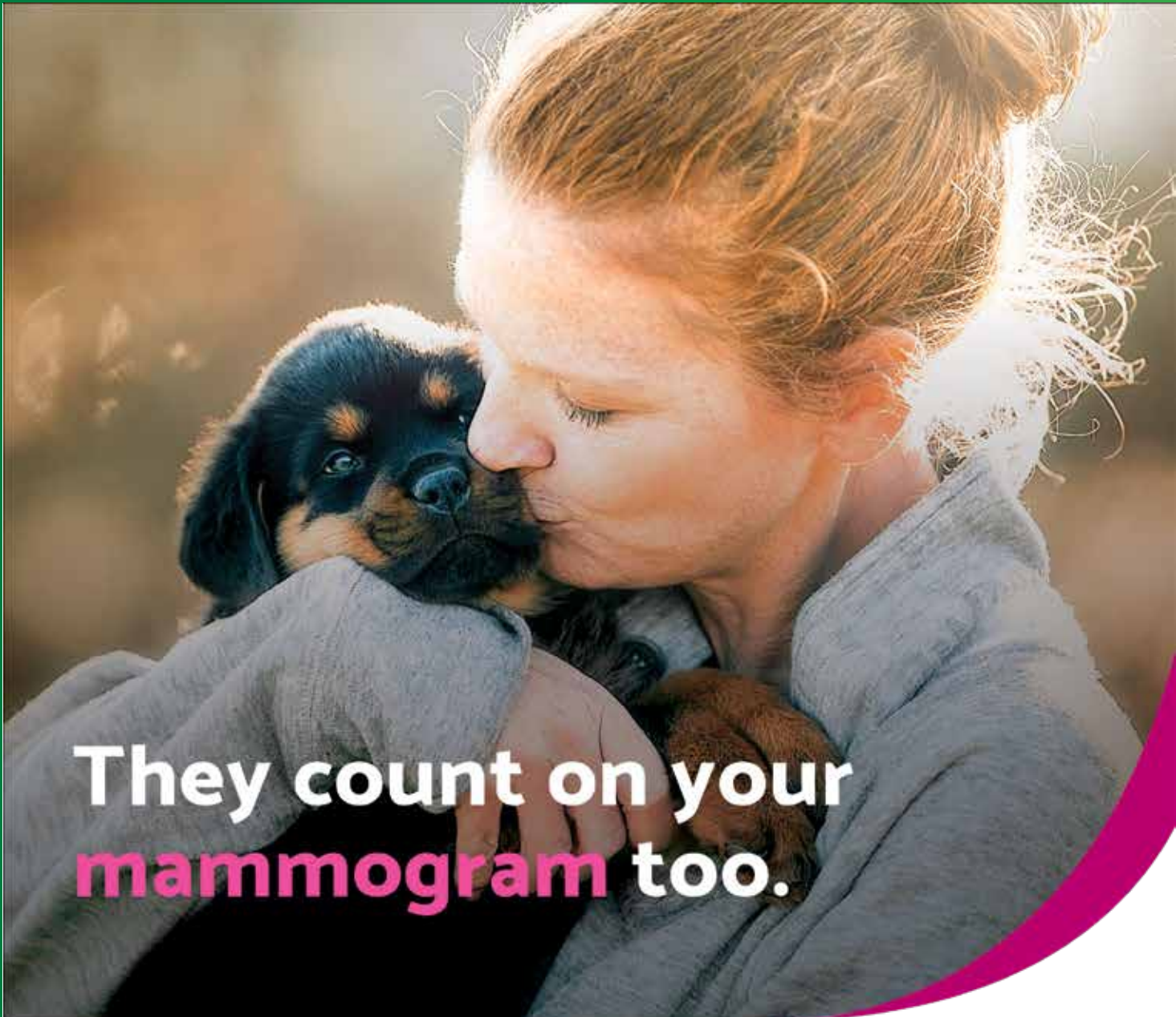
## Upcoming Library Closures

Thursday, November 23 (Thanksgiving)

December 22 – December 25 (Christmas holiday)

December 29 – January 1 (New Year's)

January 15 – Martin Luther King Day



# They count on your mammogram too.

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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 2nd, 2024 at 9:00am. Park rentals will become available to the general public on February 1st, 2024 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**
  2. 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***

**Attention History Buffs:**

The Palmer Historical Society invites your membership and attendance at their informative and educational meetings, featuring local and area subjects of interest.

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***



*The Township Board of Supervisors and Township Staff would like to wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season and Health and Happiness in the New Year!*

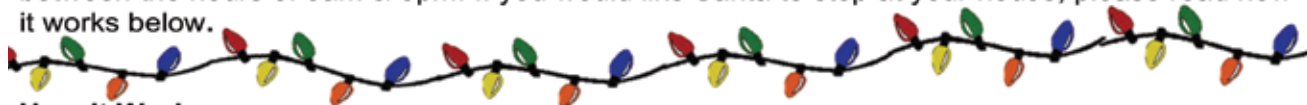




# SANTA RUN 2023! *Were they naughty or nice? Santa and his firefighters need to know!*



It's that time of year again and we need to start preparing for our annual Santa visit. Santa & his Firefighter friends will be visiting some of the kids in Palmer Township on December 16, 2023, between the hours of 9am & 3pm. If you would like Santa to stop at your house, please read how it works below.



### How it Works:

1. You go out and buy a gift(s).
2. Bring it home, wrap it, write your child's name and address on it.
3. Drop the gift(s) (limit 2 per child) off, along with a \$10.00 per child donation at PMFD Station 1 (3254 Old Nazareth Road) **11/27** (6pm to 9pm) – **11/29** (6pm to 9pm) – **12/4** (6pm to 9pm) – **12/9** (9am to noon) and **12/11** (6pm to 9pm).
4. On December 16th between the hours of 9am – 3pm Santa and some of PMFD Firefighters will make a special visit to your house.

During the day we will be continuously updating Santa's location on our Facebook page and Website.

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



**Sorry, Santa can only travel to houses within Palmer Township!**  
If you have any questions, Email - [info@palmerfire.org](mailto:info@palmerfire.org), or call (484) 695-7373



## INTERESTED IN LIFEGUARDING?

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## ENVIRONMENTAL HOLIDAY GIFT SUGGESTIONS/NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

### Information sources:

<https://urbanoutdoors.com/gifts-for-environmentalists/>

<https://www.popularmechanics.com/home/lawn-garden/how-to/g3002/the-best-cordless-outdoor-power-tool-systems/>

<https://thesustainablelivingguide.com/sustainable-new-years-resolutions/>

With the end of year rapidly approaching and the search for new and exciting gift giving ideas always a challenge; what better way to help our environment as well as influence people's behaviors than by giving them an environmentally friendly gift.

And it's not too early to start thinking about some of those 2024 New Year's Resolutions as well!

**Below are several ideas that will not bust your holiday budget and continue to promote a safer and healthier environment:**

### Reusable Shopping/Tote Bags:

With many municipalities and stores starting to ban or replace plastic shopping bags, Reusable shopping/tote bags are a popular way to reduce the use of plastic or paper disposable bags. It's also one of the easiest gifts for environmentalists. It's recommended spending a little more to get a higher-quality bag that won't rip or break (thus creating more waste).

### Insulated Water Bottles:

Probably the most common litter you see along lawns, roadsides and in trash barrels are plastic water bottles.

There's nothing like the feeling of having fresh, cold, clean water at your disposal, and an insulated water bottle is one of the most useful gifts for environmentalists. Insulated bottles keep liquids cold for several hours, meaning you are rarely without cold water on walks, long hikes, attending kids sporting events and bike rides.

### Portable Utensils:

Another easy way to reduce disposable waste is by always carrying reusable utensils! Simply throw these in a backpack or car for easy access on the go, and you will never have to worry about using disposable cutlery while traveling.



### Reusable Lined Coffee Cups:

If you or your loved ones are coffee 'addicts', they'd probably be very grateful for an insulated coffee mug that will keep their cup of joe warm for hours. You can help reduce consumption of disposable coffee cups without having to sacrifice your beloved morning pick-me-up.

### Bio-degradable Straws:

Replace plastic straws in your home with bio-degradable straws. And request them when out when having a drink at your local restaurant.

### Portable Trash Sack:

One of the most fundamental principles of 'Leave No Trace' and outdoor conservation is to 'pack everything out that you bring in'. Portable sacks can be attached to your belt or backpack and used as an on-the-go trash can while walking, hiking or camping. Moreover, if you see additional trash or litter while out on the trails or in the park, you can do your part to pick it up and pack it out too.

### Battery Operated Lawn tools:

If it's time to replace your gas powered garden tools, consider a new battery operated lawn tool. Thanks to improved battery technology, batteries are more powerful and last longer. If you have already invested in battery powered home workshop tools; the conversion to battery powered garden tools is that much more justifiable.

Major manufacturers have made significant investments in offering well made, long lasting battery powered tools and now with the price of fuel increasing, it might be the time to consider starting the conversion.

## NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION SUSTAINABLE AND RE-PURPOSING LIVING IDEAS:

### Reduce waste in your kitchen, bathroom, or living room

Fortunately, you don't have to do this all in one day. Start in your kitchen or bathroom and consider using reusable cups, utensils and other items.

### Make a list of plastic disposables to replace

Go around your house and write down all the plastic disposables you can start replacing with reusable items. Once you've finished, start replacing them one by one with reusable alternatives.

### Start and/or join a community garden (or your own)

### Consider composting and/or installing rain barrels at home

Adopt a highway: check with State or local municipalities for further information

Do volunteer work for the environment: The Earth Stewards of Palmer are always looking for new members. [earthstewardsofpalmer@gmail.com](mailto:earthstewardsofpalmer@gmail.com)

### Donate to environmentally friendly causes

These are just a few suggestions to consider. Implementing even just a few will greatly impact the environment, lessen the amount of trash going into our landfills and help keep your local community healthy and a more desirable place to live.

Wishing everyone a joyful holiday season and environmentally safe and sustainable new year.



## A Special Thank You

The annual Palmer Township Community Weekend event took place this year at Fairview Park from August 16-20, 2023. The community was able to experience gorgeous weather, talented entertainment, delicious food, fun games and rides, and an amazing fireworks show.

I would like to thank everyone who was involved in the success of this event. First, thank you to the Palmer Township Board of Supervisors for hosting Community Weekend, especially Jeffrey Young, who was heavily involved with the planning and execution of this event. Thank you to both Township Manager, Robert Williams, and Assistant Township Manager, Brenda DeGerolamo, for your support and encouragement. I am so thankful for the support of all of the Palmer Township Municipal Building staff, especially Karen Celia acting as Assistant Coordinator this year, and to those who volunteered at the event: Karen Celia, Justine Caiazzo-Strouse, Paige Strasko, Kent Baird, and Craig Beavers.

Thank you to the Palmer Township Police Department, Palmer Municipal Fire Department, and Suburban EMS for keeping the event a safe place for our families and friends to enjoy themselves and for their participation in the Touch-a-Truck and K9 Demo. A special thank you goes out to the Palmer Township Public Works, Parks & Utilities Departments, especially to David Rapp and William Hunara. This event is a huge undertaking and this department works hard behind-the-scenes before, during, and after the event performing a million tasks to keep everything running smoothly. I thank each and every one of you for your support, dedication, and hard work this year.

Rebecca Frederickson

Palmer Township Community Weekend Coordinator

***We would like to take this opportunity to thank our 2023 Palmer Township Community Weekend Sponsors. This event would not have been possible without your generous support.***

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## PALMER TOWNSHIP BUSINESS, INDUSTRIAL AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION NEWS

At the July 26th BIP General Membership Luncheon they presented 2023 BIP Scholarships to Ashley Cohen and Jake Fulmer.

Ashley was a member of the Easton Area High School Marching Band, was a varsity track and field athlete and was involved in the musical theatre as part of the stage crew. She volunteered for several organizations and played in many pep bands within the community. She is attending the University of Connecticut.

Jake was a member of the National Honor Society, Palmer Kiwanis Key Club, Easton baseball and golf teams. Jake volunteered for the City of Easton First Tee Golf Camp and the Miracle League of Northampton County as a Buddy. Jake is attending West Virginia University.



*Jake Fulmer & BIP President Jeff Young*



*BIP President Jeff Young and Ashley Cohen*

Speakers at the luncheon were George White and Bruce Hulshizer from Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc. (HRG). HRG is an engineering firm hired by Palmer Township to provide professional engineering services related to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's mandated MS4 program requirements. MS4 (municipal separate storm sewer systems) is a Federal and State mandated program to address managing discharges into the waters of the Commonwealth by implementing proper stormwater control measures and best management practices (BMP's).



*George White*

On August 19th, the BIP held its 12th Annual Palmer 5K beginning and finishing at Fairview Park. This event takes place every Saturday morning of Palmer Community Weekend. This year there were 231 registered participants. Each year this event raises funds that are donated to the Miracle League of Northampton County. The 2023 donation will be announced and presented to the Miracle League at the BIP's 46th Annual BIP Civic Trust Awards Banquet, November 2, 2023, at Elpedio Ristorante at the Seipsville Inn.



The BIP also sponsors a booth during Movie Night and Community Weekend and hands out free popcorn to attendees. This year we handed out 2,200 bags of popcorn. Thank you to our sponsor, The Charles Chrin Companies, who sponsors our annual popcorn tent.



*Bob Lammi and Brenda DeGerolamo*

### WELCOME TO OUR NEW BIP MEMBERS:

*The BIP would also like to welcome our newest members:*

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Becoming an EMT has never been easier, and the best part is that you can earn while you learn. Suburban EMS is offering a PA Bureau of EMS-approved EMT-Basic Certification Course. Train for a rewarding Prehospital Emergency Medical Services career and get paid while you earn your certification.

We offer Competitive Salaries, Vacation, Sick Time, Medical, Dental, Vision Insurance, 401k Retirement plans, and other benefits. For more information about our program please email [rbruce@suburbanems.org](mailto:rbruce@suburbanems.org).

### CLASS DATES FOR 2024:

**Winter – January 8th- February 29th**

**Spring April 1st to May 23rd**

**Summer June 24th to August 15th**

**Fall September 30th to November 21st**

## EMPLOYMENT:

Here at Suburban EMS, we always look for quality Paramedics, EMTs, Dispatchers, and Volunteers to enhance our workforce. If you want to become part of a winning team and work in a rewarding field, contact us to learn more.



### STARTING PAY RATES:

**EMT: \$18/hr**

**Advanced EMT: \$22/hr**

**Medic: \$26/hr**

**Dispatch: \$20/hr**

**Wheelchair driver: \$15.25/hr**

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Suburban EMS follows a strict policy that we do not discriminate in providing services and care to the patients we serve, or in the terms and conditions of employment or membership for our staff. We will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex, age, disability, political belief, military service, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other protected class. It is at all times, the intent of Suburban EMS to comply with State Human Relations Act provisions and all federal discrimination and employment laws.

## PALMER TOWNSHIP PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

### DID YOU KNOW THAT THANKSGIVING IS ONE OF THE BUSIEST FOR SEWER BLOCKAGES & BACKUPS?

We are excited to announce Palmer Township was awarded grant funding to support new projects along the Bushkill Creek and the 9/11 Trail. In the Fall of 2022 and the winter of 2023 our Board of Supervisors asked the Planning, Parks & Recreation, Public Services and Public Works departments to identify projects most in need of grant funding. Topping the list were projects that could improve the quality of the Bushkill Creek, the use and enjoyment of its parks, and the condition of the Palmer Bikeway/Two Rivers Trail now host to the September 11th National Memorial Trail.

Bushkill Creek is one of our most important creeks because it has a state-wide designation of 'Cold Water Fishes' stream and if cared for properly can host native brook trout. Its watershed is one of the largest of 19 watersheds in Northampton and spans nearly 80 square miles of land and collects rainwater from six boroughs and eight townships. In Palmer, it runs along the eastern border of the township and at times is edged by thin wooded riparian buffers, parks, trails, homes, and some historic mills and factories, one of which is the birthplace of Crayola Crayon. Planning and improvement of the Bushkill Creek corridor and the parks along the creek was identified as a top priority of the *2020 Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan: Tomorrow's Palmer, Sustaining the Legacy*.

Our first grant of \$75,000 comes from the Pennsylvania Local Share Account and will help fund the Mill Race Park and 9/11 Master Trail Plan. A volunteer committee, planners, and landscape architects will help residents reimagine the park use and make sure people of all abilities can access the park's amenities and especially the September 11th National Memorial Trail (9/11 Trail). We're proud to host an important segment of the 9/11 Trail and to honor those who perished in that terrible tragedy and who today use the trail from New York City to Central Pennsylvania and Washington to pay tribute.

Our second grant of \$75,000 comes from the Northampton County Livable Landscapes Program and will help fund the Bushkill Creek Greenway, Park, and Trail Master Plan. Another volunteer committee will work with planners, landscape architects, and specialists to study the creek and the entire corridor of open space, natural areas, parks, and trails along the Bushkill Creek from Tatamy Borough down to the Binney & Smith historic birthplace of the Crayola Crayon. When it's complete, the plan will help prioritize improvements throughout the entire Bushkill Creek corridor.

Please contact Kent Baird, Director of Planning, with any questions or how you can help support each project.



**CLEARANCE OF SNOW FROM PUBLIC SIDEWALKS**



Please remember that all snow, ice, or sleet shall be removed from all public sidewalks abutting your property within 12 hours after the snow has ceased to fall or accumulate thereon. This includes the accessibility ramps located at street intersections. Whenever it

may be impossible to remove all snow, sleet, or ice, which may have become compacted by travel or formed on sidewalks so as to present a slippery surface, ashes, cinders, sand or any other suitable substance shall be applied as to facilitate safe walking upon the sidewalks.

Palmer Township has enacted an ordinance prohibiting the depositing of snow by property owners, residents and any person(s) onto the surface of any roadway, street, highway and other areas within the township. There have been times throughout the winter season when snow has been thrown onto the roadway after plowing has been completed and thaws and refreezes as day and night temperatures fluctuate, thereby causing hazardous areas on the roadway for both vehicular and pedestrian traffic. This prohibition includes, but is not limited to, snowplowing, snow blowing, shoveling and dumping of any snow, ice or other frozen precipitation onto the roadway and other areas of the township.

§109-3(SS) - Depositing snow prohibited: No person shall throw, blow, shovel, plow, push, dump or by any other manner, deposit any snow, ice, slush or other form of frozen precipitation upon any state highway, township road, median, roadside shoulder and swale, intersection sight triangle, inlet, public sidewalk, fire

hydrant or privately owned property without the permission from the property owner. Exempted from these restrictions are state and municipal employees and other individuals contracted by said state or municipal governmental authorities expressly for the purpose of snow and ice removal and/or plowing.

**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)
- Re-roofing
- 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)
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# Charles Chrin Community Center News



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## Community Center Closings:

Veteran's Day – Friday, November 10th (Observed) • Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, November 24th  
Day after Thanksgiving Day – Friday, November 25th • Christmas Eve – Monday, December 25th (Christmas Eve Observed)  
Christmas Day – Tuesday, December 26th (Christmas Day Observed) • New Year's Day – Monday, January 1st  
Martin Luther King Jr Day – Monday, January 15th

## UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS:

- **Seniors Pinochle with a Twist:** Join us Tuesdays 12:30 – 4:00pm as we play double deck pinochle for fun with a few of our own special rules. No worries, the basics are all there, and we'll teach you the "twists". We prefer playing 4 handed, but divide the group as needed, so sometimes you might be playing 3, 5, or 6 handed. Don't worry if it's been awhile, or if you only played one way... we will teach you. Come share in the fun and laughter, it's a great way to spend an afternoon! Questions? Call or text Marj at 610-762-7843.
- **Greater Lehigh Valley Chapter of the American Sewing Guild:** 2nd Thursday of Each Month (No Meeting July and August) 10:00am-1:00pm
- **Penn Rose Quilt Club:** 1st Wednesday of Each Month, 10:00am
- **URW:** Meets third Tuesday of each month, 9:00am, no September or December meeting
- **Ambassador Club:** Meets every 3rd Monday of the month at 1:00 pm, no meetings in July, August, or December
- **Annual Turkey Burn:** Please join us and work off that turkey and pie on Sunday, November 26th, 10:30am – 12:00pm. Participants will get a mix of various exercises and styles. Cost is \$5 for walk-ins and free for Fit Pass holders.
- **Red Cross Blood Drive:** Friday, December 8th from 12:00pm to 7:00pm.
- **Palmer Holiday Fest/Annual Tree Lighting:** Saturday, December 9th at the Charles Chrin Community Center at 6:15pm. Please join us for holiday activities. We will also have a special visit from Santa and some of his friends. This is a free event, come enjoy the holiday spirit with your family and friends! Please "Like" us on Facebook for the full itinerary of events or check out our website.
- **Holiday Zumba Event:** Please join us Saturday December 16th from 10:00 – 11:30am for our Holiday extended Zumba class! Wear your best holiday gear and get ready to shake it to some holiday tunes! Cost is \$5 for Walk-ins and free for Fit Pass holders.



**PALMER HOLIDAY FEST/ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING**, Saturday, December 9th at the Charles Chrin Community Center at 6:15pm. Please join us for holiday activities. We will also have a special visit from Santa and some of his friends. This is a free event, come enjoy the holiday spirit with your family and friends! Please "Like" us on Facebook for the full itinerary of events or check out our website.





## 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, along with games and the parachute! Or if you have a child that is into sports, we can also incorporate it 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 also, 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. Monday-Friday times are flexible.

### PRICING

Basic-up to 20 Children..... \$275.00/Resident

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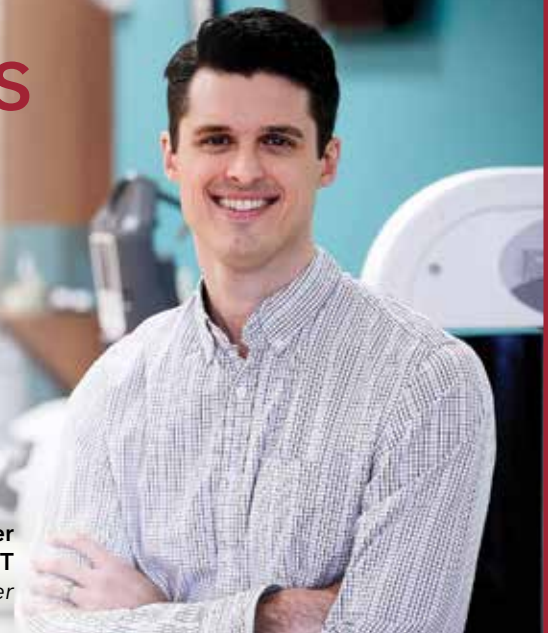
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## Fitness Class Schedule

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>Yoga</b> 9:30-10:20am Becky		<b>Yoga</b> 9:30-10:20am Becky		
	<b>Zumba</b> 10:30-11:20am August	<b>Zumba Toning</b> 10:30-11:20am August	<b>Zumba</b> 10:30-11:20am August	<b>Bootcamp</b> 10:30-11:20am August	<b>Zumba</b> 10:30-11:20am August	
<i>Silver Fitness Classes!</i>  See full schedule for more details.	<b>Zumba Gold</b> 1:00-1:45pm August Silver Class	<b>Silver Core Stretch</b> 1:00-1:45pm August Silver Class	<b>Zumba Gold Toning</b> 1:00-1:45pm August Silver Class	<b>Silver Bootcamp</b> 1:00-1:45pm August Silver Class	<b>Silver Yoga</b> 1:00-1:45pm Becky Silver Class	
	<b>Zumba</b> 7:00-7:50pm Lisa		<b>Zumba</b> 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 insurance. Contact your insurance provider to see if you are eligible.



\*Watch for upcoming special events throughout the year!

"Like" us on Facebook to stay connected with our up to date information including cancellations and class changes!

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## Silver Fitness Schedule



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

<b>Monday</b>	1:00pm-1:45pm	<b>Zumba Gold</b> August
<b>Tuesday</b>	1:00pm-1:45pm	<b>Silver Core Stretch</b> August
<b>Wednesday</b>	1:00pm-1:45pm	<b>Zumba Gold Toning</b> August
<b>Thursday</b>	1:00pm-1:45pm	<b>Silver Bootcamp</b> August
<b>Friday</b>	1:00pm-1:45pm	<b>Silver Yoga</b> 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, Active & Fit, Renew Active, Silver Sneakers, or Healthways.**

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**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.

## 2023 Jr. Panthers Winter Indoor Soccer With Coach Thom & Coach Angelina

*At the Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township*

Winter Indoor Session January 14th – March 17th, 9 weeks

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*(No class Superbowl Sunday 2/11)*

4 & 5 - Sundays 5:00-6:00pm

6 & 7 - Sundays 6:00-7:00pm

**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 & sneakers.
- Volunteer coaches are welcome and encouraged!



# Charles Chrin Community Center News



## DREAM ... BELIEVE ... DANCE

### Of Palmer Township Would Like To Welcome You!

With over 30 years of teaching experience, we take pride in our program and dancers. A variety of dance and tumble classes are available for ages 3 and up. We offer both recreational dance and competition classes.

**FALL SESSION DATES**

**Registration opens October 9 for our Fall 2 Session**

**Fall 2 11/6-12/22**  
No class week of Nov 20th.  
No class Nov 7th. Tuesday classes will have a 5-week session.

**Winter 1 1/8-2/19**  
No class week of 1/15/24  
2/19/24 class rescheduled for 2/26/24.

### 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

Our all-inclusive rate entitles dancers to take any or all classes for their age group/level. No additional discounts given. Private classes/workshops/special events excluded.

*We accept cash, check, ACH*

*If you have any questions, please email Miss Justine at [MissJustine@dreambelievedance.com](mailto:MissJustine@dreambelievedance.com)*

### Instructor approval required for all classes

#### PRIVATE CLASSES AVAILABLE

30 min.....\$10.00 plus Instructor fee  
45 min.....\$15.00 plus Instructor fee

*Please see Miss Justine for each instructor's fees.*



**PLEASE FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK AT:**

[www.facebook.com/missjustinesdanceclasses](http://www.facebook.com/missjustinesdanceclasses)

IG @dreambelievedanceofpalmer

**PLEASE REGISTER AT: [DANCESTUDIOPRO.COM/ONLINE/DBD](http://DANCESTUDIOPRO.COM/ONLINE/DBD)**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
5:15-6:15 Acro/Tumbling Level 2 Ages 6-10 Minimum requirements to join the class	5:10-5:40 Princess Pre-Ballet Ages 2.5-5 Little or No experience	5:15-5:45 Hip Hop Beginner Ages 5-10	5:15-6:00 Mini Comp Choreography Competition Team only
6:30- 7:15 Ballet Ages 10-teen or as approved	5:45-6:15 Tiny tumblers Level 1 Ages 3-6 Little or no experience	5:55-6:40 Basic Tumbling Ages 5-13	6:00- 6:30 Lyrical Ages 7-11
7:15-8:00 Musical Theatre/Jazz Ages 12- teen	6:20-7:05 Ballet, tap and tumble Level 2 Ages 5-8 Or approval with previous experience	Special Comp Practices/Private Classes	6:30-7:00 Jazz and Tap Ages 7-11
8:00-8:30 Comp Choreography Teen Teen Competition Team Only			7:00-7:30 Leaps, Turns and Tricks Teen or previous approval
			7:30-8:15 Lyrical Teen/Pre-Teen Intermediate




Private class rates available upon request

All information can be found by scanning this QR code







**PALMER COMMUNITY DAYS DANCE SCHOLARSHIP**

SHOUT OUT TO DREAM...BELIEVE...DANCE!!! OF CHARLES CHRIN COMMUNITY CENTER OF PALMER TOWNSHIP 2023 PALMER COMMUNITY DAYS SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS: KAILYN LAMBERT AND ABIGAIL SIMKO.

KAILYN LAMBERT LIGHTS UP THE STAGE, STUDIO, OR PALMER COMMUNITY DAYS WITH HER DANCING. HER ENERGY AND SMILE ARE CONTAGIOUS. KAILYN HAS BEEN TAKING CLASSES WITH DREAM... BELIEVE... DANCE!!! FOR APPROXIMATELY 4 YEARS. "FROM HER FIRST STEP, I KNEW THIS YOUNG LADY LOVES DANCING," SAID MISS JUSTINE OF DREAM...BELIEVE... DANCE!!! "SHE IS ONE OF THOSE DANCERS WHO LOSES HERSELF IN THE MUSIC. EVERY STEP SHE TAKES IS ALWAYS FULL OUT AND ALWAYS A PERFORMANCE."

KAILYN'S ENERGY AND SMILE IS NOT JUST FOR DANCING BUT FOR HER FELLOW DANCERS. SHE IS KIND AND SUPPORTIVE OF HER TEAMMATES AND CLASSMATES, AND SHE NEVER BACKS DOWN FROM A CHALLENGE.

ABIGAIL SIMKO HAS BEEN DANCING FOR DREAM...BELIEVE... DANCE FOR 11 YEARS. ABBY SIMKO PROGRESSED FROM TAKING ONE CLASS A WEEK TO BEING A TOP SCORING MEMBER OF OUR COMPETITION TEAM, AN ASSISTANT TEACHER, AND MOST RECENTLY GETTING HER OWN CLASSES TO TEACH. "THERE IS NOTHING THIS YOUNG LADY CANNOT DO," SAID MISS JUSTINE. "IF THERE IS A CHALLENGING STEP, GIVE ABBY A WEEK AND SHE WILL GET IT."

ABBY IS A TALENTED DANCER, BUT SHE IS ALSO A GREAT TEACHER. SHE HAS A WAY WITH THE LITTLE KIDS. WHEN THE LITTLE ONES ARE NERVOUS TO LEAVE THEIR MOM, OR HAVE HAD BAD DAY, ABBY IS GREAT AT EASING THEM INTO CLASS. CONGRATS ABBY AND KAILYN! YOUR AWARD IS WELL DESERVED! THANK YOU, PALMER COMMUNITY DAYS, FOR SUPPORTING THE PERFORMING ARTS IN OUR COMMUNITY!

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2023**

\$5 WALK-IN  
FREE FOR FIT PASS MEMBERS

*Join AUGUST and LISA for 1 1/2 hours of non-stop holiday cheer. Come in your favorite holiday gear; ready to shake it to some holiday tunes! Come celebrate with us and make it worth every Christmas cookie in your future!!!*

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**10:00 - 11:30AM**





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## CCCC AFTER SCHOOL CLUB: A DROP-IN PROGRAM



*The Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township is not a day care and provides no day-care as part of our programming.*

*The After School Club at The Charles Chrin Community Center is a drop-in school age program available to students in Kindergarten through grade 6th. Drop-in hours are between 3:00 PM and 6:00 PM. The following activities will be provided:*

**\* HOMEWORK SUPPORT:**

Staff will be available to assist with homework on a daily basis.

**\*ART AND CRAFTS:**

Staff will coordinate projects to enhance creativity through exploration and expression of their own artistic themes and ideas.

Membership Fee: \$100.00  
CCCC After School Club Rate:  
\$15.00/Day. Register at  
<https://programs.campbrainregistration.com/>

**\* SPANISH LANGUAGE:**

Bi-lingual staff will introduce new words and phrases in creative ways, enhancing the development of problem-solving skills and exposure to different cultures.

**\* SPORTS AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES:**

Staff will coordinate and encourage physical activity by offering structured and informal play opportunities in our gymnasium.

## Amazing Athletes® Educational Sports Programs

Amazing Athletes is the premier multi-sport program for children ages 2-6 years old! We teach the basic fundamentals of 10 different sports in a fun, non-competitive environment where every kid can learn at their own pace! Text 908-291-2307 or email [gcarmona@amazingathletes.com](mailto:gcarmona@amazingathletes.com) to set up a free trial class at any time! Classes running year round, see website for exact days and time slots for your age group!

**To register, go to the following website:  
[www.amazingathletes.com/lehighvalley](http://www.amazingathletes.com/lehighvalley)**

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

*At Amazing Athletes, we empower children by using sports as a catalyst to engage their inner strengths and abilities so they can confidently pursue an active lifestyle through each stage of development.*





## Learn to Play... or Improve your Current Game

Fall Pickleball Lessons are Available  
at the Charles Chrin Community Center

Beginner Classes - Wednesdays - 11:00am - 1:00pm

(includes: First Hour Instruction & Second Hour Instructional Game Play)

Winter Session 1: January 10th - January 31st  
Winter Session 2: February 7th - February 28th

Intermediate Classes - Wednesdays - 9:00am - 11:00am

Winter Session 1: January 10th - January 31st  
Winter Session 2: February 7th - February 28th

Minimum of 4 people to run session but will take up to 8 people...  
Register early at the Charles Chrin Community Center and make payment.

Any questions, please call 610-252-2098

**\$80 (per 4 week session)**



## Come & Play... PICKLEBALL



### Never heard of Pickleball?

Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the United States. Popular with all ages, it is played with 2 or 4 people on a court about 1/2 the size of a tennis court. Some people say it's like a hybrid of tennis and ping-pong. You play with a Pickleball paddle and a special type of whiffle ball.

Sessions: 9:30am, 10:45am, 12:00pm, 1:15pm  
Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays

**MUST PRE-REGISTER VIA SIGN-UP GENIUS:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d48aba622a7f4c70-indoor1>

- One Hour Court Time (no walk-ins accepted)

### Payment Options:

- Palmer Residents - \$20.00 per hour court time. ID necessary for resident rate.
- Non-Residents - \$30.00 per hour court time
- Cash, check, and credit card will be accepted. Payment must be made at the front desk before playing.
- Insurance will no longer be accepted.



The Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township  
4100 Green Pond Road Palmer, PA 18045 Ph. 610-252-2098



Kindermusik

## Fall Kindermusik 2023

Session 1: January 9th – January 30th (Makeup Date February 6th)

Session 2: February 13th – March 5th (Makeup Date March 12th)

10:00am class ages 0 to 2

11:00am class ages 2 to 4

**Cost \$80.00 per 4 weeks session**

Please register in person at  
The Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township.

[singmove1@gmail.com](mailto:singmove1@gmail.com)

[www.singmove.com](http://www.singmove.com)



# FUN PLACE TO PLAY AND BE SOCIAL!

Tumble Time!  
w/ Amazing Athletes

- Tumble Time is held weekly at Charles Chrin Community Center every Monday and Thursday. Time slots are 9:30am to 10:15am and 10:30am to 11:15am. NO SHOES on the mats.
- Cost is \$10.00 cash, paid at the front desk each week, or you can pay \$90.00 for a 10 visit punch card! Unstructured class where kids can roam free and explore, play and meet friends!
- Soft play, trampoline, balance beams, toys, balls, music and bubbles every class!
- Sports equipment for parents and children to play with at their own leisure (soccer balls/nets, footballs and basketballs)
- Children up to age 5 are permitted, although most equipment is best suited for 3.5 and under. Older children we recommend join our Amazing Athletes or Soccer Stars program!

thank you

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## DRUMMERS wanted!

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**ANNUAL TURKEY BURN**

AT THE CHARLES CHRIN COMMUNITY CENTER  
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**Sunday, November 26th, 2023**  
**10:30AM - 12:00PM**

**\$5.00 for Walk-ins & Free to Fit Pass Members**

Please join LISA and work off that turkey and extra slice of pie! Participants will get a mixed & extended workout of Zumba, Zumba Toning, and STRONG.

**COME AND FEEL YOUR BEST!**



**COMMUNITY YARD SALE/  
VENDOR FAIR**

**SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2023**

THE CHARLES CHRIN COMMUNITY CENTER OF PALMER TOWNSHIP WILL HOST THE FIRST EVER COMMUNITY YARD SALE/VENDOR FAIR.

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DETAILS TO FOLLOW.



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