

WEST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP

"Between the Brandywines"

TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER PUBLISHED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

A Note from the Township Manager

Justin Yaich

If you have driven around West Bradford Township in the past year, there is no doubt you took notice of some of the large scale development projects taking place. Hopefully, if you drive Strasburg Road, you are becoming accustomed to the new roundabout. With the urban sprawl cutting its path into West Bradford, it makes one think, "are we doing enough to protect the attributes of West Bradford that continue to make us unique"? Over the past 40 years, West Bradford has invested great time in planning and land use in an effort to allow development in a way that preserved the rural characteristics of the area.

Noting that all aspects of life have room for improvement, the Township recognizes that we must now take additional steps to ensure that we preserve the same characteristics that make West Bradford a powerful draw of the urban sprawl.

The Board of Supervisors of West Bradford have embarked on a new course of land preservation and environmental sustainability. Resolution 17-04 was the first step in establishing an environmental sustainability and land preservation committee. The new committee shall be strictly advisory and charged with the task of land preservation, tree planting along streams, educational programs, and trail improvements.

In addition to the new committee, the Township will explore placing a referendum on the general election ballot which will authorize a nominal increase in earned income tax to be strictly dedicated to the acquisition of open space through land purchases, easements, and other cooperative efforts between land owners, county, and state government.

As we embark on this new initiative, we welcome your input and seek your support. Together, we can ensure that the next generation is able to experience the beauty of West Bradford, just as the generations before us have.



Wednesday is Holiday Collection Day

If a regularly-scheduled refuse, recycling or large item collection day falls on a holiday, collection for that day will be rescheduled for the Wednesday of the holiday week.

FOR THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAY:	COLLECTION WILL OCCUR ON:
Monday, May 29 (Memorial Day)	Wednesday, May 31

A Reminder: Per Township Ordinance, please do not put your recyclable toter out on refuse day, or your refuse toter out on recyclable day. Do not put trash in your recyclables or recyclables in your trash. The Township thanks you for your cooperation!

Land Development Update

The following projects are now under land development review:

- Mayfair: A 112 townhome subdivision at Boulder Drive which received preliminary approval and is now under final review.
- B. Ross Capps/Krapf Subdivision: A 2 lot subdivision at 205 N. Wawaset Road.
- Donnon: A 3 lot subdivision at 1501 Glenside Road.

The following projects are among those approved in recent years; construction has not yet begun:

- Armstrong Engineers: A 10,000 sf office building at 1845 West Strasburg Road.
- Tattersall Phase II: A 27 single-family home subdivision on to-be-constructed Silverbark Lane, a cul-de-sac street with access onto Tattersall Way.
- Chidester: 2 Lots at 1233 Cranberry Lane

The following projects are now under construction:

- Bright Glade Farm: A 37 single-family home subdivision at Glenside Road.
- Buck Hill Farm: A 129 single-family home subdivision at Chestnut Lane.
- Hirst: A three single-family home subdivision at Marshallton Thorndale Road and Telegraph Road.
- Marshallton Walk: A one single-family home and 12 twin home subdivision at 1440 West Strasburg Road.
- Stargazer Village at Romansville: A 95 single-family home and 39 townhome subdivision at the intersection of Stargazer Road and West Strasburg Road.

All project plans are available for public review at the Township Building, Monday to Friday, 7:00am to 4:30pm.

What You Can Do to Prevent Stormwater Pollution

- Keep litter, pet waste, leaves and debris out of street gutters and storm drains—these outlets drain directly to lakes, streams, rivers and wetlands.
- Dispose of used oil, antifreeze, paints and other household chemicals properly—not in storm sewers or drains.
- Clean up spilled brake fluid, oil, grease and antifreeze. Do not hose them into the street where they can eventually reach local streams and lakes.
- Control soil erosion on your property by planting ground cover and stabilizing erosion-prone areas.
- Wash your car on the grass or gravel driveway to minimize runoff.
- Apply lawn and garden chemicals sparingly and according to directions.
- Purchase household detergents and cleaners that are low in phosphorous to reduce the amount of nutrients discharged into our lakes, streams and coastal waters.
- Have your septic system inspected and pumped, at a minimum every one to three years, so that it operates properly.
- Limit paved surfaces. Impervious surfaces such as sidewalks, parking lots, roads, and driveways prevent water from percolating down into the ground, cause runoff to accumulate, and funnel into storm drains at high speeds. Use alternative surfaces such as gravel and porous pavement for improvement projects.



This Watershed Protection Tip is part of West Bradford Township's ongoing efforts to provide public education on stormwater management and the protection of our environment.

Supervisors Elect Blair Chairman in 2017

In keeping with the long-standing tradition of rotating the Chairmanship of the Board of Supervisors, Supervisor Mark J. Blair was elected Chairman for 2017.

Mr. Blair began his service to the Township as a Planning Commission member in 1990 and was appointed to the position of Township Supervisor in March of 1992. He looks forward to continuing the Township's conservative fiscal policies, and to keeping our community a wonderful place in which to live.

Mr. Blair has lived in West Bradford Township for nearly 35 years. He and his wife Nancy are both retired and have two grown children, Aaron and Rachel.



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We welcome your input and suggestions!
Feel free to call, fax, e-mail, or drop by anytime.
We are open Monday–Friday, 7:00am–4:30pm.
Phone lines open at 7:30am.

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Save the Date

Free Paper Shred & E-Waste Recycling Event Saturday, April 8, 2017

In cooperation with area municipalities, West Bradford Township will host a paper shred and e-waste recycling event on Saturday, April 8th from 9am to noon in the parking lot of the Thorndale K-Mart. The service is free for all Township residents. Commercial waste will not be accepted.

- Document shredding: Limited to four file-size boxes per resident.
- E-waste: Computers, LCD monitors, laptops, printers, open toner cartridges, wire, cables & AC adapters; flat screen & plasma TVs; cell phones, ipods, digital cameras, DVD & VCR players. **There will be a fee for CRT (tube-type) TVs & Computer Monitors and LCD TVs of \$20 to \$40 depending on size.**

A special thanks to DNB First, Wiggins Shredding and TBS Industries for sponsoring this event!



For more information, call 610-269-4174 or visit westbradford.org.

Chester County Parks Upcoming Special Events

For more information, please visit www.chesco.org/ccparks

Sheep and Wool Day
Saturday, April 29 from 11am–3pm
Springton Manor Farm

Community and Trails Celebration
Saturday, June 3 from 4–8pm
Exton Park Site/ Chester Valley Trail

2017 Marshallton Triathlon Sunday, October 1, 2017



Registration will open for the 44th Triathlon on April 1, 2017. This year's triathlon event will be held on Sunday, October 1, 2017. Register early during the months of April and May and take advantage of the promotional rate of \$40.00! Registration costs will be \$45.00 during the months of June and July and \$50.00 thereafter. A Marshallton Triathlon t-shirt is included as part of each registration package. The Triathlon is proud to benefit the West Bradford Fire Company and the Marshallton Conservation Trust. For more info on and registration, please visit marshalltontriathlon.net.



Marshallton Memorial Day Parade

The 2017 Marshallton Memorial Day Parade and activities will be held on Sunday, May 28, 2017 beginning at 1:30pm. This great community event honors the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our nation. The Marshallton Memorial Day Parade is proudly sponsored by the Marshallton Conservation Trust. For more details on the parade and registration information for the bicycle contest, please visit marshalltonconservationtrust.org.

Town Tours & Village Walks Thursday, June 29, 2017

The West Bradford Township Historical Commission invites you to enjoy an annual tradition with a new twist this summer. This year's Chester County Town Tours and Village Walks theme is the 240th anniversary of the Campaign of 1777 and the Battle of the Brandywine. West Bradford's village walk will highlight multiple stops focusing on Trimbleville and Trimble's Ford, where British troops marched through our area. Tours start at 5:30pm, with the last tour leaving at 7pm. This special tour will focus on the archaeological interpretation of the landscape and is co-hosted by West Bradford's Historical Commission, Pocopson Historical Committee, and the Friends of Martin's Tavern. Check the Township website in June for parking info and other details.



Recycling Statistics

Since the start of single-stream recycling in 2010, West Bradford residents have recycled increasing amounts of materials. Recycling greatly reduces the amount of refuse required to be disposed at the landfill, for a substantial savings to our community. During 2016, the Township paid \$63 for each ton of refuse dumped at the landfill. This fee will go up to \$65 per ton for 2017.



In the fourth quarter of 2016 the Township collected 417.07 tons of recyclables, saving us \$26,275.41 in landfill fees by recycling! In this quarter, approximately 30.1% of that collected at the curbside was recyclables.

With your help, we'll reach our goal of 35% recycling. Thank you and keep recycling!

CRT/Tube Television Recycling

Need to get rid of those big, clunky tube televisions? Lanchester Landfill will accept up to three TVs (including the newer flat screen models) per household from Chester County residents through 12/1/17. Please visit chestercountyswa.org for more info and other accepted items.



West Bradford Township will offer curbside collection of leaves, sticks and brush on three Wednesdays this Spring; March 29, April 12 and May 17. This convenient service is available to West Bradford residents at no cost, as yard waste in toters is not permitted. Repeat offenders who put yard waste in their toters will be fined. Leaves must be placed in biodegradable collection bags which may be purchased at the Township Building (\$0.50/bag), or at local hardware stores. Please do not mix

sticks in with the leaves. Place them in separate bags or bundle them together. Do not staple bags shut. All brush must be tied with biodegradable twine (such as cotton or hemp) into manageable bundles no longer than four feet. Please note branches thicker than four inches cannot be collected. Collection is by appointment only! To ensure your spot on our list, please contact the Township at 610-269-4174 or pmurdoch@westbradford.org by 2pm the day before your preferred collection day.

West Bradford Compost Site *Come See All the Changes!*



Grass Clippings

Before you visit the Compost Site, please check westbradford.org. If you see a green light (to the right), the DEP has allowed us to accept grass clippings! (West Bradford and East Bradford only—no contractors working on their behalf.) Grass clippings must be placed in biodegradable paper bags, or delivered “loose,” such as in the back of a pick-up truck. Proof of residency (i.e., a driver’s license) is required. As always, leaves and brush are accepted.





Fire Company

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Auxiliary's Annual Community Yard Sale

De-clutter your home and help support our community's all-volunteer fire company. On Saturday, May 13 from 8am to 2pm, the West Bradford Fire Company Auxiliary will host a community yard sale at the Substation located at Marshallton-Thorndale & Poorhouse Roads.

Items may be dropped off at the Substation every Thursday night, from April 20 to May 11, from 6:30pm to 8pm.

Items needed are:

- furniture (indoor & outdoor)
- toys & books
- electronics
- tools & equipment
- antiques & jewelry
- sports equipment
- household items

Sorry, but some items—such as mattresses, large appliances, building products and damaged items—can't be accepted.

For a complete list of unacceptable items visit wbfc.org.

Spaces for residents and retail vendors will also be available from \$10 to \$20. For vendor information or to make special donation arrangements please e-mail westbradfordyardsale@gmail.com.

Mother's Day Flower Sale Fundraiser

The West Bradford Fire Company is sponsoring a Mother's Day Flower Sale fundraiser at the West Bradford Fire Company Substation located at Marshallton-Thorndale & Poorhouse Roads. Beautiful bouquets, hanging baskets and flats will be available on Saturday, May 13 and on Sunday, May 14, from 9am to 3pm on each day. What a great way to thank Mom and our community's Volunteer Firefighters for all that they do for us!



Fighting to Protect Us

WBFC is looking for residents to join and help keep our Township safe. Contact them at (610) 696-8409 or stop by the Main Station (1305 W. Strasburg Rd) or the Sub Station (1387 Campus Dr.) on any Thursday evening. Too busy to help? Mail checks payable to the West Bradford Fire Company to 1305 West Strasburg Rd, West Chester, PA 19382. Thank you!



West Bradford Township 2017 Road Program

This spring and summer West Bradford Township will continue implementation of its twenty-year road program. This program is designed to maximize the useful life of infrastructure through an aggressive maintenance plan and appropriately scheduled capital improvements. The program allows the Township to maintain nearly 75 miles of roads in good condition.

The maintenance plan includes pothole repair, street sweeping, roadside brush trimming, road crack sealing and patch milling. The capital plan includes the replacement of culverts and storm water pipes and the resurfacing and reconstruction of roads.

On average, the Township resurfaces and/or reconstructs between three and seven miles of roadways each year.

The number of roads treated depends on many factors, including the extent of repairs needed, the cost of materials and the damage done during the winter months. As such, road projects are often subject to change... but as of this time the projects proposed in 2017 include work on the following:

- Adams Drive,
- Farnham Lane,
- Hemlock Circle,
- Ithan Circle,
- Carlisle Lane,
- Gallagherville Road,
- Piedmont Drive,
- Crestmont Drive,
- Romig Road

Motorists using the above-noted roads may experience delays during construction. Residents on these roads will receive a written notice from the Township before any work begins.

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Movies in the Park
 Our movie system includes a massive 16x9 inflatable movie screen, a booming sound system and an amazing projection unit.
 Join us this summer!

Park AND Recreation

Great family events are coming this spring and summer!
 Check them out!

Sunday, May 21, Noon to 4pm
 West Bradford Day
 Broad Run Park
 Our biggest event of the year!
 More details on page 1

Sunday, May 28, 1:30pm
 Memorial Day Parade
 Village of Marshallton
 More details on page 3 or visit
marshalltonconservationtrust.org

Thursday Night in the Parks!

Enjoy “Ice Cream at the Movies” under the stars at Broad Run Park from June through August. \$1 ice cream offered at every movie! All movies are rated PG.

June 15, 8pm
 “Epic”

June 22, 8pm
 “How to Train Your Dragon 2”

June 29, 8pm
 “Alvin & The Chipmunks: The Road Chip”

Enjoy fun-filled Kids Nights at Shadyside Park!

July 6, 6:30pm **July 20, 6:30pm**
 Balloons and Magic with Jim Beck Juggling and Comedy with Al Grout

Visit westbradford.org for more July and August dates, events and weather-related cancellations.



Special Needs Swing
 Watch for this special needs swing to be placed at Shadyside Park in the Tot Lot playground this spring.

2017 State Police Camp Cadet

Camp runs from August 13–18, 2017



The Pennsylvania State Police are proud to offer “Camp Cadet,” a free, week-long overnight camp for boys & girls at least 11 and not yet 14 by the first day of camp. The camp promotes a positive relationship between law enforcement officials and young persons. Camp counselors and instructors are PA State Troopers, municipal police officers and deputy sheriffs. Throughout an action-packed week filled with hands-on activities the Cadets learn teamwork and good decision-making. Modeling camp life after the State Police Academy, it is designed to strengthen Cadets’ self-discipline, self-esteem and respect for the community. Camp Cadet is open to all Chester County residents...free of charge! The Camp is funded by donations from charitable foundations, area businesses, local governments and the public. Visit cccampcadet.org to register by May 13.

West Bradford 10 and Under Tennis Program

The Philadelphia Area Team Tennis Association is offering an affordable team tennis program at Broad Run Park for two age groups and experience levels! The Red Division is open to boys and girls ages five to eight who are at the beginner level. The Orange Division is for children nine and ten (and very experienced eight year-olds). There are limited spots available and registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis, so please register asap. The program runs from April 22 through June 10. The fee for West Bradford residents is \$72 per player, and includes a uniform, award and end-of-season party. The non-resident fee is \$85. For more information visit phillyteamtennis.org/localspring, or contact Justin DePietropaolo at (610) 450-4816, or justin@phillyteamtennis.org.

Downingtown Library

Visit downingtownlibrary.org for information on many monthly programs including book clubs, writing groups, Film Forum, Paws for Reading, Lego Club and American Girl Club. Stay up to date on everything that is happening at the library!

Ongoing Library Programs

- Year of Beer,
- Craft Maker Space
- other kid & adult programs
- Story Times. Raise a Reader (Birth to 2 Years Old and Toddler classes)

Save These Dates!

April 22, 8am

Annual Readers on the Run

5K Run/1 Mile Walk & 100 Yard Kid's Dash to benefit the Library. Cash prizes.

Register at runtheday.com

July 31

Golf Outing at Whitford Country Club

In benefit of the library

122 Wallace Avenue
Downingtown, PA 19335
(610) 269-2741



Downingtown Area Recreation Consortium

Be on the lookout for the Downingtown Area Recreation Consortium's spring brochure, to be mailed in mid-March. Here are some of the great programs being offered this season:

- Aquatics Programs
- Online Education, Financial Management
- Crochet, Digital Photography, Dance, Yoga Classes
- Medicare & Social Security Workshops
- Health & Fitness, First Aid & CPR
- Adult Softball, Basketball & Corn Hole League
- After School Drawing & Cartooning, Bricks4Kidz LEGO®
- Youth Sports Programs (basketball, soccer, t-ball, ice skating & ice hockey)

Entertainment Books Available Now for \$30:

Valid through Nov 1! Full of great values for use at establishments in Chester, Montgomery and Delaware Counties, as well as Philadelphia. Great gift idea!

Bus Trips: New York City on Your Own (March 18 or May 20, \$46 pp); 9/11 Memorial Museum and Statue of Liberty (March 25, \$137 pp); West Point Military Academy & The Hudson Valley (May 20, \$142 pp). All trips require pre-registration!

Full-Day Camps, Teen Camps, Half-Day Playground Camps: Registration is under way for Full-Day and Teen Camps, Half-Day Camp registration will begin in late March. Summer Camp Counselor job applications are due on March 3.

Discounted Movie Tickets: Catch the latest movies and save! Regal Entertainment Group Tickets are \$9.50 each (honored at Regal Cinemas, United Artists Theatres and Edwards Theatres). Movie Tavern in Exton tickets are \$9.00 each. (Cash only please on all movie tickets!)

For more information on these and other DARC programs visit darcinfo.com, call 610-269-9260 or email darc@kennett.net.



West Bradford Youth Athletics

WBVA is a non-profit, volunteer organization that provides year-round sport programs for children in Chester County. WBVA strives to promote knowledge of the game, good sportsmanship and physical skills needed to play the game. Check out wbya.org for upcoming events, sport programs and registration.



A Thank You from Boy Scout Troop 52

Boy Scout Troop 52 and the Venturing Crew of Marshallton give a big thank you to those residents who used the holiday tree collection program this past season, as well as Irish Greens Landscaping for their generous assistance. A total of 454 trees were collected and delivered to the West Bradford Township Compost Site! All donations received support the Scouts' many community projects and training programs.

2017 Chester County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events

All collection events start at 9:00am and end at 3:00pm. Electronics are NOT accepted. Residential use only. Please visit chestercountyswa.org for event dates and locations, and to review a list of acceptable materials.

SPRING 2017 MUNICIPAL CALENDAR

March 2017

MARK YOUR ITEMS OF INTEREST IN THE BOX TO THE LEFT

7	Planning Commission Meeting	8:00pm
14	Board of Supervisors Meeting	8:00pm
16	Historical Commission Meeting	7:30pm
20	Recreation Commission Meeting	7:00pm
21	Planning Commission Meeting (if needed)	8:00pm
27	Large Item Collection: Monday Refuse Customers	
28	Large Item Collection: Tuesday Refuse Customers	
28	Board of Supervisors Meeting (if needed)	8:00pm
29	 Curbside Leaf/Yard Waste Collection. Must schedule at 610-269-4174 or pmurdoch@westbradford.org.	
30	Large Item Collection: Thursday Refuse Customers	
31	Large Item Collection: Friday Refuse Customers	

April 2017

MARK YOUR ITEMS OF INTEREST IN THE BOX TO THE LEFT

4	Planning Commission Meeting	8:00pm
8	 Paper Shred & E-Waste Recycle Event at Thorndale K-Mart	9:00am–Noon
11	Board of Supervisors Meeting	8:00pm
12	 Curbside Leaf/Yard Waste Collection. Must schedule at 610-269-4174 or pmurdoch@westbradford.org.	
17	Recreation Commission Meeting	7:00pm
18	Planning Commission Meeting (if needed)	8:00pm
20	Historical Commission Meeting	7:30pm
24	Large Item Collection: Monday Refuse Customers	
25	Large Item Collection: Tuesday Refuse Customers	
25	Board of Supervisors Meeting (if needed)	8:00pm
27	Large Item Collection: Thursday Refuse Customers	
28	Large Item Collection: Friday Refuse Customers	

May 2017

MARK YOUR ITEMS OF INTEREST IN THE BOX TO THE LEFT

2	Planning Commission Meeting	8:00pm
9	Board of Supervisors Meeting	8:00pm
13	WBFC Vendor/Community Yard Sale at the Substation, Poorhouse & Marshallton-Thorndale Roads (wbfc.org)	8:00am–2:00pm
13-14	WBFC Flower Sale at the Substation, Poorhouse & Marshallton-Thorndale Roads (wbfc.org)	9:00am–3:00pm
15	Planning Commission Meeting (if needed)	8:00pm
16	Primary Election Day: Regularly scheduled Refuse/Recycling Collection	Office Closed
17	 Curbside Leaf/Yard Waste Collection. Must schedule at 610-269-4174 or pmurdoch@westbradford.org.	
18	Historical Commission Meeting	7:30pm
21	West Bradford Day at Broad Run Park	Noon–4:00pm
22	Recreation Commission Meeting	7:00pm
23	Board of Supervisors Meeting (if needed)	8:00pm
25	Large Item Collection: Thursday Refuse Customers	
26	Large Item Collection: Friday Refuse Customers	
28	Marshallton Memorial Day Parade	1:30pm
29	Memorial Day Holiday: No Refuse/Large Item or Recycle Collection. Collection will be on Wednesday, May 31.	Office Closed
30	Large Item Collection: Tuesday Refuse Customers	
31	Special Refuse/Large Item - Recycling Collection for Monday Customers	

June 2017

MARK YOUR ITEMS OF INTEREST IN THE BOX TO THE LEFT

6	Planning Commission Meeting	8:00pm
13	Board of Supervisors Meeting	8:00pm
15	Historical Commission Meeting	7:30pm
15	Broad Run Park Ice Cream at the Movies "Epic" (PG)	8:00pm
19	Recreation Commission Meeting	7:00pm
20	Planning Commission Meeting (if needed)	8:00pm
22	Broad Run Park Ice Cream at the Movies "How to Train Your Dragon 2" (PG)	8:00pm
26	Large Item Collection: Monday Refuse Customers	
27	Large Item Collection: Tuesday Refuse Customers	
27	Board of Supervisors Meeting (if needed)	8:00pm
29	Large Item Collection: Thursday Refuse Customers	
29	Town Tours & Village Walks – Trimbleville	5:30pm
29	Broad Run Park Ice Cream at the Movies "Alvin & The Chipmunks: The Road Chip" (PG)	8:00pm
30	Large Item Collection: Friday Refuse Customers	

VISIT WESTBRADFORD.ORG FOR REVISED DATES AND DETAILS