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SUMMER 2017

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Always call 911 in an emergency

Moon Township Police Department
412.262.5000
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412.262.5004 (non-emergency only)
Moon Parks and Recreation
412.262.1703
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Moon Township Municipal Authority
412.264.4300
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412.269.0334
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412.299.7446
Earned Income Tax Collector: Jordan Tax Service
724.731.2300

Moon Township welcomes feedback on the Moon Township Messenger at moontwp@moontwp.com or call 412.262.1700.

Township offices will be closed in observance of the upcoming 2017 holiday:

Independence Day - July 4

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Community Development



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The Cover

Moon Parks offer a wide range of summer activities. If you're looking for a place to play...
Make It Moon!

The Moon Township Messenger was arranged by Communications Director Christine Span and designed by Web & Graphic Designer Frank Vieira

Read the Summer 2017 Moon Township Messenger and past editions online at moontwp.com

A Letter from the Township Manager

Summer is here so it's time to get out – run, walk, hike, and bike! What a better place than the Montour Trail? Did you know it was named the 2017 Pennsylvania Trail of the Year by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources? With several entry points in Moon and neighboring communities, accessing the trail is easy. If you prefer tennis, golf or a concert in the park, no problem! We have those also.

The tennis courts, located in Moon Park, are scheduled for a face lift this year. We apologize if we interrupt your tennis playing for a few weeks, but it will be well worth the inconvenience.

If you've never visited the Moon Golf Club at 505 McCormick Road, be sure to put it on your calendar for this season. If you're not a golfer, stop on over to have a bite to eat at the 19th Hole. The menu has something for just about everyone. When the weather is nice, enjoy the deck overlooking the first tee. Reasonable prices and great service make the 19th Hole @ Moon Golf Club a great place to enjoy good food, good drinks and good friends.

As for summer concerts, the Robin Hill Park Lunchtime Concert Series runs from May through September on the third Wednesday of the month from 12-1 p.m. Come early, bring your colleagues, pack your lunch and bring a chair while you sit back and enjoy different genres each month. If you're not available during daytime hours, we've got you covered with Family Fun Nights at Moon Park on Fridays from June 16 through August 18. Enjoy a variety of music, movies and fun!

Keep the “kiddos” busy throughout the summer with the new Moon Parks and Recreation Summer Playground Program for kids ages 5 to 12. For a full schedule of events and programs, please visit the Moon Parks and Recreation website at moonparks.org.

And don't miss the fun, festivities and fireworks of Moon Parks and Recreation's 50th anniversary celebration! Check out the details in this issue of the Moon Messenger.

The Moon Township Board of Supervisors believe that it is important not only to maintain the park system but to expand whenever possible so the Board authorized the purchase of the property located at 1309 Ewing Road. The property is only a two-acre parcel, but this piece gives the township a direct connection to property controlled by the Allegheny County Airport Authority. With this connection, the township keeps its options open to lease additional space for park purposes.

And one last friendly reminder ... construction season is here so please proceed with caution when you see those “Orange Barrels”. We'll do our best to keep the information on construction activity in Moon Township up to date on the township website. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call the administrative office at 412.262.1700.

Have a great, safe and enjoyable summer.

Dawn Lane
Township Manager



Meet Our New Communications Director!

Moon Township welcomed Christine Span as the new Communications Director in March. A Moon Township resident, Christine graduated from Moon Area High School and earned a Bachelor's degree from Robert Morris University.

Christine brings over 25 years of experience in communications, public relations, marketing and special event management working for a variety of small and large businesses. Most recently, she worked as the marketing manager for TrackAbout, a business-to-business software company headquartered in Moon.

Christine believes in giving back to the community. She served four years as the Family Readiness Group leader for the U.S. Army Reserves 303rd Psychological Operations Company, which is based in Moon at the U.S. Army Reserve Center. She also volunteered with the American Red Cross and various animal rescue groups.

Eager to settle in to her new role, Christine commented, “I've lived in Moon Township most of my life, so I know first-hand all the good things Moon has to offer. I'm looking forward to uniting my professional experience with my passion to help spread the word and serve my community.”

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WEDNESDAYS

JUNE - SEPTEMBER | 3-6pm

MOON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

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Mooncrest Book Drive Collects over 500 Books

The Moon Township Democratic Committee hosted a book drive benefiting the Mooncrest Community Center, with collection points at the Municipal Building and Moon Senior High School. Committee Chair Sean McCurdy, who grew up in Mooncrest, stated, "We had tremendous support that transcended party lines." He added, "Many residents do not realize the historical importance of Mooncrest. At one time it was the center of the community, with a police station, municipal building and school. Mooncrest played a key role in the early development and leadership in the community. And the Felician Sisters are doing an incredible job with the after-school program. Our committee members and volunteers were more than happy to help such a great cause. We would like to thank all of the members of the community for their support."

Shredding Event

Saturday, June 3

9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

State Senator Guy Reschenthaler, State Representative Mark Mustio and Moon Township invite you to attend an Identity Theft Prevention Fair in the parking lot of Moon Area Middle School. Identity theft prevention information will be available at the event. An industrial shredder will be on site to securely shred any documents. Phonebooks, newspapers and bound books can not be accepted. Please limit your shredding materials to three grocery bags or a small box. This event is for individuals only. For additional information, please contact Senator Guy Reschenthaler's office at 412.831.0250.

Moon Township's Annual

Recycling Day

Saturday, June 3

8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Mark your calendars for Moon Township's Annual Recycling Day. This event is open to Moon Township residents only. Proper ID is required. Accepted items include usable construction materials, household appliances, electronics, and some medical supplies. Only one TV per vehicle will be accepted.

Items may be dropped off at the Moon Township Municipal Building, 1000 Beaver Grade Road from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Moon Township's Environmental Advisory Council, with the assistance of community volunteers, hosts this annual event on the first Saturday in June to help keep reusable items out of landfills.

Moon Township's

Electronics Recycling Day

Saturday, August 5

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Moon Township's Environmental Advisory Council, in partnership with JVS Environmental, hosts quarterly electronics collections to gather unused and unwanted electronic items. These events collect electronic items only, including printers, copiers, computers, laptops and televisions. Only one television per vehicle will be accepted. Electronics collections are open to Moon Township residents only. Proper ID is required.



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What is Storm Water?

Stormwater is water from precipitation that flows across the ground and pavement when it rains or when snow or ice melt. The water seeps into the ground or drains into storm sewers. These are the drains you see at street corners or at low points on the sides of streets. Collectively, the draining water is called runoff.

Stormwater becomes a problem when it picks up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants as it flows, or when it causes flooding and erosion of stream banks. Some of the stormwater travels through a system of pipes and roadside ditches that make up storm sewer systems. It eventually flows to a lake, river, stream, wetland, or coastal water. All the pollutants carried by stormwater empty into our waters, too, because storm water does not get treated. In this sense, storm water can become “good rain gone bad.”

Why is Storm Water Management Important?

Moon Township, like many other communities, has undergone tremendous growth in the last several decades. The growth is fueled by new office parks, hotels, new dwellings, and other major land development. With such expansion, it is vital to minimize the impacts of excessive stormwater runoff on our waterways, since Moon’s watersheds include several named streams and many unnamed tributaries, as well as the Ohio River. Low Impact Development and the incorporation of Green Infrastructure into new and existing building projects is an

important aspect of keeping the township’s waterways healthy, but to truly improve water quality, every resident, business owner, developer, and employee can take some seemingly small, collectively important steps.

What Can I Do?

As a municipality, Moon Township is trying to prevent stormwater pollution through a stormwater management program. This program addresses stormwater pollution from construction, new development, illegal dumping, and pollution prevention and good housekeeping practices in municipal government. But it is the job of every business owner and resident to get involved. Here are some simple steps you can take:

1. Properly dispose of hazardous substances such as used oil, cleaning supplies, and paint. Never pour them down any part of the storm sewer system.
2. Use pesticides, fertilizers, and herbicides properly and efficiently to prevent excessive runoff.
3. Look for signs of soil and other pollutants, such as debris and chemicals, leaving construction sites in stormwater runoff or tracked into roads by construction vehicles. Report poorly managed construction sites that could impact stormwater runoff into your community.
4. Install innovative stormwater practices on residential property, such as rain barrels or rain gardens, that capture stormwater and keep it on site instead of letting it drain into the storm sewer system.

5. Report any discharges from stormwater outfalls during times of dry weather – a sign there could be a problem with the storm sewer system.

6. Pick up after pets and dispose of their waste properly. No matter where pets make a mess, storm water runoff can carry pet waste into the streams and rivers.

7. Store materials that could pollute stormwater indoors and use containers for outdoor storage that do not rust or leak.

8. When landscaping, install native plant species, as they need less pesticides/fertilizers to thrive than non-indigenous species.

9. Compost yard waste in upslope areas to help keep it from washing into the storm sewers.

Benefits of Storm Water Management Practices

Ensuring that the groundwater can recharge by allowing stormwater penetration through vegetation and permeable surfaces and keeping our waterways safe from an excess of sediment, household chemicals, nutrients, and other pollutants will improve watershed health. Moon Township aspires to provide clean drinking water, recreational opportunities, safety from storm events, and to protect all the ecosystem services that are generated by a healthy watershed, and as such, maintain a high quality of life for current and future residents. Cutting back on storm water runoff also has cost benefits by helping to reduce the damages to public and private property caused by floods, and by reducing the threat of water borne illnesses.

A Message from the Moon Township Environmental Advisory Council



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Solicitation Ordinance Highlights

Solicitors will be out in full force as the warmer weather is upon us. Moon Township police remind residents that township ordinance requires soliciting permits for all individuals going upon residential property to peddle/solicit, unless they meet the exemption qualifications. Exempt individuals include:

- Children under 18 years of age soliciting or peddling on behalf of a nonprofit, school or governmental organization
- Persons soliciting on behalf of a nonprofit or neighborhood organization for either donations to, or membership in, such organization
- Persons peddling donated merchandise on behalf of a nonprofit organization where the proceeds of the sale are used for a charitable purpose
- Persons peddling on behalf of a religious organization where the proceeds of the sale are used to support such organization or for a charitable purpose

The ordinance permits soliciting activities between the hours of 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., including Saturdays and Sundays, from April 1 through November 15. From November 16 through March 31, the hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., including Saturdays and Sundays.

Moon Township solicitation permits are printed on an 8½ x 11 gold sheet of paper with the solicitor's photo on the bottom left and include the police chief's signature and an embossed seal. If a non-exempt solicitor comes to your house without a permit, please call the police at **412.262.5000** to report it as it is happening so an officer can be dispatched to look into it.

The police department maintains a No Soliciting/Peddling List, which is provided to solicitors when they receive their solicitation permit. Residents interested in adding their residence to the list must notify the police in writing that they do not wish solicitors to enter upon their property. To add your address to the list, send your written request to Patty Marmura at pmarmura@moonpolice.us or to Moon Township Police Department, 1000 Beaver Grade Road, Moon Township, PA 15108. Residents may also drop off a letter at the police station. Your address remains on the list until you notify the police department to remove it. There is no need to sign up every year.

For information on how to obtain a soliciting permit, please visit moonpolice.us and click on the Services tab.

MAHS Juniors Witness Mock Crash

Juniors at Moon Area High School gathered outside to see the face of tragedy first hand as the Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) Club, under the direction of Moon Area Student Assistance Program Coordinator Joe Martonik, held a mock car crash on April 27.

Coordinated by the West Hills DUI Task Force, the crash is held annually one week prior to the junior prom to raise students' awareness to the impact of their decisions. The Moon Township Public Works department transported and positioned two demolished vehicles to the site prior to the event. Moon Township police and firemen from Moon and Crescent townships worked the scene as emergency responders from Valley Ambulance Authority tended to the victims. A LifeFlight helicopter transported one student to the emergency room at Allegheny General Hospital.

"We want students to think about their decisions and understand the consequences of their choices," said Martonik. "We talk a lot about what are good and bad decisions. This is a chance for students to see how one wrong decision can affect them, their friends and their families for a lifetime."

Sign Up for Emergency Alerts

Moon Township police encourage everyone who lives, works and plays in Moon Township to sign up for SwiftReach to receive emergency alerts and community notifications on their cell phones. All listed landline phone numbers have already been programmed into the system, but since many people no longer have a home phone or primarily use their mobile devices, residents are encouraged to register their cell phone number with SwiftReach. Subscribers can also sign up to receive text messages and/or emails. Registration is free and all alerts will be clearly identified as originating from Moon Township officials. Visit moontwp.com and look for the SwiftReach link on the left side of the home page.

EMERGENCY

In the event of an emergency or to report an occurring crime or threat, always call Moon Township Police Department's Dispatch Center at **412.262.5000** or dial **911** for immediate assistance. Citizens may also call the Dispatch Center to speak with a Moon Police official regarding information related to a crime or victim of a crime and may choose to remain anonymous.

Moon Dispatch Center
412.262.5000

Emergency Services
911

Crime Tips Hotline
412.264.5202

Callers may remain anonymous.



FIRE SAFETY make it moon

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MTVFC Annual Car Cruise

Sunday, August 27 | 11 a.m – 8 p.m.

Check out all the collector cars at the annual Moon Township VFC Car Cruise at Moon Park on Sunday, August 27 from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Enjoy the DJ and a live performance by classic rock/oldies band Kardaz.

If you want to show off your wheels, come to the park and pick a spot to settle in. The cruise is open to all classes of cars, trucks, motorcycles and specialty vehicles. The gate opens at 7 a.m.

The event is free to attend, but make sure to show your support by visiting the food booths sponsored by the firemen (don't miss their famous hamburgers) and the ladies' auxiliary. All proceeds benefit the Moon Township Volunteer Fire Company.

John Scott Named Fireman of the Year

Moon Township VFC Chief John Scott received the 2016 Fireman of the Year award at the company's banquet in March. John is in his 37th year of service since joining as a junior firefighter in 1980. He's held many positions over the years, including serving on the Board of Directors, Fire Company Chaplain, Vice President, Lieutenant, Captain, Battalion Chief, Assistant Chief and currently, Fire Chief.

John is one of the company's most dedicated members. He completed the Fundamentals of Firefighting training in October 1985. Since then, he's earned a number of training certificates. Here are just a few:

- Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting
- Ethanol Hazards and Foam Operations
- Clandestine Drug Operation & Explosive Scene Recognition
- Hazardous Materials Awareness
- Trench Rescue
- Well Control Incident Management
- Wellsite Emergency First Responder
- Emergency Management
- Foam Fire Fighting Technician
- Fire Fighter I
- Fire Fighter II
- Basic Vehicle Rescue
- Truck Company Operations I & II
- Storage Tank Emergencies
- Building Construction
- Firefighter Survival
- Fire Arson Detection & Investigation
- Pump Operations
- Understanding the International Fire Code
- Fire Scene Awareness and Preservation
- Decontamination Tent Trailer training
- Structural Fire Rescue
- Emergency Response to Terrorism
- Fire Scene Pathology
- Flashover Recognition
- High Angle Rope Rescue
- ISO Fire Suppression Ratings
- Educational Methodology
- National Incident Management Systems
- Fire Command Chief Officer

Additionally, John is a State Certified Fire Instructor, with numerous continuing education certificates.

John's dedication and commitment to the community are unquestioned. He has an unwavering willingness to do whatever it takes to get the job done, and he continually strives to improve upon what he and the fire company can do to better serve our community.

Congratulations John!



PUBLIC WORKS

2017 Road Paving List

Boggs School Road (after slope stabilization)
 Carnot Road (a small section)
 Cherrington Lane
 Darnley Drive
 Fern Hollow Road
 Glenbrook Avenue
 Lozer Drive
 Old Thorn Run Road
 Olde Manor Lane
 Park Drive
 Spencer Court
 Woodlawn Drive

Additionally, the following governmental entities are taking advantage of reduced paving rates using the township's contract:

- Crescent Township – Sautter Drive and Cambon Drive
- Moon Area School District - parking lot repairs at Bon Meade, Hyde and Brooks elementary schools
- Moon Golf Club - 1000 feet of cartway
- Moon Township Municipal Authority – two pump station driveways and the area around the Hassam Road sewage treatment plant

Please remember to slow down and use caution when driving through work areas.

**PLEASE USE
CAUTION IN
WORK ZONES**



PARKS & RECREATION make it moon

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50 Years of Community Partnership

Moon Parks and Recreation has always benefited from the generous support of local businesses and organizations in the form of sponsorships, donations and time. In fact, that's exactly how the original Moon Park playground, pavilions and trails came to be.

Eager, civic-minded citizens, Moon Area Schools, Moon Baseball Association, school parent-teacher organizations, the Rotary Club, West Hills Women's Club, Moon Garden Club, and countless others worked diligently with township supervisors to purchase property for the park and



playground equipment and to build fields and play lots. The Rotary Club of Moon proposed and sponsored the first picnic shelter in 1967.

Seeing the progress, other groups joined in. The 4-H Saddellites donated trash cans. The Newcomers and Junior Women's Clubs provided money for drinking fountains. The Moon Garden Club laid two nature trails. Eventually tennis, basketball and volleyball courts were added.

Improvements continued over the years, and now our parks offer more fields, pavilions, tennis and basketball courts, ponds, trails and the Moon Park Amphitheater – first sponsored by American Road Lines (ARL). More recently, Clearview Federal Credit

Union sponsored the Clearview Pavilion which offers seating for 100 people and an adjacent playground. The brand new Falconi Moon Township Automotive Pavilion is now available for rent. It's located at the front of the park and offers seating for 75 people and ample parking. Kenny Ross Toyota of Moon Township sponsored naming rights for the Kenny Ross Field and, along with Moon Softball Association and Moon Baseball Association, donated to the three new scoreboards located throughout Moon Park.

The township made improvements to three primary trails adding message boards, maps and trail signs with the help of trail sponsorships. Chevron Corporation of North America sponsored Log Cabin Trail and the new 90-acre trail expansion project at Robin Hill Park. TitleSource Corporation sponsored the Trading Post Trail at Olson Park and Columbia Sportswear sponsored the Nelson Pond Trail in Moon Park. All the trail sponsors also participate in active stewardship, sending volunteers monthly to keep the trail in good condition.

As we celebrate the 50th anniversary of Moon Parks this July, we want to recognize the generous spirit of community giving. Many sponsors and volunteers provide funding, in-kind donations and assistance to support the Independence Day celebration and its key events such as the Firecracker 5K Run & Walk, Community Days and Kenny Ross Battle of the Bands.

Businesses, organizations and individuals can support Moon Parks and Recreation in many ways. Please stop by the Moon Parks and Recreation booth at the Community Day event on Sunday, July 2 to learn more. You'll get a chance to view the new Moon Park playground design and to continue the spirit of community giving by purchasing a sponsorship or donating as little as \$1 to the project.

To learn more about becoming a Moon Parks and Recreation sponsor, visit moonparks.org or contact Amy Ottaviani at aottaviani@moontwp.us.

Moon Parks & Recreation 50th Anniversary Sponsors:

Clearview Federal Credit Union

Kenny Ross Toyota of Moon Township

Greater Pittsburgh Orthopaedic Associates

Chevron Corporation

Friends of Mark Mustio

Heritage Valley Health System

Health South Rehabilitation Hospital

Family Chiropractic Center

Falconi Moon Township Automotive

Affordable Tent and Awning

Tyler Mountain Water & Coffee Service

Sir Speedy Printing & Marketing

Anthony's Coal-Fired Pizza

Chick-fil-A Robinson

Courtyard Marriott

Robert Morris University

Pro Bike+Run

Moon Golf Club

Columbia Sportswear

Moe's Southwest Grill

Park Programs & Events

50th Anniversary Celebration Weekend

This year's Fourth of July promises to be quite an occasion as the township's Parks and Recreation Department commemorates its 50th Anniversary with an event-packed four-day celebration!

The Firecracker 5K Run & Walk starts bright and early at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday July 1 at Moon Park. The looped course uses the park's challenging hills and gentle rolling roads to test runners' skill. Registration fees are \$20 before June 1 and \$25 after. Walkers can participate for \$10 prior to June 1 and \$15 after. Race day registration opens at 7 a.m.

Community Day is at Moon Park on Sunday, July 2 from noon until 6 p.m. Enjoy food, inflatables and classic cars, and learn about local organizations and associations by visiting their booths. Brother Rick and the Doo Wop Ambassadors get the music started at noon. The Mansfield 5 follow afterwards, then The Jaggerz with Donna Groom round out the oldies concert.

Local bands will be featured on Monday, July 3 as we present our first Battle of the Bands beginning at 5 p.m. Five bands will compete to win a trophy and will receive a chance to have one song air on WXDX FM Radio's "The Edge of the X" show. Local acoustic acts will also be featured on a side stage.

The Independence Day celebration starts at 4 p.m. on July 4. There will be lots of food, fun, inflatables, and music. Entertainment kicks off with Arena's School for Performing Arts at 6 p.m. followed by The Stony Mountain Boys at 6:45 p.m. The Frank Vieira Band takes the stage at 7:45 p.m., and Moon's own Sarah Marince performs at 9 p.m. The celebration winds up with fireworks supplied by Pyrotechnico.

For more information regarding the 50th Anniversary activities, visit moonparks.org or call Parks and Recreation at 412.262.1703.

The Arts

PAPIER- MÂCHÉ ANIMAL SUMMER ART CAMP

Ages: 6-11 years old
Date: July 10, 11, 12 and 14 (no meeting on Thursday, July 13)
Time: 9:30 a.m. – Noon
Location: Apollo Pavilion
Fee: \$125/week Bring your own snacks. Paint shirt provided.

SUMMER SLIME ART CAMP

Ages: 6-11 years old
Date: June 26, 27, 28 and 29
Time: 9:30 a.m. – Noon
Location: Apollo Pavilion
Fee: \$125/week Bring your own snacks. T-shirt provided.

BITTY BALLET CAMPS

Ages: 3-6 years
Date: Monday – Thursday, June 26-29; July 24-27
Time: 10-11:30 a.m.
Location: Robin Hill Center
Fee: \$80 Moon residents, \$85 non-residents

Sports

MAKE THE RIGHT CALL...

JOIN US FOR SPEED, AGILITY & FLEXIBILITY

Ages: 6-9; 10-14; and 15 and older
Date: June 12-16
Time: 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (6-9 years); 1 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. (10-14 years)
Location: Clearview Pavilion
Fee: \$125/week T-shirt and drinks provided.

YOUTH FLAG FOOTBALL

Ages: Boys and girls ages 4 thru 14 (age groups 4-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, and 13-14)
Date: Saturdays, August 19, 26 and September 9 (evaluations and teaching)
 Sundays, September 17 through November 5
Time: 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Location: TBD
Fee: \$45 T-shirt included.

WESTERN PA BASEBALL CAMP

Ages: Boys and girls ages 6-12
Date: Monday – Thursday, June 26-29
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Location: Discovery Field at Moon Park (1350 Joe Denardo Way, off Ewing Road)
Fee: \$125
 Online registration at: joemav.tripod.com/westpabaseballcamp.html#w
 Ray Bosetti, Camp Director: 412.264.4721, raybosetti@verizon.net

CO-ED SLOW PITCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Ages: 18 & older
Date: Sundays, August 6 – October 8
Time: 2-4 p.m.
Location: Moon Park fields
Fee: \$55 Moon residents, \$65 non-residents

YOUTH FLAG RUGBY

Ages: Grades 3-5 (coed); grades 6-8 (girls and boys team separate)
Date: June 10 – July 29
Time: 9 a.m. - Noon
Fee: \$55 Includes shirt and rugby ball with registration in USA Rugby

Fitness Classes

POUND

Ages: Adults and teens 15+
Date: Tuesdays, May 23 – June 27 (no class May 16)
Time: 6:30-7:15 p.m.
Location: Moon Township Municipal Building
Fee: \$45 Moon residents/\$50 non-residents (\$10 drop-in)

PILATES

Ages: Adults and teens 15+
Date: Wednesdays, May 17 – June 21
Time: 8:45-9:45 a.m.
Location: Robin Hill
Fee: \$45 Moon residents, \$50 non-residents; per 6-week session (\$10 drop-in)
Instructor: Judy Elias

BEGINNER'S ZUMBA

Ages: Adults and teens 13+
Date: Mondays, May 1 – June 12 (no class May 29); June 19 – July 31 (no class July 3)
Time: 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Location: Moon High School Fitness Room
Fee: \$45 Moon residents, \$50 non-residents; per 6-week session
Instructor: Catherine Hollien

ZUMBA FITNESS

Ages: Adults and teens 13+
Date: Thursdays, May 18 – June 22
Time: 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Location: Moon Township Municipal Building
Fee: \$45 Moon residents, \$50 non-residents (\$10 drop-in)
Instructor: Paola Sanchez

TOTALLY TONED

Ages: Adults and teens 15+
Date: Mondays, June 19 – July 31 (no class July 3)
Time: 7:15-8:15 p.m.
Location: Moon High School Fitness Room
Fee: \$45 Moon residents, \$50 non-residents; per 6-week session
Instructor: Karla Tobias

YOGA: BASICS AND MORE

Who: Adults and teens 15+
Date: Tuesdays, June 6-27; no classes in July; resume August 8
Time: 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Location: Moon Township Municipal Building
Fee: \$40 Moon residents, \$45 non-residents; per 4-week session (\$12 drop-in)
Instructor: Jen Stratakis



Programs *(continued)*

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Summer Programs

MOON PARKS AND RECREATION SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM

Ages: Elementary age children

Date: Monday – Friday, June 12 – August 18 (no program July 3 & 4)

Time: 7-9 a.m. early drop off; 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. playground program; 4-6 p.m. late pickup

Location: Saturn Pavilion

Instructors: Program Director Ms. Lisa with Moon Parks staff and volunteers

Fees: One child: \$150 per week (4-5 days); \$100 per week (2-3 days) \$15 non-resident fee
Two children: \$250 per week (4-5 days); \$175 per week (2-3 days)

Each additional child in family \$75 per week

Registrations must be made by Friday

June 2 with non-refundable, one-time \$25 registration fee (additional to program fees)

Bricks4Kids – Bat League:

Heroes and Villains

Ages: Kids ages 5-12

Date: Monday – Friday, June 12-16

Time: 9 a.m. – Noon

Location: Robin Hill Center

Fee: \$125 Moon residents, \$135 non-residents

MAD SCIENCE

EUREKA! THE INVENTORS CAMP

Ages: 5-10 years

Date: July 31 – August 4

Time: 9 a.m. – Noon

Location: Robin Hill Center

Fee: \$125 Moon residents, \$135 non-residents

Senior Programs

SENIOR CONNECTION SOCIALS

Ages: 55+

Date: Wednesdays

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Location: Carriage House at Robin Hill Park

SENIOR CONNECTION WEEKLY GOLF GROUP

Ages: 55+

Date: Mondays, June 5 – August 28

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Moon Golf Club

Fee: \$22 per person with a cart; \$13 per person without a cart

BUS TRIP – THE MEADOWS AND MILKSHAKES

Ages: 55+

Date: Monday, June 12

Time: Depart from the Robin Hill Carriage House at 10:30 a.m.; expected arrival back at the Carriage House around 5:00 p.m.

Fee: \$30 per person

ROBIN HILL PARK CONCERT AND HOT DOG LUNCH

Date: Wednesday, June 21

Time: Noon – 1 p.m.

Location: Robin Hill Gazebo

Fee: Free concert; hot dog lunch available for purchase

MEDICARE BOOT CAMP

What: Come and get your Medicare questions answered by a professional insurance expert.

They can explain the guidelines, rules and general ins and outs of Medicare. Drop in and learn.

Ages: 55+

Date: Monday, June 26 and Thursday, August 24

Time: 10 a.m.

Location: Robin Hill Center, Main Room

Fee: Free

PITTSBURGH PHILHARMONIC CONCERT WITH BURGERS & BEVERAGES

What: Burgers and beverages will be served at the Rotary Pavilion prior to the concert at the amphitheater.

Ages: 55+

Date: Friday, July 14

Burgers & Beverages

Time: 6 p.m.

Location: Moon Park, Rotary Pavilion

Fee: \$7

Concert

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Moon Park Amphitheater

Fee: Free

ROBIN HILL PARK CONCERT AND HOT DOG LUNCH WITH RML JAZZ

Date: Wednesday, July 19

Time: Noon – 1 p.m.

Location: Robin Hill Gazebo

Fee: Free concert; hot dog lunch available for purchase

SUMMER PICNIC AT THE GREATER PITTSBURGH AQUATIC/BOAT CLUB

Ages: 55+

Date: Tuesday, July 25

Time: Noon – 3 p.m.

Location: The Greater Pittsburgh Aquatic/Boat Club on Neville Island

Fee: \$5 per person

Register: Register by July 18 with Moon Parks and Recreation either in person or by phone

GRANDCHILDREN & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Ages: 55+ and grandchildren

Date: Monday, August 7

Time: 1-3 p.m.

Location: Robin Hill Center, Main Room

Fee: \$3 per person

Register: Register by July 27 with Moon Parks and Recreation either in person or by phone

BUS TRIP – GATEWAY CLIPPER LUNCHEON CRUISE

Ages: 55+

Date: Friday, August 11

Time: Depart from the Robin Hill Carriage House at 9:45 a.m.; expected arrival back at the Carriage House at 3:30 p.m.

Fee: \$55 per person

Register: Register by July 28th with Moon Parks and Recreation either in person or by phone

Pavilion and Robin Hill Center Rentals

Pavilions

Moon Park Pavilion rentals have begun for Moon residents. All inquiries for available dates can be made at the Moon Parks office at Robin Hill. All pavilion rental information and fees are listed on our website at moonparks.org.

Robin Hill Center

Robin Hill Center reservations can be made up to one year in advance to the month. Reservations must be made in person. To receive Moon resident rate, the contract must be signed by and payments made by Moon Township resident. All fees are listed on our website at moonparks.org.

To schedule a tour of the Robin Hill Center, please contact the Parks office at Robin Hill Park by calling **412.262.1703** or email at info@moonparks.org.

MTMA 2016 Public Water Supply Water Quality Report

The Moon Township Municipal Authority 2016 Public Water Supply Water Quality Report is available to residents as a PDF document online at moontma.com/wqr/waterreport2016.pdf. Residents may contact the MTMA at 412.264.4300 to request a mailed, printed copy or they may visit the first floor of the Community Service Center at 1700 Beaver Grade Road, Suite 200 to pick up a printed copy at the front desk.

TAX INFORMATION

1700 Beaver Grade Road, Suite 300 | 412.299.7446 | moontaxoffice.us
(Located on the lower level of the Community Service Center, next to the MCA-TV studio.)



Tax Information

The 2017 Township of Moon property tax statements were mailed to be received by property owners by April 1. Please note that the two percent discount applies only through May 31, 2017. Afterward, the face amount applies from June 1 to July 31, 2017. Beginning August 1st, the 10 percent penalty period is in effect through December 31, 2017.

The yellow Township of Moon tax statements do not show the flat homestead amount of \$15,000 that is deducted from the property's full assessment value. However, a taxpayer can tell if they received the exemption by looking on the statement in the top corner of the box marked "tax type". If an "H" appears in this box, then the homestead exemption has been applied. The exemption will subsequently be applied to the Moon Area School District (MASD) property tax as well. Note that on the school property tax statements the amount of the homestead reduction is listed since this amount changes slightly each year based on the gambling revenue received by the school district.

The MASD property tax statements will be mailed on July 1 for the 2017

property tax year. The fiscal year for the school district begins on July 1 each year and runs through June 30 the following year. However, property taxes must be paid in the calendar year they are billed. After December 31, unpaid taxes are considered delinquent and turned over for collection.

The property tax office website, located at moontaxoffice.us, has useful information including office hours, holiday closings, and tax relief program explanations and links to download the applications and apply through Allegheny County. If a taxpayer or property qualifies for a tax relief program offered by Allegheny County, both the Township of Moon and MASD honor most of the exemptions allowed. However, only the township property tax is affected by the senior citizen tax relief program and is based on income levels and both taxing authorities honor the disabled veteran tax relief program. In order to qualify, a veteran must be 100 percent disabled through a service-related injury and he or she must go through a screening process. Contact the Veterans Affairs Office at Soldiers and Sailors Hall located in Oakland, Allegheny County at 412.621.4357.

Remember

Under Pennsylvania local tax collection law, a property owner is responsible for his or her taxes even if they did not receive a bill. It is the owner's responsibility to ensure any changes to the tax bill mailing address – including mortgage or escrow companies' change of address, refinanced mortgages, and escrow account no longer existing – are directed to the Moon Property Tax Office and Allegheny County Treasurer. The tax notice is mailed to the last known post office address of each property owner/mortgage company or other responsible party on file. If there is a change of status for the tax bill mailing address, do not assume a mortgage or closing company will notify the tax offices.

Contact the Moon Property Tax office to change your billing address for Moon Township and school property tax bills at 412.299.7446.

Contact John Weinstein, Allegheny County Treasurer, at 412.350.4100 for Allegheny County billing tax address changes.

Never hesitate to call my office for any property tax-related question.

Have a safe and happy summer,
Catherine L. Tress, PQMC

2017 Summer Reading

Children's Summer Reading

What's better than school being out? Free, family fun at the library! The Children's Department is planning an action-packed summer for kids of all ages, with something for everyone. Fight the summer slide with our Summer Adventure Program that turns reading into fun and games! Join us for science, arts and crafts, Legos, Pokemon, magicians, live animals, puppet shows, Bingo nights, movie nights, and many more special events that will blow your mind! The library is the place to be this summer!

Teen Summer Reading Program

Students in grades 6-12 are invited to join the Moon Township Public Library Teen Department for our annual Teen Summer Reading Program! The more books you read this summer, the more chances you have to earn great prizes. Plus, there'll be tons of great craft projects, classes, movies, and more to keep you busy from June to August!

Adult Summer Reading Program

And adults, we've got a summer reading program for you, too! Play our Book Bingo and let all those pages earn you prizes. And don't miss out on new movies premieres, guest lecturers, craft classes, book discussions, and other fun ways to beat the heat this summer at Moon Township Public Library.

For more fun!

Please visit moonlibrary.org for details and updated information or follow us on Facebook!

Mark Your Calendars!

Summer Reading Kickoff Extravaganza!

Friday, June 16th, 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Come one, come all to the kickoff party for the Moon Township Public Library 2017 Summer Reading program. Families, teens, and adults are welcome to join in the fun and sign up to participate in one of our programs. We will have food trucks, music, and entertainment for all ages. Stop by for dinner and stay for the fun!

Moonlight Carnival

Saturday, July 15th 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Fun, food, drinks, fortune tellers, magicians, and more! Join us for a new fundraiser that will bring the carnival to the library. This is an adult only event. Ticket information will be available mid-June on moonlibrary.org and on Facebook.

Programming and Clubs

Check out our website and events calendar for more information if you are interested in taking part in any of our many programs or clubs.



VALLEY AMBULANCE AUTHORITY



Sun and Water Safety Tips

Valley Ambulance Authority (VAA) is proud to serve as the designated community provider of emergency medical services and medical transportation for Moon Township. VAA also provides EMS services to neighboring communities including Crescent Township, Coraopolis and Neville Island.

In this edition, we encourage all residents to be safe this summer by following these helpful tips from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP).

CHILDREN AND FUN IN THE SUN

For babies under six months, there are two main recommendations from the AAP to prevent sunburn: 1) avoid sun exposure, and 2) dress infants in lightweight long pants, long-sleeved shirts, with brimmed hats that shade the neck to prevent sunburn. However, when adequate clothing and shade are not available, parents can apply a minimal amount of sunscreen with at least 15 SPF (sun protection factor) to small areas, such as the infant's face. If an infant gets sunburned, apply cool compresses to the affected area.

For all other children and adults, the first, and best, line of defense against harmful ultraviolet radiation exposure is covering up. Wear a hat with a three-inch brim, or a bill facing forward, and sunglasses (look for sunglasses that provide 97 - 100% protection against both UVA and UVB rays).

Stay in the shade whenever possible, and limit sun exposure during the peak intensity hours – between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. On both sunny and cloudy days, use a broad spectrum sunscreen with an SPF 15 or greater that protects against UVA and UVB rays.

Be sure to apply enough sunscreen and follow the instructions on the label. Reapply sunscreen every two hours, or after swimming or sweating. Use extra caution near water and sand (and even snow!) as they reflect UV rays and may result in sunburn more quickly.

HEAT STRESS IN EXERCISING CHILDREN

The intensity of activities that last 15 minutes or

more should be reduced whenever high heat or humidity reach critical levels.

Before outdoor physical activities, children and adults should drink freely and should not feel thirsty. During activities less than one hour, water alone is fine. Always have water or a sports drink available. Take breaks to drink every 20 minutes or as needed when active in the heat and humidity.

Clothing should be light-colored and lightweight and limited to one layer of absorbent material to facilitate evaporation of sweat. Sweat-saturated shirts should be replaced by dry clothing.

Practices and games played in the heat should be shortened and there should be more frequent water/hydration breaks.

Children and adults should promptly move to cooler environments if they feel dizzy, lightheaded or nauseous.

POOL SAFETY

Never leave children alone in or near the pool or spa, not even for a moment!

Whenever infants or toddlers are in or around water, an adult – preferably one who knows how to swim and perform CPR – should be within arm's length, providing "touch supervision".

Install a fence at least four feet high around all four sides of the pool. The fence should not have openings or protrusions that a young child could use to get over, under, or through.

Make sure pool gates open out from the pool, and self-close and self-latch at a height children can't reach. Consider alarms on the gate to alert you when someone opens the gate. Consider surface wave or underwater alarms as an added layer of protection.

If the house serves as the fourth side of a fence surrounding a pool, install an alarm on the exit door to the yard and the pool. For additional protection, install window guards on windows facing the pool. Drowning victims have also used pet doors to gain access to pools. Keep all of your barriers and alarms in good repair with fresh batteries.

Keep rescue equipment (a shepherd's hook – a long pole with a hook on the end – and a life preserver) and a portable telephone near the pool. Choose a shepherd's hook and other rescue equipment made of fiberglass or other materials that do not conduct electricity.

Avoid inflatable swimming aids such as "floaties". They are not a substitute for approved life vests and often can give children and parents a false sense of security.

Children ages one to four may be at a lower risk of drowning if they have had some formal swimming instruction. However, there is no evidence that swimming lessons or water survival skills courses can prevent drowning in babies younger than one year of age.

The decision to enroll a one- to four-year-old child in swimming lessons should be made by the parent and based on the child's developmental readiness, but swim programs should never be seen as "drown proofing" a child of any age.

Avoid entrapment: Suction from pool and spa drains can trap a swimmer underwater. Do not use a pool or spa if there are broken or missing drain covers. Ask your pool operator if your pool or spa's drains are compliant with the Pool and Spa Safety Act. If you have a swimming pool or spa, ask your pool service representative to update your drains and other suction fitting with anti-entrapment drain covers and other devices or systems. See www.PoolSafely.gov for more information on the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act.

Large, inflatable, above-ground pools have become increasingly popular for backyard use. Children may fall in if they lean against the soft side of an inflatable pool. Although such pools are often exempt from local pool fencing requirements, it is essential that they be surrounded by an appropriate fence just as a permanent pool would be so that children cannot gain unsupervised access.

If a child is missing, look for him or her in the pool or spa area first.

Don't dive into shallow water! Diving accidents can cause lifelong injuries! The American Red Cross recommends a minimum of nine feet of water depth for head first dives including dives from pool decks.

Share and frequently discuss proper safety instructions with family, friends and neighbors.

For more tips on sun and water safety, visit www.healthychildren.org.

For more information about the life-saving services provided by Valley Ambulance Authority, please call **412.262.2620** or visit our website at www.valleyamb.org.



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Kenny Ross Toyota of Moon Township Film Fest Results!

MCA-TV the results of the 2017 Kenny Ross Toyota Film Fest, held on May 13.

The festival provides a venue for local artists to showcase their work. A panel of Pittsburgh-area film experts judged submissions based on a point system. The Best Feature Film and Best Short Film category winners received a \$1000 prize. The other category winners received \$300 each.

- Best Feature Film –
- Best Documentary Feature Film –
- Best Narrative Feature Film –
- Best Short Film –
- Best Documentary Short Film –
- Best Narrative Short Film –

The 2017 film festival is sponsored by Kenny Ross Toyota of Moon Township, Clearview Federal Credit Union, Dr. Mark Schneiderman and Lerro Corporation.

For more information, visit mca-tv.org or contact MCA-TV Director Allison Eastham at aeastham@moontwp.us.

MCA-TV

Moon Community Access Television
Comcast channel 14
Verizon FiOs channel 35

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Moon Area Government Television
Comcast channel 18
Verizon FiOs channel 37

MCA-TV Offers Free Bulletin Board Service

Is your organization or nonprofit looking to get the word out about an upcoming event? MCA-TV offers a bulletin board service for Moon Township residents to publicize their community program or event in-between regularly scheduled programming. The community bulletin board is an automated, computer-generated, video graphics message service provided free of charge to all Moon Township residents as well as nonprofit groups and organizations.

Visit mca-tv.org and click on “Bulletin Board” to read the guidelines and rules and to fill out the online submission form. Paper forms are available in the MCA-TV offices.

Volunteer at MCA-TV

Do you have an idea for a television show? Curious about video production? Enroll in MCA-TV’s free television production training courses and explore the possibilities.

This fun, hands-on course consists of four classes that cover the basics of camera operation, lighting, audio and editing. After completing the course, you’ll be an official MCA-TV volunteer, ready to assist with any MCA-TV production.

Production training courses are held quarterly at the MCA-TV studio. To learn more, contact MCA-TV Director Allison Eastham at aeastham@moontwp.us or call 412.269.1191.



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WM at Your Door Program

Can't make it to one of our Recycling Days? Waste Management offers a residential curbside special materials pickup. The "At Your Door Special Collection" program allows Moon Township residents to easily and safely dispose of household materials.

After scheduling your collection date and time, a Waste Management representative will provide you with information and instructions for preparing your collection. More information on the program and a list of accepted materials can be found through the program's website at WMatYourDoor.com or by calling a representative at **1.800.449.7587**.



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Submit a Question or Concern Online

Submit a question, comment or concern to township officials through the Citizen Request System. This feature allows residents to submit a concern and track its resolution through ongoing updates ensuring a timely response from Moon Township staff. A link can be found at moontwp.com under Quick Links.

Tune in to Local Government

Watch Moon Township Board of Supervisors and Moon Area School Board public meetings on MAG-TV, Comcast channel 18 and Verizon channel 37. Schedule information is available at moongovtv.us. View the meetings and MCA-TV's community produced programming online at mca-tv.org.

Visit Moon Parks and Recreation

Get involved in the many events and programs offered by Moon Parks and Recreation. Find the most current schedule information at moonparks.org.

Stay Informed with SwiftReach

Sign up for SwiftReach at moonpolice.us. This system will call registered phone or cell phone numbers in the event of an emergency or to share important community information.

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