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A local couple enjoys a hike on the trail at Willistown Township’s Okehocking Preserve. See story on page 38. Photo by Mary N. Hundt.
Welcome to the fall issue of IN Great Valley magazine! As summer comes to a close and the kids get back to school and college, we hope you take a few minutes to read this issue. Not only do we have the latest news and information from your school and township, we work hard to find top-quality stories about your community and its residents as well as provide timely news and event coverage.

Starting with the fall edition, we are pleased to introduce Peter Urscheler as editor of our Philly publications. Peter, who resides in Phoenixville, brings a wealth of writing, communications and marketing experience to the position. He is an active member of the community and serves as the 81st President of the Pennsylvania Jaycees, Vice President of the Phoenixville Jaycees Foundation, Chairman of the Phoenixville Chamber Ambassador Committee, Adviser on Giving to the HEADstrong Foundation, is on the Board of Directors for the Hugh O’Brien PA East Youth Leadership Conference and Phoenixville Senior Center, and is the Alumni Adviser to the Stetson University Student Government Association.

If you have community story ideas you’d like us to consider, please email Peter at p.urscheler@icmags.com.

Finally, if you want to keep up with the latest trends in education, don’t miss our Special Section titled “Technology in the Classroom” to learn how social media and technology are changing the way schools and colleges teach, how students learn and the way teachers and students communicate.

Wishing you a safe and fabulous fall.

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Alexandra Dvorak on Fling, winner of the FEI Grand Prix Freestyle

DRESSAGE AT DEVON
Sept. 27 through Oct. 2

Dressage at Devon 2016 will take place from Sept. 27 through Oct. 2 at the Devon Horse Show Grounds. In addition to fine equine performances, the show offers some of the best food on the horse show circuit plus 90 vendors offering everything from clothing and jewelry to art and ceramics for equestrians and non-equestrians alike. Dressage at Devon has been a premier North American Equestrian event since its founding in 1975. The six-day event attracts hundreds of riders from around the world and thousands of spectators. To learn more, visit www.dressageatdevon.org.

LOCAL STUDENT HONORED AS HOBY AMBASSADOR

Great Valley High School sophomore Mark Neri was selected as a 2016 HOBY Ambassador. He joined close to 300 area students in attendance at the annual Leadership Seminar, which is designed to help students recognize their leadership talents and apply them to become effective, ethical leaders in their home, school, workplace and community. HOBY was founded in 1958 by famed actor Hugh O’Brian (who played Wyatt Earp), and has grown into an international movement with a mission to inspire and develop its global community of youth and volunteers to a life dedicated to leadership, service and innovation. To learn more, visit www.hobypaeast.org.

HOME OF THE SPARROW’S ‘THE GATHERING AT PENNS WOODS WINERY’
Sept. 24

Come gather with friends, food trucks and fabulous wine at Home of the Sparrow’s third annual “The Gathering at Penns Woods Winery” and transform the lives of women and children in our community. The Gathering benefits Home of the Sparrow, which serves women and children facing homelessness throughout our community with innovative programs including eviction prevention, rental subsidies, shared housing and services for pre-senior women. The event includes wine tasting, appetizers, yard games, live music and raffles. The Gathering is located at 124 Beaver Valley Road in Chadds Ford and runs from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Tickets are $55 per guest. For tickets and more information, visit www.HomeoftheSparrow.org/events.

DAYSLEFORD ABBEY ART SHOW
Oct. 7-16

Daylesford Abbey, located in Paoli, will kick off its 44th Art Show with a Grand Opening on Friday, Oct. 7, from 5 to 8 p.m. (including complimentary wine and cheese). The show will remain open from Oct. 7 to Oct. 16, noon to 4 p.m. The Art Show will showcase major and miniature works of art as well as sculpture and a beautiful room with table art including pottery, jewelry and handcrafted items. Proceeds help the Norbertine Priests and Brothers of Daylesford Abbey carry out their mission and service to the local community. If you are interested in attending or require further information, please contact Nina Gallacher, Marketing Committee for Daylesford Abbey Art Show, at ngallacher9@aol.com, or 484.320.8846.
TASTE OF BERWYN
Sept. 18
This is a not-to-be-missed community food, music, arts, and fun festival for the whole family. This year Daemion Counseling Center will be the charitable partner of the Paoli Berwyn Malvern Rotary Club for the Fourth Annual Taste of Berwyn. Daemion Counseling Center offers professional mental health counseling focused on helping community residents navigate life’s many transitions by providing expert yet affordable care. Enjoy area restaurants, cold beer, artists, handmade jewelry and tons of children’s activities at the Hilltop House, 570 Beaumont Road in Devon. The event runs from noon to 5 p.m. Suggested admission donation is $5 per adult over 21. All others are free. Plenty of free parking. For more information, visit www.tasteofberwyn.com.

ANNUAL OCTOFAIR AT WHITE HORSE VILLAGE
Oct. 8
This nonprofit continuing-care retirement community celebrates fall with an annual festival that is free and open to the public. The residents of White Horse Village sell needlepoint and knit items, handcrafted gifts from the wood shop, holiday crafts, a variety of original paintings, artwork and baked goods. There are raffles, which include a handmade quilt, designer scarves and dining-around-town gift certificates from area restaurants. All funds raised through the sale of merchandise go toward the nonprofit's Resident Association. Next to Ridley Creek State Park at 535 Gradyville Road, Edgmont, the event runs from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, visit www.whitehorsevillage.org.

CHARLESTOWN DAY
Oct. 29
Calling all families! Come celebrate Fall Fest 2016 with the Grand Opening of Charlestown Park on Saturday, Oct. 29, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The day includes live music performances, vendors, food trucks and tons of kids activities. Charlestown Park is located at 100 Academic Way in Phoenixville. All proceeds will benefit the Great Valley Community Organization. For additional information about the event, visit www.charlestownday.org or follow Charlestown Parks and Recreation on Facebook.

MALVERN HARVEST OCTOBERFEST
Sept. 25
The Malvern Professional Business Association is the proud sponsor of the Annual Malvern Harvest Octoberfest, which goes from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The festival is held in the heart of downtown Malvern on King Street, Warren Avenue and Channing Avenue (roads closed to traffic for the event), and in Burke Park. It features quality artists and crafters, delicious food, music, entertainment for the young and old alike and so much more. Additionally, festival goers can enjoy Bark in the Park for all things dog related and the Flying Pig of Malvern Octoberfest Beer Garden complete with Polkadelphia, a quirky take on polka music. For more information, visit www.malvern-festivals.com.

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As The Hardware Center in Paoli enters its 65th year, brothers Steve and Greg Scartozzi can’t help but reflect on their business’ past, while also considering the bright future ahead of them. The Hardware Center has become a community landmark, serving local residents from the same location at 16 Paoli Shopping Center for over 60 years. Steve and Greg are the second-generation owners, taking over from their father, Cordi, 93, who still comes to work about three mornings a week.

“This store is as much a part of our family’s history as it is Paoli’s,” Steve says. “My father has been working in the hardware industry all his life. My brother and I grew up around the shop, and the community grew up with us.”

In the late 1940s and early 1950s Cordi worked for a hardware store in a neighboring town. He noticed a need for hardware supplies in Paoli’s developing community, and with a little encouragement from an enterprising local banker, he opened up shop in 1951. What seemed at the time like a long shot has paid off, thanks to Cordi’s hard work and commitment to his customers and community.

“A lot has changed around us,” says Steve, “but the foundation of family and community on which the store has been built remains stronger than ever. We think it’s important to connect with and give back to the community. We want to be a local business that people depend on for superior advice and goods as well as employment.” The Scartozzi family vision has paid off. The average tenure of Hardware Center employees ranges from 15 to 20 years. Those years represent lots of experience solving household and construction problems for customers.

The Hardware Center isn’t your average retailer or “nuts and bolts” hardware store. “We make sure our products are diverse and we keep up with the needs of our customers,” explains Steve. “To ensure that our clients get the very best, we are extremely particular about where our products are sourced. We try whenever possible to see that our products are made in the USA.” In addition to all sorts of hardware needs, The Hardware Center carries a varying assortment of gifts and seasonal items like grill supplies and patio furniture.

Steve is quick to note, “What truly sets us apart is the service experience our customers receive. We don’t just want to sell them a product – we want to help them solve problems. We want clients to come in with their questions so that our highly dedicated and knowledgeable team can help them work through the issues, and, where appropriate, suggest products that can help them succeed the first time in.”

He adds, “We are always listening to our customers’ needs and ideas. As a result, we’ve also worked to design unique services like lamp repair, mailbox installation, and even hand-tied bows.”

On September 1 of each year, a very talented team begins to build and decorate a “winter wonderland” on the lower level, with November 1 as their target date. The Christmas Shoppe is known throughout the region for its specialty ornaments, fine-art wrapping papers, individually crafted wreaths, and beautiful decorated and undecorated trees. Not to mention lighting of all kinds, indoors and outdoors, as well as holiday supplies of all sorts.

All during the holiday season the garden and outdoor supplies still remain available, if tucked out of view.

For another treat, customers only need to visit the 2nd floor of The Hardware Center, where they will find a beautifully curated collection of toys. “We want clients to be able to find something unique, so we created an amazing toy store we call Big Smile Toys,” says Steve. Be advised: you won’t find one-hit wonders upstairs. The toy collection is designed to offer lasting favorites that can be passed from generation to generation.

Check out The Hardware Center for help around the house or unique gifts. It is still – after 60-plus years – located at 16 Paoli Shopping Center in Paoli. The store is open Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. More information is available at 610.644.2013.
Dear Great Valley Community Members,

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year!

As we move into the fall, there are already so many wonderful things happening in our schools. Inside this issue, you will see many of our initiatives highlighted. Also included is information about our 2016-2017 goals, which serve as the framework for all the efforts we make on behalf of our students and our community. As always, I welcome your input and participation as we implement strategies to achieve success.

At the heart of our goals this year are three guiding principles, which were actually developed last school year and still remain true:

- Great Valley School District will be an exemplary school of choice with opportunities to maximize potential in multiple areas for all children;
- All school district stakeholders will have the opportunity to communicate reciprocally with a shared vision of excellence and equity; and
- Financial and operational procedures will maximize the fiscal health of the school district with clear planning into the future.

I believe strongly that communication and collaboration are essential to the success of our schools. I also believe that Great Valley public schools are THE best choice for education. The entire Great Valley team is dedicated to our students and to the continued improvement of the services we offer. I look forward to our community’s partnership in these efforts.

Finally, I remind you that there are many, many wonderful opportunities for you to be involved within our schools. I look forward to seeing you in our schools, on our fields, and at events throughout the fall.

Enthusiastically,

Regina C. Speaker Palubinsky, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools
**District Goals Address Four Key Areas**

Great Valley School District goals for 2016-2017 focus on four key areas: curriculum, instruction, and student achievement; communication and culture; policies and governance; and finance and operations. Under each category are designated strategies that will be used to reach the goal.

“All of us in Great Valley are dedicated to ensuring that we remain an exemplary school district,” said Superintendent Regina Speaker Palubinsky. “We continue to welcome opportunities to engage with stakeholders, and we want to ensure that our policies and procedures keep us fiscally healthy, both now and into the future.”

In the area of curriculum, instruction, and student achievement, Speaker Palubinsky said that the goal is always to provide all students with effective instruction. “That instruction,” she said, “must be aligned to a clearly articulated, rigorous, district-wide curriculum.” She said that much of last year’s work in curriculum and instruction focused on ensuring that curriculum was, indeed, clearly articulated. This year’s work will focus not only on consistently implementing that curriculum, but also on refining observation and feedback so that the impact on student achievement is maximized. The District’s one-to-one technology program is also part of the curriculum and instruction goal.

The 2016-2017 goals and the strategies that support each goal area are posted on the District’s website at www.gvsd.org.

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**School Board Meetings Scheduled for 2016-2017**

The Great Valley Board of School Directors holds regular meetings throughout the year. The community is welcome to attend these meetings. Time for public comment is available at each session. The community may also watch meeting broadcasts on GVTV (Comcast Channel 14 or Verizon Channel 36) or online at www.gvsd.org.

Work sessions of the School Board are non-voting meetings where topics on the next regular business meeting agenda are considered and discussed. The School Board votes on agenda items at its regular business meetings. A schedule for both meetings throughout the 2016-2017 school year is included. All meetings begin at 7:30 p.m., unless otherwise noted, and are held in the Board Room at the District Office, 47 Church Road, Malvern.

Members of the community may view the agenda for each meeting online at www.gvsd.org. The agenda for an upcoming meeting is available online beginning at 12:00 a.m. the previous Friday.

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**Mission Statement:** The Mission of the Great Valley School District is to ensure that every student is inspired and prepared to be a passionate lifelong learner and a productive invested participant in the local and global community.

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**2016-2017 GVSD Goals**

1. **Curriculum, Instruction, and Student Achievement**
   All students will be provided highly effective instruction aligned to a clearly articulated, rigorous, district-wide curriculum yielding student achievement.

2. **Communication and Culture**
   Collaboration and effective communication with the public and school community are critical to the success of the District, and relationships with stakeholders will be fostered at a high level through engagement.

3. **Policies and Governance**
   The School District is governed by the Great Valley School District Board Policies. The application and implementation of these policies are the basis of District processes and procedures.

4. **Finance and Operations**
   The Board has the fiduciary obligation to maximize District resources while providing the best educational opportunities to all students in a fiscally-responsible manner.
Great Valley School District welcomed students back to school on Monday, August 29. Approximately 4,000 students in grades K-12 came back from summer vacation excited for the 2016-2017 school year!
Tech Camps

The Great Valley School District held two summer technology camps in July that introduced fifth and ninth grade students to the iPad. As part of the District's one-to-one technology effort, students in those grades received iPads this year as part of their instruction. The camps, funded by The Foundation at Great Valley, were free opportunities for interested students to get an advanced look at the technology. More than 90 students participated in the two camps.

Each camp lasted four days. Students initially learned iPad basics with settings and functions. They also learned productivity apps within Office 365, such as OneDrive, email, Word and OneNote. Students learned basic troubleshooting like how to reboot, close apps, or reconnect to wifi. Over the course of the camp, each student completed a stop-motion movie using the iPad and produced a one-minute movie preview about the camp to advertise for next year. In addition, ninth grade students used iMovie to produce “how-to” videos for their peers. The “how-to” videos will be available on the District’s website for iPad users to view.

“The technology camps were a great opportunity to give students a look at the iPad,” said Director of Instructional Technology Jason Rasmussen. “While they came to the camp with various levels of experience – some never having used an iPad and some with a basic knowledge of it – I think everyone learned something new.”

All students in fifth and ninth grade received an iPad from the District in August that they will use throughout the school year. However, students who completed the camp were able to take their iPads home in July. “It was just a little bonus time for them to become familiar with the device,” said Rasmussen. “In that way, they will be prepared to support their peers in the classroom.”
Communication Remains Key in GVSD

In the spring of 2016, the Great Valley School District contracted with a communications consultant to complete a communications audit, tied to its annual goals. The audit was designed to seek data, opinions and perceptions from all major stakeholder groups, to determine themes and attitudes about communication in the District, and to propose recommendations to improve the effectiveness and management of communications based on that data and information.

1. The audit report (posted on the District’s website) presents the findings and recommendations from a review of district publications, 12 focus groups, and a total of 1,451 surveys. Several themes emerged in the audit:
2. There was a broad sense of dissatisfaction from staff with internal communications.
3. Parents seemed mostly pleased with communication, with the exception of frustration with the lack of consistency in the way teachers communicate with them about assignments, grades, and student progress.
4. Community members were supportive of the school district, but felt somewhat disengaged, a theme that is common as districts often struggle to find ways to connect with people who aren't directly affiliated with their schools.
5. Despite any communication challenges, support for the school district is strong, and all groups pointed to the excellent staff and students within the district and said they felt great pride in being a member of the school district community.
6. All groups wanted more communication from the school board.

The District goals in both 2015-2016 and the current year include work around communications and culture. “We continue to believe that communication with our school community – both parents and those without children in our schools – is critical to our success,” said Superintendent Regina Speaker Palubinsky. “This year, we will implement some of the recommendations made in the audit, specifically aimed at increasing awareness of and accessibility to information related to things happening District-wide.”

Speaker Palubinsky said that the District is also very focused on improving internal communications. “It is critically important that staff is engaged in decision-making and that information is consistently shared in a timely manner,” she said. “Additionally, we will be working collaboratively with teachers to strengthen home/school communication, especially the consistent use of our online grading management system.”

The audit report was shared internally with all staff at the end of the 2015-2016 school year. It was also shared with the School Board, with Parent Key Communicators, and is posted online at www.gvsd.org.

“We are so grateful to the many staff and community members who served on focus groups or completed a survey as part of our communications audit,” said Speaker Palubinsky. “We certainly benefit from a community who cares so much about its schools.”
District Welcomes New Administrators

The Great Valley School District welcomed two new administrators this past summer. Abby Linderman joined the District as a supervisor of teaching and learning at the elementary level. In her role, Linderman will provide ongoing support to principals and teachers to ensure successful implementation of K-12 curriculum and highly effective instructional practices in every elementary classroom. She will also play a pivotal role in staff development.

The District also welcomed back Kyle Hammond, who assumed the role of principal at Sugartown Elementary School. Hammond, who was the assistant principal at Great Valley Middle School from 2008 through 2012, fills the vacancy left by Dr. Karen Schneck’s retirement.

“Great Valley continues to hire administrators who are not only skilled, but who also demonstrate a true commitment to students and their growth and wellbeing,” said Superintendent Regina Palubinsky. “We are thrilled to have these new administrators onboard and look forward to the many positive contributions they will make.”

Linderman comes to Great Valley from The Agora Charter School where she was assistant principal for a grade six through eight middle school. In that role, she observed and evaluated staff, reviewed and revised math, science, and social studies curriculum, and analyzed data to inform student placement. Prior to her work at Agora, Linderman was a sixth grade teacher in the Avon Grove School District, where she taught for eight years. She is a graduate of Millersville University and earned her master of education from Penn State University. Her administrative certification is from Cabrini College.

Hammond was most recently an elementary principal in the School District of Haverford. A previous sixth grade English teacher, Hammond earned his undergraduate degree from West Chester University of Pennsylvania and his master’s degree from Gratz College. He holds both principal (K-12) and elementary (K-6) professional certifications.

District Welcomes New Teachers

The Great Valley School District welcomed new teachers to its annual Induction program in August. Teachers went on a tour of the district, met with administrators and other staff members, and spent time in professional development to review curriculum and district policies. (Note: not all new teachers are pictured.)
Food Service

The Great Valley School District Food Service Department grows fruits and vegetables year-round in its garden. But to supplement that supply, the department also works with the local agricultural community to provide students with the freshest foods. “This year, we look forward to buying apples from Frecon Farms,” said Garden Coordinator Kelsey Gartner. “And Common Market, a farmer cooperative in Philadelphia, will supply us with frozen local blueberries all year long.” Gartner said that by purchasing produce from local suppliers, the food service team is able to provide students with fresher fruits and vegetables. She noted that it takes only about four days for food to make its way from the farm to the school cafeterias.

Gartner said that there are also other benefits to purchasing locally grown foods that go beyond the cafeteria tray. “When we buy foods locally, we decrease the impact we have on the environment by reducing the usage of fossil fuels to transport food across the country,” she said. “We also are supporting our local economy, and the farmers and their families who live in our communities.”

The buy fresh, buy local effort is not new to Great Valley’s cafeterias. In fact, the food service department has been recognized many times at the local and state level for its efforts to incorporate locally-grown fruits and vegetables in its menus. According to Gartner, the reason is simple. “In short,” she said, “when it comes to great taste, you just can’t beat something that is fresh-picked!”

School Menus Get More and More “App”etizing

Technology connects with food service to offer mobile menu app.

The Great Valley School District Food Service Department launched a new app this past summer that allows students and their families to access school menus from a mobile device. The “Mobile Menu App” offers an easy way to view menus and nutrient information for products in any Great Valley cafeteria. With interactive nutritional menus, the app allows users to view menu item photos and descriptions, the daily menu in each school, and allergens contained in each item. In addition, the app links to an online payment provider and a nutrition services website where even more information can be found.

“We are always working to improve the quality of the menu items we offer our students,” said Food Service Supervisor Nicole Melia. “Our focus really is on enhancing the diet of students with more nutritious choices at school.” According to Melia, Great Valley’s cafeterias now include a greater variety of fruits and vegetables, as well as whole grains, and fat-free and low-fat milk. The cafeteria teams are also reducing the levels of sodium and saturated fat found in offerings and have already eliminated any added trans fat. “We do not supersize our meals, but instead strive to meet the nutrition needs of students with their age-specific calorie requirements,” said Melia.

While families can access and print school menus from the school district website, or sign up to have menus automatically emailed to them on a monthly basis, Melia said that the new mobile app is an additional tool to connect students and families with the cafeteria. “We hope that students will use the app to make choices about what they eat,” she said. “The app really is a tool that can be used to form healthy habits that last a lifetime.”

The Mobile Menu App is Free!

The Great Valley Mobile Menu app is available FREE from the food service website. Visit http://gvsdfoodservice.org. Or download from the App Store or in Google Play.
**CHEERLEADING**

The face of Great Valley Cheerleading is changing and we couldn’t be more excited for our 2016-2017 season! This year’s Varsity squad, led by Senior Captain, Katie Foreman, is comprised of 22 phenomenal athletes – 13 returning, 9 newcomers. Under the direction of new head coach, Kirsten Shawn, the athletes have high expectations of not only dazzling you on the sidelines but making a tremendous showing on the competitive circuit. Sure to be a crowd pleaser are returning athletes Nate Parks-Smith and Morgan Sanderson – who you will undoubtedly recognize for their tumbling up and down the sidelines under the lights! The devotion, energy and spirit of this 2016-2017 Varsity Team is unmatched! We look forward to making Great Valley proud.

**CROSS COUNTRY**

The Great Valley boys’ and girls’ cross country teams are looking forward to another fine season in 2016. The girls return Amy Willig, Annalise Porreca, Kayla Beck, Emily Meehan, Brenna Ruhnke and Eryn Casey from the team that had a record of 5 wins and 1 loss (8-1 overall) in 2015. Brett Zatlin, Everett Beauregard, Hayden Coates, Roman Silen and Justin Falcone are returning runners with varsity experience from the team that won the American Division title in 2015. There are many other returning runners, freshmen runners, and new runners who have been working hard and should provide both teams with plenty of depth and help make both teams very competitive this fall.

**FIELD HOCKEY**

We are eager to get this season underway, as the girls have shown a tremendous amount of hard work and dedication this pre-season. Each individual plays an important role in this program and our goal is to help each of them reach their full potential on and off the field. Our captains Kate Rosecky, Emma Iacobucci, Erin Kratzer, and Nicole Allen, have really stepped up in terms of team leadership and have shown that they are ready to lead the squad to a fun, successful season. In addition to the rest of our returners looking strong, we are also excited to welcome the promising class of incoming freshmen. The coaching staff is beyond confident that this group will accomplish some special things in the 2016 season!

**FOOTBALL**

The Great Valley football team returns more than 20 players who have started at least one game and look to continue past years of success. On offense, the Patriots return their top passer, Rob Geiss; their top rusher, Mark DeRobertis; their top receiver, Ryan Hubley; and all five starting offensive linemen: Jack McDaid, Xander Utecht, Grayson Jenkins, Nick Ryan, and Matt Gemmell. Defensively, the team returns many of the same players, including the leaders in sacks, interceptions, and forced fumbles. As the team continues to work, they are hoping for continued success in the Route 29 Series against Phoenixville.

**BOYS’ SOCCER**

The Boys’ Varsity Soccer Team is returning a solid core of players from last year’s squad that was a district playoff qualifier. Team captains Jack Feeney and Ryan Craig will lead the way as they expect to contend for a ChesMont title. Coach Moffett is entering his 20th season at the helm of the Great Valley Boys’ Soccer program.

**GIRLS’ SOCCER**

Two years ago, the Great Valley Girls’ Soccer team had an 11-win season that was capped off by two playoff wins. Last season, after being riddled with injuries, the Lady Patriots fell short of reaching the .500 mark. In 2016, the Patriots will look to center back Courtney Stevens and outside back Annabelle Ellis to anchor a defense that must give up fewer scoring opportunities. The center midfielders, Maddie Wolfe, Sarah Schultz, and Cali Capetola, will...
need to possess the ball to create scoring chances for the forwards, led by the formidable Cassidy Hoops. The Patriots are hopeful that the incoming freshmen class, as well as the return of Alexis Bloedel and Sarah Merriwether from season-ending injuries, will help to propel the team back into the playoffs.

**GIRLS’ TENNIS**

Girls’ Tennis has a number of returning players. If they play to their potential, this could be a successful season. Our goal is to win our league, return to district play for the fourth consecutive year and have some of our players advance to district play once again.

**GIRLS’ VOLLEYBALL**

This year the Great Valley Girls’ Volleyball team is led by a strong senior class including Aimee Christen, Abby Daniels, Danielle DiSciullo, Mackenzie Farrelly, Haley Murphy and Julia Stilwell. The team is coming off last season as the American Chest-mont Champions and looking to compete for that title again this year.

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**Focused on Fitness and Wellness**

Great Valley High School students came back to a newly renovated weight/fitness center. The $250,000 renovation project includes new lighting, new paint, a hard rubber floor, and upgraded equipment. A trainer’s room across the hall was also renovated. Funding came from the District and from private funds that were raised by members of the Great Valley community.
DATE SAVER
Mark your calendar now for Great Valley School District’s annual Patriots Day and Homecoming!
Saturday, October 15, 2016

Special events are planned for Great Valley alumni…
Tours of Great Valley High School
An Alumni Reception Tent with food and beverages
And more!

More information will be available on the Great Valley School District web site in mid-September. Please visit www.gvsd.org for more information.

SAVE THE DATE
The Foundation at Great Valley 2017 “Take a Swing for Students”
A golf event to benefit Great Valley public schools.
Monday, June 19, 2017
Chester Valley Golf Club, Malvern, PA

Mark your calendar now and plan to attend The Foundation at Great Valley’s 2017 “Take a Swing for Students” event. Watch www.thefoundationatgreatvalley.org for more information. Sponsorships available.

Patriots’ Pride Program Highlights Outstanding Customer Service

The Great Valley School District has a goal this year to focus on and further improve its customer service. To that end, a new program, called Patriots’ Pride, has been introduced district-wide. Patriots’ Pride allows anyone from within or outside the schools to nominate a staff member for demonstrating outstanding customer service.

“One of our District goals relates to communication and culture,” said Superintendent Regina Speaker Palubinsky. “That goal includes work related to customer service and includes protocols and expectations related to responsiveness. But as we work to grow even better, we also think it is important to highlight and recognize those staff members who model outstanding customer service within our schools.”

According to the program’s guidelines, anyone can nominate a Great Valley staff member for recognition. Parents, students, visitors, and even one’s peers may use the nomination cards found in each school office to describe how a staff member modeled the principles of PRIDE: problem-solver, respectful, inspiring, dedicated, enthusiastic. Nomination cards will be pulled four times each year. All of those nominated will be highlighted, but four staff members (two professional staff and two support staff) will receive a Patriots’ Pride award.

“The Great Valley support staff played a key role in fleshing out the details of the Patriots’ Pride program,” said Speaker Palubinsky. “Kudos to staff for wanting to recognize their peers and foster a culture of outstanding customer service.”
Annual Event Sells Out in Support of Schools

On the golf course and tennis court, the community comes out in support of public schools

Golfers and tennis enthusiasts came out swinging in June to support Great Valley’s public schools. The Foundation at Great Valley’s annual “Take a Swing for Students” golf and tennis event was held at Chester Valley Golf Club and offered a challenging day on a championship course, a rigorous tennis camp, and an evening of delicious food, raffles, an auction, and camaraderie. The sold-out event supported the Foundation’s mission to help sustain Great Valley School District’s tradition of excellence in education and promote innovative and inspiring opportunities for students.

“We continue to be a partner with our school district and our community to ensure that students benefit from an educational experience that engages and inspires them,” said Foundation President Ann Juliano. “We are grateful for the many businesses, corporate partners, and community members who supported the ‘Take a Swing for Students’ event and who support other fundraising events throughout the year.”

As an education foundation, The Foundation at Great Valley is organized and governed by a dedicated group of volunteer community and business leaders, retired corporate executives and educators. The Foundation at Great Valley employs community resources to enhance and enrich the learning opportunities of the approximately 4,000 students enrolled within the district. By securing funds, resources, and knowledge from the private sector, the Foundation provides educational, cultural, athletic and wellness initiatives that may not normally be supported by the school district’s budget. The “Take a Swing for Students” outing is an annual fundraiser, held in June.

For more information about The Foundation at Great Valley, please visit www.thefoundationatgreatvalley.org.

Stephen Borst and Liam Ward, who are members of the Great Valley High School golf team, joined the outing to lend their support as “designated drivers.”
Foundation’s Annual Campaign Underway

Will you make a donation in support of our schools by October 17?

Thanks to the generous contributions of the Great Valley community, The Foundation at Great Valley has donated more than $500,000 to Great Valley public schools since 2009—impacting every grade level and a wide variety of curricula including math, science, computer applications, language arts, music, art, and athletics. In the 2016-2017 school year, donations will allow The Foundation to provide nearly $80,000 to the Great Valley School District in support of both teacher-initiated grant requests (Venture Grants) and key District initiatives identified in the Comprehensive Plan.

“The Foundation’s support of our public school relies on the generosity of our donors,” said Development Committee Chair Steve Skoufalos. “A contribution to The Foundation at Great Valley’s annual campaign says that you, too, value strong public schools. After all, strong schools build a strong community. And your investment today directly impacts our community tomorrow.”

The Foundation launched its month-long annual campaign on September 19. Now in its fourth consecutive year, the annual campaign relies on the generosity of Great Valley community members, parents, businesses, and friends to make it the most successful of The Foundation’s fundraising efforts.

Campaign donation go directly toward The Foundation’s allocation to the school district. “Our community has always expressed a desire to maintain strong schools and a quality education program for our students, and has backed that interest though its donations to The Foundation,” said Skoufalos. “That generosity helps our schools to implement innovative programs that inspire student at all levels.”

Highly qualified teachers, strong curriculum, and a broad array of courses and extra-curricular offerings give Great Valley schools the reputation of excellence for which they are known. But as changes in tax structure and a competing demand for resources increase, school district across the country are now looking beyond tax dollars for funding. The Foundation at Great Valley bridges private funding and resources from the community to the Great Valley public schools for the benefit of students.

The annual campaign ends on October 17. No donation is too small. Contributions can be made using the donation form, or by visiting www.thefoundationatgreatvalley.org.
In partnership with the Great Valley School District, The Foundation at Great Valley works to bring innovation to all areas of the K-12 curriculum. In the 2016-2017 school year, The Foundation will donate $80,000 to Great Valley public schools. This donation supports The Foundation’s mission to uphold educational excellence and promote innovative opportunities that inspire students.

“Through the commitment of our donors, The Foundation enthusiastically supports students, their teachers, and our schools in an impactful way,” said Foundation Board President Ann Juliano. “Funding is awarded at both the classroom level and at a broader district-level to ensure that every student benefits.”

Approximately $30,000 of The Foundation’s 2016-2017 contribution to Great Valley School District will support Venture Grants (see sidebar). These are teacher-initiated requests for the funding of new ideas not currently covered by the school district’s budget. Each spring, teachers submit their applications for grant funds. Those applications are reviewed by a Grant Selection Committee comprised of parents and business and community representatives. This year’s grant recipients proposed initiatives related to a wide range of topics, including wellness, robotics and engineering, technology education, cultural and historical awareness, and mental health.

“Venture Grants are designed to directly enhance the educational experience of our Great Valley students,” said outgoing Grant Selection Committee Chair Tamara Hoffritz. “We are always impressed by the continued innovation of Great Valley staff who make grant requests. The Foundation – through the community’s support – is honored to provide funds to support such ingenuity.”

In addition to grant allocations, the Foundation will also donate $50,000 to the Great Valley School District in support of key initiatives identified in the District’s Comprehensive Plan. Funding will further the implementation of the District’s one-to-one technology initiative, will support mental health and wellness, and will provide funding for efforts in support of at-risk students and their families.

“Through the funding of District-level initiatives, we are helping our school district to address the ever-evolving needs of our larger student body through systemic programming,” said Juliano. “We are grateful for a community that values a strong public education – and who has expressed that through its generosity to The Foundation at Great Valley.”

Since it was established, the Foundation has donated more than $500,000 in support of innovation in Great Valley public schools. Want to learn more? Visit www.thefoundationatgreatvalley.org.

2016-2017 Venture Grants Awarded to Teacher-Driven Ideas:

- **Stepping into Wearable Fitness** – Using pedometers, K-4 students will be able to track steps taken per class to increase activity. Math skills will be applied as students calculate steps, use/read graphs, and evaluate caloric consumption.

- **Kinesthetic Movement to Promote Cognitive Development** – Desk Cycles to assist students who need movement to help with instruction.

- **Robotic Arm** - Design challenges and design-based learning activities for high school pre-engineering students through the process of programming a robotic arm.

- **Field Trip and Underground Railroad Tour** – High school members of the Multicultural Student Union will enrich their knowledge of history as it relates to our society’s current racial and socioeconomic issues.

- **Robotics Club** – Extracurricular VEX Robotics program for high school students.
New Home Improves Fire Department Response Time

The East Whiteland Fire Department proudly provides fire protection and emergency medical services to East Whiteland Township and a portion of Charlestown Township. Emergency responders also provide and receive automatic/mutual aid to and from neighboring areas.

It is hard to believe that the “new” East Whiteland Fire Station, located at Conestoga Road and Mill Lane, is a year old already. The Fire Station’s emergency responders have been busy responding to all sorts of emergencies, including fire suppression, emergency medical services and specialty responses.

The change of location from the Planebrook Road location has centralized the department’s response capabilities, which ensures a safe and effective response that meet the community’s needs. Since the move, the time it takes from receipt of a 9-1-1 call until emergency responders arrive at the place of the emergency has been reduced. This reduction in time has increased the department’s ability to save lives and property.

The analysis of community risk and the evaluation of performance standards are an ongoing process designed to ensure that services provided continue to meet our community’s needs.

Education Is The Best Defense Against Scams

The East Whiteland Township Police Department reminds residents to be alert for scams.

The department is receiving far too many reports of scam attempts on residents and statistics indicate that many more are never reported. With the increase in phone anonymity, internet usage and electronic payment sources, it has become too easy for the “scammer”.

Most scams are set up the same: The victim receives a phone call or a message on a computer, indicating they owe money (to the IRS, PECO, etc.) and they will be arrested or their electric service shut off if a payment is not made immediately by purchasing “Green Dot” or similar type cards and revealing the serial number to the scammer and the money is gone instantly.

The computer scam may involve the scammer or hacker taking over a computer and requesting money to fix the problem or to give the victim control of the computer. These are just a few of the common scams currently in circulation.

Most of the victims of these scams never report them to law enforcement because they are embarrassed for falling for the scam. Many are elderly victims and the financial impact is significant.

The best defense is to be educated. Inform everyone, especially those most vulnerable, about the scams and please call East Whiteland Police any time there is any question. The Police Department will assess each situation to identify any frauds and scam attempts.
Goals Set For East Whiteland

The Board of Supervisors, staff and members of the Township’s volunteer boards and commissions have established goals for East Whiteland.

The goals, which were identified in meetings during the summer, will guide the actions of the Township. The initiatives are:

• Developing a sustainable funding plan
• Managing development and growth
• Acquire open space, develop parks and provide recreational programming
• Develop renovated municipal infrastructure and provide comprehensive services
• Promote citizen involvement and the Township’s identity

On a related note, the Board subsequently agreed to establish new assignments of Township funds to help meet these goals. A budgetary reserve of $200,000 was established as a sustainable funding plan and $500,000 was earmarked to acquire open space.

The renovation of municipal infrastructure was assigned $500,000 and the protection of historic, natural and scenic resources was assigned $150,000. The establishment of trails, bike paths, sidewalks and pathways was assigned $500,000 and the conservation of energy was assigned $150,000.

The management of development and growth, including a transportation study and Route 30 corridor study, the development of parks and efforts to improve the Township’s identity have already been budgeted.

The Supervisors and members of the boards and commissions were scheduled to meet again in September to discuss how the boards and commissions could work to support the Township’s goals.

Subscribe To East Whiteland’s Email Newsletter

You can stay in touch with news and events in East Whiteland by subscribing to the Township’s email newsletter.

The newsletter delivers meeting dates, information on township events, traffic updates and police and fire news directly to your inbox. If you are missing these important updates, please visit the Township’s website at www.EastWhiteland.org to register.

Residents should also visit www.ReadyChesco.org and register for emergency updates via email or text.
Fall Leaf Collection Dates Set

All residential solid waste and recycling hauling companies operating in the Township are now required to offer their customers a monthly leaf collection. The leaves will be picked up by your waste hauler and taken to a DEP-approved composting facility where they will be converted into nutrient-rich compost. The leaf collection program will divert thousands of tons of leaf waste from the landfill.

Residents may place leaves in BIODEGRADABLE BAGS at the curb for collection on the following dates:

**A.J. Blosenski Customers**

Collection must be pre-scheduled
24 hours in advance of each service date
by calling 610-942-2707.

Saturday, October 8, 2016
Saturday, November 12, 2016
Thursday, December 1, 2016

**Republic Services Customers**

Collection will be the first
Wednesday of each month in 2016.

Wednesday, October 5, 2016
Wednesday, November 2, 2016
Wednesday, December 7, 2016

Grass clippings: DEP’s official position is to “let it lay” and we encourage residents to mulch/compost them or simply let the clippings sit on your lawn. This feeds the lawn naturally. This method is the most environmentally friendly to dispose of them.
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Greetings to the residents of Malvern Borough,

Summer ended just as quickly as it began. This past summer was very productive for the Borough. The 2016 road paving project addressed some much needed areas. Melchioire Construction completed paving on Monument Avenue, E. King Street, W. King Street, and Old Lincoln Highway. The end results are a dramatic improvement over their previous condition. Thank you to all the residents and businesses for their cooperation and understanding as we worked to complete this project.

Borough Council recently appointed two (2) new officers to the Malvern Police Department. Officer Stephan Walker was appointed as a full-time patrolman; he had previously been a part-time officer with the Police Department. He brings over five (5) years of police experience with him and has served in Malvern Borough, East Whiteland Township, and Easttown Township. Officer William Verikakis was appointed as a part-time patrolman. He also serves as a part-time patrolman with the Birmingham Township Police Department. Both officers were sworn in on July 19, 2016. We are very thankful to have them serving the community.

There is change coming to the Borough’s Zoning Hearing Board. After 23 years of service to the community, Louis Thomas, Jr. resigned from the Zoning Hearing Board. Mr. Thomas served as the chair of the Zoning Hearing Board. On August 2nd, Borough Council appointed Joseph Rubino to fill Mr. Thomas’ term. Borough Council also decided to appoint an alternate member to the Board, with KasJaunzemis being appointed. We thank Mr. Thomas for his years of service and welcome Mr. Rubino and Mr. Jaunzemis to the Zoning Hearing Board.

Borough Council recently approved Ordinance #2016-8 to initiate the process of amending the Borough’s Home Rule Charter. The adopted ordinance will amend section 205 of the Home Rule Charter pertaining to the term limits of Borough Council members. This measure must be voted on by the public and has been submitted to the Chester County Board of Elections for consideration as a referendum in the November 8th General Election. Borough Council also adopted new regulations for peddling and soliciting in the Borough. This amendment provides for stringent background check requirements for those wishing to conduct door-to-door solicitation in the Borough. If residents do not wish to have door-to-door solicitors enter their property, please post a “No Soliciting” sign prominently.

The traffic signal replacement project and pedestrian improvements along No. Warren Avenue were delayed by PennDOT. It was very disappointing as we were really looking forward to having that project completed this summer. We’ve been waiting nearly four years to replace those old traffic signals to bring them into the 21st Century and to meet PennDOT standards. Right now, it looks like this project will be completed in the Spring/Summer of 2017.

There are several events coming to the Borough this fall and winter. The Malvern Parks & Recreation Committee will hold their 13th annual Fall Fest on Sunday, October 9th in Burke Park. On October 13th, the Paoli Memorial Association and the Paoli Battlefield Preservation Fund will hold their third annual dinner and auction at the Farmhouse at People’s Light and Theater Company. Malvern Victorian Christmas will be held on December 2nd and December 3rd. Please review the Community Events Calendar for additional information.

Malvern continues to grow and the Borough continues to reflect our dedication to the community. We are always interested in hearing from the community. If you see anything in the Borough that requires our attention, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at cbashore@malvern.org. Thank you.

Christopher Bashore
Borough Manager
Malvern Farmers Market – The Great Harvest

It’s that time of year - the days are getting shorter, the nights cooler, the seasons are changing. And this change in the season ushers in The Great Harvest. If you think summer is special at the farmers market, well you haven’t seen autumn. Many of the summer veggies are still available, while autumn’s bounty sets to impress: Apples and pears, crisp and juicy, not to mention sweet cider.

- The winter squashes- delicata, acorn, butternut, kabocha, carnival, spaghetti, Hubbard, buttercup and more!
- Cruciferous veggies flourish: broccoli, cauliflower, romanesco, cabbages in every size and shape
- Root veggies return, sweetened by the cooler nights - carrots, beets, radishes
- Greens are impressive: kales, chard, mustards, lettuces, radicchio, and more. And, don’t forget celery!

All these local fruits and veggies are great for you, helping to keep you healthy and fit! We’ve been shouting about it all summer - #EatUrVeggies!

We’ve also introduced our Loyal2Local Program this season and our market shoppers are loving it. Every time you make a purchase at the market, you get your beet punched, increasing your chances of winning monthly prizes from the market. And the grand prize, a whole Thanksgiving dinner - the turkey and all the fixings! And not just any turkey - a locally raised turkey from Canter Hill Farm!

If you’ve never stopped by the Malvern Farmers Market, please give us a try! We have the very best of locally grown (all within 35 miles of Malvern!), raised or crafted foods:

- Amazing fruits and veggies from Down to Earth Harvest, Frecon Farms, Kimberton CSA and Old Homestead Farm.
- Pasture raised, grass fed meat including beef, pork, lamb, poultry and farm fresh eggs, ostrich too! Cow’s milk cheeses too! Canter Hill Farm, Wholesome Food Farm and Conebella Farm.
- Baked goods featuring the Malvern Buttery, Rose’s Gluten Free Bakery, A La Malatase, The Good, Bad and Yummy Cookies, and Mamyli’Jam. We even have a puppy treat bakery, Pawsome Healthy Pet Treats!
- Delicious speciality products made with local ingredients including jams, relishes from Hazel and Ash Organics, Pickles from Crisp and Co., tea from Winsome Tea Co., coffee from Talley Ho, sauces from Bottled Thyme, E’s Pierogi, Rafiki African Cuisine, Whiskey Hollow Maple Syrup, wine from Black Walnut Winery, confections from Sweet Salvation Truffles, and Kastania Olive Oil from their family farm in Greece.
- And this year, we’ve introduced occasional crafters of fine kitchen and garden crafts every few weeks including Minnie and Moon, Kitchen Garden Series and Earth and Sky Soap to name a few.

The Malvern Farmers Market is held every Saturday in Burke Park from 9A - 1P. In December we’ll move indoors to the Malvern Baptist Church the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month from 10AM - Noon.

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Malvern Historical Commission News

by Catherine Raymond

In September, the Malvern Historical Commission announced its historic preservation awards for 2016. As you stroll around Malvern this fall, or during one of Malvern’s upcoming events such as Victorian Christmas, consider admiring these winners. They represent architectural styles not commonly found today, and they shed interesting light on how Malvern has changed its appearance over the years without changing its character.

The Historical Commission honors properties in four categories: adaptive re-use (e.g., where the preserved building is now used for a different purpose than its historical purpose); commercial, residential, and institutional (e.g., churches, schools). Seven properties received an Historical Commission preservation award this year: one property for adaptive re-use, one commercial property, one institutional property, and four residential properties.

106 E. King Street: This year’s Adaptive Re-use award went to this handsome structure, owned by Dominic and Angela Pisano. Now a residence, the building was originally a commercial property, and in days past served as the Shivery Bakery and as Malvern’s Temperance Hotel. It was built around 1895 in the “Stick” architectural style, though the board overlay that is characteristic of this style has long since been removed.

19 E. King Street – Malvern Pizza: One of Malvern’s most notable eateries occupies this fine structure, our 2016 Commercial property award. It was built as a commercial property around 1910 by the property owner at the time, J. Jones Still, who used it as a store selling bicycles and various sundries. Next time you drive by, take note of the ornamentation along the top of the building, and if you stop in for pizza and beer, take a look at the lovely period tin ceilings inside.

229 Church Street – St. Paul’s African Methodist Church: Our 2016 Institutional property award winner was built between 1906 and 1912 expressly as a place of worship, and it is still used by the church congregation today. This simple and sturdy brick building, built in the Masonry style, was renovated in the 1970s. The glass block crosses, inset on either side of the front door, mark it as a church, and not just any public building.

192 W. King Street: This handsome residence, is the oldest one on the list of 2016 residential building award winners, was built in 1815 in the Federal style, with an addition constructed in 1837. It is believed to have been a farmhouse with an attached carriage house; a free-standing barn still remains on the site. This building also has the distinction of being the original location of the Malvern Public Library.

19 Monument Avenue: This residential award winner was built between 1886 and 1900 in the Late Victorian “Shingle” architectural style, which is noteworthy for its emphasis upon the building’s shape rather than elaborate exterior ornamentation. The property has been carefully maintained by owners Jerry and the late Kathie Brown, who founded and coordinated the popular event Malvern Victorian Christmas.

137 Monument Avenue: This residence was built around 1885 and is another example of the “Stick” architectural style. It was originally the home of Josiah Roberts, a prominent Malvern businessman at the time of Malvern’s incorporation as a borough in 1889.

225 Roberts Lane: The last of our four residential winners was built in 1887 by then owner Amos Trowery, a well-known Black member of the Malvern community at the time and a protégé of David Evans, one of the Borough’s founders. It is a type of building known as a “shotgun house” because all of the rooms in the building line up, one after the other, from the front door to the back, with no halls or side rooms. Shotgun houses are more commonly found in the South and rarely encountered in Pennsylvania.

If you are a Borough resident and know of a Malvern building that has not yet been recognized by the Historical Commission as an asset, please let us know. Though the Historical Commission chooses award recipients, we welcome suggestions and nominations from the community. Please send them to us by e-mail at malvernhc@yahoo.com or message us at www.facebook.com/MalvernHC.

Paoli Memorial Association and Paoli Battlefield Preservation Fund Third Annual Dinner & Auction

The Paoli Memorial Association and the Paoli Battlefield Preservation Fund will hold their 3rd Annual Fundraising Dinner and Silent Auction on Thursday, October 13, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Farmhouse at People’s Light & Theatre Company (39 Conestoga Road, Malvern, PA 19355). This event will benefit both organizations. It’s a great way for the community to help us raise much needed funds for the National Historic Landmark status project, education and preservation programs, and the maintenance of the monuments and the “ring road”. The evening program is business casual and includes a selection of foods and drinks, as well as keynote speaker, noted author Dr. Nancy K. Loane, author of Follow the Drum, Women at the Valley Forge Encampment, multimedia displays and an update on our organizations efforts to become one of the few National Historic Landmarks in the nation.

Our Silent Auction has many donated items that will be auctioned off to benefit both of these nonprofit organizations so bring your checkbook or credit card to help our fund raising efforts. Every dinner auction attendee will receive a complimentary ticket to the Peoples Light and Theater Company for a play of their choice.

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The firefighters of Malvern Fire Company, known among the community as Station 4, spent their summer responding to calls and providing valuable educational opportunities to all those in Malvern Borough and Willistown Township.

Saturday, June 11, the firefighters responded to reports of ducklings stuck in a storm drain. Teaming up with the Willistown Police Officers, the crew rescued eight ducklings and reunited them with their mother in a nearby pond. Community members report that the ducklings enjoyed time splashing in the pond for the remainder of the day.

Weekends at Station Four were filled with a variety of training opportunities including use of the Fire Vent Mobile Training Prop, with which firefighters can simulate the rescue of firefighters and civilians out of windows or holes in the floor as well as vertical ventilation on both flat and pitched roofs. We are looking forward to continued opportunities to train on this essential piece of equipment as one of the many ways our firefighters prepare to serve our community.

Tac 4 traveled to the Upper Mainline YMCA on August 3 to participate in the annual UMLY Summer Camp Emergency Services Day. The firefighters instructed campers on the use of fire extinguishers as well as fire hose operation. In addition, the crew discussed fire prevention and fire safety with campers and even posed for a few pictures. Summer Camp Emergency Services Day has become a summer tradition for the firefighters of Malvern over the past ten years and we are looking forward to attending and educating the community for many years to come.

With fall quickly approaching, The Malvern Fire Company is eagerly preparing to meet with preschool and elementary school students for National Fire Prevention Week October 9 to October 15. Every year Malvern firefighters teach fire prevention to the children of Malvern Borough and Willistown school districts. This year, we are introducing a new curriculum designed to better align with the developmental needs and state curriculum guidelines of the groups of children we teach. We are excited to launch this new fire prevention program within our school districts!

Great Valley Senior Center
47 Church Rd., Malvern • 610-889-2121

Volunteer! Looking for a fun way to volunteer on Mondays? The Great Valley Senior Center is primarily funded by the proceeds of Monday Afternoon Bingo. We are looking for someone who would like to learn the skill of calling Bingo games. If you might like to try this entertaining avenue of volunteerism, please call Carol (484-653-1761). Other volunteer opportunities also exist for Monday Bingo; please consider us.

Fall Museum Trip. Non-members are welcome to join us on October 21 for our Fall trip to the Great American Treasure Museum in Oaks, Pennsylvania. Their fully guided tram tour showcases a HUGE and diverse collection of memorabilia including classic cars, band organs, circus memorabilia, pop culture treasures, dolls, nickelodeons, and LOTS more. Meet at the Center by 11 a.m. and join a car-pool, or get to the museum by 11:45. The 90-minute tour starts promptly at noon, with lunch afterward. $21 tour cost (members $19); lunch costs to be determined. Please leave a message with the Senior Center (610-889-2121) indicating your interest no later than October 3.

Becoming a Member. Our group is small and friendly. Regular activities include coloring on Tuesdays; Exercise on Monday/Wednesday/Friday; and Canasta or Needlework on Thursdays (bring your own project or follow along if we have an active project in process). Once a month we meet for lunch at a local restaurant. Call the Center and request a calendar or newsletter.
Join the Malvern Business and Professional Association!

Do you own a business in the greater Malvern / Frazer area? If so, consider membership in the Malvern Business and Professional Association (MBPA). We are committed to creating opportunities for small businesses to grow and prosper in Malvern and Frazer, and are proud to offer dynamic new initiatives to reach our goals including:

- Educational workshops on issues and topics to give you the tools to make your business successful.
- Annual meeting schedule with relevant topics as suggested by MBPA members.
- Networking meetings with regional partner organizations along the Western Main Line to expand the opportunity for you to promote your business.
- A refined online presence for the MBPA and its members, including website and social media.
- An exciting schedule of events throughout the year to spotlight the Greater Malvern community.
  - Malvern Stroll, held monthly on the Third Thursday of the Month
  - Malvern Blooms
  - Best of Malvern Fashion Show and Luncheon
  - Malvern Harvest Oktoberfest and Bark in the Park
  - Malvern Victorian Christmas

Applications for membership are available online at www.MalvernBusiness.com.

Malvern Public Library

The Malvern Public Library has lots of exciting new programs for kids, teens, and adults! Have you seen our new website at http://malvern-library.org/? Check out our calendar so you don’t miss any events!

- Our therapy dog, Holly, will be in at 4:30 on Thursday afternoons. Sign up for a slot ahead of time so you’re sure to get a chance to read to her!
- Don’t miss our brand new Teen Board Game Club! Come play nontraditional board games like King of Tokyo, Mysterium, Munchkin, and Zombie Dice once a month starting at 5PM.
- The Library will have a booth every second Saturday of the month at the Burke Parke Farmer’s Market. Stop by and check out our book sale! If you make a donation of $10 or more, we’ll give you a canvas tote bag!
- We now have an Adult Coloring Club, hosted at the Buttery. Check out our website for dates and times as we further develop this brand new program.
- Don’t forget that the library has eBooks and audiobooks available through Overdrive! If you have a library card, you have access to Overdrive, which can be viewed on any of your mobile devices, or on your computer. Need help with Overdrive? Check our calendar for our monthly Overdrive help session!
- And don’t forget there is now a CCLS mobile app. Download this app on your phone or tablet and have access to your account online and the catalog. You are truly able to carry the library with you on your travels.
In 1817, the Chester and Delaware County Militia trained on the farmland where the Paoli Massacre took place in 1777. They called their annual encampment Fort Wayne. Many were veterans of the War of 1812, also known as the Second War of American Independence and some had relatives who fought at the Battle of Paoli under General Anthony Wayne.

They looked over the fields, woods and rail fences, unchanged since the early 1800’s, except for one difference. In the center of the fields, near the fence separating two farms, was a weed-encrusted mound about 60 feet long and 20 feet wide. It was slowly merging into the surrounding grounds and soon, they felt, would disappear altogether. It was the mass grave of 52 Continental soldiers of the Pennsylvania Line that were killed at Paoli. They feared that the memory of those patriot citizen-soldiers, who gave their last full measure to gain our national freedom, might fade away just as the weeds obscured their sacred resting place.

These Pennsylvanians were men of action and believed, as veterans, it was their responsibility to protect, honor and preserve this site. They voted to set up a committee to erect a monument and wall around the mass grave. Even though the United States was experiencing a major recession Militia members and their friends and families collected money. They sent a delegation into Philadelphia to try to find a suitable monument. The militia committee had voted that it should look similar to Anthony Wayne’s tombstone monument at St. David’s Church in Newtown Township.

They enlisted the assistance of a young architect, William Strickland, who had apprenticed with the famous architect Benjamin Latrobe (architect of Washington, DC). Strickland was also a skilled artist and engineer and well-known to the Pennsylvania militia. Strickland had volunteered for the militia during the War of 1812 but, instead, was urged to design and build the defensive works protecting Philadelphia – a wise decision when the British burned the nation’s capital in Washington.

A suitable, slightly damaged monument was found. Strickland oversaw the construction, engraving and transportation of the monument. It was one of his first ceremonial monuments. While no documentation has been uncovered, it is highly likely that Strickland attended the 1817 dedication of the Paoli Battlefield monument and the first of the annual parade tradition honoring American veterans and those killed in action. This tradition continues to this day. The monument is the second oldest Revolutionary War monument in the United States.

The militia not only erected the monument, they built the first stone wall to surround and protect it. They also purchased the property (now 20 acres marking the Paoli Memorial Grounds). In 1822, the Pennsylvania Assembly granted the lands as “parade grounds forever”. With the demise of the militia system, volunteer groups maintained the grounds until the Paoli Memorial Association was incorporated as a non-profit in the late 1890’s to maintain and protect the property.

The following year, 1818, marked Strickland’s rise to national fame as an architect with his commission to design and build the 2nd Bank of the United States and continued to his death in 1854. He built numerous governmental and commercial buildings most of which are National Historic Landmarks. He also continued to design patriotic monuments, including the Tomb of Washington at Mount Vernon.

This patriotic citizen, who greatly influenced American public architecture, knew the importance of preserving our nation’s founding heritage and identity. This portion of his legacy has applied to become a National Historic Landmark.

For more information please visit our website www.RememberPaoli.org. Also, come to our Annual Heritage Day celebration at the Paoli Battlefield Historical Park on Saturday, September 24, 2016 for War encampments from the French & Indian War to the today’s conflicts, children’s activities, K-9 dogs, displays by historical organizations, food, music and contests. Also the dedication of a new Monument, honoring veterans from all services from the Korean War to the Present Day conflicts.

Bruce Knapp
Paoli Battlefield Preservation Fund
Greetings Willistown Residents!

It may be hard to believe, but one in three children in the United States are overweight or obese. Childhood obesity puts kids at risk for health problems that were once seen only in adults, like type 2 diabetes, high blood pressure, and heart disease.

September is National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month! In honor of the occasion, I want to encourage you and your family to make healthy choices.

• Limit screen time: Keep screen time (time spent on the computer, watching TV, or playing video games) to 2 hours or less a day.
• Make healthy meals: Buy and serve more vegetables, fruits, and whole-grain foods.
• Get active outside: Walk around the neighborhood, go on a bike ride, or visit a local park.

Elsewhere in this publication, you’ll find an article and photographs of the many public trails in Willistown Township and beyond. We are blessed to have many miles of trails right here in the Township, including the multi-use trail system at Okehocking Preserve, Natural Lands Trust Willisbrook Preserve, Serpentine Preserve and Willistown Conservation Trust Kirkwood Preserve, just to name a few. The trails in Willistown provide an opportunity to enjoy the beautiful countryside and, just as importantly, provide easy access to facilities that can help children and adults stay fit.

Besides the wonderful trail systems in Willistown, we also have several places where young children (and the young at heart) can be children ... and just play! Here’s a list:

- **Garrett Mill Park** - 1040 Garrett Mill Road, Newtown Square.
- **Greentree Park** - 21 Grubb Road, Malvern.
- **Kirkwood Preserve** - Grubs Mill & Goshen Roads, Newtown Square.
- **Mill Park** - 1 Mill Road, Malvern.
- **Okehocking Preserve** - Parking at 5316 West Chester Pike and 996 Delchester Road, Newtown Square.
- **Serpentine Preserve** - 143 Line Road, Malvern.
- **Sugartown Preserve** - 705 Providence Road, access at 257 Spring Road, Malvern.

So before the month of September passes by, please take some time to visit our parks and preserves and do what you can to stay healthy and prevent childhood obesity.

As always, please feel free to call the Township or email me directly at dburman@willistown.pa.us with any questions or concerns. Also, find me on twitter - @WillistownDave.

– David Burman, Township Manager
Willistown Township Meetings and Events

Unless otherwise indicated, meetings are held in the Township Meeting Room at 688 Sugartown Road. Meetings dates/times are subject to change. Refer to the calendar at www.willistown.pa.us for changes.

September 15, 7:00 PM – Parks & Recreation Board Meeting
September 21, 7:30 PM – Planning Commission Meeting
September 26, 5:30 PM – Open Space Review Board Meeting
September 26, 7:00 PM – Board of Supervisors Meeting
October 4, 7:00 PM – Historical Commission Meeting
October 5, 7:30 PM – Planning Commission Meeting
October 8, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Chester County Hazardous Waste Drop-Off (Government Services Center)
October 10 – Columbus Day Holiday – Administration Offices Closed
October 11, 7:30 PM – Recycling Commission Meeting
October 12, 8:00 PM – Bartram Bridge Commission Meeting (Newtown Township Building)
October 17, 5:30 PM – Open Space Review Board Meeting
October 17, 7:00 PM – Board of Supervisors Meeting
October 19, 7:30 PM – Planning Commission Meeting
October 20, 7:00 PM – Parks & Recreation Board Meeting
November 1, 7:00 PM – Historical Commission Meeting
November 2, 7:30 PM – Planning Commission Meeting
November 8 – Election Day
November 8, 7:30 PM – Recycling Commission Meeting
November 11 – Veterans Day Holiday – Administration Offices Closed
November 14, 7:00 PM – Board of Supervisors Meeting
November 16, 7:30 PM – Planning Commission Meeting
November 17, 7:00 PM – Parks & Recreation Board Meeting
November 24-25 – Thanksgiving Holiday – Administration Offices Closed
November 28, 5:30 PM – Open Space Review Board Meeting
November 28, 7:00 PM – Board of Supervisors Meeting
December 6, 7:00 PM – Historical Commission Meeting
December 7, 7:30 PM – Planning Commission Meeting
December 13, 7:30 PM – Recycling Commission Meeting
December 15, 7:00 PM – Parks & Recreation Board Meeting
December 19, 5:30 PM – Open Space Review Board Meeting
December 19, 7:00 PM – Board of Supervisors Meeting
December 21, 7:30 PM – Planning Commission Meeting
December 23-26 – Christmas Holiday – Administration Offices Closed

Election Day is Tuesday, November 8, 2016

There is still time to register to vote in the 2016 General Election!

The deadline to register to vote, or make a change to your registration, is October 11. To obtain a voter registration application, please visit www.register.votesPA.com.

Questions? All questions regarding the upcoming election should be directed to the Chester County Department of Voter Services. You can check your registration status, apply for an absentee ballot, and locate your polling place at the county website: www.chesco.org/elections. The Voter Services Office phone number is 610-344-6410.

Willistown Precincts and Polling Places:

- Willistown North 1 – The Phelps School, 583 Sugartown Road, Malvern
- Willistown North 2 – Sugartown Elementary School, 611 Sugartown Road, Malvern
- Willistown North 3 – General Wayne Elementary School, Grubb and Devon Roads, Malvern
- Willistown North 4 – Church of the Good Samaritan, 212 W Lancaster Ave, Paoli
- Willistown North 5 – General Wayne Elementary School, Grubb and Devon Roads, Malvern
- Willistown North 6 – Chester Valley Nursing and Rehab Center, 283 Lancaster Ave, Paoli
- Willistown South 1 – Sugartown Elementary School, 611 Sugartown Road, Malvern
- Willistown South 2 – Willistown Friends Meeting House, 7069 Goshen Road, Newtown Square
- Willistown South 3 – Willistown United Methodist Church, 6051 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square

November 8, 7:00 PM – Chester County Hazardous Waste Drop-Off (Willistown Township Building)
Development in Willistown

The past several months have seen a lot of development activity in Willistown. Construction of the Chapel Hill development, 55 single family homes on Lot 1 of the Daylesford Abbey property on Devon Road at South Valley Road, is underway.

This summer, the Board of Supervisors approved the Paoli Walk development, a 30-unit townhouse community on West Central Avenue. Erosion control measures and site clearing began in early August. The project includes storm sewer improvements on Cedar Hollow Road, which may result in intermittent lane closures during the midday hours. The Developer is cognizant of the traffic volumes, particularly during the morning and evening rush hours, and is prohibited from working during those times. The Developer expects the major site work to last until mid to late December, and the overall project to last 18 months or so.

You can find out more about these projects and other development happening in the Township on our website, www.willistown.pa.us. Navigate to the Planning and Zoning section, where you will find a list of active and pending Zoning, Conditional Use, Subdivision and Land Development applications.

Need In-Home Help or Support?

The Chester County Department of Aging Services may be able to help!

For more information and to schedule an assessment contact the Department:

610-344-6350 | www.chesco.org/aging
Parks & Recreation News

Introducing: The Tree Fort at Garrett Mill Park!

As you may know, we were pleased this summer to introduce a new playground structure: “The Tree Fort” is now open at Garrett Mill Park! The previous system served our residents very well for over 20 years. Let’s hope The Tree Fort, so named because of its canopy-like roofs, lasts just as long! The public may rent the pavilion and fields at Garrett Mill Park, and some other Township parks, through the Parks & Recreation Department. Find rental applications and information about all of Willistown’s parks at www.willistownparks.org.

Join the Okehocking Trail Corps!

The cover article in this issue of IN Great Valley features our region’s many trails – including Willistown’s own Okehocking Preserve. Now that the trails assessment has been completed, the Township is looking for volunteers like you to help implement the maintenance prescriptions in Okehocking. We’d like to have a variety of park users represented in the Trail Corps. Are you a hiker, dog walker, runner, equestrian, artist, photographer, scout, or birder? Do you enjoy getting outside, digging in the dirt, and contributing to your community? The Okehocking Trail Corps is for you! The goal of this volunteer group is to rehabilitate and maintain the trails within the parameters of ecological protection so that all visitors may use the trails safely. If you are interested in getting involved, call Mary Hundt, Director of Parks and Recreation at 610-647-5300 x244.

Volunteers Needed

The volunteer Willistown Township Parks and Recreation Board is looking for enthusiastic Willistown residents to join their team! The group advises the Supervisors on parks and recreation related issues including improvements, programs, and policies. Board members assist the Director of Parks and Recreation by attending park events, registering guests, talking about our programs and parks, chatting with our constituents and receiving their feedback on our parks and programs. There are four events per year. Board members also assist with programs. Board meetings are scheduled for the third Thursday of every month at 7 PM, however, the board meets about six times per year. To find out more about Willistown Parks and Recreation, visit www.willistown.pa.us. Please address letters of interest and resumes to the Parks and Recreation Board and email to Mary Hundt (mhundt@willistown.pa.us), Director of Parks & Recreation, or call her at 610-647-5300 x224 to discuss. The Parks and Recreation Board will review the applications, interview the applicants, and make appointment recommendations to the Board of Supervisors who make the final decision.

Swimming Pool and Hot Tub Drainage Guidelines:

Help keep our local streams clean!

Water from swimming pools and hot tubs often contains high levels of chlorine. Discharging chlorinated pool/spa water into streams, (or irrigation canals, ponds, etc.) is harmful to fish and other aquatic life. The discharge of any sewage or industrial waste, including swimming pool water, to a water of this commonwealth without a permit is a violation of the Clean Streams Law, the Act of June 22, 1937, P.L. 1987, as amended. However, it has been the policy of the PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), not to require permits for discharges from single residence pools, provided the guidelines outlined below* are followed:

• Prior to disposing or using the water for irrigation, shut off the chlorination system if you have one, or stop adding chlorine.
• Hold the water in the pool or hot tub for two weeks to reduce the chlorine level.
• Discharge or use the water for irrigation in an area where the water will not flow into a stream or storm sewer.
• Discharge or use the water for irrigating your property and ensure that it does not flow off your property.
• Discharge or use the water for irrigation in a manner that will prevent nuisance conditions (such as creation of odors, and fly and mosquito breeding conditions). Nuisance conditions occur when water is held in the pool for a prolonged period.

The discharge should be at a rate which prevents erosion and optimizes filtration. In no event should pool water be directly discharged to waters of this Commonwealth.

Simply by following these steps, you can help ensure that minimal damage is done to our precious natural water supplies.

* These guidelines shall not be construed so as to waive or impair any rights of the Department of Environmental Protection to prosecute the property (pool) owner and/or pool company for any stream damage that occurs as a result of the discharge. Penalties would be assessed under the provisions of the Clean Streams Law.
Trails: Encouraging Connectivity and Exploration

Trails in our community celebrate the rich history and natural beauty of the region. They also provide a place of enjoyment, recreation, and exercise for residents of and visitors to Great Valley. Long before groundbreaking, there are hundreds of hours spent preparing to turn these concepts into reality. Of course it doesn’t end with planning. The hard work continues with establishing, and maintaining trails and trail networks and none of it would be possible without the coordination and support of municipalities, consultants, and volunteers.

Okehocking Preserve Trail Assessment & Prescriptions Report

The Willistown Parks & Recreation Department recently commissioned Penn Trails, a renowned trail assessment, planning, construction, design, training, and management firm, to deliver a trail assessment and prescriptions report for the existing 5.75-mile multi-use trail system at Okehocking Preserve. The resulting Penn Trails assessment expands upon the USDA Forest Service Trail Assessment and Condition Survey process, or TRACS. TRACS is the Forest Service’s required methodology for conducting trail inventory, condition assessment, and maintenance prescriptions for National Forest System trails. The Penn Trails report on Okehocking, all 80 pages of it, contains very thorough empirical data on current trail tread-way and 20’ trail corridor conditions as well as an inventory of features contained within the trail corridor.

The report provides the Township with critical information needed to objectively determine the tasks and budget required to stabilize the trails for both sustainability and user enjoyment.

The Penn Trails assessment process observes and records the physical conditions of the trail’s structural components. These observations are then related to “productivity factors” which determine the trail’s structural stability and sustainability. The assessed productivity factors for the Preserve trail system include linear grade, cross slope, side slope, trail tread surface, trail tread width, and trail corridor (clearing width and height). These data points are considered in the “prescriptions”, the practices selected and scheduled for application to rehabilitate and maintain a particular trail segment. The trails were assessed as 24 distinct sections.

Penn Trails also designed conceptual alignments for 2.25 additional miles of trails at Okehocking. Two of those trails have been mown into the native grass fields on the north east and north west corners of Route 3 and Delchester Road. An additional conceptual trail will be used to re-route the existing trail through the woods currently located above the Willistown Conservation Trust barn in the middle of the property.

Traversing the Path of Our Patriots

In 2007, a report to the Chester County Commissioners recommended the alignment of a trail network to commemorate the Campaign of 1777. What was the Campaign of 1777?

In August 1777, the British landed the largest armada ever assembled in American waters at the northern end of the Chesapeake Bay. Over 17,000 British troops and Hessian mercenaries then began marching north with the goal of capturing Philadelphia.

On their way to Philadelphia, the British defeated the Continental Army at the Battle of Brandywine. The British then engaged the Americans briefly in the general vicinity of what is now the campus of Immaculata University. Days later, the British killed 53 Continental soldiers in a surprise night time attack known as the Paoli Massacre. These American victims are buried in a mass grave at the Paoli Memorial Grounds in what is...
now Malvern Borough where the attack took place.

By the end of September 1777, the British succeeded in occupying Philadelphia. After failing to dislodge the British at the Battle of Germantown, General Washington retreated to the Whitemarsh area and then up the Schuylkill River to Valley Forge. Here the Continental Army camped in hardship from December 1777 to June 1778.

This 6-mile trail network was coined, The Patriots Path, which intends to traverse some of the same ground that the British and Americans used for troop movements during the Campaign of 1777. The Patriots Path will extend through Malvern Borough, East Whiteland and Tredyffrin Townships, interconnecting with public parks and other publicly accessible open spaces using a combination of paved trails, sidewalks and other pathways. Walkers, runners, bikers and others who use the Patriots Path will have an opportunity to experience a multitude of scenic and historical areas dating back to the American Revolutionary War, including: 1) The Paoli Battlefield Grounds; 2) Battle of the Clouds; and 3) Valley Forge National Historic Park.

It is the hope of the County and municipalities involved that the Patriots Path will address several needs in the Great Valley area. These include: 1) Memorialize soldiers killed in action locally during the Campaign of 1777; 2) Create opportunities for Valley Forge National Historic Park Staff or others to lead tours that interpret nearby Revolutionary War era attractions; 3) Build more walking, running and biking paths in response to the frequently heard desires of local residents and the needs of the area's many business park employees and other workers; 4) Link many of the area's numerous publicly-accessible parks and open spaces, schools, neighborhoods, commercial area and other common destinations; 5) Coordinate with the National Park Service's plans to upgrade parts of the trail system within Valley Forge National Historic Park; and 6) Generate more business for various retailers located near the Patriots Path.

Connecting People with Places

East Whiteland Township recently adopted a Comprehensive Plan prepared by Thomas Comitta Associates, Inc., McMahon Transportation Engineers & Planners and Practical Energy Solutions. A primary goal identified in the plan was increasing multimodal connectivity in the Township, particularly along Route 30 which will help provide access from and to nearby neighborhoods, Immaculata University, the Chester Valley Trail, and other attractions. These improvements will make the Township more attractive to businesses and residents alike, as well as help cut down on some daily trips that must be made by car today.

Since its first inclusion in the 2001 Comprehensive Plan update, the Township’s vision for a community-wide network of trails, sidewalks, crosswalks, and pathways has gained increasingly visible support. The popularity and success of the Chester Valley Trail has increased requests for connections to nearby neighborhoods. Results of the online survey also illustrated strong support for expanding the bike/pedestrian network for all users.

The Chester Valley Trail, which is County owned and maintained, is the spine of the Township’s existing trail network. With nearly 30,000 users per month in the spring, summer and fall months, the CVT has become a source of community pride, daily recreation, and social connection. Aside from the Chester Valley Trail, the pedestrian network in East Whiteland Township consists of some park trails, pathways within the corporate campuses, and a scattering of sidewalks in need of connection.

The Township’s objectives focus on increasing neighborhood access so residents and guests do not have to drive to trailheads, and enhancing other aspects of its usage such as providing a comprehensive trailhead facility, exploring bike share opportunities, and enhancing road crossings, potentially with signalization, and stormwater management. A priority in this area for the Township is the provision of a trailhead facility with bathrooms, lockers, showers, and water for users. This facility is envisioned to be a separate building located at the Township municipal complex.

Willistown, Malvern and East Whiteland Township would like to thank all individuals involved in making these, and other trail initiatives come to life.
On June 4, more than 500 participants joined forces to celebrate life, remember loved ones lost and fight back against cancer.

The Relay For Life of the Main Line at Great Valley, which took place at Great Valley High School, drew teams and supporters from all over the area, raising more than $100,000 for the American Cancer Society. The money raised will be used to fund a variety of local programs for those battling cancer in Chester County, according to Amanda Childs, community manager of the Relay For Life’s East Central Division.

“The amount of money we raised this past year tripled from previous years,” she says. “The success we’ve had comes from the participants and teams who registered from all over the Main Line. The energy was amazing.”

Teams raise money in a number of ways, including through bake sales, car washes and movie nights, as well as through corporate and online donations.

The Relay For Life is an organized fundraising walk sponsored by the American Cancer Society in which team members take turns walking around a track. Activities are staggered throughout the day, and food vendors, games and musical performances provide entertainment. After the opening ceremonies, the relay itself begins with survivors taking the first lap around the track, celebrating their victories while being cheered on by other participants. Caregivers are then recognized, followed by the teams and individuals participating in the event.

The event has a three-fold message: To celebrate survivors, remember loved ones lost, and to fight back against the disease. The day’s activities coincide with those messages. This year, the Great Valley High School Pep Band, the G Minor band and a DJ helped participants celebrate, along with a survivors’ dinner, scavenger hunt and dance party. Athletic demonstrations like tae kwon do and body combat were held to encourage attendees to fight back against the disease.
“People can fight back in all different ways,” says Childs. “We try to make this event as special as we can for the participants.”

Each year, at the end of the event, a silent lap and solemn ceremony takes place. Luminaria bags are lit, both around the track and in the stands, where they spell out the words “Hope” and “Cure.”

“The bags around the track have been dedicated in honor of cancer survivors, in memory of those who have lost their life to the disease and in support of those battling cancer and their caregivers,” says Allison Utecht, event co-chair. “It is a beautiful and moving tribute.”

Utecht, whose mother, Betty Tufts, passed away from cancer in 2009, first became involved in the Relay For Life in 2011. She and her friend, Lisa Harper, helped their sons, Xander and Cole, form the “Cancer Cancellation Crew,” which initially consisted of eight fifth-grade boys. The team now has more than 20 members and has raised nearly $40,000 since it first started.

“Sadly, cancer has touched so many people in so many ways,” Utecht adds. “Although I relay to support everyone affected by cancer, I relay in memory of my mom, who fought a long battle with cancer.”

After the event was almost canceled due to lack of volunteers, Harper and Utecht stepped up to co-chair the event, and have been helping to coordinate the relay ever since.

“Many, many volunteers and participants work hard to support this annual event and to raise funds for the American Cancer Society,” explains Utecht. “Our goal is to continue to build our local event. It’s so wonderful to see so many people of all ages working together. We have many youth teams, corporate teams and family teams and they all find their own ways to support the fight against cancer.”

Relay volunteer Lisa Wilson wants to emphasize that the event is not a race. People of all ages and abilities are encouraged to attend.

“This is a family-friendly, community event where we raise money to help support local programs,” she says, adding with a laugh, “There’s no running involved.”

Wilson’s father, David Bishop, is a four-year bladder cancer survivor who says that the event helps to “take the mystique out of the c-word.”

“When you’re first diagnosed, you ask yourself, ‘OK, is this it? Is this the end?’ Once you get past that initial diagnosis, it takes time to start changing your mentality from one of a cancer victim to one of a survivor. These types of events help to move that process along. They help you remember that you are a survivor,” he states.

Bishop also values the recognition that caregivers receive during the race.

“Caregivers sometimes have a tougher job than the person who has the cancer, because all they can do is watch and hope and pray, so to see them recognized is very special,” he says. “This really is a beautiful event.”

There will be a kickoff event in January for the 2017 Relay For Life of the Main Line at Great Valley. For more information, visit the group’s website at relayforlife.org/pamainline or its Facebook page at facebook.com/RFLofML.
In today’s world of dentistry, it’s rare to find a true family-run practice, and even rarer to find a practice that can boast having seen three generations walk its halls.

Fortunately for residents of Paoli and the Greater Philadelphia area, Lenker Dental is one of those rare finds.

Lenker Dental has been serving area residents since 1962 when Dr. William Lenker opened the doors to the practice. Through years of dedicated service, Dr. Lenker’s original vision of a family-run, patient-centered and community-oriented dental office became a reality.

Dr. Robert Lenker joined his father in 1985, and the father-son team worked together for over 26 years. In 2011, Robert took over the practice and has continued to improve upon the rich family legacy of exceptional service for his patients and the community.

Under Dr. Robert Lenker’s leadership, Lenker Dental has innovated its services and facilities. Today, it offers comprehensive family dentistry in a state-of-the-art facility, located at 74 Paoli Pike, first floor, in Paoli. The new office space is currently being outfitted for full handicap accessibility.

Lenker Dental offers a wide array of general, cosmetic and restorative dental services to all members of the family, regardless of age. Whether it’s your child’s first visit or a routine adult checkup, the Lenker goal is to provide care and service that keeps families returning for generations to come.

With a keen focus on preventive measures, Lenker Dental wants to help all patients maintain proper dental hygiene while treating problems in their earliest stages, reducing the number of cosmetic and restorative procedures patients may require in the future.

Although Dr. Lenker has evolved the practice to include the latest equipment and services, the cornerstone of the practice has never changed: family. The Lenkers are a family serving other area families.

Through a family-run dental office, patients receive many benefits in comparison to larger or chain practices including:

- The ability to build a relationship directly with their dentist
- Overall higher quality of customer service
- A dental care plan that is highly individualized

Susan, Dr. Lenker’s sister, manages the dental office, a role she took over from her mother.

“We have a very personal touch; we know our patients, we know their families, and we have watched generations grow with our practice,” says Susan. “Our patients are like family to us – we genuinely care about each and every one.”

This hands-on approach combined with honesty, loyalty and pride in their work has earned Lenker Dental their patients’ trust and a level of satisfaction that can only be felt through their smiles.

Now it appears that the next chapter of Lenker Dental’s story is beginning, with the introduction of Dr. Heather Lenker, who has joined her father this summer as a third-generation Lenker dentist.

Heather, like her father and grandfather, received her undergraduate degree from Bucknell University and her Doctor of Dental Medicine from the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Heather Lenker vividly remembers growing up around the office, and the profound impact her father and grandfather had on their patients and the community. She looks forward to working with her father to offer the expanded services that the father-daughter team can now bring to patients.

Lenker Dental is conveniently located at 74 Paoli Pike, first floor, in Paoli. It is open Monday to Thursday from 8:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Friday from 8:15 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Lenker Dental is currently accepting new patients. The practice participates with many dental insurance plans and accepts most dental insurance. To make an appointment or to learn more, visit the website at www.LenkerDental.com or call the office at 610.644.9350.
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“Technical education has evolved,” comments Seth Schram, principal, TCHS Pickering Campus. “Sixty-five percent of today’s students will work in industries that haven’t been invented yet; it’s important for today’s students to have not only a strong foundation in academics but also the ability to apply them through hands-on learning experiences in a real-world setting.” Schram also explains the importance of introducing students to careers they are interested in at an early age: “Too often we see students go off to college without a strong idea of what they are interested in, or without exposure to the career they believe they want to pursue. It’s more practical to allow students to have hands-on exposure in high school so they can be more focused going into college and/or directly into a career.”

Students with greater focus often outperform their peers at post-secondary institutions or in the workforce. Career and technical education benefits students through:

- Developing the technical skills critical to obtaining a successful and rewarding career
- Higher earnings and greater job opportunities than unskilled workers
- Training in the highest-paid and most sought-after careers
- Getting a head start on college through dual-enrollment programs
- Work experience and on-the-job training through cooperative education and school-to-career programs

“Career and technical education initially prepares students for post-secondary education and ultimately prepares students to become gainfully employed,” says Schram. “It provides an education that is career based, and because the students come here by choice – with talents and interests in the subject matter – they enjoy the educational experience a great deal.”

Although TCHS has full-time students, many of the students are part time, sharing their experience between traditional high school and TCHS. This allows students to still actively participate in more typical high school experiences like band, student activities and sports.

All students who participate in TCHS programs are taught by seasoned academics and industry leaders who bring a unique mixture of academic theory and real-world experience into the classroom. In addition to being principal, Schram is a trained chef and graduate of the prestigious Culinary Institute of America, which gives him a unique appreciation of career and technical education.

Students must apply and be accepted to participate in any of the programs at TCHS. Top programs at the school include: Allied Health Science Technology, Animal Science, Automotive Collision Technology, Automotive Service Technology, Carpentry, Commercial & Graphic Arts, Cosmetology, Criminal Justice & Police Sciences, Culinary Arts, Early Childhood Care & Education, Engineering Technology, Health Career Pathways, Robotics & Avionics, Sustainable Energy Engineering and Teacher Leadership Academy.

Many of the programs at TCHS provide some form of field-specific post-secondary preparation, meet licensure requirements and have a hands-on, real-world component.

The campus is currently experiencing a major upgrade to prepare for even more technology-related fields to be added in 2017, including Digital Media & Sound Communication, Engineering & Automated Manufacturing Technology, and Precision CNC Machining.

Technical College High School, Pickering Campus is located at 1580 Charlestown Road in Phoenixville. Prospective students and their families are encouraged to learn more about TCHS opportunities and programs by visiting www.tchspickering.org or calling 610.933.8877.
Social media and technology are changing the way schools and colleges teach, how students learn, and the way teachers and students communicate.

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Trends in K-12 education are continuing to bring new and exciting opportunities to the classroom. The International Association for K-12 Online Learning predicts big shifts in the use of technology in the classroom for both students and teachers. According to Education Week, public schools in the United States provide at least one computer for every five students, spend more than $3 billion on digital content per year, and are pushing to make high-speed Internet affordable. While making a massive overhaul in the classroom, schools are also trying to support the educating of teachers and staff to utilize this technology in even the most rural and remote schools across the country.

Although technology isn’t foreign to K-12 classrooms, funding has long been a barrier for many schools across the U.S., along with hesitation by teachers to adopt new methods for teaching. Yet, with all new technologies come new challenges. In a time where cloud computing and data analytics drive the way business is done for everything from hospitals to grocery stores, big data is continuously being monitored, making it crucial to keep private information secure. Schools are trying to keep pace by trading in textbooks for tablets and turning toward technology to redefine education. These updates to traditional learning can be broken into four segments: when, why, who and how.

THE WHEN
While most of us used textbooks, chalkboards, and hard wooden chairs in perfectly parallel lines facing the front, 2016 has brought big changes to the classroom for both students and teachers. Education’s slow reaction to change and inability to keep pace with constantly changing technologies and innovations have made upgrading learning a challenging task, but the time is now for change to happen in education. In 2015-2016, Education Week reported that, for the first time, more state standardized tests were administered via technology than by using paper and pencil. Teachers now have tools for personal development and are learning how to bring technology into their classrooms in a meaningful way. In the 2016-17 school year, the trend of technology in the classroom will grow, as will the continued success of tech-based learning.

THE WHY
Technology is everywhere. Kids and adults alike utilize at least some form of technology in their everyday lives. From socializing to shopping, to reading and working, technology is inevitable in today’s society. Parents, teachers, community leaders, and governmental representatives are speaking up for their kids and pushing to redefine success and rethink measuring success in the classroom. Skills such as knowledge, social abilities, emotional intelligence and dispositions are all crucial for a student’s success in the workforce, yet many of these skills are overlooked in the typical classroom setting. Educators are working toward providing students with meaningful learning opportunities through technology that encompass all of the aspects that make up success for a graduating high school senior entering college or the workforce.

THE WHO
Teachers
Near the end of 2015, the U.S. Department of Education released the 2016 National Education Technology Plan as a commitment to supporting personalized professional learning to provide greater equity of access to technology for students across America. In addition, the Future Ready initiative, developed by the department in 2014, had more than 2,000 superintendents across the country who pledged to integrate digital learning into their districts’ curricula. The National Education Technology Plan also includes a focus on providing each student with the chance to engage in educational experiences led by technology.

In addition, Education Week states that digital instructional content is the second largest spend in the K-12 educational technology market, just behind hardware. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt and Pearson, previously known for their paperback publishing, are pushing out the most digital lessons in math, English/language arts, science, business, and fine arts.

Students
No student is the same. Each has a different family life, upbringing, ability to communicate and learn, and yet these students are all being taught the same way. Schools across the country are shifting from a one-size-fits-all approach to a personalized learning approach. A current buzzword in education, personalized learning allows students to become part of their learning experience. Students will be in control of creating content for learning using smartphone apps. This approach intends to put students at the forefront of molding their learning experience, resulting in stronger student engagement and therefore better outcomes. The Nellie Mae Education Foundation notes that a student-centered approach can “only be successful if [it occurs] within a cultural context that demands continuous improvement and engages collective processes that foster understanding and broad ownership of decisions. This should be driven by vigilant consideration of assessment results that help illuminate the extent to which particular interventions are working, and who is benefiting from the changes in what ways.”

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THE HOW
Mobile and Digital Learning
Digital learning made a slow entrance into mainstream education, but with the use of tablets and mobile devices, the number of teachers using game-based learning in the classroom has doubled in the past six years. “The explosion in teacher interest and usage of videos and game-based learning could be a harbinger of a new awakening for digital learning,” Julie Evans, the CEO of Project Tomorrow, says. In a 2015 survey conducted by Project Tomorrow, 48 percent of K-12 teachers and nearly two-thirds of K-5 teachers reported adopting the use of games in their weekly lessons. According to Education Week, 23 million devices were purchased in 2013 and 2014 alone. More recently, tablets are taking over as an affordable option for bringing technology to each individual student. One-to-one computing hopes to provide teachers with the time to give each student more personalized attention and time to work at his/her own pace.

New Learning Spaces
Gone are the days of sitting head-behind-head, avoiding eye contact with your teacher, hoping she won’t call on you for the answer to her question. Student-centered environments breed creativity and innovation through small-group learning and instruction. “In a personalized learning classroom, technology frees up time for teachers to do what they do best: teach students in small groups and customize instruction,” Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg says. Zuckerberg along with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and many others are seeing the positive outcomes of personalized learning. Reinventing learning spaces is a subtle approach that will make sure the student population is served adequately, allowing teachers to spend more personalized time with each student in a group. Through technology, students are provided access to 24/7 learning, allowing them to take learning outside of their typical classroom setting and work on their own time. This means a cultural shift in the use of mobile technology in the classroom.

STEM Integration
The United States is pushing for young people to become scientists, engineers, and innovators to shape tomorrow and to continue to be global leaders. As a common buzzword in recent years, STEM – science, technology, engineering, and mathematics – continues to play a crucial role in early learning. In a report by U.S. News, early development of STEM skills supports reading, language, and STEM skills later in life. Typically, STEM learning is a focus of high school-level students. Inadequate attention is being paid to STEM in early childhood education since other key competencies, such as basic skills in literacy and numeracy, are topics of focus. Educators are working toward proper preparation for teaching early childhood STEM classes to create an even more valuable learning experience for elementary students.

Professional Development for Educators
The ever-changing landscape of education is hard to stay privy to as an educator. Putting hundreds of hours into lesson plans each school year makes the thought of adopting changes a daunting one. Personalized professional development is changing the way teachers are learning to teach their students. Administration-required seminars are being replaced with real-time alternative credentialing. Teachers are learning new ways for classroom learning, combining online learning, service-based learning, and hands-on learning to provide students with a valuable educational experience.

As technology continues to change and education tirelessly tries to keep up, students and teachers can look forward to the exciting opportunities in learning. School districts will continue to work to make thoughtful technology purchases that develop a vision for the future of education. Once technology is purchased, schools must remember a crucial step in rollout: educating faculty and staff on how to successfully utilize the technology in the classroom. The right technology, with the right professional development, can lead to a valuable education. From online learning, to utilizing wearables for interactive teaching purposes, education trends are going to continue to morph to ensure that students graduate knowing they are ready to take on the world.
Technology is finding its way into every aspect of our lives… from the alarm clock on your phone to the fitness app that tracks your workouts and counts your calories, to the DVR that records all of your favorite shows to watch at a later time. Technology is all around us, and there is no escaping it. It has even made its way into mainstream education through rather unexpected avenues.

The U.S. Department of Education’s 2016 National Education Technology Plan “outlines a vision of equity, active use, and collaborative leadership to make everywhere, all-the-time learning possible. While acknowledging the continuing need to provide greater equity of access to technology itself, the plan goes further to call upon all involved in American education to ensure equity of access to transformational learning experiences enabled by technology.” EdTech Magazine outlined the benefits of effective, interactive technology that is being used to amplify classroom learning.

THINGS TO KNOW:
Internet of Things (IoT) is becoming a thing in education. If you are unfamiliar with IoT, it is defined as the development of the Internet in which everyday objects have network connectivity, allowing data to be shared. According to International Data Corp., IoT spending will increase from $655.8 billion in 2014 to $1.7 trillion in 2020. IoT is very new in the classroom setting, but is predicted to stick around.

Wearables aren’t just for counting steps for students, although teachers are finding ways to make each step count. Pedometers are allowing gym teachers to keep track of their students’ steps and heart rates and to ensure safe and healthy workouts. Wearable cameras are making projects both in and out of the classroom more exciting for students. From wearable fundraisers to pingin students’ whereabouts on field trips, wearables are making their way into schools and onto the wrists of students across America.

3D printing has surely made a splash with the story of a teacher and his students creating new feet for a duck to walk again. 3D printing allows students to bring their ideas to life, and with the cost quickly becoming more affordable, students and teachers are able to embrace the technology. “There is an inflection point that people get when they start to print because people go out onto Thingiverse, a repository of 3D files, and they print and they print and they print, but there is a certain moment when they realize, ‘I don’t need something that exists, I want something that doesn’t yet exist.’ It’s just a complete paradigm shift,” Jordan Brehove, MakerBot’s vice president of solutions, says.

Interactive tech is becoming better, more advanced, and more sophisticated. From robots to research methods, interactive tech is helping special education students have effective learning experiences in the classroom unlike ever before. Intelligent toys, or robotic toys, are allowing for extremely positive interactions with withdrawn autism spectrum disorder (ASD) kids, again allowing for a more inclusive classroom environment, where each student can learn to the best of his/her ability.

“Technology has the potential to bring remarkable new possibilities to teaching and learning by providing teachers with opportunities to share best practices, and offer parents platforms for engaging more deeply and immediately in their children’s learning,” U.S. Education Secretary Arne Duncan says.
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Adult Day Care Services
Finding the best center for your needs.

With life expectancy rising, more and more of us find we need assistance as we age. Adult day care centers are designed for older adults who can no longer manage independently, or who are isolated and lonely. They enable seniors to socialize with others while still receiving needed care services. At the same time, they offer caregivers a break from caregiving duties while knowing that their loved one is in good hands.

What is an adult day care center?
Adult day care is a planned program of activities designed to promote well-being through social and health-related services. Adult day care centers operate during daytime hours, Monday through Friday, in a safe, supportive, cheerful environment. Nutritious meals that accommodate special diets are typically included, along with an afternoon snack.

Adult day care centers can be public or private, nonprofit or for-profit. The intent of an adult day care center is primarily two-fold:
- To provide older adults an opportunity to get out of the house and receive both mental and social stimulation.
- To give caregivers a much-needed break in which to attend to personal needs, or simply rest and relax.

Regulation of adult day care centers
According to the National Adult Day Services Association (NADSA), there are currently more than 4,600 adult day care centers in the United States. Each state provides different regulations for the operation of adult day care centers, although NADSA offers some overall guidelines in its Standards and Guidelines for Adult Day Care.

NADSA recommends a minimum staff-to-participant ratio of one to six. This ratio can be even smaller, depending upon the level of participant impairment. If a program serves a large proportion of participants with dementia, for example, the ratio should be closer to one to four.

Staffing of adult day care centers
Though each adult day care center is staffed according to the needs of its participants, most programs operate with:
- Activity staff, usually an activity director and assistants
- Program assistants who aid with personal care
- A social worker
- A registered nurse or licensed practical nurse
- A center director
- Centers that serve a large number of participants may also employ a driver, secretary, and accountant

Source: National Adult Day Services Association (NADSA)

Adult day care center vs. adult day health care
A social adult day care center differs from adult day health care, which usually requires a health assessment by a physician before someone is admitted into the program. Adult day health centers, which typically use the term “Adult Day Health Care” (ADHC) in their names, often provide physical, occupational, and speech therapy, and are usually staffed with an RN and other health professionals. A third type of day care provides social and health services specifically for seniors with Alzheimer’s or a related type of dementia.
Services provided by adult day care centers

A well-run adult day care center’s goals will focus on enriching the participants’ lives, building upon their skills, knowledge, and unique abilities and strengths. Below are some of the activities that may be available:

- Arts and crafts
- Musical entertainment and sing-a-longs
- Mental stimulation games such as bingo
- Stretching or other gentle exercise
- Discussion groups (books, films, current events)
- Holiday and birthday celebrations
- Local outings

Some centers offer programs that include children. Besides recreational activities, some adult day care centers provide transportation to and from the center, social services including counseling and support groups for caregivers, and health support services such as blood pressure monitoring and vision screening.

Benefits of adult day care

Almost Family, an adult day care center provider in both the U.S. and Canada, summarizes the benefits of adult day care well: “Adult day care offers a win/win situation for everyone in the family—not only the client or member who attends the program, but also for the family member who has primary responsibility as caregiver. Adult day care provides a much-needed respite for the caregiver, affording a break from the physical demands and stress of providing round-the-clock care.”

For the participant, an adult day care center’s benefits can be extensive:

- A safe, secure environment in which to spend the day
- Enjoyable and educational activities
- Improvement in mental and physical health
- Enhanced or maintained level of independence

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Where to locate adult day care centers

Some resources to try:
- Your family doctor
- Local social services or health department
- Mental health centers
- Local senior center
- Area Agency on Aging in the U.S. (Call 1.800.677.1116 for the AAA in your area.)

Questions to ask an adult day care center provider

When you contact the adult day care center(s) you’ve chosen to consider, NADSA suggests asking the following questions:
- Who owns or sponsors the adult day care center?
- How long has it been operating?
- Is it licensed or certified (if required in your country or state)?
- What are the days and hours of operation?
- Is transportation to and from the adult day care center provided?
- Which conditions are accepted (e.g. memory loss, limited mobility, incontinence)?
- What are the staff’s credentials, and what is the ratio of staff to participants?
- Are meals and snacks included? Are special diets accommodated?
- What activities are offered? Are there a variety of individual and group programs?

Visiting an adult day care center

Spend a day at the adult day care center that sounds best to you, so you can get a “feel” for the people and the environment. Also, check out references. Talk to others who have used the adult day care center and ask for their opinions.

You may wish to try out different adult day care centers a few times each to see whether your experience on different days confirms your initial impressions. Be sure to bring the following site visit checklist with you each time.

**Adult day care center site visit checklist:**
- Did you feel welcome?
- Were the center services and activities properly explained?
- Were you given information regarding staffing, programming, and costs?
- Is the facility clean, pleasant, and free of odor?
- Is the building and site wheelchair accessible?
- Is the furniture sturdy and comfortable?
- Are there loungers and chairs with arms for relaxation?
- Is there a quiet place in the center?
- Did the staff and participants seem cheerful and comfortable?
- Are participants involved in planning activities?

Source: National Adult Day Services Association (NADSA)

Costs and financial assistance for adult day care

In the U.S., the average cost for an adult day care center is about $64 per day, depending on where you live and the services provided (e.g. meals, transportation, nursing supervision). Professional health care services will mean higher fees. Many facilities offer services on a sliding fee scale, meaning that what you pay is based on your income and ability to pay.

While Medicare does not cover adult day care centers, Medicaid will pay most or all of the costs in licensed adult day health care settings and Alzheimer’s-focused centers for participants with very low income and few assets. Be sure to ask about financial assistance and possible scholarships.

Private medical insurance policies sometimes cover a portion of adult day care center costs when licensed medical professionals are involved in the care. Long-term care insurance may also pay for adult day services, depending on the policy. Additionally, dependent-care tax credits may be available to the caregiver.

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Few organizations can claim to have had such a profound impact on local families as Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health, and even less can celebrate having had this type of impact for over 100 years.

Just like the organization’s namesake, Helena Trafford Devereux, Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health continues to change lives by unlocking and nurturing human potential in people living with emotional, behavioral or cognitive differences.

A true pioneer, in 1912 Helena was working as a Philadelphia schoolteacher when she recognized that children with special needs were underserved by the public education system. Helena was deeply discouraged by the cookie-cutter approach to education. She believed that each child, regardless of the level of their disabilities, could learn and achieve personal growth in an environment tailored to their needs. Miss Devereux and the Philadelphia School District soon parted ways and so began her tutoring of students.

In 1918, with $94 of saved and borrowed funds, Helena rented a house in Devon where she and her students took residence. Year after year, Helena saw her enrollment continue to double, as families throughout the country learned of her innovative approach to teaching and the success of her students.

As the number of facilities and services grew, Helena recognized a need to ensure that her breakthrough programs would be able to serve families long after she was gone, and in 1938 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania granted Devereux Foundation its nonprofit charter. Helena would serve as the foundation’s director until 1957, where, upon her retirement, she continued to serve actively as a consultant.

Today, Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health is one of the largest and most advanced behavioral health care organizations in the country, serving as a national nonprofit partner for individuals, families, schools and communities. The foundation continues in Helena’s rich legacy, serving many of the most vulnerable members of our society in the areas of autism, intellectual and developmental disabilities, specialty mental health, and child welfare.

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Although the organization Helena began over 100 years ago looks different, the foresight of its founder ensures that Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health—through its more than 6,000 staff members in 15 centers over 13 states—continues to deliver the same transformative life experience to children and their families.

Families who have questions or believe they may require services offered through Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health are encouraged to call 800.345.1292 or learn more by visiting the website at www.devereux.org.
Hidden Architectural Masterpiece  By Peter Urscheler

Nestled among the trees, in a hidden enclave of Malvern, lies a home without comparison. It’s not the largest property, but with its sculpted staircases, curved tower, wood mosaics and diamond-shaped roof planes, it is an artistic and architectural masterpiece.

This is the former home of Wharton Esherick (1887-1970), the artist who has been called the link between the Arts and Crafts Movement and is credited with inspiring interest in furniture making following World War II. Esherick was recognized in his lifetime as the “Dean of American Craftsmen,” and his work is the foundation of the current Studio Furniture Movement.

On awarding him its gold medal for Craftsmanship, the American Institute of Architects noted, “He led, not followed, the Scandinavians.” Since his designs were too unique, Esherick is not recognized for establishing a particular style, but instead is remembered for pioneering the way future generations of artists exhibit and market their original, non-traditional designs.

Esherick was born and raised in Philadelphia where he learned wood and metal working at Manual Training High School. He also learned drawing and printmaking at the Pennsylvania Museum School of Industrial Art and painting at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. During his education, American Impressionism was at its height and upon completion of his studies he joined the numerous painters who were leaving city life in search of more beautiful landscapes.

In 1913, he moved to a farmhouse in what was a semi-rural Paoli and pursued his painting career. He began carving decorative frames for his paintings in 1920, which led to making woodcut prints and sculpture. He then realized his life’s calling was not to be a painter, but a sculptor.

To better concentrate on his sculpture and expanding artistic pursuits, Esherick began work on his studio in 1926. It was handcrafted in the form of a stone barn on the hillside overlooking the family farmhouse. Over the next 40 years, Cubist and free-form additions were added, producing a graphic display of the development of American art typical of the period.

The site, including Esherick’s 1928 log garage, 1956 workshop (designed by Esherick and Louis Kahn) and his original woodshed, has been designated a National Historic Landmark for Architecture and named one of the 25 most important houses in America by Fine Homebuilding magazine.

Today guests can experience his hilltop studio/residence with more than 300 of his works on exhibit. The space has been preserved much as it was when the artist lived and worked there and serves as an everlasting testament to Esherick’s motto: “If it isn’t fun, it isn’t worth doing.” His works can also be seen at Philadelphia Museum of Art, Renwick Gallery, Boston Museum of Fine Art and Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts.

The Wharton Esherick Museum is located at 1520 Horseshoe Trail, Malvern, and is open to the public through guided tours. Reservations are required. To learn more, visit www.whartonesherickmuseum.org or call 610.644.5822.
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