



Abington Township 2025 Spring & Summer **ACTIVITIES GUIDE** & UPDATES



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GENERAL INFORMATION

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Abington, PA 19001

Alverthorpe Park
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Abington Free Library
1030 Old York Road
Abington, PA 19001

Roslyn Branch Library
2412 Avondale Avenue
Roslyn, PA 19001

2025 BOARD PRESIDENT AND TOWNSHIP MANAGER UPDATES

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

2025 will be a year of change in Abington. On behalf of my fellow Commissioners, it is our pleasure to welcome Christopher S. Christman as our new Township Manager. We have full confidence that Mr. Christman will execute on the priorities of the Board of Commissioners as outlined in the FY 2025 budget, priorities which will transform our public spaces and create new recreational opportunities for our community.

Not only does the FY 2025 budget propose no increases in property taxes, refuse and sewer fees for the third consecutive year, it provides a transformative investment in our parks system. The Board of Commissioners strategically decided to use remaining American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to address and improve the physical infrastructure of our Parks and pools and to provide seed funding for the Economic Development Corporation. These investments will provide immediate recreational and tourism benefits and provide resources to develop the business community along Easton Road. In the long term, they can provide the economic stability we need to maintain and enhance our services without burdening our residential tax base and provide an opportunity to increase our community's quality of life through additional recreational programming and opportunities. We know what financial challenges lie ahead and it is investments like those found in this 2025 budget that will help offset future needs and continue to make Abington a "best place to live."

It is not by coincidence that the Board prioritized Parks and Recreation. We have heard your feedback; feedback which prompted the update to the Recreation, Parks and Open Space (RPOS) Plan. The RPOS planning process was publicly driven and the recommendations from it have directly informed the projects in which we are investing. Simply put, we are investing in your ideas, your needs, and your aspirations for the community. This is good government at work and we will continue these efforts to serve you and all of our neighbors to ensure that Abington remains a vibrant community well into the future. We are proud to engage in this work with you and on your behalf.

Best Regards,
Thomas Hecker

A MESSAGE FROM THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER

As your new Township Manager, it is my pleasure to introduce you to the 2025 Spring and Summer Activities Guide and Budget Update. As someone who is new to the Abington community, it is apparent that this guide serves as an important resource for accessing recreational and service opportunities across all Township departments, from Parks and Recreation to Police Services, from the Library to Public Works; it is clear there is a lot going on in Abington. It is my sincere hope that our community takes advantage of all the Township has to offer and that we can continue to build out our programming to meet the evolving needs of our residents.

I am looking forward to continuing the important initiatives underway; guiding the priorities of the Board of Commissioners; and enhancing our parks systems as approved in the FY 2025 budget. Our former Township Manager's budget message outlines the FY 2025 budget and I encourage all residents to view it and explore the innerworkings of the online budget book at www.abingtonpa.gov/2025budget. I am happy to report that this year's budget does not propose an increase in property taxes, refuse nor sewer fees. The total FY 2025 budget for all operating, capital and ARPA funds is \$93,421,770, with the general fund totaling \$49,925,345, all other operating funds totaling \$21,644,853, general fund improvement capital fund totaling \$6,574,418, and American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) fund totaling \$12,132,654.

Through this budget, the Board of Commissioners have allocated over 12 million dollars in ARPA funds to Parks and Recreation projects. This extraordinary investment will transform the facilities we have today and is an important and needed investment in our community fields, pools, and recreational spaces. It cannot be overstated just how impactful this investment will be to how our facilities are used and enjoyed by each of you, your loved ones, friends and neighbors.

I look forward to serving as your Township Manager and beginning the exciting work ahead of us in 2025!

Thank you!
Christopher S. Christman

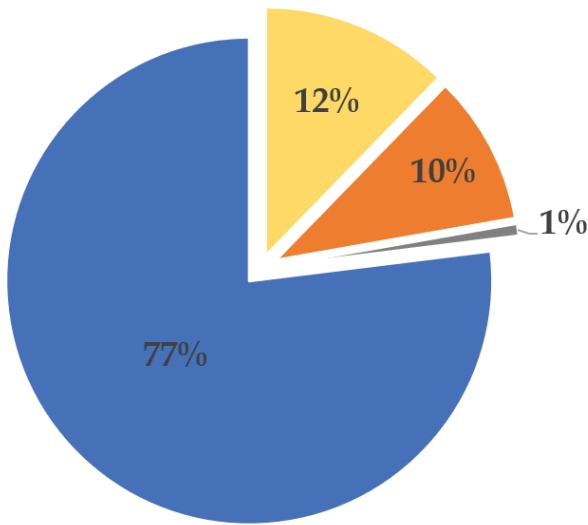
2025 BUDGET

2025 PROPERTY TAX DISTRIBUTION BY TAXING AUTHORITY

TAXING AUTHORITY	TAX RATE	DOLLARS
Abington School District	35.210	\$5,281.50
Abington Township	5.922	\$888.30
Montgomery County (MC)	4.237	\$635.55
MC Community College	0.390	\$58.50
Total	45.759	\$6,863.85

The tax bill also contains annual fees for refuse collection and processing of sewer services. The above calculations are based on an average household assessed value of \$150,000.

*Based on estimated assessed valuation of \$3,427,555,407



- Abington Township School District
- Township of Abington
- Montgomery County
- Montgomery County Community College

GENERAL FUND

Revenues and Fund Balance

FUND BALANCES AVAILABLE	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL
Total Fund Balance	\$24,695,061	100.00%
Fund Balance to be Allocated in FY 2025	\$1,004,249	4.1%
Fund Balance Remaining	\$23,690,812	95.9%

REVENUE SOURCE	AMOUNT BUDGETED	% OF TOTAL
Real Estate Taxes	\$17,181,618	35.12%
Earned Income Taxes	\$10,750,000	21.97%
Other Taxes	\$10,225,000	20.90%
Fees, Licenses and Permits	\$3,375,356	6.90%
Investment Income and Rent	\$2,850,000	5.83%
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$2,613,924	5.34%
Fines and Forfeitures	\$215,500	0.44%
Program Revenues	\$1,045,000	2.14%
Other	\$664,698	1.36%
Total Revenues	\$49,925,345	100.00%
Total Revenues and Fund Balance	\$73,616,157	

GENERAL FUND

Expenses

DEPARTMENT	AMOUNT BUDGETED	% OF TOTAL
General Government	\$4,315,600	8.64%
Public Safety	\$28,123,487	56.33%
Code Enforcement	\$1,181,069	2.37%
Highways and Roads	\$6,233,169	12.48%
Culture and Recreation ¹	\$8,922,244	17.87%
Insurance and Employee Benefits	\$1,149,776	2.30%
Total Expenses	\$49,925,345	100.00%

¹ Includes Library

PARKS AND RECREATION REGISTRATION INFORMATION

REGISTER EARLY FOR PROGRAMS

Nothing stops a program in its tracks faster than everyone waiting until the last minute to register. Many of our programs need a minimum number of participants to run, so a program may be canceled if there are not enough registrants. A minimum number of participants must be reached at least one week prior to the program beginning.

Registration for these programs are to be completed on their individual websites: Soccer Shots (www.soccershots.org), Challenger Sports (<https://challengersports.com>), and i9 Sports (www.i9sports.com).

REGISTRATION POLICY

Please complete the registration and waiver forms on PAGES 38 - 41 or [REGISTER ONLINE](http://www.abingtonpa.gov/PRregistration) at www.abingtonpa.gov/PRregistration. You will be considered registered for a program only after the proper forms and fees are received by the Parks and Recreation Department before the stated deadline. You will not receive a confirmation unless otherwise noted. Registrations without accompanying fees will NOT be accepted. If you mail a registration in, the registration will be entered at the end of the work day. Non-residents may have a delayed registration start date and/or a higher registration fee.

MAIL-IN OR IN-PERSON REGISTRATION

Abington Parks & Recreation Office: 515 Meetinghouse Road, Jenkintown, PA 19046

- Monday - Friday, 8 AM - 4:30 PM
- 215-576-5213

Briar Bush Nature Center: 1212 Edge Hill Road, Abington, PA 19001

- Business Hours: Monday - Friday, 9 AM - 5 PM
- 215-887-6603

PAYMENT FOR PROGRAM

Payment is due at the time of registration. You may pay by Visa, Master Card, Discover, American Express, branded debit card, cash, or check. Checks should be made payable to "ABINGTON TOWNSHIP". All returned checks will be assessed a fee of \$25. If it is a Briar Bush Nature Center program (pages 19 - 22), please make checks payable to: "FRIENDS OF BRIAR BUSH". Separate checks are encouraged. List all participants in the family on one form but send a separate check for each program. This way if one program is full, it does not affect everyone, since payment must be processed in order to be considered registered in a program.

CANCELLATION OF A PROGRAM

Weather and other conditions may force us to cancel or postpone a program. The Department will make every effort to make the decision as early as possible. If there are any questions about the status of a program, please call our office at 215-576-5213 between 8 AM and 4 PM, Monday through Thursday, or check our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/abingtontownship or the Township website at www.abingtonpa.gov.

REFUND POLICY

A 20% service fee will be charged for ALL refund requests. Requests must be made at least five (5) business days before a program is scheduled to begin. There will be no service fee if the refund amount is applied to a future program within the calendar year or the program is cancelled by the Township. Refunds will not be issued once the program begins, or outside of the date range specified above. ALL refunds will be returned by check. For Briar Bush Nature Center's refund policy, please visit www.briarbush.org.

PHOTO POLICY

On occasion, we may take photos or video of individuals enrolled in programs or using parks facilities. Please be aware that these images are for Township use and may be used in future promotional materials.

SCHOOL DISTRICT DISCLAIMER

The Abington School Board of Directors assumes no responsibilities for the opinions, information, and possible typographical errors and omissions, etc., that may be reflected in this guide.

RECEIPTS

Receipts needed for tax or child care credit must be requested at the time of payment. Receipts will not be provided after the initial transaction.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Soccer Shots

Soccer Shots is an energetic children's soccer program with a focus on character development. We positively impact children's lives on and off the field through our best-in-class coaching, communication, and curriculum.

Please register **ONLINE** at www.soccershots.org. Please note, there is a \$35 annual registration fee.

Soccer Shots Mini (2-3 years old) is a high-energy program introducing children to fundamental soccer principles, such as using your feet, dribbling, and the basic rules of the game. Through fun games, songs, and positive reinforcement, children will begin to experience the joy of playing soccer and being active.

Soccer Shots Classic (3-5 years old) utilizes creative and imaginative games to focus on basic soccer skills like dribbling, passing and shooting. We also highlight a positive character trait in each session, such as respect, teamwork, and appreciation.

Soccer Shots Premier (5-8 years old) focuses on individual skill, fitness, and sportsmanship, providing children with an opportunity to be challenged through fun games and team interaction. Children will also be introduced to competition in a developmentally appropriate manner.

SESSION I

Date:	Saturdays, March 29 – May 17
Age:	2 - 3 years old
Time:	8:45 AM – 9:15 AM
	9:30 AM – 10 AM
	10:05 AM – 10:35 AM
	10:50 AM – 11:20 AM
	11:35 AM – 12:05 PM
Age:	3 – 5 years old
Time:	8:45 AM – 9:25 AM
	9:20 AM – 10 AM
	10:50 AM – 11:30 AM
Age:	5 – 8 years old
Time:	10:05 AM – 10:45 AM
Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Cost:	\$180
Make Up Dates:	May 31 & June 7

SESSION II

Date:	Sundays, March 30 – June 1 (No sessions April 20 & May 25)
Age:	2 – 3 years old
Time:	2 PM – 2:30 PM
Age:	3 – 5 years old
Time:	2:35 PM – 3:15 PM
Age:	5 - 8 years old
Time:	3:20 PM – 4 PM
Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Cost:	\$180
Make Up Dates:	June 8 & 15

SESSION III

Date:	Wednesdays, April 2 – May 21	
Age:	2 – 3 years old	
Time:	4:30 PM – 5 PM	5:20 PM – 5:50 PM
Age:	3 – 5 years old	
Time:	4:30 PM – 5:10 PM	5:10 PM – 5:50 PM
	6 PM – 6:40 PM	
Age:	5 – 8 years old	
Time:	6 PM – 6:40 PM	
Location:	Ardsley Community Center	
Cost:	\$180	
Make Up Dates:	May 28 & June 4	

SESSION IV

Date:	Wednesdays, June 18 – August 6	
Age:	2 – 3 years old	
Time:	4:30 PM – 5 PM	5:20 PM – 5:50 PM
Age:	3 – 5 years old	
Time:	4:30 PM – 5:10 PM	5:10 PM – 5:50 PM
	6 PM – 6:40 PM	
Age:	5 – 8 years old	
Time:	6 PM – 6:40 PM	
Location:	Ardsley Community Center	
Cost:	\$180	
Make Up Dates:	August 13 & 20	

SESSION V

Date:	Saturdays, June 21 – August 9 (No session July 5)	
Age:	2 – 3 years old	
Time:	8:45 AM – 9:15 AM	9:30 AM – 10 AM
Age:	3 – 5 years old	
Time:	8:45 AM – 9:25 AM	9:20 AM – 10 AM
	10:05 AM – 10:45 AM	10:50 AM – 11:30 AM
Age:	5 – 8 years old	
Time:	10:05 AM – 10:45 AM	10:50 AM – 11:30 AM
Location:	Ardsley Community Center	
Cost:	\$158	
Make Up Dates:	August 16 & 23	



i9 BASKETBALL

This league focuses on learning new skills, practicing good sportsmanship and having fun! Children are generally grouped with other children of similar size and abilities. In this league everyone plays, every game! Practices are conveniently held on game day- just prior to the game. There are no tryouts, no drafts, no fundraisers. Start times may rotate from week to week. **Please register ONLINE at www.i9sports.com.**

- Age groups 4-5 years and 6-7 years: Play (practice and game) a total of 60 minutes in a 5-on-5 format.
- Ages group 8-9, 10-12 & 13-14 years: Play (practice and game) a total of 60-75 minutes in a 5-on-5 format.

SPRING BASKETBALL

Date:	Saturdays, April 5 – May 10
Time:	8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Basketball Court
Age:	4 – 14 years old
Cost:	\$175 if registered by February 28 \$185 if registered after February 28

SUMMER BASKETBALL: AGES 4 - 7 YEARS OLD

Date:	Tuesdays, June 24 – July 29
Time:	5 PM – 8:30 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Basketball Court
Age:	4 – 7 years old
Cost:	\$175 if registered by May 16 \$185 if registered after May 16

SUMMER BASKETBALL: AGES 8 - 14 YEARS

Date:	Thursdays, June 26 – July 31
Time:	5 PM – 8:30 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Basketball Court
Age:	8 – 14 years old
Cost:	\$175 if registered by May 16 \$185 if registered after May 16



AIKIDO

Aikido is a Japanese martial art developed by Morihei Ueshiba; his goal was to create an art that practitioners could use to defend themselves while also protecting their attackers from injury. Because the aikido curriculum consists of throws, beginners learn how to safely fall or roll. The specific techniques for attack include both strikes and grabs; techniques for defense consist of throws and pins. After basic techniques are learned, students study freestyle defense against multiple opponents, and techniques with weapons. Aikido related training emphasizes the use of coordinated whole-body movement and balance similar to yoga and Pilates.

CHILDREN'S AIKIDO

Session I:	Tuesdays and/or Wednesdays, March 4 – April 23
Session II:	Tuesdays and/or Wednesdays, April 29 – June 18
Time:	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM
Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Age:	7 – 11 years old
Cost:	\$75 for 1 class per week \$95 for 2 classes per week

ADULT AIKIDO

Session I:	Tuesdays and/or Wednesdays, March 4 – April 23
Session II:	Tuesdays and/or Wednesdays, April 29 – June 18
Time:	7:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Age:	12+ years old
Cost:	\$75 for 1 class per week \$95 for 2 classes per week

LITTLE NINJAS

Our Little Ninjas program is designed to teach children important life skills in a fun, exciting, and enriching manner. Each week will focus on a different life skill such as memory, control, teamwork, coordination, fitness, balance, focus, and discipline. Children will learn the importance of good manners and respect for others.

Session I:	Thursdays, March 6 – April 24
Session II:	Thursdays, May 1 – June 19
Time:	6 PM – 6:30 PM
Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Age:	4 – 6 years old
Cost:	\$75 per person

YOUTH PROGRAMS

LIFEGUARD CERTIFICATION

The primary purpose of the courses in the American Red Cross Lifeguarding program is to provide participants with the knowledge and skills needed to:

- Prevent, recognize and respond to aquatic emergencies in deep water pools (7 feet or greater)
- Provide professional-level care for breathing and cardiac emergencies, injuries, and sudden illnesses until emergency medical services (EMS) professionals take over. **All participants must attend the entire course**, participate in all class sessions, and complete the online course work before the first class.

Course Prerequisites

To participate in the lifeguarding (including deep water) course, participants must:

- Be at least 15 years old on or before the final scheduled session of the lifeguarding course.
- Successfully complete the two prerequisite swimming skills evaluations:

Prerequisite 1: Complete a swim-tread-swim sequence without stopping to rest: Jump into the water and totally submerge, resurface then swim 150 yards using the front crawl, breaststroke or a combination of both. (Swimming on the back or side is not permitted. Swim goggles are allowed.) Without a break, tread water using only the legs for 2 minutes; then swim 50 yards using the front crawl, breaststroke or a combination of both.

Prerequisite 2: Complete a timed event within 1 minute, 40 seconds: Starting in the water, swim 20 yards. (The face may be in or out of the water. Swim goggles are not allowed). Surface dive (feet-first or head-first) to a depth of 7 – 10 feet to retrieve a 10-pound object. Return to the surface and swim 20 yards on the back to return to the starting point, holding the object at the surface with both hands and keeping the face out at or near the surface. Exit the water without using a ladder or steps.

American Red Cross Lifeguarding- Blended Learning

Date:	Friday, May 16 Saturday, May 17 Sunday, May 18
Time:	4 PM – 9 PM, May 16 8 AM – 4 PM, May 17 8 AM – 6 PM, May 18
Location:	May 16, Abington High School Pool May 17, Ardsley Community Center Cafeteria (Classroom time) May 18, Willow Grove YMCA Pool
Age:	15 years and older
Cost:	\$290 per person



SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM

This 7-week outdoor supervised summer playground program is open to children ages 6-12 years. The program will be offered at two locations, Crestmont and Penbryn Parks. Activities will include sports, arts and crafts, and special events. Each site will operate from 9 AM – 3 PM, Monday through Friday. Supervision will NOT be available for early drop offs or late pick-ups. Registration will begin Monday, March 3, 2025, and will be completed online. Paperwork will be emailed once registration is complete.

Date:	June 23 – August 8
Time:	9 AM – 3 PM
Location:	Crestmont and Penbryn Parks
Age:	6 – 12 years old
Cost:	\$775

BABYSITTING WORKSHOP

This certification course provides teens with the confidence and skills to care for youngsters. Prospective employers will be happy to hire babysitters who have acquired this official recognition. Upon completion of the course, you will receive an ARC Certification Card, as well as child care concepts. You must attend the entire course, pass the evaluations, and show the maturity to properly care for children. Please bring a lunch and a pen or pencil.

Date:	Sunday, May 18
Time:	9 AM – 3 PM
Location:	Crestmont Clubhouse
Age:	11 – 15 years old
Cost:	\$80 R / \$100 NR

MULTI SPORTS CAMP

US Sports Institute

The US Sports Institute's flagship summer multi sports camp gives players aged 5-12 the opportunity to experience up to 3 different sports each day, and over 12 sports in 1 week. Every camp is coached by our professional, international staff who are trained to encourage maximum participation, good sportsmanship, and above all-FUN!

Session I:	June 23 – 27
Session II:	July 14 – 18
Time:	9 AM – 12 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park
Age:	5 – 12 years old
Cost:	\$230



BASKETBALL CAMP

US Sports Institute

The summer basketball camp introduces a wide range of skills throughout the week including dribbling, passing, and shooting. Each day ends with small-sided games where the coaches encourage good sportsmanship and teamwork. Participants will develop an understanding of offensive and defensive plays, and be encouraged to implement these skills into realistic scrimmage's and game-play situations. This summer camp is appropriate for basketball players ranging from beginners to those already well versed in the sport of basketball. Groups are separated by age and ability to ensure all players flourish in the optimum positive environment while having a great time!

Date:	July 7 – 11
Time:	9 AM – 12 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park
Age:	5 – 12 years old
Cost:	\$230

WRENCH TO RIDE

Gear up for our new hands-on Bike Maintenance Clinics, happening the first 3 Tuesdays in April. This clinic will allow participants to learn essential skills such as adjusting gears, fixing flats, and preparing their bikes for safe, smooth rides. This program is designed for riders who want to take control of their bike's maintenance while connecting with like-minded enthusiasts. A mountain bike with gears is required.

Date:	Tuesdays, April 1, 8, & 15
Time:	6 PM – 7:30 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park
Age:	10 and older
Cost:	\$120 per person for all 3 days

MOUNTAIN BIKE CLINIC

Come out and join us for two exciting mountain bike clinics designed to introduce fundamental skills and confidence to riders of all experience levels. These clinics will provide personalized instruction in off-road skills trail navigation, balance, and safe biking practices. A mountain bike with gears is required. Bring water and a snack. Sneakers (no rubber slip on shoes permitted). Bike and helmet rentals are available for an additional fee.

Session I:	Sunday, May 4
Session II:	Sunday, May 18
Time:	2 PM – 4:30 PM (Youth ages 8 – 17)
Location:	Alverthorpe Park
Age:	8 – 17 years old
Cost:	\$60 per person/per date \$20 additional fee to rent bike and helmet

YOUTH MOUNTAIN BIKE CAMP

Join us for an adventurous Youth Mountain Bike Camp designed to focus on skill-building, environmental stewardship, and the joy of riding. Under expert guidance, campers will develop their mountain biking skills, engage in team-building activities, and enjoy the thrill of exploring nature on two wheels. A mountain bike with gears is required. Bike and helmet rentals are available for an additional fee.

Session I:	June 23 – 27
Session II:	July 14 – 18
Time:	9 AM – 12 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park
Age:	8 – 15 years old
Cost:	\$360 per person \$40 additional fee to rent bike and helmet



YOUTH PROGRAMS

SCHOOL'S OUT SKATEBOARDING SESSION

Learn about the skateboard and how your body works with the board to stay safe and develop higher level tricks! We start by finding your stance to learn pushing, turning, and stopping which is the essence of skateboarding. Then we will explore how the board rotates in 3 ways, how using your head, shoulders, hips, and legs allow you to stay in control and be more body aware to perfect your technique. Sign up today so you can be out there rolling tomorrow!

Date:	Thursday, April 17
Time:	9 AM – 10:30 AM OR 11 AM – 12:30 PM
Location:	Patrick Kerr Skate Park (in Roslyn Park)
Age:	7 – 13 years old
Cost:	\$25 per person



SUMMER SKATE CAMP

The Skateboard Academy of Philadelphia is the area's premier skateboarding camp! This program teaches beginners to advanced skill levels in all forms of skateboarding. The lessons they learn on the skateboard translate into skill sets they can use off the skateboard as well. Campers learn self-control, patience, perseverance, community, and commitment to name a few benefits. This is an outdoor camp. Please be sure to bring water, a snack, sunscreen, and protective gear. All participants will be required to wear a helmet.

Session I:	June 23 – 27
Session II:	July 14 – 18
Session III:	July 28 – August 1
Session IV:	August 11 – 15
Time:	9 AM – 11:30 AM
Location:	Patrick Kerr Skate Park (in Roslyn Park)
Age:	7 – 13 years old
Cost:	\$155 R / \$180 NR

CHALLENGER SOCCER

Join us for an International Soccer Camp without leaving your area! Coached by a team of international and US-based staff, our week-long half-day and full-day soccer camps improve your child's soccer skills while providing a unique cultural experience. Rooted in British training methodology, these camps introduce our international training tactics to campers across the U.S and Canada. Our curriculum and coaching foundation from around the world truly reflect the global nature of the sport today. We use age appropriate practices to help players at their own pace, learn brand new skills, and become an all-round better player.... while having an amazing time! **Please register for Challenger Soccer programs at <https://challengersports.com>.**

Session I:	July 21 – 25
Session II:	August 11 – 15
Time:	Tiny Tykes: 8 AM – 8:45 AM Half Day: 9 AM – 12 PM Full Day: 9 AM – 3 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park
Age:	Tiny Tykes: 3 – 5 years old Half Day: 6 – 12 years old Full Day: 7 – 12 years old
Cost:	Tiny Tykes: \$125 (if registered 1 month before start of program)/ \$145 after Half Day: \$200 (if registered 1 month before start of program)/ \$230 after Full Day: \$265 (if registered 1 month before start of program)/ \$305 after

CHESS

Chess Wizards has been teaching the game of chess since 2002. Join us this summer for tons of challenging chess lessons, exciting games, and cool prizes. You'll improve your chess skills, meet new friends, and work out your most powerful muscle- your brain! Our camps include fun team chess games (like Corner Chess), recess time (of course), snacks, tournaments, and puzzles. Each camper receives a t-shirt, trophy, and puzzle folder. We include all materials necessary for your child to participate. Full day participants should bring a lunch. Unleash your brain power and spend part of your summer with Chess Wizards!

Session I:	June 23 – 27
Session II:	August 4 – 8
Time:	Full Day: 9 AM – 3 PM Half Day: 9 AM – 12 PM or 12 PM – 3 PM
Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Age:	6 – 12 years old
Cost:	Full Day: \$390 Half Day: \$250



BABY ANIMALS

Young Rembrandts

Embark on an enchanting 5-day journey through the diverse world of baby animals. Begin with the heartwarming realism of nature's young, from the gentle gaze of a fawn to playful otters. Transition into the whimsical Kawaii style, capturing those irresistibly cute, wide-eyed creatures. Add a twist as we imagine baby animals donning fashionable attire, blending humor with creativity. Dive into legends with mythical baby creatures, merging mystery with artistry. The week culminates in a grand composition, a testament to the skills and passion ignited throughout the workshop. Perfect for young artists eager to explore varied artistic styles while celebrating the charm of baby animals. Enroll today for a blend of creativity and cuteness!

Date:	July 21 – 25
Time:	9 AM – 12 PM
Location:	Roychester Community House
Age:	6 – 12 years old
Cost:	\$180 R/\$205 NR



PASTEL DRAWING - WORLD OF DINOSAURS

Young Rembrandts

Travel back in time to the land of the lost. Join Young Rembrandts for a camp celebrating a favorite topic- dinosaurs! Every day students will learn to use pastels to create impressive and frame-worthy art. Artists will draw and color different types of dinosaurs in varying artistic styles ranging from realism, graphic, and cartoon. Perfect for those who love the ancient world of big lizards. Sign up today!

Date:	August 11 – 15
Time:	9 AM – 12 PM
Location:	Crestmont Clubhouse
Age:	6 – 12 years old
Cost:	\$180 R/\$205 NR

POTTERY DESIGN CAMP

INDI Studio

Camp is a great way to spend a week getting to know the art of ceramics while meeting new friends and fellow artists. Each day begins with a new lesson on hand building, followed by a guided project incorporating the new technique taught. We will also be dabbling with modeling clay (oil-based polymer). All terra cotta projects will be glazed by the participants and then taken back to INDI Studios at the end of the week to be fired. All pieces will be available for pick up within 10 days from the last day of camp. Please bring a lunch (nut-free), light snack and drink. All supplies are included.

Session I:	June 23 – 27
Session II:	July 28 – August 1
Session III:	August 25 – 29
Time:	Full Day: 9 AM – 3:30 PM Half Day: 12:30 PM – 3:30 PM
Location:	Session I & II: Roychester Community House Session III: Crestmont Clubhouse
Age:	5+ years old
Cost:	Full Day: \$410 per person Half Day: \$230 per person

INTRO INTO FORENSICS

STEM principles relating to Forensics and solving Crime Scenes are explored. The curriculum, labs, and exercises will cover many topics on taking, identifying, and collecting fingerprints, learning how trigonometry is used in blood and bullet trajectory, each student will cast their own footprint, process a crime scene and so much more. Please pack a lunch, water bottle, and snack.

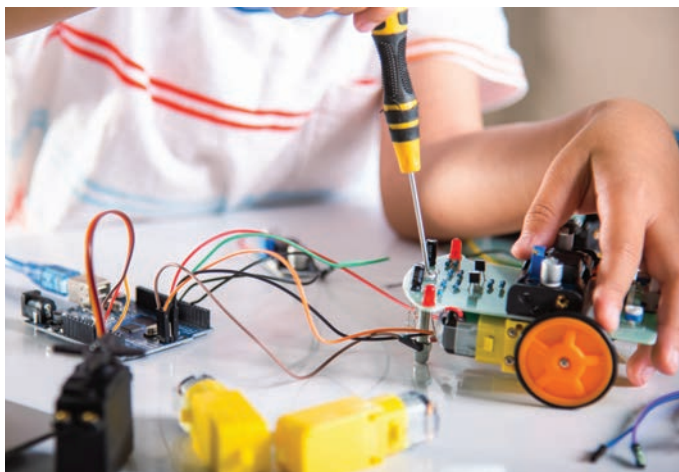
Date:	Tuesday, May 20
Time:	9 AM – 4 PM
Location:	Crestmont Clubhouse
Age:	Grades 5 – 12
Cost:	\$150 R/\$200 NR

ADVANCED FORENSICS: HOW STEM IS USED TO SOLVE CRIMES

STEM principles will provide for an exciting curriculum covering many topics such as rolling and comparing tire tracks to a casting, performing a glass density lab, extracting DNA, examining real and counterfeit money, using Mikrosil to lift fingerprints, examining bullet holes, and defining the trajectory and flight path of a bullet, and much more. Some of the building blocks from Intro to Forensics will be used, although Intro to Forensics is not a prerequisite, it is encouraged. Please pack a lunch, water bottle, and snack.

Date:	July 7 – 11
Time:	9 AM – 3 PM
Location:	Roychester Community House
Age:	Grades 5 – 12
Cost:	\$275

YOUTH PROGRAMS



UNDERGROUND AND FLIGHT

Mad Science

Two camps in one! Learn about archeology and the techniques scientists use to excavate long lost cities. Discover ancient civilizations and the tools and artifacts they used in everyday life. Study bone fragments, pottery shards, amber deposits, and fossils to understand what they can tell us about history. Make incredible projects to take home, like an amber time capsule and antique coins from around the world! AND use your imagination and creativity to escape the dangers of an island and make it back into space! Explore technological advances: submarines, boats, stomp rockets, & spacecraft. Discover science fiction through the works of Jules Verne and Isaac Asimov. All campers will build and take home their own sci-fi inspired light sabers! Please pack a lunch, water bottle, and snack.

Date:	June 23 – 27
Time:	9 AM – 3:30 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
Age:	6 – 12 years old
Cost:	\$420 R/\$500 NR

NASA STEM EXPLORERS

Mad Science

Developed in partnership with NASA, campers will think & act like NASA innovators during this program inspired by the NASA OPTIMUS PRIME Research Challenge (NASA OPSPARC). Use creative & collaborative skills to design a mission patch, train like an astronaut, build a Mars rover & solve real-world engineering problems. How might you use space suit cooling tubes to solve a problem on Earth?

Date:	June 30 – July 3
Time:	9 AM – 12 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
Age:	6 – 12 years old
Cost:	\$200 R/\$245 NR

UNDERGROUND EXPLORERS

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Date:	June 23 – 27
Time:	9 AM – 12 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
Age:	6 – 12 years old
Cost:	\$225 R/\$275 NR

EUREKA! TAKE FLIGHT TO THE FUTURE

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Location:	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
Age:	6 – 12 years old
Cost:	\$225 R/\$275 NR



FUNKY FORENSICS AND BRIXOLOGY AMAZING ARCHITECTURE

Mad Science

Two camps in one! Step into the shoes of a detective— uncover the science involved in evidence gathering and analysis. Using your observational skills, collect evidence and analyze the clues left behind. Recreate the scene of a crime using schematics. Use science to connect the dots and help sniff out the suspects in this hands-on investigation into the science of sleuthing! AND Working with Lego Master builders we set our sights on designing structures that work. Towers need elevators and rocket capsules need parachutes. In this session we explore all things structural. From bridges to carnival rides and towers to mars landers. We build it, test it and then expand our creations. This session is fun for all who like to tinker. Children will receive a take home activity each day. Let the building begin!

Date:	July 14 – 18
Time:	9 AM – 3:30 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
Age:	6 – 12 years old
Cost:	\$420 R/\$500 NR



BRIXOLOGY MECHANICAL MARVELS

Mad Science

These classes were developed with Lego master builders! Campers will build machines that GO! From race cars to boats, and drawing machines to insects. Our creations are on the move. Each day we will explore a different engineering concept and put what we learn to the test. Children will receive a take home activity each day. Let the building begin!

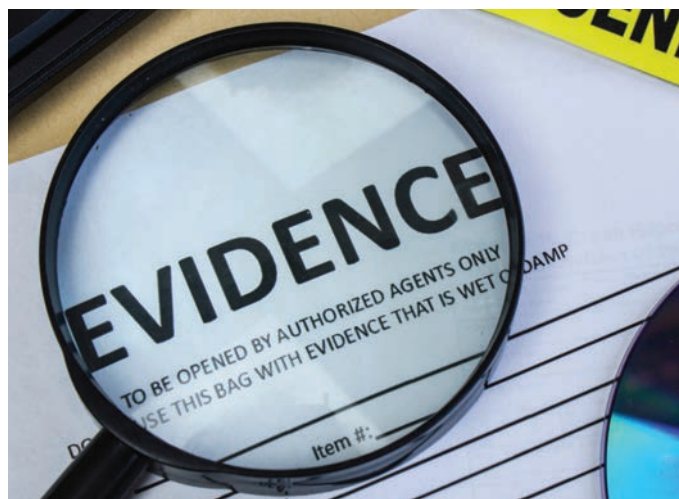
Date:	July 28 – August 1
Time:	9 AM – 12 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
Age:	6 – 12 years old
Cost:	\$225 R/\$275 NR

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YOUTH PROGRAMS

WILD ABOUT ART

Geoventures

The best art is made where the wild things are. Learn about our world with exciting experiments using nature-friendly ingredients. This camp brings together an explanation of nature with a chance to be a creator. We'll learn about using natural materials to make paintings, sculptures, pressed art and more. Everyone, from beginners to passionate young artists, are welcome to grow wild about art with us!

Date:	June 16 – 20
Time:	9 AM – 12 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
Age:	6 – 10 years old
Cost:	\$205 R/\$280 NR



CRITTER RESCUERS

Geoventures

Do you love learning about animals and how to help them thrive? Armed with wits and magnifying glasses, Critt Rescuers will work to answer some of the world's biggest (and smallest) questions. Rescuers will focus on saving animal habitats with hands-on activities, stories, games, and solving mysteries together. Please pack a lunch, water bottle, and snack.

Date:	July 7 – 11
Time:	9 AM – 3 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
Age:	6 – 9 years old
Cost:	\$385 R/\$465 NR

NATURE ADVENTURES

Geoventures

Uncover the mysteries of nature and its plants and creatures one adventure at a time! Be explorers of the planet and animal worlds around us. Together we will encounter creatures, identify prints, and tracks, explore ecosystems, play stealthy games, and hunt for natural treasures. Join us for a great adventure every day! Please pack a lunch, water bottle, and snack.

Date:	August 11 – 15
Time:	9 AM – 3 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
Age:	6 – 8 years old
Cost:	\$385 R/\$465 NR



GEOCACHING TREASURE HUNT

Geoventures

Geocaching is one of the fastest growing outdoor activities. It is a hi-tech scavenger hunt combining GPS tracking with a series of clues leading you through a course of hidden surprises. Experienced staff will guide you during this active camp as you learn how to use a GPS unit for geocaching, explore the outdoors as you search for hidden caches. Gain expertise as the hunts become more challenging, and finally work together to design your own course!

Date:	July 21 – 25
Time:	9 AM – 12 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
Age:	9 – 12 years old
Cost:	\$205 R/\$280 NR



ZOMBIE SURVIVAL CAMP

Geoventures

Are you prepared for the zombie invasion? Become a member of the Zombie Outbreak Response Agency. As a ZORA agent you will learn proper protocol for building zombie-proof shelters, locating supply caches using GPS, signaling skills to communicate with other agents, tracking the undead's movements and camouflaging to hide among the zombie legions. Join the resistance for this post-apocalyptic camp!

Date:	August 4 – 8
Time:	9 AM – 12 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Bikehouse
Age:	9 – 12 years old
Cost:	\$205 R/\$280 NR

ADULT PROGRAMS

ADULT (Ages 18+)

AIKIDO

Aikido is a Japanese martial art developed by Morihei Ueshiba; his goal was to create an art that practitioners could use to defend themselves while also protecting their attackers from injury. Because the aikido curriculum consists of throws, beginners learn how to safely fall or roll. The specific techniques for attack include both strikes and grabs; techniques for defense consist of throws and pins. After basic techniques are learned, students study freestyle defense against multiple opponents, and techniques with weapons. Aikido related training emphasizes the use of coordinated whole-body movement and balance similar to yoga and Pilates.

Session I:	Tuesdays and/or Wednesdays, March 4 – April 23
Session II:	Tuesdays and/or Wednesdays, April 29 – June 18
Time:	7:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Age:	12+ years old
Cost:	\$75 for 1 class per week \$95 for 2 classes per week



PICK-UP PICKLEBALL

Do you want to play Pickleball but do not have a regular partner? Do you want to meet new people that enjoy the same sport as you? Beginners to advanced players can stop by Alverthorpe Park on Tuesday mornings for Pick-up Pickleball! This is a resident only program; please have proof of residency when entering the park. Please bring your own equipment.

Date:	Thursdays, April 22, 29, May 6, 13, & 20
Time:	9 AM – 12 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park
Age:	18+ years old
Cost:	Free



WRENCH TO RIDE

Gear up for our new hands-on Bike Maintenance Clinics, happening the first 3 Tuesdays in April. This clinic will allow participants to learn essential skills such as adjusting gears, fixing flats, and preparing their bikes for safe, smooth rides. This program is designed for riders who want to take control of their bike's maintenance while connecting with like-minded enthusiasts. A mountain bike with gears is required.

Date:	Tuesdays, April 1, 8, & 15
Time:	6 PM – 7:30 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park
Age:	10+ years old
Cost:	\$120 per person for all 3 days

MOUNTAIN BIKE CLINICS

Come out and join us for two exciting mountain bike clinics designed to introduce fundamental skills and confidence to riders of all experience levels. These clinics will provide personalized instruction in off-road skills trail navigation, balance, and safe biking practices. A mountain bike with gears is required. Bring water and a snack. Sneakers (no rubber slip on shoes permitted). Bike and helmet rentals are available for an additional fee.

Session I:	Sunday, May 4
Session II:	Sunday, May 18
Time:	10 AM – 12:30 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park
Age:	18+ years old
Cost:	\$60 per person/per date \$20 additional fee to rental bike and helmet

LIFEGUARD CERTIFICATION

The primary purpose of the courses in the American Red Cross Lifeguarding program is to provide participants with the knowledge and skills needed to:

- Prevent, recognize and respond to aquatic emergencies in deep water pools (7 feet or greater)
- Provide professional-level care for breathing and cardiac emergencies, injuries, and sudden illnesses until emergency medical services (EMS) professionals take over. **All participants must attend the entire course**, participate in all class sessions, and complete the online course work before the first class.

Course Prerequisites

To participate in the lifeguarding (including deep water) course, participants must:

- Be at least 15 years old on or before the final scheduled session of the lifeguarding course.
- Successfully complete the two prerequisite swimming skills evaluations:

Prerequisite 1: Complete a swim-tread-swim sequence without stopping to rest: Jump into the water and totally submerge, resurface then swim 150 yards using the front crawl, breaststroke or a combination of both. (Swimming on the back or side is not permitted. Swim goggles are allowed.) Without a break, tread water using only the legs for 2 minutes; then swim 50 yards using the front crawl, breaststroke or a combination of both.

Prerequisite 2: Complete a timed event within 1 minute, 40 seconds:

Starting in the water, swim 20 yards. (The face may be in or out of the water. Swim goggles are not allowed). Surface dive (feet-first or head-first) to a depth of 7 – 10 feet to retrieve a 10-pound object. Return to the surface and swim 20 yards on the back to return to the starting point, holding the object at the surface with both hands and keeping the face out at or near the surface. Exit the water without using a ladder or steps.

American Red Cross Lifeguarding- Blended Learning

Date:	Friday, May 16 Saturday, May 17 Sunday, May 18
Time:	4 PM – 9 PM, May 16 8 AM – 4 PM, May 17 8 AM – 6 PM, May 18
Location:	May 16, Abington High School Pool May 17, Ardsley Community Center Cafeteria (Classroom time) May 18, Willow Grove YMCA Pool
Age:	15 years and older
Cost:	\$290 per person



ADULT WATERCOLOR

Watercolor painting with Melissa Olson is open to all levels. Learn fundamental watercolor techniques and discover the lively and expressive possibilities of watercolor within a friendly and supportive community. Independent painting with critique of ongoing work encourages students to explore their own artistic style. Note: Before purchasing watercolors supplies, please bring what you have to the first class and receive recommendations for additional materials.

Session I:	Tuesdays, March 11 – May 13
Session II:	Wednesdays, March 12 – May 14
Session III:	Tuesdays, September 16 – December 9
Session IV:	Wednesdays, September 17 – December 10
Time:	9:45 AM – 12 PM
Location:	Crestmont Clubhouse
Age:	18+ years old
Cost:	\$240 R/\$265 NR

A.R.C.A.T. INFORMATION

ARCATs (Alverthorpe Retired Citizens of Abington Township) is a senior group for those who live in Abington Township and the surrounding area and who are at least 55 years old. ARCAT began over 50 years ago and is run by a staff of volunteers under the sponsorship of Abington Township Parks and Recreation. Members have the opportunity to enjoy trips and tours designed with seniors in mind. There is an annual fee of \$5 to join the group and members will be put on the ARCAT mailing list to receive newsletters, which will include the details of upcoming trips. To join, simply mail in the application found at the bottom of this page with the annual \$5 fee. For more information, visit our website at www.abingtonpa.gov/PR or call Abington Township Parks and Recreation at 215-576-5213. For questions regarding trips, please call Nancy Bowes at 215-285-5376.



ADULT (Ages 55+)

2025 Program Includes:

- General meetings at the Crestmont Clubhouse
- Spring luncheon at Sandy Run Country Club
- Holiday Luncheon
- One-day bus trips

ARCATs 2025 Membership Application
\$5 per person (Memo section write ARCAT dues 2025)
Mail to: Abington Township - Department of Parks and Recreation
515 Meetinghouse Road, Jenkintown, PA 19046

Name: _____

Address: _____ **Apt #:** _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Home Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

E-mail: _____

SPECIAL EVENTS

SPORTS EQUIPMENT SWAP

Looking to clean out some of your children's sports equipment? Look no further! Abington Parks and Recreation will be collecting and distributing used sports equipment back into the community. Bring your new and gently used (in good condition) sports equipment to the drop-off and pick out some other equipment. You do not need to donate in order to take items.

Date:	Saturday, March 22
Time:	8 AM (Drop off equipment) 9 AM – 11:30 AM (Shop for equipment)
Location:	Ardasley Community Center Gymnasium
Cost:	Free



TRAINS, TRAINS, AND TRAINS!

ALL ABOARD! Join Abington Township on a bus trip to Lancaster County for a train filled day! Take a ride on the scenic Strasburg Railroad. Enjoy a 45-minute train ride through the beautiful countryside and in an open rail car. Take a leisurely stroll through the Pennsylvania Train Museum to see trains of yesteryear closer than you could have imagined! Wrap up the day exploring a captivating 1,700-square-foot toy train layout filled with intricate details and animated displays that bring a miniature world to life at the Choo Choo Barn.

The bus will be leaving the main parking lot of Alverthorpe Park at 8 AM (sharp) and travel non-stop to Strasburg, PA. Please pack a lunch or food may be purchased at the café platform of the Strasburg Railroad. Vending machines will also be available at the PA Train Museum.

Date:	Thursday, June 26
Time:	9 AM – 5 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Main Parking Lot
Cost:	\$90 per person

ALVERTHORPE PARK EGG HUNT

Bring your basket and hunt for filled eggs! Get your picture taken with the Bunny! Hunt starts at 10 AM sharp!

Date:	Saturday, April 5 (rain or shine)
Time:	10 AM Sharp
Location:	Alverthorpe Park
Age:	Preschool - 4th grade
Cost:	Free



MOVIE UNDER THE MOON

Please join Abington Township Parks and Recreation for a movie on the big screen! Please bring your own lawn chairs and blankets. Food and refreshments will be available for purchase.

Date:	Friday, June 20 (Rain Date: June 27)
	Friday, August 15 (Rain Date: August 22)
Time:	Movie begins at dusk
Location:	Alverthorpe Park (June 20) Conway Field (August 15)
Movie:	TBD
Cost:	Free



PENBRYN POOCH PLUNGE

Penbryn Pool has gone to the dogs! Help us wrap up the pool season with your furry friend(s). Dogs and their owners are invited to splash, splash, paddle, and play!

Date:	Saturday, September 6 (Rain Date: Sunday, September 7)
Time:	11 AM – 1 PM
Location:	Penbryn Pool
Cost:	\$10 per dog (humans are free!)

ASK THE TREE EXPERTS

Join Abington Township's Shade Tree Commission for a conversation with the Township's certified arborist!

- Learn about the Township's efforts to plant trees for the next generation with our biannual free tree giveaway.
- Bring your questions about caring for existing trees and identifying appropriate trees and plants for your yard.
- Learn how to get involved in volunteer activities in your neighborhood.

Tree swag and educational materials will be available. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, visit the STC at www.abingtonpa.gov/STC.

Date:	Thursday, September 18
Time:	7 PM – 8:30 PM
Location:	Crestmont Clubhouse
Cost:	Free

CAPE MAY BUS TRIP

Beat the crowds and shop the pre-season deals with us at the Washington Street Mall in Cape May! Washington Street Mall is Pedestrian Street with shops and restaurants lining it, from book stores, boutique shops and everything in between, Washington Street will have everything you are looking for, not to mention it is only a few blocks from the beach which has a beautiful walkable sea wall!

The bus will leave the main lot of Alverthorpe Park at 9 AM (sharp) and travel non-stop to Cape May. The bus will leave Cape May at 5:30 PM from Washington Street Mall and return to Alverthorpe Park around 8 PM.

Date:	Thursday, May 8
Time:	9 AM – 8 PM
Location:	Alverthorpe Park Main Parking Lot
Cost:	\$65 per person

SHREDDING EVENTS

Residents of Abington Township are encouraged to bring personal and confidential documents and files to Abington Township's FREE shredding events. No need to remove binder covers, paper clips, or staples. All material will be recycled. NO businesses. Abington Township residents ONLY. For more information, visit www.abingtonpa.gov/pwevents.

Location:	2201 Florey Lane, Abington, PA 19001
Date:	Saturdays, April 26 & October 18
Time:	9 AM – 12 PM
Cost:	FREE. ABINGTON RESIDENTS ONLY. NO BUSINESSES.



TRASH CLEAN OUT WEEK

During trash clean-out weeks, the Township will collect everything you place in your trash cans PLUS any additional normal trash placed in store bought refuse bags you put out with your regular trash on your SCHEDULED trash collection day.

NO electronics, hazardous waste, construction material, or large items will be accepted.

For more information, visit www.abingtonpa.gov/pwevents.

Date:	April 7 – April 11 October 6 – October 10
Time:	Items must be at the curb by 7 AM on your normal trash collection day.
What:	Any trash that does not fit within your trash cart should be placed in trash bags weighing no more than 30 lbs next to your trash cart at the curb. NO electronics, hazardous waste, construction material, or large items will be accepted.
Cost:	FREE

ELECTRONICS COLLECTION

Abington Township is proud to offer their residents the opportunity to responsibly recycle obsolete electronics. We partner with eForce Compliance for this event. This service is available to residents of Abington Township ONLY. PLEASE NOTE: There is a cost for TVs, computer monitors, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, and microwaves. For more information, visit www.abingtonpa.gov/pwevents.

Location:	2201 Florey Lane, Abington, PA 19001
Date:	Saturdays, February 22 & November 15
Time:	9 AM – 12 PM
Cost:	FREE. ABINGTON RESIDENTS ONLY. NO BUSINESSES.

For a full list of events and updates, please visit www.abingtonpa.gov.
The Township calendar is regularly updated with new activities and event changes!

BRIAR BUSH NATURE CENTER

Briar Bush Nature Center is a rich oasis and gem of the Abington Township park system. Our 12.5 acres feature over a mile of trails winding through a mixed deciduous/coniferous forest. Our doors and grounds are open to all residents and guests.



Welcoming you to a world of wonders!



CONTACT INFORMATION

Address: 1212 Edge Hill Road
Abington, PA 19001

Phone: 215-887-6603

Email: info@briarbush.org

Website: www.briarbush.org

NATURE CENTER HOURS

Business Hours: Monday - Friday, 9 AM - 5 PM
Dede Long Nature Museum: Open Daily, 10 AM - 4 PM
Griscom Bird Observatory: Open Daily, 10 AM - 4 PM
Pond: Open Daily, 10 AM - 4 PM
Trails: Open Daily, Dawn - Dusk

Facility and trail access is subject to change due to severe weather or to accommodate privately scheduled programs/events. Call before your visit for the most up-to-date Briar Bush hours.

MUSEUM ADMISSION

Friends of Briar Bush Members: FREE
Abington Township Residents: FREE
Others: Donations Accepted

Admission fees are subject to change.

BECOME A MEMBER!

Friends of Briar Bush (FOBB) membership is available at many levels. Visit our website for more information.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP INCLUDE:

- Discounts on programs and summer camps
- Discounts in the Briar Bush Nature Shop
- A subscription to our newsletter
- Invitations to Friends of Briar Bush members-only events
- Ability to rent our facility for parties/celebrations
- And more!

COME EXPLORE OUR:



Dede Long Nature Museum	Includes a variety of animal ambassadors, a play area dedicated to toddlers, and interactive exhibits
Forested Trails	12 acres with quiet winding woodland trails
Griscom Bird Observatory	A peaceful cabin with a panoramic window looking out onto a bird habitat, and exhibits that highlight bird identification, migration, citizen science, and children's activities
Nature Playscape	A natural play-area complete with a cave/tunnel, stumps, logs, and more
Pond	Visit the pond during every season.
Group and Public Programs	For all ages! Abington Residents receive a 10% program discount. Friends of Briar Bush Members receive a 20% program discount.

REGISTRATION

Most programs require registration for participants ages 2+. Children under 2 years of age are free of charge. To register, visit www.briarbush.org. Review all program information at the time of registration including program location. Questions or need help registering? Call 215-887-6603 from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

PROGRAMS FOR FAMILIES

FAMILY NATURE NIGHT - IN THE SKY

Bring the whole family for a fun night complete with live animal encounters and interactive stations relating to the theme of the night - all at your own pace. Family Nature Nights are geared toward children with sensory processing disorders and feature a forest sensory experience! The program will take place indoors and outdoors, rain or shine. Light snacks will be provided.

Sponsored by Child Development Foundation.

Date:	Friday, March 14, 2025
Age:	Children pre-k to elementary with sensory processing disorders and their families
Time:	6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
Cost:	FREE (Registration is required.)

EARTHFEST - NATURE SUPERHEROES

Be a hero for the planet! Join us for our annual Earth Day celebration filled with eco-adventures, nature activities, and fun for all ages. Don't forget your superhero costume-it's time to save the Earth in style!

Sponsored by  **SIMPLY CABINETRY**

Date:	Sunday, April 27, 2025
Age:	All Ages
Time:	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Cost:	FREE (Registration is not required.)



BACKYARD SAFARI

Grab your hat and lace your boots – we're going exploring! Join us on a safari to explore the living things that keep Briar Bush's backyard interesting. Use binoculars to observe feeder birds, dig in the soil for creepy crawlies, and catch frogs and tadpoles at the pond.

Date:	Saturday, May 10, 2025
Age:	All Ages
Time:	2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Cost:	Non-Resident: \$10.00 Abington Resident: \$9.00 Briar Bush Member: \$8.00



AMAZING ADAPTATIONS

Adaptations are special features organisms have that allow them to fit like a puzzle piece into the ecosystem. Learn why some animals look and behave the way they do and discover how amazing these adaptations can be through games, activities, and more! Then, enjoy refreshing popsicles after the program.

This is a special members-only event. Join today to participate!

Date:	Wednesday, June 25, 2025
Age:	All Ages
Time:	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Cost:	FREE (Briar Bush Members Only)

POND-APALOOZA!

Discover what is living (and swimming) in the Briar Bush pond! Use nets to catch and examine the aquatic creatures that are hoppin' in the summer. Then, enjoy refreshing popsicles after the program.

Date:	Wednesday, July 16, 2025
Age:	All Ages
Time:	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Cost:	Non-Resident: \$12.00 Abington Resident: \$10.80 Briar Bush Member: \$9.60

SUMMER NIGHT BIOBLITZ

Become a scientist for the night and help the Briar Bush staff survey all of the living creatures, big and small, that are found on the trails. Be sure to bring your keen observation skills! Then, enjoy refreshing popsicles after the program.

Date:	Wednesday, August 13, 2025
Age:	All Ages
Time:	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Cost:	Non-Resident: \$12.00 Abington Resident: \$10.80 Briar Bush Member: \$9.60

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

MAGIC MORNINGS

Toddlers can bring their favorite adult to join a Briar Bush educator for walks, animal encounters, activities, and more! Each week features a new theme, which repeats throughout the week (Register for one day per week).

Date:	Most Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays March - May
Age:	2-5-year-olds with an adult
Time:	10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Cost:	Non-Resident: \$12.50 - Additional child in same household: \$7.50 Abington Resident: \$11.25 - Additional child in same household: \$6.75 Briar Bush Member: \$10.00 - Additional child in same household: \$6.00



NATURE PIONEERS

Children are invited to join us on their own for age-appropriate activities, walks, animal encounters, crafts, games, and more! Each week features a new theme.

Date:	Most Thursdays, March - May
Age:	4-6-year-olds
Time:	1:00 PM - 2:30 PM
Cost:	Non-Resident: \$15.00 Abington Resident: \$13.50 Briar Bush Member: \$12.00

SCHOOL'S OUT, GET OUTSIDE!

When school is not in session, students can spend a day at Briar Bush exploring the outdoors, meeting live animals, making crafts, playing in nature, and more. Be sure to pack a lunch, snacks, water bottle, and full change of clothes.

Date:	Select Holidays and In-Service Days
Age:	Children in Grades K-5
Time:	Half-Day Session: 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM Full-Day Session: 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM After-Care Session: 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM
Cost:	Half-Day Session - Non-Resident: \$30.00 - Abington Resident: \$27.00 - Briar Bush Member: \$24.00 Full-Day Session - Non-Resident: \$75.00 - Abington Resident: \$67.50 - Briar Bush Member: \$60.00 After-Care Session: \$12.00

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

WHAT IS A WEED?

When an unexpected plant pops up in your garden, how do you know if it's a weed or not? A plant that one person calls a weed another person actually encourages in their garden! Learn to identify some of the most common "weeds" found in our area and why you may want to reconsider yanking (or protecting!) them. We'll also take a short hike on the trails to find some of the featured species.

Date:	Saturday, March 22, 2025
Age:	Adults
Time:	10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Cost:	Non-Resident: \$10.00 Abington Resident: \$9.00 Briar Bush Member: \$8.00

MT. CUBA CENTER WILDFLOWER TRIP

Travel in the Briar Bush van to spend the day at the Mt. Cuba Center, an incredible garden showcase of native plants located just outside of Wilmington, Delaware. Experience a magnificent display of native spring blooms at the peak of their glory and enjoy live music, gardening activities, and more. Make sure to bring your camera, binoculars, and lunch (or buy food at the Center). The program involves a long walk on uneven trails and runs in light rain—dress for the weather.

Date:	Saturday, April 19, 2025
Age:	Adults
Time:	8:45 AM - 3:30 PM
Cost:	Non-Resident: \$50.00 Abington Resident: \$45.00 Briar Bush Member: \$40.00



SPECIES SPOTLIGHT & NATIVE PLANT SWAP

With the growing season in full swing, Katie will share some of her favorite plant species for attracting hummingbirds as well as must-haves for the pollinator garden, flowers that produce seeds for birds, and other native garden all-stars. After the program, we'll host a native plant swap. Bring a native plant from your own garden to trade with others who attend. Swapping plants is a great way to increase biodiversity in your yard in a low-cost way! Bringing a plant is not necessary to take one home!

Date:	Saturday, May 17, 2025
Age:	Adults
Time:	10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Cost:	Non-Resident: \$10.00 Abington Resident: \$9.00 Briar Bush Member: \$8.00

Summer is a time when learning and play go hand-in-hand. Briar Bush Summer Camps give your child the opportunity to experience the wonders of nature through scientific discovery, interpretive hikes, live animal encounters, games, crafts, nature play, and more.

SUMMER CAMP 2025

Our 12.5 acres of forest serve as the perfect summer camp setting in the middle of the suburbs. Older campers have the opportunity to explore outside of the Briar Bush forest through regional day trips. Provide your child(ren) with memories full of excitement, new experiences, nature exploration, and all-around fun in the outdoors.

Visit www.briarbush.org or sign up for our e-communications for updates on Briar Bush member-only registration, general public registration, weekly themes, and all other Summer Camp 2025

SEEDLINGS HALF-DAY CAMPS

Location:	Briar Bush Nature Center
Date:	Weekly from June 9 - August 29, 2025
Age:	4 - 6 year-olds
Time:	AM Session: 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM PM Session: 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM
Cost:	Varies: visit our website Discounts for Abington residents and Briar Bush members will be applied.



SAPLINGS FULL-DAY CAMPS

Location:	Briar Bush Nature Center
Date:	Weekly from June 16 - August 29, 2025
Age:	6 - 7 year-olds
Time:	9:30 AM - 4:00 PM
Cost:	Varies: visit our website Discounts for Abington residents and Briar Bush members will be applied.

FULL-DAY TRAVEL CAMPS

Location:	Briar Bush Nature Center Weekly Regional Field Trips
Date:	Weekly from June 16 - August 29, 2025 (No Full-Day Travel Camps, July 21-25.)
Age:	8 - 9 year-olds and 10 - 12 year-olds
Time:	9:30 AM - 4:00 PM
Cost:	Varies: visit our website Discounts for Abington residents and Briar Bush members will be applied.

OVERNIGHT CAMP

Location:	Briar Bush Nature Center Hickory Run State Park
Date:	July 21 - 25, 2025
Age:	11 - 15 year-olds
Time:	Monday: 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM Tuesday - Friday: Overnight Friday Pick-Up: 4:00 PM
Cost:	Visit our website Discounts for Abington residents and Briar Bush members will be applied.

EXTENDED CARE

Location:	Briar Bush Nature Center
Date:	Weekly from June 9 - August 29, 2025
Age:	4 - 15 year-olds
Time:	Before Care: 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM After Care: 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Cost:	Before Care: \$30.00/week After Care: \$45.00/week

CAMP AIDE PROGRAM

Our Camp Aide Program is designed to give teens the opportunity to gain naturalist, leadership, education, and communication skills while earning community service hours, building resume experience, and having a fun-filled summer. Camp Aides assist counselors with camp preparation, group management, daily activities, camp clean-up, and more!

To apply, complete the application found on our [website](http://www.briarbush.org).

Location:	Briar Bush Nature Center Potential Field Trips/Overnight Camp Locations
Date:	Weekly from June 9 - August 29, 2025
Age:	13+ year-olds
Time:	Schedule varies by camp week.
Cost:	Volunteer Program; No Cost



ABINGTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

Welcome to the Abington Township Public Library (ATPL). ATPL serves the communities of Abington Township and Rockledge Borough in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

We offer our library patrons two convenient locations: Abington Free Library and Roslyn Library.



**Abington Township
Public Library**

The mission of the Abington Township Public Library is to champion learning and foster connections for everyone in our community. Our values of knowledge, trust, inclusion, and thinking big are the core principles that guide the work of the library and our community of patrons, friends, supporters, staff, and volunteers.

ABINGTON FREE LIBRARY

Address: 1030 Old York Road, Abington, PA 19001

Phone: 215-885-5180

Email: abingtonlibrary@mclinc.org

Hours of Operation:

- Monday - Thursday: 9:30 AM - 9 PM
- Friday - Saturday: 9:30 AM - 5 PM
- Sunday: 1 - 5 PM

ROSLYN BRANCH LIBRARY

Address: 2412 Avondale Avenue, Roslyn, PA 19001

Phone: 215-886-9818

Email: abingtonlibrary@mclinc.org

Hours of Operation:

- Monday: 11 AM - 9 PM
- Tuesday/Thursday: 11 AM - 6 PM
- Wednesday/Sunday: Closed
- Friday: 11 AM - 5 PM
- Saturday: 10 AM - 2 PM

JOIN, LEARN, AND SUPPORT:

Becoming a Member	Anyone who lives, works, or attends school in Abington Township or Rockledge Borough can get a library card with full borrowing privileges. Visit abingtonfreelibrary.org/get-library-card for more information.
Join the Friends of Abington Libraries	The Friends are community members who work to keep the Abington Libraries strong. The group sponsors new programs, books and equipment, and the adult literacy program. For more information visit abingtonfreelibrary.org/friends-library .
Library of Things	We're more than just books! Borrow a hot spot, Chromebook, turntable, museum pass, tool kits, board games, and more! Check out abingtonfreelibrary.org/library-things .
Programs and Events	The Library hosts programs and events year-round for all ages! All events and programs can be found at abingtonfreelibrary.org/calendar .
eResources	Abington Township Library offers over 50 eResources for residents that provide access to books, music, movies, journals, newspapers, and popular applications. For a full list, please visit abingtonfreelibrary.org/e-resources .
Questions?	Got Questions? Call 215-885-5180, ext. 113. Visit abingtonfreelibrary.org/contact-us for Live Chat, Email, or Text.
Stay Connected!	Follow us on Facebook (@AbingtonLibrary), Instagram (@AbingtonLibrary) and TikTok (@atplibraries). To learn more about the libraries, visit abingtonfreelibrary.org .

ADULT LITERACY

ENGLISH FOR INTERMEDIATE THROUGH ADVANCED ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

Location:	Abington Free Library
Date/Time:	Mondays, 7 PM – 8:30 PM Tuesdays, 10:30 AM – 12 PM

ENGLISH FOR BEGINNING ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

Location:	Abington Free Library
Date/Time:	Tuesdays, 6 PM – 7:30 PM Thursdays, 12:30 PM – 2 PM

NEW TUTOR TRAINING

Location:	Abington Free Library
Date/Time:	March 10, 13, 17, 6:30 PM July 14, 16, 17, 6:30 PM

For more information: abingtonfreelibrary.org/adult-literacy-program.

ROSLYN LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Unless otherwise noted, programs are held at the Roslyn Library: 2412 Avondale Ave., Roslyn, PA 19001

STITCH AND CHAT

Adults and teens, drop in with your handicrafts.

Date:	Fridays
Time:	1 PM – 3 PM

PLAYDATE ON AVONDALE

Date:	Fridays through April
Time:	10:30 AM – 12 PM
Age:	2 to 6

ROSLYN STORYTIME

See website for dates and registration.

Date:	Thursdays
Time:	10:30 AM
Age:	3 to 5

TODDLER TIME

See website for dates and registration.

Date:	Tuesdays
Time:	10:15 AM
Age:	18 months to 3 years

MINIATURE GREENHOUSES

Take home kits while supplies last.

Date:	Starting March 3
Age:	3 and up

BEGINNER CROCHET

Registration starts February 16.

Date:	Tuesday, March 11
Time:	4 PM – 5 PM
Age:	Adults and children ages 10 and up

DESIGN YOUR OWN SLIME

Registration starts March 3.

Date:	Monday, March 24
Time:	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM
Age:	6 to 12



PORCH PLAQUES

Registration starts March 17.

Date:	Monday, April 7
Time:	7 PM – 8 PM
Age:	Teens and adults

ANIMAL EXPLORATIONS

Drop-in.

Date:	Monday, April 21
Time:	11 AM – 12 PM
Age:	3 to 8

TINY RACECARS

Registration starts March 31.

Date:	Monday, April 21
Time:	6:30 PM – 7:15 PM
Age:	4 to 10

MUSIC AND MOVEMENT

Registration starts April 14.

Date:	Fridays, May 2 – May 30
Time:	10:15 AM – 11 AM
Age:	2 ½ to 6

HUMMINGBIRD PERCHES

Registration starts April 20.

Date:	Monday, May 5
Time:	7 PM – 8 PM
Age:	Teens and adults

ART AROUND THE WORLD: A REMAKE LEARNING EVENT

Registration starts April 28.

Date:	Tuesday, May 20
Time:	10 AM – 11 AM
Age:	6 to 12

ABINGTON LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Unless otherwise noted, programs are held at the Abington Free Library: 1030 Old York Rd., Abington, PA 19001.

Abington Children's Programs

RAINBOW CONNECTIONS

Meet new friends and talk about LGBTQ+ themed books and topics in a safe space. Registration required.

Location:	Zoom
Date:	Mondays, April 14, May 12, July 14
Time:	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM
Age:	LGBTQ kids and allies in grades K to 5

SCIENCE STORYTIME

Registration required.

Location:	Alverthorpe Park, Mini Golf Pavilion
Date:	Thursdays, April 24 – May 22
Time:	10:30 AM
Age:	3 to 6 and their families

HOMESCHOOL MAKER CLUB MONDAY

Design, build, create! Registration begins two weeks before event date.

Date:	Mondays, March 10, April 7, May 5
Time:	2 PM – 3 PM
Age:	Grades 4 to 8

ALL AGES STORYTIMES - SPRING SESSION

No registration required.

Date:	Mondays & Wednesdays, March 5 – May 21
Time:	10:30 AM
Age:	Up to age 6 and their families

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME - SPRING SESSION

Registration required.

Date:	Thursdays, March 13 – April 17
Time:	10:30 AM
Age:	Ages 3 to 5 and their families

DOGGONE GOOD READERS

Read aloud to a registered therapy dog. Registration required.

Date:	Saturdays, March 1, April 5, May 3
Time:	10 AM OR 10:45 AM
Age:	Grades 1 to 5



ST. PATRICK'S DAY DROP-IN

Crafts and activities. No registration required.

Date:	Saturday, March 15
Time:	10 AM – 2 PM
Age:	All ages and their families

ARTVENTURE WORKSHOPS WITH ANITA THOMPSON

Registration required.

Date:	Thursdays, March 27, April 24, May 22
Time:	6:30 PM
Age:	Ages vary, check website.

SCHOOL'S OUT CRAFTERNOON

School's out! Drop in anytime to paint rocks, create Perler bead figures, make diamond art, and string together friendship bracelets. No registration required.

Date:	Monday, March 31
Time:	2 PM – 4 PM
Age:	Grades K to 5

RIVERBEND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

Join us for this hands-on nature-based program! Registration required.

Date:	Wednesday, April 2
Time:	4:30 PM
Age:	Ages 4 to 8 and their families

BEE WHISPERINGS WITH MR. Q

Learn about the winter adventures of bees. No registration required.

Date:	Friday, April 18
Time:	10:30 AM
Age:	Ages 4 to 9 and their families

PA ONE BOOK: ARLO DRAWS AN OCTOPUS

Book, craft, & snack. No registration required.

Date:	Friday, May 9
Time:	10:30 AM
Age:	Ages 2 to 6 and their families

Abington Teen Programs

AB-TAB

The Teen Advisory Board. No registration required—just come by!

Date:	Third Monday of the month (September – May)
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Q-CREW

LGBTQ+ teens and allies. No registration required—just come by!

Date:	Second Tuesday of the month
Time:	6 PM - 7:30 PM

BUILD YOUR OWN CRYPTID WORKSHOP

Tap into your imagination and create your very own cryptid in this writing and collage workshop.

Date:	Thursday, March 13
Time:	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

MEDITATIVE ART SERIES: STAINED GLASS*

Decorate your own stained glass suncatcher to hang in your window, or anywhere you need a little color in your life.

Date:	Part I: Thursday, March 20 Part 2: Thursday, March 27
Time:	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

MEDITATIVE ART SERIES: WATERCOLOR PORTRAITS*

Explore new painting techniques and ways of expression with this medium that has existed for over six-thousand years!

Date:	Thursday, April 3
Time:	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM



FOUND POETRY WORKSHOP

Through this workshop we'll learn the basics of found poetry, read some found poems together, and then get to create our own poems through collage and black-out poetry techniques.

Date:	Thursday, April 10
Time:	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

MEDITATIVE ART SERIES: LET'S DE-STRESS*

In this workshop, we will fill in a color wheel to match our emotions before creating a personalized color wheel for our unique emotions.

Date:	Thursday, April 17
Time:	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM



ZINE-MAKING WORKSHOP

In this workshop we'll learn a little bit about the queer history of zines and then make our own zines!

Date:	Thursday, May 8
Time:	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

FOLDED BOOK ART: SPRING FLOWERS

Learn how to make art from a book! Gift it to a loved one, friend, or keep it for yourself. For teens and adults.

Date:	Thursday, May 29
Time:	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

**These programs are sponsored by the "Keep it Safe" grant, funded by the Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services' Office of Drug & Alcohol.*

Abington Adult Programs

RUTH AND ROBERT ABEL MEMORIAL BOOK AND FILM DISCUSSION GROUP

Led by Dr. Karen Weekes.

Date:	Dates and books TBD in March, April, and May
Time:	7 PM – 8 PM

SENIOR SOCIAL HOUR

Drop-in and enjoy refreshments.

Date:	First Thursday of the month
Time:	10:45 AM – 11:45 AM

VIRTUAL GARDEN TOUR

Explore a botanical garden in Florence, Italy, with a Master Gardener.

Date:	March 12
Time:	7 PM – 8 PM

ADULTS READ YA BOOK CLUB

Join YA Librarian Sara Huff for a book discussion.

Date:	First Thursday of the month
Time:	7 PM – 8 PM

Abington Adult Programs

PHILLY'S FINEST: HISTORIC TO CONTEMPORARY WOMEN ARTISTS

Join Lynn Berkowitz, MFA, BFA to explore key 19th to 21st century women artists working in styles ranging from Realism and Pennsylvania Impressionism to contemporary art.

Date:	March 19
Time:	2 PM – 3 PM

GARDEN FESTIVAL

Spring has finally blossomed, so you know what that means: the Abington Free Library's Garden Festival is back! Join us for an afternoon filled with free gardening-oriented entertainment for all ages.

Date:	Saturday, April 5
Time:	1 PM – 3 PM

GENTLE YOGA FOR ADULTS

Enhance your strength, focus, and balance at a comfortable pace. Note: This is not chair yoga. Bring your yoga mat. Register online or call 215-885-5180, ext. 113.

Date:	Sundays, March 23 and May 18
Time:	2 PM – 3 PM



LOCAL AUTHOR EXPO

Support local authors and learn about publishing a book from local experts. Shop for books for all ages and interests.

Date:	Saturday, May 3
Time:	12 PM – 4 PM

MINDFULNESS MEDITATION

Join our Saturday mindfulness sessions and take steps toward enhancing your well-being.

Date:	Saturdays, March 22, April 19, May 17
Time:	11 AM – 12 PM

ELAINE WOLFSON MAGILNER MEMORIAL CONCERT SERIES

Check our website or call the Information Desk for upcoming events.



STORIES OF IDENTITY BOOK CLUB

Join a lively discussion about stories that focus on the forces that forge our identities.

Date:	May 1: <i>Homegoing: A Novel</i> by Yaa Gyasi June 26: <i>The Circle</i> by Dave Eggers
Time:	6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

SUNDAY'S ON MONDAY

Join us in solving the NYT Sunday Crossword. Drop-in.

Date:	Mondays
Time:	10:30 AM

STITCH AND CHAT

Bring your current projects and stitch with us.

Date:	Thursdays
Time:	7 PM – 8 PM

DAYTIME BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

See abingtonfreelibrary.org/events for details.

Date:	First Thursday of every month
Time:	1 PM

LIBRARY SPEAKERS CONSORTIUM

Bestselling authors share their books with you in a live, virtual forum (recordings of events are available). Several events are scheduled each month. Dates and details can be found here: libraryc.org/abingtonfreelibrary.

ATPL's Author Series is sponsored by the Friends of Abington Township Public Library.

ONE-ON-ONE TECH HELP

Get personalized tech assistance with our friendly tutors in 30-minute sessions.

By Appointment:

Abington: Tuesdays at 10 AM, 10:30 AM, 11 AM, or 11:30 AM
Register online or call the Information Desk at 215-885-5180, ext. 113.

Roslyn: Call 215-886-9818 for availability.

Walk-in Hours:

Abington: Saturdays (hours vary). Check our website or call the Information Desk for details.

Friends of the Library

FRIENDS OF THE ABINGTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY MEETINGS

Location:	Abington Free Library
Date:	Second Saturdays of February, May, September, and November
Time:	9:45 AM

BOOK & PLANT SALE & FLEA MARKET

Location:	Abington Free Library
Date:	Saturday, April 26
Time:	10 AM – 3 PM

FRIENDS OF THE ABINGTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNUAL BRUNCH MEETING

Location:	Abington Free Library
Date:	Saturday, June 14
Time:	10 AM

Summer Reading: Color Our World ROSLYN PROGRAMS

Reading challenge, scavenger hunts, and crafts all summer. Registration starts 3 weeks before each event.

Date:	Mondays evenings, June 30 – August 18
Time:	6:30 PM
Date:	Friday mornings, June 20 – August 15
Time:	10 AM – 11 AM

LIBRARY POP-UPS IN THE PARK

No registration required.

Date:	Wednesdays, June 25 – August 6
Time:	11 AM – 12:30 PM
Locations:	TBD



ABINGTON PROGRAMS

SUMMER READING KICK-OFF PARTY

Kick off a summer of reading and fun with crafts, snacks, books, and more! No registration required. All ages welcome.

Date:	Monday, June 23
Time:	4 PM – 6 PM

ALL AGES STORYTIMES

No registration required.

Date:	Mondays & Wednesdays, June 23 – August 6
Time:	10:30 AM
Age:	For kids up to age 6 and their families.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Registration required.

Date:	Thursdays, June 26 - August 7 (No storytime on July 3.)
Time:	10:30 AM
Age:	For kids ages 3 to 5 and their families.

EYES OF THE WILD

No registration required.

Date:	Wednesday, June 25
Time:	6:30 PM
Age:	For kids ages 3 to 12 and their families.

MUSIC PLAY PATRON WITH MR. BOOM BOOM

Join Mr. Boom Boom for Color Our World with Music, an exciting, hands-on musical adventure introducing children to the sounds and rhythms of instruments from around the globe! No registration required.

Date:	Friday, July 18
Time:	10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Age:	For kids ages 2 to 6 and their families.

SCIENCE HEROES

No registration required. (Limited to 100 kids.)

Date:	Wednesday, July 23
Time:	6:30 PM
Age:	For kids going into grades K to 5 and their families.

POLICE EVENTS

CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

Each year the Abington Police Department offers a Citizens' Police Academy (CPA). In the program, Township residents meet on a weekly basis with Police Officer instructors for lessons on various aspects of the law enforcement profession. Subjects include criminal and traffic law, the police role in the judicial process, APD equipment, training, resources and limitations of the Police Department. In return, the instructors often find a newly-developed law enforcement awareness among participants, as well as an increased sensitivity to the challenges of 21st century policing. The increased citizen-police understanding that results from the close interaction of the CPA environment is an excellent vehicle for building bridges between the police and the community.

Not surprisingly, program alumni often volunteer to assist with future projects for APD and the community. Graduates are also encouraged to participate as block captains leading their neighborhood to crime prevention information, awareness and educational programs. For more information about the Citizens' Police Academy or to register, contact Officer Christine Da Cunha: cdacunha@abingtonpa.gov or 267-536-1097.

Location:	Public Safety Training Facility (2200 Florey Ln.)
Date:	Wednesdays, March 5 - April 23
Time:	7 PM - 9 PM
Age:	18 & up
Cost:	Free

PAL DESIGNER BAG BINGO

The Police Athletic League will be hosting a 16 Game, Designer Bag BINGO! Beer, Wine and Soda included. Raffle Baskets and 50/50. Coach, Michael Kors, Kate Spade. ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT ABINGTON'S YOUTH. For Information call Jan Harris: 267-536-1083 or jharris@abingtonpa.gov.

Location:	North Penn V.F.W.
Date:	March 14
Time:	7 PM - 10 PM (Doors open at 6 PM)
Cost:	\$30 in advance / \$40 at the door

C.A.P.T. DESIGNER BAG BINGO

Citizens and Police Together will be hosting a 16 Game, Designer Bag BINGO! Beer, Wine and Soda included. Raffle Baskets and 50/50. Coach, Michael Kors, Kate Spade. ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT D.A.R.E. For Information call Kait Metzinger: 267-536-1082 or kmetzinger@abingtonpa.gov.

Location:	North Penn V.F.W.
Date:	April 25
Time:	7 PM - 10 PM (Doors open at 6 PM)
Cost:	\$30 in advance / \$40 at the door

PAL CASINO NIGHT

Great FUN, Lite fare, Entertainment, Prizes, Open Bar, and \$100 in chips.

Location:	Knights of Columbus Flaherty Council 3128
Date:	May 17
Time:	7 PM
Cost:	\$40 per person or \$70 per couple

POLICE EXPLORERS

The Abington Township Police Department's Explorer Program meets every second Tuesday of every month and provides an opportunity for young men and women to experience first-hand how a police department functions. The program, geared towards kids interested in a future in law enforcement, gives youths self-confidence, discipline, and a feeling of community involvement. They are trained in all aspects of law enforcement, including report writing, traffic stops, crime scene investigation, self defensive tactics, firearm safety, arrest procedures, criminal laws, etc.

Police Explorers perform a variety of community services which is not only personally satisfying but a valuable experience which is frequently asked for when applying for college. The Explorers also work with the Community Policing Division and help with special events by assisting with traffic control and support.

If you are interested in becoming a Police Explorer or would like more information, please email Explorer Advisor Officer Christine Da Cunha at cdacunha@abingtonpa.gov or call 267-536-1097. (Police Explorers must be between 14 to 20 years old. If you are under the age of 18 you need parental consent to participate.)

ABINGTON TRIATHLON - CAPT, ACT, & PAL

Join us for the inaugural Abington Triathlon, this sprint race including: a pool swim in the Abington High School Natatorium, bike ride through the Abington/Glenside Area, and run on the Abington High School Cross Country Course, will directly benefit the youth of Abington Township.

Proceeds from the event will go to impactful community programs:

- Scholarships for Abington students, managed by the Abington Community Task Force (A.C.T.)
- The DARE program and Abington Police Explorers Post 2900 through Citizens and Police Together (C.A.P.T.)
- Free activities, life skills camp, and trips for members of the Abington Police Athletic League (P.A.L.)

Come make a splash with us! Let's come together to create an unforgettable experience that supports our community.

Location:	Abington School Grounds and surrounding Abington area
Date:	May 31
Time:	7 AM

PRE-NIGHT OUT BLOCK PARTY

Location:	Abington Town Center, Target Parking Lot, Abington, PA
Date:	August 4
Time:	5 PM - 9 PM

RIT-A BOOK DAY

In celebration of National Read a Book Day, members of the Abington Township Police Department will be handing out Rita's water ice and books to the children in our community.

Location:	Abington Township Free Library
Date:	August 28
Time:	3 PM - 5 PM

ABINGTON POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE (PAL)

Abington Police Department's #1 Juvenile Crime and Violence Prevention Program!

Location: Salem Baptist Church, 2801 Woodland Road, Roslyn: Enter on Pershing Avenue.

Hours: Most Fridays & Saturdays, 7 - 10 PM (except Holiday weekends) No one admitted after 8:30 PM.

For: Boys and girls age 10 through seniors in high school (membership expires on 19th birthday). Must be an Abington Township resident or attend school in Abington Township.

JOIN at any time. Parent/Guardian must accompany child to register at the PAL site. All previous members must re-register. Forms are on the PAL website or available at the PAL site. All applications will be processed through the Abington Township Police Department for membership.

FREE activities & programs.

SPRING/SUMMER OFFERINGS

Abington PAL offers a wide variety of activities and off-site trips. They include but are not limited to:

- **YOUTH POLICE ACADEMY:** Held at Penn State Abington Campus. Dates pending.
- **TRIPS:** Elmwood Park Zoo, Miniature golfing, Movie theater etc. Dates pending.
- **SPORTS:** COPS vs. PAL member events – Basketball, dodgeball, kickball, ping pong, and pool tournaments.
- **CRAFTS:** Painting, jewelry making, clay projects, chalk art, and more.
- **CAMP:** Life Skills Camp - Four weeks of demonstrations on mechanics, plumbing, financing, cooking skills and much more.
- **MISC:** Bingo, Pictionary challenge, trivia, jigsaw puzzles, movie nights, nail salon night, book club, and gaming.

Abington PAL receives no tax dollars but depends on contributions and fundraisers for support. **Abington PAL Is COPS and YOU Helping Kids!** Information: 267-536-1083. Email PAL@abingtonpa.gov or visit www.abingtonpal.org Like us on [Facebook \(AbingtonPolicePAL\)](https://www.facebook.com/AbingtonPolicePAL/), [X \(@AbingtonPal\)](https://twitter.com/AbingtonPal), & [Instagram \(abingtonpal29\)](https://www.instagram.com/abingtonpal29/).

Save the Date PAL Casino Night – Saturday, May 17, 2025 at 7 PM. Tickets available at palcasino.eventbrite.com. For information and paper tickets, call 267-536-1083 or email PAL@abingtonpa.gov.

VOLUNTEER WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Abington Township Fire Department (ATFD) is an all-volunteer fire department, and we are always looking to welcome new members, starting at the age of 16. All PPE, training and equipment is provided free of charge. All new members receive training to become nationally certified firefighters at our own fire training facility located here in Abington. To learn more about joining the ATFD as a firefighter or non-emergency volunteer, visit www.abingtonfd.org or call 267-536-1055.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

HELPING ABINGTON GO GREEN!

The Environmental Advisory Council provides education and resources to help our community be informed stewards of our Township natural resources and provides guidance and advice to the Board of Commissioners on environmental issues.

MEETINGS: 7 PM on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

The EAC can help you:

- Live more sustainably
- Make your yard & home healthier
- Understand water quality and stormwater issues
- Learn about the benefits of installing rain barrels or a rain garden at your home
- Connect to local watershed and conservation organizations
- Identify volunteer/service learning opportunities that help conserve/restore natural areas

CONTACT US

Email: EAC@abingtonpa.gov

Facebook: @AbingtonEAC

Instagram: @abingtontownshipac

X: @AbingtonEAC

Website: www.abingtonpa.gov/EAC

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

What's an HRC?

The Abington Township Human Relations Commission (HRC) exists to promote the provisions of Abington Ordinance 2029, which prohibits discrimination in housing, employment, and public accommodations.

We organize programs centered around non-discrimination and equity, participate in community outreach efforts, identify problem areas in community relations, and suggest and aid in solutions.

We would love to hear your thoughts and concerns about fair and equal treatment in our Township. Please join us at our monthly meetings and/or let us know if there are any issues you would like us to assist you in addressing.

Meetings: 7 PM on the 1st Wednesday of each month.

Website: www.abingtonpa.gov/HRC

Facebook: @AbingtonHRC

Instagram: @abingtontownshiphrc

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

The Shade Tree Commission improves our Township's well-being:

- Trees improve human health and the environment.
- Trees reduce flooding and clean storm water.
- Trees increase home values and beautify our township.

Our FREE Tree Giveaways (April 26 & October 25) provide FREE trees to Abington residents.

Visit us at www.abingtonpa.gov/STC for information on the tree giveaway and resources on how to choose and care for trees.

The Shade Tree Commission needs you!

- Share your expertise – we need all talents, from accounting to administrative, to education and outreach, to volunteers at tree-planting and tree-tending events.
- Contact us to share ideas for tree projects or to get involved!

Email: stc@abingtonpa.gov

Facebook: @AbingtonTrees

Website: www.abingtonpa.gov/STC

Meetings: 7:30 PM on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (via Zoom).

FACILITY RENTALS

Please call 215-576-5213 for rules and regulations related to the use of each facility.

ARDSLEY COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTER

2828 SPEAR AVENUE, ARDSLEY, PA 19038

Contact information for availability and pricing: parksinfo@abingtonpa.gov

CLASSROOMS

Size: Vary, classrooms hold up to 25 people.

Availability:

- Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays: 9 AM to 8:45 PM

Pricing: \$12/hour

CAFETERIA

Size: 20 x 50 sq. ft., can fit approximately 80 people

Availability:

- Year-round
- Monday - Sunday: 9 AM to 11 PM

Pricing:

- \$100 cleaning fee
- Large events such as birthday parties, baby showers, etc.: \$75/hour
- Weekly rentals such as organizational rentals, 1-time rentals: \$13/hour
- Kitchen rentals: \$40/day

GYMNASIUM

Size: 50 x 80 sq. ft., capable of seating 400 - 500 people

Availability:

- Monday-Sunday: 9 AM to 11 PM

Pricing:

- Large events such as weddings, concerts, etc.: \$95/hour
- Weekly rentals such as organizational rentals: \$15/hour

Activities held in the gym include sports leagues, concerts, classes and more!



CRESTMONT CLUBHOUSE

2595 RUBICAM AVENUE, WILLOW GROVE, PA 19090

Contact information for availability and pricing: parksinfo@abingtonpa.gov

CLUBHOUSE

Rentals of the clubhouse are exclusive to Abington residents ONLY.

This beautiful space can be used for events such as birthday parties, bridal showers, workshops, networking parties, etc.

Size: The facility can hold up to 85 people.

Availability:

- Monday - Sunday: 9 AM - 10 PM

Pricing:

- \$100/hour plus \$100 cleaning fee per rental and \$100 key deposit due at time keys are picked up. \$100 key deposit is returned once building is inspected and keys have been returned.

Learn more by watching this video:

www.abingtonpa.gov/crestmontclubhouserental



ALVERTHORPE PARK

498 FORREST AVENUE, JENKINTOWN, PA 19046

Contact Information: 215-884-6538

Reservations may be made in person at the Alverthorpe Control Building or by phone at 215-884-6538. **Please note, reservations must be made by an Abington Township adult resident. The guests attending a reservation do not need to be Abington residents.** For questions, please call 215-884-6538 or email parksinfo@abingtonpa.gov.

	Time	Cost	Bathrooms on-site	Private Parking
Picnic Shelter (Max. capacity 200)	Full Day (9 AM - 9:30 PM)	\$300 (\$275*)	Yes	Yes, 50 spaces
	Half Day (9 AM - 3 PM and 4:30 PM - 9:30 PM)	\$270		
Mini-Golf Pavilion (Max. capacity 50)	Full Day (10 AM - 7 PM)	\$230 (\$205*)	No	No
	Half Day (10 AM - 2 PM and 3 PM - 7 PM)	\$200		
Pre-School Pavilion (Max. capacity 25)	Full Day (10 AM - 7 PM)	\$205 (\$180*)	Yes	No
	Half Day (10 AM - 2 PM and 3 PM - 7 PM)	\$175		
Camp Sites (approx. 8 available)	Check-out is by 4 PM Max of 4-day stay	\$15 per site, \$20 deposit required for camping keys **	No	Yes
Picnic Tables (approx. 60 available)	Rentable during current park hours	\$5 per table	No	No

*A discounted rate is available between 3/3/25 - 4/20/25 & 9/2/25 - 10/5/25

**No charge for bonafide scout organizations; deposit is returned when keys are returned to control building.



Mini-Golf Pavilion



Picnic Shelter



Pre-School Pavilion

LOCAL PARKS AND POOLS

	Dog Park	Walking Path/Trails	Tennis Courts	Pickleball	Swimming Pools	Basketball Courts	Football/Soccer	Baseball/Softball	Nature Areas	Playgrounds	Grills	Ice Skating
ALVERTHORPE 498 Forrest Ave.		X	X(L)	X(L)	X	X(L)	X	X	X	X	X	
ARDSLEY Tennis & Jefferson Ave.		X	X			X(L)	X	X		X		
ARDSLEY COMMUNITY CENTER 2828 Spear Ave.							X	X		X		
ARDSLEY WILDLIFE SANCTUARY Maple & Jefferson Ave.		X							X			
BAEDERWOOD Highland Ave.		X							X	X	X	X
BOY SCOUT GAME PRESERVE Meadowbrook & Valley Rd.									X			
BRIAR BUSH 1212 Edge Hill Rd.		X							X			
COATES PRESERVE Highland Ave.		X							X			
CONWAY 911 G Ave.							X(L)	X(L)				
CRESTMONT 2595 Rubicam Ave.			X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X		X		X
CROSSWICKS BIRD SANCTUARY Crosswicks Rd.									X			
EDGE HILL WOODS 749 Roslyn Ave.		X							X			
EDMUND R. MICCIOLO MEMORIAL PARK 1001 Old York Rd.									X			
ELK STREET 419 Elk Ave.										X		
ETHEL JORDAN Jenkintown Rd. & Osceola Ave.						X		X		X		
EVERGREEN MANOR Osbourne & Phipps Ave.									X	X		
FOX CHASE MANOR 717 Fox Chase Rd.									X			
GROVE PARK 1383 Easton Rd.	X	X										
HALLOWELL 1900 Kenmore Ave.							X	X				
JACKSON Sherwood Ave.		X							X			
KAREBROOK Cox & Valley Rd.									X			
LORIMER PARK 183 Moredon Rd.	Montgomery County Park, please visit www.montcopa.org/972/Lorimer-Park for more information.											
MANOR WOODS Forrest & Douglass Ave.									X			
MEADOWBROOK BIRD SANCTUARY Relevation & Meadowbrook Rd.		X							X			
NORTH HILLS/ DENNIS DOUGHERTY Tennis & Pine Ave.								X		X		
PENBRYN 300 Houston Ave.		X	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)		X		X
ROCKWELL Rockwell & Stratford Ave.										X		
ROSLYN 818 Anzac Ave.		X				X(L)	X(L)	X(L)		X		
ROYCHESTER 1837 Harding Ave.			X			X(L)	X(L)	X		X		X
RUBICAM Rubicam & Franklin Ave.		X				X(L)				X		

(L) Indicates facility is night lighted.

UPCOMING PARKS IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS

- Inclusive Park & Playground at Roychester Park
- Rockwell Park Playground
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Abington Environmental Infrastructure Improvement Project at Roychester and Grove Parks

For updates, visit abingtonpa.gov/projects.

RECENTLY UPDATED PARKS

Ardasley Playground



Roslyn Playground



Rubicam Playground



ALVERTHORPE PARK

LOCATION: 498 Forrest Avenue, Jenkintown, PA 19046

HOURS:

- WINTER: 10/7/24 - 3/2/25, 8 AM - 5 PM
- SPRING: 3/3/25 - 4/20/25, 8 AM - 8 PM
- SUMMER: 4/21/25 - 9/1/25, 8 AM - 10 PM
- FALL: 9/2/25 - 10/5/25, 8 AM - 8 PM

CONTACT: 215-884-6538

Please Note: Alverthorpe Park is open to Township residents ONLY. To access the park, a form of identification showing residency is required. Residents are able to bring non-resident guests.

Bike Pike

The 1.7 mile bike pike travels around the park's activity areas and through its natural areas, providing a scenic and pleasant trip. The bike pike is open year-round weather permitting.

Fishing

Resident fishing tags are available for purchase for \$4. For more information, please contact the Control Building in Alverthorpe Park, Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 4:30 PM at 215-884-6538.

Wading Pool

The facility located in Alverthorpe Park's preschool area is available to Abington Township residents 5 years of age and under at no charge. The wading pool will open daily beginning Saturday, June 21, 2025, and will close Labor Day, September 1, 2025. The hours of operation are from 11 AM to 5 PM. There is a maximum of 35 people allowed inside the pools fenced in area.

Miniature Golf

The 18-hole miniature golf course is open to Abington residents and their guests. The course is open weekends from 10 AM to 9 PM beginning Memorial Day weekend (May 24, 2025). It opens daily from 10 AM to 9 PM beginning Monday, June 16, 2025 and ending on September 1, 2025. Weekend operations (10 AM to 7 PM) will continue through the month of September ending on September 28, 2025. Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Weekdays (10 AM - 5 PM)	\$4
Weeknights, Weekends, & Holidays	\$4



Par-Three Golf

The Par-3 golf course remains open year round for a fee, weather permitting. Greens fees are as follows:

		Player	Senior
Weekdays (8AM- 5 PM) Fees	9 - holes	\$7	\$4
	18 - holes	\$9	\$5
Weekends & Evenings Fees	9 - holes	\$8	\$8
	18 - holes	\$10	\$10
Additional 9-holes		\$2	\$1 (weekday only)

NOTE: Golfers MUST be 7 years of age or older to play. Golfers 7-13 years may play, but MUST be accompanied by an adult 18 years or older and must have their own golf clubs. Children under 7 years of age are not permitted on the course.

Tennis Courts/Pickleball

Weeknights: Court reservations may be made after 5 PM in person or by phone at Alverthorpe Park. Courts will be held for 15 minutes past starting time unless a call is made stating party will be late (no reservation fee).

Weekends/Holidays: Court reservations will be taken after 12 PM on Wednesdays. Non-refundable weekend/holiday reservation fee: \$1. Court time limited to 1.5 hours. One resident must accompany each non-resident guest. Those wishing to use courts prior to scheduled time will be charged the full court fee.

Times and Fees:

Each time period will be limited to 1.5 hours beginning at 8:15 AM.

	Player		Child* /Senior	
Type	Singles	Doubles	Singles	Doubles
Everyday (10 AM - 5 PM) Fees	\$5/crt	\$8/crt	\$2/crt	\$3/crt
Reservation Fee	\$1			

* Children ages 12 years and younger

RECREATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

The following groups along with area colleges and churches, provide organized recreation in Abington Township. If you would like your organization to appear on our list, please contact our office at parksinfo@abingtonpa.gov.

Local Scouts Groups

Group	Contact	Phone/Email
Boy Scout Troop 437 Roslyn	Patrick Kelly	pkelly1776@gmail.com
Abington Troop 1		trooponeabington@gmail.com
Abington Troop 7	Jenn Vincent/ Jim Amons	jenntwontz@verizon.net/ jamins@bensalemsd.org
Girl Scouts of Southeastern PA (www.gsep.org)		215-564-2030
Glenside Pack 48	Keith Galle	pack48glenside@gmail.com 267-625-8838
Glenside Troop 48	Matthew Frey	matthew-frey@comcast.net
Boy Scout Troop 72	Glenn Arizini	Troop72overlookhills@gmail.com
Overlook Hills Pack 72	Sherry Sutton	charlaynesutton@comcast.net



Athletic Organizations

Organization	Website	Phone/Email	Address
Abington Bulldogs Youth Wrestling Club (K-8)		bulldogsabington@gmail.com	
Abington Fall Softball		razz663@aol.com, 215-663-9440	733 Seminole Avenue, Jenkintown, PA 19046
Abington Girls Lacrosse Club	www.abingtongirlslax.org	abingtongirlslax@gmail.com	
Abington Raiders Football & Cheer	www.abingtonraiders.org	Joe Reid, 610-787-0553 AbingtonRaidersfootball@gmail.com	
Abington-Roychester Baseball	www.abington-roychesterbaseball.com		
AC United Soccer Club	www.acunited.org	info@acunited.org JC Escobar, acunitedsc@gmail.com, 215-385-2825	P.O. Box 1065, Roslyn, PA 19001
Ardsley- North Hills Athletic Association	www.anhaa.org		Conway Field, 911 G Avenue, Ardsley, PA 19038
Crestmont Community Summer Basketball League (ages 8-16)		215-432-3177	P.O. Box 74, Glenside, PA 19038
Dolphins Community Aquatics Association (DCAA)	www.dcaaswimming.org	Shelly Spooner shelly@dcaaswimming.org	
Jenkintown Youth Activities (JYA)	www.jenkintownjya.com	Joe Duffey jenkintownjya@gmail.com 215-279-0670	
Glenside Gaelic Club	www.glensidegaelicclub.com	glensidegaelicclub@gmail.com	P.O. Box 824, Glenside, PA 19038
Glenside Youth Athletic Club	www.gyac.org	gyac@gyac.org	
Hunter Soccer Club	www.huntersc.com	Fifi Bertl, Huntersctravel@gmail.com	220 Houston Avenue, Glenside, PA 19038
Abington Area Womens Softball League		Brittany Kohler, 267-888-1451 aawsl19038@gmail.com	
Roslyn Boys and Girls Club	www.rbgclub.org		P.O. Box 1043, Roslyn, PA 19001
Saint John of the Cross Crusader Football	www.crusaderfootball.org		2812 Phipps Avenue, Willow Grove, PA 19090

POOL MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

LOCATIONS

Abington Township maintains two pool facilities:

- **Penbryn Park**, 200 Houston Avenue, Glenside, PA 19038 (Houston Ave. & Egerton Ave., Glenside)
- **Crestmont Park**, 2595 Rubicam Avenue, Willow Grove, PA 19090 (Old Welsh Rd. & Rubicam Ave., Crestmont)

HOURS OF OPERATION

Alverthorpe Wading Pool:

- June 21-September 1: 11 AM-5 PM

Crestmont and Penbryn Pools:

- May 24-26, May 31-June 1, June 7-8, June 14-15: 12 PM-7 PM
- June 21-August 17: 11 AM-9 PM
- August 18-August 31: 11 AM-8 PM
- September 1: 11 AM-5 PM

TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP

Season Membership

A season membership is valid from May 24 through September 1, 2025. Pools open on Saturdays and Sundays beginning May 24 and for daily use beginning June 21.

Household Season Membership

A household is defined as all individuals occupying a single family dwelling. Everyone being considered as a household will need to prove by way of official documentation, that they reside at the address listed on the pool application. There is no maximum number of household members. After three (3) household members have signed up for a seasonal membership, each additional individual will be charged an additional fee as listed below.

Daily Admission Pass

The daily admission pass is a type of membership and not a one day pass. An individual must go in person to Alverthorpe Manor to pay a one time fee and receive an ID card. Once registration is complete, the resident can visit the pools for a daily fee. The Township does not offer a one day only pass. If you have any questions, please call 215-576-5213.

Guest Privileges

Residents with a pool membership automatically receive guest privileges and can bring 5 guests or less per visit for a nominal fee listed below. Each guest must complete the Township's General Liability and Release before entry into the pool. Parent/Guardian must sign on behalf of youth guests. The forms can be found online at www.abingtonpa.gov/waivers or at the front desk. Non-residents are not permitted to bring guests.

MEMBERSHIP FEE STRUCTURE

* Fees subject to change.	UNTIL APRIL 15, 2025	AFTER APRIL 15, 2025	NON-RESIDENTS
	RESIDENTS ONLY		
Season Membership			
Individual under 18	\$85	\$110	\$160
Individual 18 or older	\$90	\$115	\$180
Senior Citizen (65 and older)	\$30	\$30	\$55
Household (3 individuals occupying a single family dwelling)	\$190	\$220	\$360
Each additional person(s)	\$10	\$10	\$30
Daily Admission Pass (Includes one time fee and fee per visit)			
One Time Fee	\$25	\$35	Not available
	Weekday	Weekend/Holiday	
Under 18 years of age	\$4	\$5	
18 years of age and older	\$5	\$6	
Guest Fees (Paid at pool. Residents can bring non-residents as guests.)			
	Weekday	Weekend/Holiday	Not available
Under 18 years of age	\$5 R/\$7 NR	\$6 R/\$8 NR	
18 years of age and older	\$6 R/\$8 NR	\$6 R/\$8 NR	
Evening Rate (after 5 PM)	Half Price	Half Price	

POOL ID-REQUIRED

All members, both daily and seasonal, will be issued photo identification cards which must be shown for admission into pool area. Photo identification cards must be taken at the Parks & Recreation office between scheduled business hours. Identification cards are not transferable. If a card is used by someone other than the authorized purchaser, it must be surrendered and no refund will be made. Lost cards must be reported immediately to the Pool Management. Cards should be retained from year to year and DO NOT expire. **There is a fee of \$5 to replace a lost ID card.**

REFUNDS

Refunds for pool memberships must be requested two (2) full weeks before the opening date of the pools and will be assessed a 20% refund fee. There are NO refunds after opening day.



HOW TO REGISTER

Abington Township residents can register for use of Township pools online, by mail, or in person. Abington Township residents, who are registering for the first time, will need to provide proof of residency when obtaining their ID.

ONLINE

Registering online is the most convenient way to register for a pool membership. To register online:

1. Visit www.abingtonpa.gov/PRregistration.
2. Log in or create account.
3. Add to cart selected membership.
4. Pay for membership and plan a time to get an ID if you do not already have one.
5. Complete waiver forms.
6. Head to the pool!

MAIL

Resident who wish to register by mail can do so by:

1. Completing the Pool Membership Application and waiver forms found in this guide.
2. Mail application with payment to the Abington Township Parks and Recreation Department at 515 Meetinghouse Road, Jenkintown, PA, 19046. ***Checks should be made payable to Abington Township.
3. Plan time to get an ID if you do not already have one.
4. Head to the pool!

IN-PERSON

Residents can register and obtain an ID by visiting the following locations:

Alverthorpe Manor

- **Location:** 515 Meetinghouse Rd., Second Floor, Jenkintown, PA 19046
- **Contact:** 215-576-5213
- **Hours:**
Monday - Friday, 8 AM to 4:30 PM
Saturday Hours: 9 AM - 1 PM
May 17, 2025
June 21, 2025

Crestmont Clubhouse

- **Location:** 2595 Rubicam Ave., Willow Grove, PA 19090
- **Contact:** 215-576-5213
- **Hours:**
Tuesday Evening Hours: 5 PM - 8 PM
April 8, 2025
May 20, 2025
June 17, 2025
July 1, 2025

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP PROGRAM PARTICIPANT LIABILITY WAIVER AND RELEASE

I acknowledge that I voluntarily have applied, for myself and/or any additional family members or minors in my care, to participate in program(s) and/or events offered by the Township of Abington.

I understand that participation in such program(s) involves risk of injury. I understand these risks are entirely my responsibility. I expressly assume these risks. In particular, I am aware of the risks and hazards inherent upon entering the program area(s) and I choose to voluntarily enter the premises, knowing the conditions might become more hazardous and/or dangerous for myself and I voluntarily assume all such risks, loss, damages, or injury that may be sustained by my participation.

By signing this release of liability and participating in the program(s), and in consideration for being permitted to participate in the program(s), I do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and/or for any additional family members and minors in my care for whom I am submitting a registration, fully and forever release, indemnify, and discharge Abington Township and their officers, officials, departments, and other representatives and their heirs, administrators, successors and assigns, from any and all manner of action, cause of action, suits, debts, accounts, controversies, damages, claims and demands whatsoever, which I or my legal representative, and/or any minors in my care may have or acquire against Abington Township and their officers, agents and other representatives, by reason of any loss resulting from personal injury or damage to personal property belonging to me and/or any minors in my care which may occur during or by reason of my, and/or any additional family members' or minors' in my care, participation in the program(s), whether the same be known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated. I fully and forever release and discharge Abington Township and their volunteers and vendors, employees and agents from any and all negligent acts and omissions in the same. I hereby grant Abington Township and any of its officials, officers, agents and other representatives full authority to take whatever action they may consider to be warranted regarding my, and/or any additional family members' or minors' in my care, health and safety, and I fully release Abington Township, its officials, officers, agents and other representatives from any liability for such actions taken on my behalf or on behalf of any additional family members or minors in my care.

I understand that no health and/or accident insurance is provided by Abington Township. I also understand and agree, for myself, and/or for any minors in my care, that I am solely responsible for the cost and expense for furnishing medical or other insurance to cover any expenses related to any such personal injuries or property damage.

Please check each program the participant is registering for:

- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Watercolor | <input type="checkbox"/> Funky Forensics | <input type="checkbox"/> Pick-Up Pickleball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Forensics | <input type="checkbox"/> Funky Forensics/Brixology | <input type="checkbox"/> Pottery Design Camp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aikido | <input type="checkbox"/> Geocaching Treasure Hunt | <input type="checkbox"/> School's Out Skateboarding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ask the Tree Experts | <input type="checkbox"/> I9 Basketball | <input type="checkbox"/> Soccer Shots |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baby Animals | <input type="checkbox"/> Intro into Forensics | <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Playground Program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Babysitting Workshop | <input type="checkbox"/> Lifeguard Certification | <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Skate Camp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Basketball Camp | <input type="checkbox"/> Little Ninjas | <input type="checkbox"/> Trains, Trains, and Trains |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brixology: Amazing Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Mountain Bike Clinic | <input type="checkbox"/> Underground Explorers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brixology: Mechanical Marvels | <input type="checkbox"/> Multi Sports Camp | <input type="checkbox"/> Underground and Flight |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cape May Bus Trip | <input type="checkbox"/> NASA Stem Explorers | <input type="checkbox"/> Wild About Art |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Challenger Soccer | <input type="checkbox"/> Nature Adventures | <input type="checkbox"/> Wrench to Ride |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chess | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastel Drawing | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Mountain Bike Camp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Critter Rescuers | <input type="checkbox"/> Penbryn Pooch Plunge | <input type="checkbox"/> Zombie Survival Camp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eureka! Take Flight | | |

Adult Participant Name (Print): _____

Date: _____

Adult Participant Signature: _____

If participant is a minor, parent/guardian must sign below:

Minor Participant Name (Print): _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP POOL PARTICIPANT LIABILITY WAIVER AND RELEASE

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING– THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED FOR ALL POOL MEMBERS. EACH MEMBER AGE 18 AND OVER MUST SIGN THIS FORM. PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST SIGN ON BEHALF OF ANY MINOR MEMBERS.

I acknowledge that I voluntarily have applied, for myself and/or any additional family members or minors in my care, to participate in program(s) and/or events offered by the Township of Abington, including pool membership or visiting the pool.

I understand that visiting and/or participation in activities at the pool involves risk of injury. I understand these risks are entirely my responsibility. I expressly assume these risks. In particular, I am aware of the risks and hazards inherent upon entering the pool area and I choose to voluntarily enter the premises, knowing the conditions might become more hazardous and/or dangerous for myself and I voluntarily assume all such risks, loss, damages, or injury that may be sustained by my entering and/or participation.

By signing this release of liability and participating in the program(s), and in consideration for being permitted to participate in the program(s), I do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and/or for any additional family members and minors in my care, fully and forever release, indemnify, and discharge Abington Township and their officers, officials, departments, and other representatives and their heirs, administrators, successors and assigns, from any and all manner of action, cause of action, suits, debts, accounts, controversies, damages, claims and demands whatsoever, which I or my legal representative, and/or any minors in my care may have or acquire against Abington Township and their officers, agents and other representatives, by reason of any loss resulting from personal injury or damage to personal property belonging to me and/or any minors in my care which may occur during or by reason of my, and/or any additional family members' or minors' in my care visiting and/or participation in activities at the pool, whether the same be known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated. I fully and forever release and discharge Abington Township and their volunteers and vendors, employees and agents from any and all negligent acts and omissions in the same. I hereby grant Abington Township and any of its officials, officers, agents and other representatives full authority to take whatever action they may consider to be warranted regarding my, and/or any additional family members' or minors' in my care, health and safety, and I fully release Abington Township, its officials, officers, agents and other representatives from any liability for such actions taken on my behalf or on behalf of any additional family members or minors in my care.

I understand that no health and/or accident insurance is provided by Abington Township. I also understand and agree, for myself, and/or for any minors in my care, that I am solely responsible for the cost and expense for furnishing medical or other insurance to cover any expenses related to any such personal injuries or property damage.

Please print clearly:

Adult Participant Name (Print): _____

Date: _____

Adult Participant Signature: _____

If participant is a minor, parent/guardian must sign below:

Youth Participant Name (Print): _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP SWIMMING POOL APPLICATION

Please Print Clearly

APPLICANT'S NAMES	D.O.B.	SCHOOL	BAR CODE #	AMOUNT
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Base Fee _____

Add'l Person(s) _____

Total _____

Change of Address from Last Year Yes No

REMINDER: Your ID Cards are permanent and should be kept from year to year. A charge will be assessed for lost cards.

POOL RULES AND REGULATIONS

I agree, for myself and/or for any additional family members or minors in my care, to comply with all Abington Township rules and regulations, including any rules and regulations governing any activities or programs for which I, and/or any additional family members or minors in my care, have registered, and understand and agree that noncompliance with any such rules and regulations by me, or any minors in my care, may result in termination of the privilege to use Abington Township facilities and/or participate in Abington Township-sponsored activities and programs. In the event of such a termination for cause, I understand that I will not be entitled to be reimbursed for any registration, activity or program fees.

Parent's/Individual's Signature _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ E-mail Address _____

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PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

Parent/Guardian: First Name					Last Name	
Address					Email	
City					State	Zip Code
Home Phone ()					Cell Phone ()	
Emergency Phone ()					Emergency Contact	
Participant		Birth date			Program Name/Date/Time/Session	Fees
First	Last	Mo	Day	Year		

Medical Information, special needs, (e.g., Allergies or other medical restrictions, issues, etc.) - if additional space is needed, attach information to application.)

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X _____
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OR ISSUES THROUGH OUR ONLINE

CITIZEN SERVICE REQUEST TOOL

Examples include:

- ✓ Trash not picked up
- ✓ Faded sign
- ✓ Traffic safety concern
- ✓ Playground equipment issue



TO SUBMIT A REQUEST OR ISSUE, VISIT
WWW.ABINGTONPA.GOV/SERVICEREQUEST



**We can't recycle items contaminated
with trash. Please place all TRASH in
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Gray cart is for paper and cardboard.

**Blue cart is for commingle recycling such as plastics
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