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Moon Township Police Department 412.262.5000

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Moon Parks and Recreation

412.262.1703

Moon Community Access Television

412.269.1191

Moon Township Municipal Authority

412.264.4300

Moon Township Public Library

412.269.0334

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412.299.7446

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Township offices will be closed in observance of the upcoming holidays:

Independence Day, July 4 Labor Day, September 3

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Development



**Public Works** 



**Initiatives** 



Recreation



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Police



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Library

## ne Cover

Splash into summer with Moon Parks & Recreation!

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

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## LOCAL GOVERNMENT make it moon

## A Letter from the Township Manager

Finally, it's summer! We have so much going on now that the beautiful weather is with us.

If you have ventured over to Moon Park you can see that we have a lot of construction going on. I hate to say it, but it is going to get much worse, though the reasons are excellent. Our new playground and splash pad are awaiting final approval from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR). All the existing equipment is being replaced. For those of you who are second, and yes even third, generation Moon residents, please don't worry. Some of your favorite pieces of the playground equipment are being restored and relocated to other areas of the park.

The Apollo and Saturn pavilions, along with the Parks & Recreation office, will be receiving new roofs. The Clearview pavilion roof will be coated to extend its useful life. The sand volleyball court is on schedule for completion, pickleball lines have been added to one of the tennis courts, and we are undertaking the placement of lights on the Kenny Ross field in conjunction with girls' softball.

Work is scheduled to begin on the Miracle League field mid-to-late summer. It will be located at the existing Endeavor field site beside the basketball courts. Since we realize the need for playing fields, we are in the process of relocating Endeavor field to an area behind the Clearview pavilion. There are many more exciting improvements and additions planned for Moon Park over the next few years, but I believe I am safe in saying this will be the messiest year. Please be patient and remember to "keep your eyes on the prize."

In April the Board of Supervisors passed a resolution with the intent to participate in the Live Well Allegheny campaign. Led by the Allegheny County Health Department, this program aims to improve the health and wellness of Allegheny County residents. Moon residents are encouraged to start with simple things like increasing your physical activity, eating more fruits and vegetables and taking the stairs instead of the elevator. Take an active role in managing your health. With

a few easy steps, you and your family (and friends) can live healthier and happier lives.

As an ongoing effort to improve the health of Moon residents and in conjunction with the grant that was received to assist in funding the playground improvement at Moon Park, the Board of Supervisors passed Resolution No. R-28-2017 in December 2017. The resolution establishes a smokeless environment at all parks, fields, playgrounds and recreational areas in Moon Township. It includes all forms of smokeless tobacco, vaping and e-cigarettes. So please help us to protect "Young Lungs at Play!" by adhering to our tobacco-free zones. You'll see signs posted at all Moon parks and recreation areas. The Young Lungs at Play program is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Department of Health and the Allegheny County Health Department.

As we all know, summer and early fall is the time for much needed road repairs. Upfront, we would like to thank you for your patience, but also remind you to please be mindful as you travel not only through the township but along I-376 as well. Construction season will be in full swing soon and we want to keep the crews safe.

New Moon Township residents will want to attend our New Resident Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 12 at 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building. This is a great way to learn more about township services, talk with our supervisors and staff, ask questions and share your ideas. Please RSVP by calling 412.262.1700. We intend to hold these meetings on a regular basis, so if you can't attend this one, watch for future dates.

Finally, I encourage everyone to explore the township website at moontwp.com. There we have information on township services and links to Moon Parks & Recreation, MCA-TV, MAG-TV and more. And if you're on Facebook, be sure to follow us! All these connections will bring you the most up-to-date details on events and happenings. Don't forget to share all the exciting news with your friends and family and, of course, "Make It Moon!"

## WM At Your Door Program

Can't make it to one of the electronics collections or our recycling day? Waste Management offers a residential curbside special materials pickup. The "At Your Door Special Collection" program allows Moon Township residents who have Waste Management services to easily and safely dispose of household materials.

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



## LOCAL GOVERNMENT make it moon



## **New Resident Meetings**

New to Moon Township? You're invited to join us at any of the New Resident Meetings listed below. Come meet our supervisors and staff, learn about the township, ask questions, and share your ideas. Not-so-new residents who want to become more familiar with township services are also welcome to attend.

Tuesday, June 12, 2018
Tuesday, November 13, 2018
Tuesday, April 9, 2019

All meetings start at 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building located at 1000 Beaver Grade Road, Moon Township, PA 15108. Light refreshments will be provided. Please call **412.262.1700** to RSVP.

# Moon Township Joins Live Well Allegheny Initiative

Supervisors unanimously approved a resolution for Moon Township to participate in Live Well Allegheny, an initiative to improve the health and wellness of Allegheny County residents. Led by the Allegheny County Health Department, the program highlights the need to increase physical activity, eat healthy, and be proactive in managing one's health, including physical and mental wellness, personal and community safety, preparedness, efforts to improve well-being and quality of life, education and health literacy. Plans include activities in all 130 municipalities, the 90 neighborhoods in the City of Pittsburgh and the 43 school districts that call Allegheny County home. Learn more by visiting the Live Well Allegheny website at **livewellallegheny.com.** 



**PUBLIC WORKS** 

# **2018 Road Paving Program**

Fern Hollow Road
Shadow Lane
Charlton Heights
(from Maple St. Ext. to Park Dr.)
Glengary Drive
Emma Lane
Lang Drive
Rosedale Avenue
Anderson Avenue
Woodcrest Avenue
Sharon Road

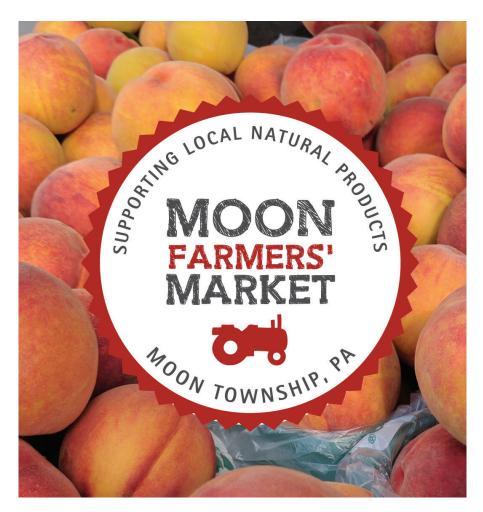
#### Please Don't Litter

Moon Township reminds residents that, according to Chapter 10, Section 108 of the Moon Township Code of Ordinances, it is unlawful to place, throw or deposit garbage, waste, rubbish, papers or decaying plant, animal or vegetable matter of any kind, including tree or plant cuttings, upon or along any street or highway or upon public property or along the bank of any stream or watercourse within the township. Anyone found in violation of this ordinance may incur a minimum \$300 fine.



## **GREEN INITIATIVES** make it moon

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# Farmers' Market Opening Day: Wednesday, June 6

The Moon Township Farmers' Market returns on Wednesday, June 6. Stop by the Municipal Building at 1000 Beaver Grade Road on Wednesdays from June through September from 3-6 p.m.

The market strives to create access to local, sustainable, high-quality, fresh food for township residents by providing a seasonal open-air outlet for producers. The market offers producers the opportunity to sell directly to consumers, thus increasing the economic strength of both the producers and the consumers and generating revenue that will remain in the local economy.

The market takes pride in being a traditional producer-only market, meaning that all vendors grow or make at least 75

percent of their own products for sale. All vendors meet strict guidelines for health and safety. Stop by to pick up the freshest products and unique gifts, including fruits and vegetables; meats; dairy; baked goods; hot prepared foods; beer, wine and spirits; coffee and tea; plants and flowers; antiques; arts and crafts; and so much more. The Moon Township Farmers' Market accepts cash, debit and credit cards, and SNAP benefits.

West Aircomm Federal Credit Union is the exclusive sponsor for the 2018 season. Be sure to visit their booth for sustainable giveaways and learn about their program that gives children, youth and teens a free coupon to spend on fruits and vegetables.



# Fleur de Lune Garden Grand Opening

Robin Hill Park Saturday, July 7 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

The "Fleur de Lune" garden at Robin Hill Park is ready for its big debut. Translated as Flower of the Moon, the name stems from The Forsythe Saga, a series of novels by Englishman John Galsworthy. Fleur was a young female character admired by Mrs Mary Nimick, whose family built Robin Hill mansion in the early 1920's. Robin Hill also takes its name from the novels.

The garden features native species landscaping with improved sustainability and accessibility. The design includes an herb garden, a hillside rock garden, a large pergola, benches, raised stone beds, a potting barn and sculptures. Visitors will also enjoy a sensory garden with olfactory, visual, auditory, tactile and gustatory (tasting) stimuli.

Come celebrate the many staff and volunteers who worked so hard to develop this beautiful township amenity.

## **GREEN INITIATIVES** make it moon

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#### **Annual Recycling Day**

Saturday, June 2 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Municipal Building

Mark your calendar for the Annual Recycling Day. Moon Township's Environmental Advisory Council, with the assistance of community volunteers, hosts this annual event on the first Saturday in June to help keep reusable items out of landfills. Eligible items include usable construction materials, household appliances, electronics, some home healthcare items, and tires (for a fee). Only one television per vehicle will be accepted. This event is open to Moon Township residents only. Proper ID is required. For more information, please call **412.262.1700 ext. 110.** 

#### **Electronics Recycling Day**

Saturdays: August 4 and October 6 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Municipal Building

Moon Township's Environmental Advisory Council, in partnership with JVS Environmental, hosts electronics collection days to gather unused and unwanted electronic items. These events collect electronic items only, including printers, copiers, computers, laptops and televisions. Only one television per vehicle will be accepted. Other items, such as appliances containing FREON and fluorescent lighting will be collected for a fee. Recycling collections are open to Moon Township residents only. Proper ID is required.

## Document Shredding and Prescription Drug Take Back Event

Saturday, June 9 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Moon Area Middle School / Parking Lot on Tiger Trail

State Senator Guy Reschenthaler, State Representative Mark Mustio and Moon Township invite you to attend a document shredding event. An industrial shredder will be on site to securely shred any documents. Phonebooks, newspapers and bound books can not be accepted. Please limit your shredding materials to three small boxes per car. This event is for individuals only. New this year, the Allegheny County Sheriff's Department will be onsite collecting unused medication for project DUMP (Disposal of Unused/Expired Medications Properly). For additional information, please contact Senator Guy Reschenthaler's office at 412.788.2967.



# Township Adopts Sustainability Strategic Plan

The Moon Township Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a resolution to adopt the Sustainability Strategic Plan during the April 2018 meeting. The strategic plan will guide and establish sustainable policies, initiatives and decision-making to improve the health and livelihoods of all who live, learn, work and play in Moon Township.

According to the strategic plan, the three pillars of sustainability are: environment, economy and equity. The Board of Supervisors, Moon Township staff, the Environmental Advisory Council, the Moon Parks and Recreation Board and Moon Township stakeholders will collaborate with one another to leverage the benefits of the three pillars to continue to enhance Moon Township's sustainability efforts.

The strategic plan will allow the township to develop annual sustainability-oriented goals. The year 2018 will be a busy one as the township strives to achieve the following:

- Develop and implement a tree management plan in conjunction with the Moon Township Public Works Department;
- Coordinate additional tree planting events throughout the community;
- Participate and compete in the 2018 Sustainable Pittsburgh Challenge;
- Achieve Platinum Certification with the Sustainable Pennsylvania Community Certification program;
- Become a Live Well Allegheny community;
- Increase trail connectivity; and
- Continue to host the annual farmer's market.

Some recent sustainable successes achieved by the township include coordinating the planting of 20 native species trees in Moon Park with Tree Pittsburgh and other volunteer groups and establishing township parks and playgrounds as tobacco-free zones.

## **DEVELOPMENT** make it **moon**

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## **Native Plants are Best for Moon Township**

As another summer season approaches, consider adding native plants to your landscaping. Native plants are plants that were here long before European settlement. They have adapted to local soils, climates, microorganisms, and insects. Since they evolved in natural conditions, many native plants do not need excess care like fertilizers, extra watering, or other chemical applications like many non-native species require. Wildlife relies on native plants to survive and reproduce, so planting native species will benefit birds, butterflies, and many other species.

Native plants are often superior to exotic plants in terms of stormwater management because they usually have deeper and more extensive root systems that prevent erosion and provide extra filtration. Since natives also require little to no fertilizer or chemical applicants, both of which can harm stream ecosystems, they are also superior for improving water quality.

Choosing native plants will also save you time and money by minimizing maintenance and cutting costs related to mowing, fertilizing, and watering your lawn or non-native plants.

Native plants are an intricate part of conservation landscaping. Look for plants labeled native, indigenous, drought tolerant, endemic or beneficial. There are many great websites designed to help you choose the right native plants for your yard,

including the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources at dcnr.pa.gov/Conservation/WildPlants/LandscapingwithNativePlants.

#### Did You Know ...

# The USDA Forest Service estimates that over one-third of the rivers and streams in Pennsylvania have had their riparian buffers degraded or altered?

Riparian buffers are the lands and assemblages of plants bordering rivers, streams, bays and other waterways. Scientific research clearly documents that riparian buffers, particularly forested buffers and those along headwater streams, deliver tremendous economic, ecological and other benefits. Among these benefits, riparian buffers:

- Protect the quality of the water we drink;
- Prevent water pollution by intercepting pollutants carried by surface water runoff;
- Stabilize stream banks and minimize erosion;
- Decrease the frequency and intensity of flooding and low stream flows;
- Prevent sedimentation of waterways;

- Reduce swings in stream temperatures and prevent elevated temperatures harmful to aquatic life;
- Provide food and habitat for wildlife of the land, water and air and allow for wildlife movement within natural corridors; and
- Replenish groundwater and protect associated wetlands.

## Rain gardens allow 30 percent more rain to soak into the ground than conventional lawns?

Rain gardens are an easy and effective tool that can help reduce stormwater runoff from residential properties. These gardens are strategically placed to intercept pollutant laden stormwater runoff until it can be fully absorbed into the ground. Their design allows the rain garden to serve as a bowl that collects water from downspouts or overland flow across a property. The water is then able to slowly infiltrate into the underlying soil. Rain gardens can come in all different shapes and sizes but are best when planted with native plants that are indigenous to Pennsylvania. These plants require little maintenance once established, have deep roots that soak up lots of water, provide food and habitat to wildlife, and are beautiful.

# POLICE make it moon

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## **Solicitation Ordinance Highlights**

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

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

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

Moon Township solicitation permits are printed on an  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 gold sheet of paper with the solicitor's photo on the bottom left and include the police Chief's signature and an embossed seal. If a non-exempt solicitor comes to your house without a permit, please call the police at 412.262.5000 to report it as it is happening so an officer can be dispatched to look into it.

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

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

#### Sign Up for Emergency Alerts

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

Visit **moontwp.com** and look for the SwiftReach link on the left side of the home page.

#### **EMERGENCY**

In the event of an emergency or to report an occurring crime or threat, always call Moon Township Police Department's Dispatch Center at 412.262.5000 or dial 911 for immediate assistance. Please don't rely on email or Facebook for emergencies as these are not monitored on a 24/7 basis.

Citizens may also call the Dispatch Center to speak with a Moon Police official regarding information related to a crime or victim of a crime. Callers may choose to remain anonymous.

Moon Dispatch Center 412.262.5000

Emergency Services 911

Crime Tips Hotline 412.264.5202

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#### **Volunteer Service Credit Program Offers Tax Credit** to Emergency Services Volunteers

The Moon Township Board of Supervisors approved an ordinance to establish a Volunteer Service Credit Program for Moon Township Volunteer Fire Company volunteers. The goal is to encourage membership and service in the volunteer fire company. The program provides an annual real property tax credit of 20 percent to each certified, active volunteer who meets the specified requirements. Residents interested in serving as a volunteer firefighter should visit the Moon Township Volunteer Fire Company website at **moontwpfire.com** or stop by one of the township's fire stations on Mondays at 7 p.m. when the department conducts its weekly meeting.

Check out all the collector cars at the annual Moon Township VFC Car Cruise at Moon Park on Sunday, August 26 from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Enjoy the DJ and live music.

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

The event is free to attend, but make sure to show your support by visiting the food booths sponsored by the firemen and the ladies' auxiliary. All proceeds benefit the Moon Township Volunteer Fire Company.





# MTMA 2017 Public Water Supply Water Quality Report

The Moon Township Municipal Authority 2017 Public Water Supply Water Quality Report is available to residents as a PDF document online at **moontma.com/wqr/waterreport2017.pdf.** Residents may contact the MTMA at **412.264.4300** to request a mailed, printed copy or they may visit the first floor of the Community Service Center at 1700 Beaver Grade Road, Suite 200 to pick up a printed copy at the front desk.



## Coming This Fall ...

The Western Allegheny Stormwater Awareness Group will host a stormwater educational event titled "Green Garden, Clean Water" at the Pittsburgh Botanic Gardens on October 2. Watch for details or contact Lora Dombrowski at 412.262.1700 or ldombrowski@moontwp.us.



## 2018 Park Pavilion Rentals

Pavilions are still available for the 2018 season. Call 412.262.1703 to check available dates. All pavilion rentals must be made in person at the Parks and Recreation office located at Moon Park. All pavilions and fees are listed at moonparks.org. Please note: Due to Moon Park playground redevelopment, the Saturn pavilion will not be available for rent in 2018.

#### Robin Hill Center Rentals

Robin Hill Center reservations may be made up to one year in advance. Reservations must be made in person. To receive the resident rate, the contract must be signed by and payments made by a Moon Township resident. All fees are listed at moonparks.org. To schedule a tour of Robin Hill Center, please call 412.262.1703 or email info@moonparks.org.

# Help Build the New Moon Park Playground

While Moon Township has successfully secured grants and other funding for the new Moon Park playground project, additional funds are needed to create the playful paradise. The township is seeking to partner with community and corporate sponsors and several opportunities are available. Your gift will improve someone's quality of life and provide children of all ages and abilities and their families with heartwarming memories for years to come. Find out how you can help. Contact Amy Ottaviani at 412.262.1703 ext. 402 or aottaviani@moontwp.us.

## Park Programs & Events

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#### **Special Events**

#### **Moon High School Concert in the Park**

Sunday, June 3 5:30 p.m.

Moon Park Amphitheater

Enjoy a night of free music provided by the Moon Area High School band, orchestra and choir.

#### **Friday Fun Nights**

Fridays, starting June 15

Moon Park Amphitheatre

The Friday Fun Night series offers a season of summer entertainment including a variety of music, performances and movies. Bring your blankets and chairs and enjoy Friday fun under the stars at the Moon Park amphitheater. These events are free and open to the public. Concessions available. The weekly entertainment is listed on the insert of this magazine.

#### **Lunchtime Concerts at Robin Hill**

Third Wednesdays, June 20, July 18, August 15, September 19

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Robin Hill Gazebo

Bring your lawn chair or blanket and listen to relaxing music. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Concerts are free. Hot dogs, drinks and snacks are available for purchase. Artists are listed on the insert of this magazine.

#### **Battle of the Bands**

Monday, July 2

5:00 p.m.

Moon Park Amphitheater

Back by popular demand! Last year, Pittsburgh-area unsigned bands rocked out their best sets and put it all on the line at the first-ever Battle of the Bands competition. The contest returns to the Moon Park amphitheater with a panel of local music legends judging the competition and selecting the winner.

#### Firecracker 5K Glow Run and Walk

Tuesday, July 3

9:15 p.m.

**Cherrington Corporate Center** 

Light up Moon Township! Runners and walkers are welcome to join in for an evening filled with glow sticks, a black light photo booth, great music, and an after party sure to keep you dancing into the night. Once you cross the finish line, be sure to stick around for the after-party featuring music, dancing, entertainment, food and the awards presentation.

#### **Independence Day Celebration**

Wednesday, July 4 4:00 p.m.

Moon Park

This year's celebration features more kidfriendly activities including inflatables, a magician, balloon artists, a train ride, a dunk tank and more! Get a bite from the many food trucks and have a great time listening to oldies from the Doo-Wop All-Stars, country sounds from NoMad and retro 70's and 80's music from Dancing Queen. Fireworks by Pyrotechnico cap off the night. This is a family-friendly, free event.

#### **Summer Mobile Playground**

Mondays - Thursdays

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

A mobile recreation trailer will visit local neighborhood play lots at Amherst Acres, Meade Drive and Mooncrest, as well as the green space at the corner of Harvest Court and Harrow Hill Court to bring a variety of recreation opportunities to children ages 5-12. A schedule will be posted soon. This program is provided at no charge. Registration is required.

#### **Summer Pool Parties** at Moon High School Pool

June 11 - July 27

\$100, for a 2-hour party; \$125 for 3-hours; \$50 security deposit

Enjoy a birthday swim party with friends and family at the Moon High School pool. Pool rental is available to Moon residents only. Parties may be scheduled during open public swims from 12:00 - 5:00 p.m. Private parties may be scheduled after 7:00 p.m. Call 412.262.1703 for more information or to book your time slot.

#### **Sports**

#### **Pickleball Clinic**

Thursday, June 7

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Moon Park Tennis Courts

Play pickleball, the fastest growing sport in the nation! By the end of this clinic, you will learn the basic fundamentals of the game, how to score, court positioning, rules and etiquette. This is a free clinic. Registration is required. Space is limited.

#### Bitty Ballet Summer Camp - June - Ages 3-6

Monday - Thursday, June 18 - 21

10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Robin Hill Center

\$80 resident; \$85 non-resident Bitty Ballet® is a program designed for preschool age children as an introduction to dance. Ballet is a wonderful stepping stone

to encourage group participation, listening to an instructor and a true love of dance and movement for these developing souls. Simple ballet positions and moves also encourage physical activity and controlled body movements in toddlers. Each four-day camp is designed for children 3-6 years old and includes our signature ballet class, a snack/ break time and a creative movement portion. Camp will conclude with a small session show for parents at the end of the last class.

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#### 3-on-3 Basketball League

Ages 10 & Under Through Adult Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays, June 19 - August 19 Starting at 6:00 p.m. Moon Park basketball courts \$30 per player (includes referee fees) Three-on-three summer leagues for girls, boys, women and men. Roster limited to 4 to 6 players. Schedule depends on number of teams. Teams to supply team name and t-shirts. Age groups as follows: boys' and girls' leagues 8-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-16, and 17-18; men's and women's leagues 19+, 30+ and 40+.

#### Youth Flag Rugby

West Pittsburgh Youth Rugby Mondays and Thursdays, June 11 - August 2 Girls Tackle Rugby for those have completed grades 6-12: 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Co-Ed Touch and Flag Rugby for Ages 6-14: U-11 Non-Contact Coed: 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. U-15 Non-Contact Coed: 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Discovery Field at Moon Park \$40 per person (t-shirt included) Boys and girls will learn the fundamental rugby skills and play games. Coached by USA Rugby Level 300 coaches.

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#### Youth Flag Football

Saturdays, August 18, 25 & September 8 (skills and drills)
Sundays, September 16 –October 28 (games)
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Hyde Elementary
\$45 per player (t-shirt included)
Boys and girls ages 4-14 will learn football fundamentals such as running, catching and

fundamentals such as running, catching and throwing. Age groups as follows: 4-6, 7-8, 9-10,11-12, and 13-14. Teams will be formed and games will be played versus North Fayette, Findlay and Collier. Volunteer coaches needed.

#### **Public Swimming**

June 11 – July 27; No swim on July 4
12:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Moon High School Pool
\$3 adults 18+; \$2 kids 3-17; kids under 2 free
Enjoy an afternoon at the pool this summer.
Children under 10 must be accompanied by an
adult. Open 7 days a week. Moon Township
residents only.

#### **Summer Swim Lessons**

Session 1 – Monday through Thursday,
June 18 – June 28
Session 2 – Monday through Thursday,
July 9 – July 20
3 and 4 years old – 11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
5 and older (beginners and intermediate)
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Infants 2 and under with parent
Saturdays, June 9 – July 28; 11:15 – 11:45 a.m.
Moon Area High School Natatorium
\$30 half-hour lessons and infants;
\$40 one-hour lessons
Learn to swim for infants through beginners
and adaptive

#### Co-Ed Summer Kickball League - Adults 21+

Sundays, June 17 – August 19 Games start at 6:00 p.m. Moon Park

\$100 team

It's the same fun game you remember from elementary school, but now it's all grown up. Don't worry. You don't have to act like a "grown-up" to play. No skills are needed, just a desire to come out and have a good time. Kickball is a sport that everyone can play, and you don't need to be a fantastic athlete to be a terrific kickballer. Get your neighborhood, association, or clubs together TO HAVE SOME FUN! Teams of 16, with 11 on the field. A maximum of six men on the field at one time. Teams are responsible for their own team t-shirts.

#### **Fitness**

Yoga: Basics and More - Ages 15+

Tuesdays, June 5 – 26 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. Municipal Building

\$40 residents; \$45 non-resident, per 4-week

session; \$12 drop-in Instructor Jen Stratakis

Whether you are yoga-curious or yoga-proficient, this is the class for you. No experience required. Instructor Jen Stratakis, E-RYT, will lead you through an hour-long class, which includes standing and seated poses, breath work and guided relaxation. Modifications are given to accommodate all levels of yoga experience. With regular practice, yoga can improve lung capacity, flexibility, cardiovascular endurance, mental calm and more. Participants should bring a yoga mat and water. Namaste!

#### Aqua ZUMBA®

#### Adults, Seniors and Teens Ages 15+

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, June 11 – July 27 (no class July 4) 12:15 – 1:00 p.m. Moon High School Pool

\$60 (8 classes); \$10 drop-in; \$5 drop-in for Senior Connection members

All levels welcome. This water workout brings ZUMBA® music and dance moves to the pool. Aqua ZUMBA® combines fast paced choreography with the benefits of aquatic exercise by using the resistance of water to help strengthen muscles. Come join the party in the pool!

#### **Totally Toned – Adults & Teens 15+** Mondays, July 2 – August 6

7:15 – 8:15 p.m. Moon High School Fitness Room \$45 resident; \$50 non-resident, per 6-week session

Instructor Karla Tobias

This class is designed to help tone your entire body including abs, thighs, back, arms, and glutes. It is appropriate for all fitness levels. Bring hand weights, a mat and water.

#### POUND - Adults & Teens 15+

Tuesdays, July 3 – August 7 6:30 – 7:15 p.m. Municipal Building

\$45 resident; \$50 non-resident; \$10 drop-in Instructor Karla Tobias

POUND is a full-body cardio jam session, combining light resistance with simulated drumming. The workout fuses cardio, Pilates, strength movements, plyometric and isometric poses. Through continual upper body motion using our lightly weighed exercise drumsticks, called Ripstix, you'll turn into a calorie-torching drummer, POUNDing off pounds as each song flies by!

#### Pilates - Adults & Teens 15+

Wednesdays, July 25 – August 29 8:45 – 9:45 a.m. Robin Hill Center \$45 resident; \$50 non-resident, per 6-week

session; \$10 drop-in Instructor Judy Elias

The Pilates method of body conditioning is a unique system of stretching/strengthening exercises that works the entire body. Expect to flatten your abs, strengthen your core muscles, increase flexibility, firm buttocks/thighs, and improve your posture. For all fitness levels.

#### **Youth & Teens**

#### **Summer Playground Program**

Monday – Friday, June 11 – August 17 (no program July 4)

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.; early drop off at 7:00 a.m.; late pick up by 6:00 p.m.

Falconi Pavilion, Moon Park

One child \$150 per week full time (4-5 days)/\$100 per week part time (2-3 days), 2nd and 3rd child discounts. Plus \$25 non-refundable registration fee.

Moon Parks and Recreation's summer camp program provides recreation to elementary age children ages 5-12. The program will provide arts and crafts, exercise, games, some lunches, field trips, special events and more! \*New SafeSitter class add-on option for kids 11-12 years old for \$20. Children will need to bring two snacks and a bag lunch each day, unless otherwise notified. Visit moonparks.org to print a registration form or stop by the Moon Parks and Recreation office in Moon Park.

## Mad Science Summer Camp: Fizz Boom Bang! Ages 5-10

Monday – Friday, June 25 – 29 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Robin Hill Center

\$125 resident; \$130 non-resident

Shake up a flask of fun in the lab as a junior chemist! This hands-on and interactive program of chemistry is packed solid with cool reactions. Students will put on goggles and change liquid to solid and back again. They will handle laboratory tools, build and break molecules, and pick up some tricks on chemical changes.

#### Mad Science Summer Camp: Mission: Code Ages 7-12

Monday – Friday, July 30 – August 3
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Robin Hill Center
\$125 resident; \$130 non-resident
Join us in an online game that teaches
programming by helping campers recognize the
patterns and sequence structures involved in
writing a line of code. Playing as a robot, your
task is to get through each level, collecting stars
or destroying rubies by creating a sequence
of events. As you advance, you'll have more
obstacles in your way and get more tools to be

able to make your way around more complex levels. You can even create your own level!

### Bricks for Kids Camp: Mining & Crafting Ages 5-12

Monday – Friday, July 16 – 20 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Robin Hill Center

\$125 resident; \$130 non-resident

Minecraft is a game about placing blocks to build anything you can imagine. Monsters come out at night, so make sure to build a shelter before that happens. Experience the world of Minecraft with LEGO® Bricks in this fun enrichment engineering class! Kids will start by crafting their shelters and some of the mobs, critters and tools using LEGO® Bricks. Students will face new challenges each day, building models and crafting key elements from the popular Minecraft game.

#### Teen Drivers Education - Ages 15-18

Monday – Friday, June 11 – 22 or August 6 – 17 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Municipal Building

\$25 residents; \$30 non-residents (balance of \$400 is due to Kennedy School of Driving the first day of class)

This course will be instructed by the Kennedy School of Driving. Upon successful completion of the 30 hours of theory and 6 hours of in-car training, a certificate will be given that is accepted by most insurance companies. Participants must be 16 and have a learner's permit for the on-theroad portion of the program. The registration fee is NON-REFUNDABLE and is payable to Moon Parks and Recreation. The fee will secure your space in the class. The balance of \$400 is paid to Kennedy School of Driving at the first class.

#### Seniors

#### Line Dancing with Marilyn

Tuesdays

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Robin Hill Park Carriage House
No registration required, just drop in for \$5.
Dance the calories away while having fun and learning something new. Beginners through experienced line dancers welcome. A great variety of music and dances offered including waltz, country, modern, and oldies

#### **Senior Connection Socials**

Wednesdays

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Robin Hill Park Carriage House

No registration or fee - drop in or stay all day. Open to anyone age 55 and older. Join us for coffee, conversation, snacks, and many activities to suite many interests. Come enjoy fun and friendships. Monthly schedules available at the

Register for senior events by calling 412.262.1703 ext. 404 Tuesdays through Thursdays. Payment is due at time of registration.

#### **Beginner Painting Class**

Tuesdays, June 5, July 24 and August 7 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Robin Hill Park Carriage House Sunroom \$10.00 per class

Beginner Class using acrylic paints. Still life on canvas. Instructed by Heidi Lee from Heidi Lee Portraits. Supplies are included. Register for individual classes by May 29, July 17, and July 31. Make checks payable to Heidi Lee or bring cash when registering at the Parks and Recreation office.

#### Music Bingo and Karaoke

Monday, June 11

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Robin Hill Center

\$5 per person; \$4 for Senior Connection members Register before Wednesday, June 6 Enjoy an afternoon of fun Music Bingo and be a Karaoke superstar! Great prizes, beverages, and snacks included.

#### Hawaiian Luau and Pig Roast Dinner

Friday, June 15

3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Moon Park Rotary Pavilion

\$15.00 per person

Register before Friday, June 1

Come and enjoy the afternoon as we bring the Hawaiian Islands to Moon Park. Grass skirts, Hawaiian shirts, and summer attire welcome. Fun, entertainment, music, mock Mai-Tai's, beverages, and a roasted pig (on site!) with a lavish Polynesian-inspired buffet included. B.Y.O.B. Free concert at 7:00 p.m. at the Moon Park Amphitheater featuring the West Hills Symphonic Band.

#### Bus Trip – Meadows Casino and Washington Wild Things Baseball Game

Thursday, June 28

Bus departs Carriage House at 12 p.m.; returns around 9:30 p.m.

\$40 per person

Register before Thursday, June 14

Travel by motor coach to The Meadows Casino for an afternoon of gambling fun. You will receive \$20 in free slot play and a \$5 food coupon for any restaurant in the casino. A photo ID must be presented to receive the bonuses. Afterward, enjoy a warm summer night at the baseball stadium watching the Washington Wild Things of the Frontier League. Lower level seats behind home plate are included. Food concessions are available at the stadium.

#### Bus Trip - Titusville Railroad

Thursday, July 12

Bus departs Carriage House at 9:30 a.m.; returns around 7:30 p.m.

\$58 per person

Register before Thursday, July 5

As you board the motor coach, you will receive a morning snack bag. We will travel to Titusville, PA and board "The Wabash" Oil Creek and Titusville

railroad's first-class air-conditioned rail car. A 3-hour narrated tour is included. Facility, snack bar and beverage car available. We will board our motor coach to start our return, stopping in Grove City at Hoss's Steak and Seafood Restaurant for dinner on you own. Please Note: The train is not wheelchair accessible.

#### **Senior Connection Family Carnival**

Monday, July 16

3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Robin Hill Center

\$2 per person in advance; \$4 per person at the door

Register before Thursday, July 5

Senior Connection members are invited to bring their kids, grandkids, and age 55+ friends to our first-ever carnival! Games, prizes, inflatables, beverages, and carnival fare food are all included. Don't miss out on this Summer Extravaganza!

#### Ladies' Tea and Fashion Show

Tuesday, July 24

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Robin Hill Center

\$10 per person; \$8 for Senior Connection members

Register before Tuesday, July 17

A lovely summer afternoon tea (iced). Hats, gloves, and/or floral attire requested. Scrumptious sandwiches, petit fours, and other delectable food included. Enjoy a fashion show hosted by the Consignment Cottage. Senior Connection models will be featured. It will be a fun and feminine event.

#### Stuffed Pork Chop Dinner

Monday, August 13

4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Robin Hill Center

\$10 per person; \$8 for Senior Connection members

Register before Thursday, August 9

Musical entertainment and a delicious stuffed pork chop dinner. Beverages and dessert included.

#### Music Bingo and Karaoke

Tuesday, August 28

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Robin Hill Center

\$5 per person; \$4 for Senior Connection members Register before Thursday, August 23

Enjoy an afternoon of fun Music Bingo and be a Karaoke superstar! Great prizes, beverages, and snacks included.

#### **Love Your Grandparents Picnic**

Sunday, September 9

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Moon Park Rotary Pavilion

\$1 per person

Register before Friday, August 31

Bring your family to spend an afternoon together on Grandparents' Day! Food bingo, prizes, beverages and lunch included.

## TAX INFORMATION



Moon Community Center, Lower Level 1700 Beaver Grade Road Moon Township, PA 15108 Office Phone 412-299-7446 Office Fax 412-299-7420

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"Hello! My name is Catherine Tress and I am the Property Tax Collector of our community."

-Catherine Tress, PQMC

## **Tax Information**

## **Township Property Tax Payment Periods**

Moon Township Municipal property tax statements were mailed on April 1 and the 2 percent discount was good through May 31, 2018. All township property taxes must be paid in full by the deadline date of either the 2 percent discount period, face (full amount) period or the 10 percent penalty period, which is through the end of the calendar year (December 31, 2018).

Moon Township property taxes are now in face period (discount ended 5/31)

June 1 – July 31
Face amount due
After August 1
10% penalty amount added

#### School Property Tax Payment Periods

Moon Area School District property tax statements will be mailed on July 1, 2018.

At the time of printing, Moon Area School District (MASD) tax millage rate has not yet been established. Check moontaxoffice.us for updated information later in June. The MASD school board has until June 30, 2018 to establish the millage rate for the 2018 MASD property tax collection year, which begins on July 1, 2018 and continues through June 30, 2019.

July 1 – August 31 2% discount amount due September 1 – October 31 Face amount due

November 1 – December 31 10% penalty amount added

## Tax Installment Option School Property Taxes Only

Property owners who receive the Homestead or Farmstead Exclusion have the option of paying their MASD property taxes in four monthly installments. Please note that the tax discount does not apply to the installment option. The first installment **MUST** be received by August 31 and the remaining three installments will be due by September 30, October 31 and November 31, 2018.

IMPORTANT! Before you make an installment payment please be sure that this is the option you intend to choose for your payments. This choice cannot be reversed. If you change your mind and decide to pay the balance by the discount date; you must remain in the installment option plan and pay the face amount. You will not be entitled to the discount.

#### **Delinquent Taxes**

After December 31, 2018 all unpaid Moon Township property taxes will be turned over to the appointed delinquent collector where additional costs may be added to the penalty amount by the collection agency. Both taxing authorities have appointed the Law offices of Weiss, Burkardt & Kramer, LLC.

#### **Important Reminder**

If you have recently refinanced, paid off your mortgage, did not receive your 2018 Moon Township property tax statement or do not receive your 2018 Moon Area School District tax property statement, contact the Moon property tax office at 412.299.7446 to correct your mailing records. It is the homeowner's responsibility, not the mortgage company,



to notify the tax office when these instances occur. According to state law, property owners are responsible for their property taxes even if they do not receive a bill. Billing data is purchased by the printing company for both tax statements from Allegheny County in January, so current mailing or name information may not be correct or current if you as the property owner have not made the necessary changes with both the county and my tax office. The county does not notify the local tax collectors on changes that occur to properties.

Property tax payments can be made in person or mailed to the Moon Township Property Tax Office at 1700 Beaver Grade Road, Suite 300, Moon Township, PA 15108. Additional tax information and online payment options are available at **moontaxoffice.us.** Post marks are always accepted.

#### **Hours and Holidays**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

**Thursday** • 1 p.m. – 7 p.m. **Saturday** • 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

The Property Tax Office will be closed in observance of the following 2018 holidays:

Independence Day Wednesday, July 4

#### **Labor Day**

Saturday, September 1 & Monday, September 3

## **COMMUNITY TV** make it moon

1700 Beaver Grade Road | 412.269.1191 | mca-tv.org



# **Get Started in Television: Volunteer at MCA-TV**

Have you ever wondered what it's like to work at a television studio? Whether you aspire to be in front of the camera or work behind the scenes, you can live the dream by volunteering at MCA-TV. To get started, attend our four-week television production training course. Classes are free and open to residents of any community.

The training course is a series of four hands-on classes providing the basics of camera operation, lighting, audio and editing. Successful completion of the course provides the opportunity to be an official MCA-TV volunteer, ready and able to assist with any MCA-TV production.

Moon Township residents who successfully complete the production training course may choose to become a community producer which allows them to create their own TV show, or assist someone else in creating theirs. Non-residents wishing to create a show to air on MCA-TV must work with a community producer who actively participates in the program development.

Classes run from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursdays for four weeks beginning Thursday, July 12 at the MCA-TV studio located at 1700 Beaver Grade Road, Suite 140, Moon Township, PA 15108. To register, contact MCA-TV Director Allison Eastham at aeastham@moontwp.us or call 412.269.1191. Space is limited.

#### MCA-TV

Moon Community Access Television Comcast channel 14 Verizon Fios channel 35

#### **MAG-TV**

Moon Area Government Television Comcast channel 18 Verizon Fios channel 37



MCA-TV is pleased to share the results of the 2018 Kenny Ross Toyota Film Fest, held on May 19.

The festival provides a venue for local artists to showcase their work. A panel of Pittsburgh-area film experts judged submissions based on a point system. The Best Feature Film and Best Short Film category winners received a \$1,000 prize. The other category winners received \$400 each.

#### **BEST SHORT FILM:**

This is How We Roll by Caroline Collins

#### **BEST FEATURE FILM:**

Valaszok by Rishi Sethi

#### **BEST SHORT DOCUMENTARY:**

A Sign Eclipsed by Ashu Kumar

#### **BEST SHORT NARRATIVE:**

A Tap Dancer Murders Her Father by Caleb Porto

#### **BEST FEATURE DOCUMENTAY:**

False Reality: Generalizing the Characters by Joshua Kuipers

#### **BEST FEATURE NARRATIVE:**

Lightheaded by Caroline Collins

The 2018 film festival was sponsored by Kenny Ross Toyota of Moon Township, Clearview Federal Credit Union, Dr. Mark Schneiderman and Lerro Corporation.

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#### Submit a Question or Concern Online

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

#### Tune in to Local Government

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

#### Visit Moon Parks and Recreation

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

#### Stay Informed with SwiftReach

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

#### Like Us on Facebook

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