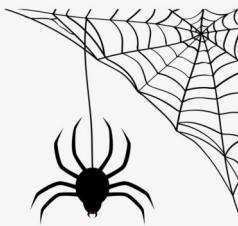


FALL/WINTER

Parks and Recreation



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Monday, October 31, 2022

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2022

RICHLAND COMMUNITY PARK-FAMILY PAVILION

Hay Rides, Halloween Craft, Pumpkin Decorating.

Rain date is Saturday, October 29, 2022



TRUNK OR TREAT

**REGISTRATION FORMS CAN
FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE
WWW.RICHLAND.PA.US**



**OPEN TO
RICHLAND TWP.
RESIDENTS ONLY .
TIME: 1:00-3:00 PM
FEE: \$3.00**

**COME DRESSED
IN YOUR
COSTUME**

If you would like to attend as a vendor, decorate your car, and pass out candy please contact Melissa Williams at 724.443.5921 or Mwilliams@richland.pa.us for more information.

Coming Soon!

Richland Township Parks and Recreation will be introducing a new online program called Civic Rec.



Richland Township Parks and Recreation is very excited to announce our new on-line registration website for program information, facilities, updates and easier registration process for participants. We are hoping that by having this feature, our participants do not have to spend time over and over filling out registration forms for programs, finding time to stop in the office, or mailing in forms. This new program will allow you to register right from your computer, phone or tablet, without any hassles. You will have the ability to register, pay online with a credit card, and get a confirmation that you are registered for the event. **Note:** Credit cards have a 2.85% fee attached to each transaction.

- ◆ Create an account and the registration process will become easier, you will be able to see if a program is full or canceled.
- ◆ The website will contain up-to-date program information.
- ◆ Facility information, schedules and directions.
- ◆ Cancellation alerts or program updates sent directly to your phone or email.
- ◆ Online calendar to check if a facility is available.
- ◆ This is all new for us, so any issues or questions, please contact us and we will work to make the process easier.



2022 Fall Leaf Pick-Up Dates

If your trash pick up is on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday:

Wednesday-October 19, 2022

Wednesday-November 9, 2022

Wednesday–November 30, 2022



If your trash pick up is on Thursday or Friday:

Friday-October 21, 2022

Friday-November 11, 2022

Friday–December 2, 2022

This service is provided to reduce the impact of leaves on the municipal stormwater system, streams and wetlands.

All bags must be out prior to 6:00 a.m. on the day of pick up.

Only biodegradable paper bags may be used.

Please limit each bag to 40 lbs.

Tree trimmings that are no larger than 3 inches in diameter and smaller than 48 inches in length must be tied/bound into manageable bundles.

PLASTIC BAGS ARE NOT PERMITTED!

What should I do after a tick bite?

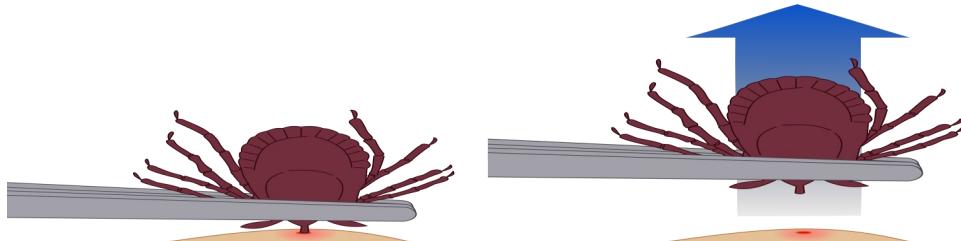
FOLLOW THESE TIPS IF YOU FIND A TICK ON YOURSELF OR SOMEONE ELSE:

REMOVE THE TICK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Use tweezers or a tick spoon to remove ticks quickly and safely, lift straight up.

Do not worry if the head remains in the skin after removal, the abdomen is the part of the tick that carries disease.

Clean the area around the bite with soap and water or rubbing alcohol.



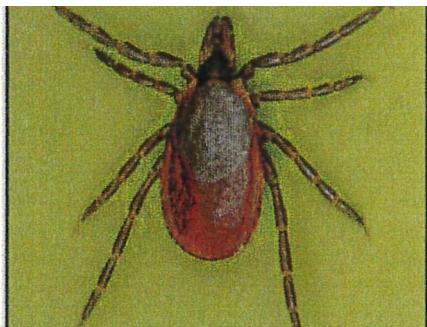
IDENTIFY THE TICK IF POSSIBLE.

Dog ticks in Maine are known to carry human disease.

The University of Maine Cooperative Extension offers a free tick identification service.

Phone: 207.581.3880 or 800.287.0279 (in Maine)

E-mail: tickid@maine.edu



Deer Tick
(Blacklegged Tick)
Spot behind head is black



Dog Tick
Spot behind head has white on it.

(Please note that these ticks are not pictured to scale.)

MONITOR FOR SYMPTOMS FOR 30 DAYS AFTER A DEER TICK BITE.

Symptoms to monitor:

Lyme Disease: bullseye rash, headache, fever, chills, joint pain.

Anaplasmosis: fever, headache, lack of appetite, nausea, muscle pain, vomiting.

Babesiosis: fatigue, sweating, dark urine, chills, fever, anemia.

Powassan: headache, body ache, fever, vomiting.

Antibiotics are **not** routinely recommended without symptoms.

Antibiotics are **not** effective for preventing **or** treating Powassan.



For more information visit: www.mainegov/dhhs/vectorborne

HALLOWEEN WORD SEARCH

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Bat
Pumpkin
Halloween
Mummy
Vampire
Witch
Spooky
Trick or Treat

Fun
Ghost
Costume
Skeleton
Candy
Scary
Monster
Haunted House



Thank you to all who came out to help us celebrate Richland Township's 28th Annual Community Day Event and to our sponsors for another fabulous day of fun!



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RICHLAND TOWNSHIP 28TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY DAY EVENT



RENTALS at RICHLAND COMMUNITY PARK

The facilities at Richland Township are available for rental **UP TO ONE YEAR** in advance on a first-come, first-served basis. The EARLIEST application date is the first day of the month one year prior to your event. Advanced reservations must be made in person for now but we will be changing over to an online system soon. Payment is due at the time the application is made. The new system will accept credit cards. No phone reservations will be taken. Payments are accepted in the form of cash, money order or check. Applications will be accepted from both residents and non-residents. (A non-resident fee is still in effect.)

Visit www.Richland.pa.us for prices, pictures, floor plans and our online calendar. The barn includes 30 tables, 144 chairs, trash cans liners, stocked restrooms and the beer/wine permit. The 14 hour rental runs from 9:00 am to 11:00 pm

Earliest Application Date

Event Month

May 1 , 2023	May 2024
June 1, 2023	June 2024
July 5, 2023	July 2024
August 1, 2023	August 2024
September 1, 2023	September 2024
October 2, 2023	October 2024



PAVILION

Open-air facility, lighting, restrooms, electricity, water, 10 picnic tables, playground, grill, and close to volleyball courts.



BARN

Enclosed facility, wheelchair accessible restroom upstairs, with additional restrooms downstairs, near small playground, access to fire pit and horseshoe pits, near volleyball courts, 30- 8ft. tables, approx. 144 chairs, electricity, no heat/AC, kitchen with refrigerator, stove, microwave and double sink.

Richland
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Richland
Township
Volunteer Fire
Department
Presents

Brunch
with Santa!

Sunday, December 4

First Seating 9:30 AM

Second seating 11:00 AM

Join us for a hot breakfast buffet, photo with Santa, craft, and lets not forget about Santa's reindeer. Make a bag of reindeer food so Santa's reindeer can find their way on Christmas Eve.

What's on Santa's Menu: French Toast with Syrup, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Home Fries, Danish, Orange Juice, Milk, Coffee, Water and Tea.

Santa will be landing his sleigh at:

Richland Township Fire Hall
5857 Meridian Road,
Gibsonia, PA 15044

Cost: \$20.00 person. Ages 2 and under are free.

Reservations Required

If you would like to sit with another family or friends please indicate this on all the registration forms.

Deadline to register is Wednesday, November 30, 2022

Christmas Toy Shoppe

The holidays are fast approaching and there is a need to help families in our community. The Richland Township Recreation Department will be working with The Lighthouse Foundation to help collect gifts for those who may need a little help during the holiday season. Tags will be available for you to **pick up after November 8th**. Visit our holiday tree located inside the Richland Township Municipal Building. Tags will include the gender and age of the child. Please consider a gift price range of \$15-\$25. Please return all unwrapped gifts with the tag attached no later than Friday, December 2nd, by 4:00 p.m. There is also a need for wrapping paper, tape, gift bags and other wrapping paper.



Santa will be visiting Richland Township neighborhoods on Saturday, December 17th with Sunday, December 18th as an alternate date in case of inclement weather.



Richland Township Christmas Tree Pick Up

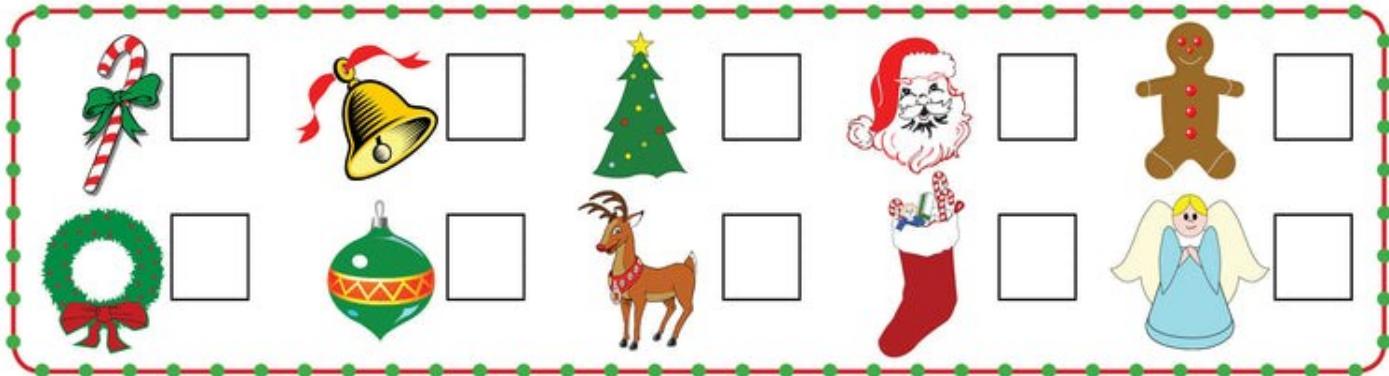
Christmas trees will be picked up at no extra cost to residents in the months of December and January. Trees can be no greater than six feet long and must be placed at the curb. Please remove tree from the plastic bag so it can be recycled!



Name: _____

Christmas I Spy

How many can you find:



Richland Township

Department of Parks and Recreation

4019 Dickey Road Gibsonia, PA 15044

Phone: 724.443.5921 or Fax: 724.443.8860

mwilliams@richland.pa.us

Program Registration Form (PLEASE PRINT)

YOU MAY COPY THIS FORM FOR ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

Please fill out a separate registration form for each program. Acceptance of registration form is based on availability and first come, first served basis as some programs are limited in size. Make all checks payable to Richland Township. NSF Fee will be charged on all returned checks.

Are you a resident of Richland Township Yes NO Non-Township residents are subject to an additional fee.

Participant Name _____

Parent/ Guardian Name _____

(If participant is under 18)

Phone (H) _____ (Work/Cell) _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____

Emergency Contact _____

Phone (H) _____ (W/C) _____

E-Mail Address: _____

(This information is secure, it WILL NOT be shared):

PARTICIPANTS NAME	AGE	PROGRAM	FEE	PAID

Waiver: The participant and the participant's legal representatives, heirs, executors and assigns, hereby release, indemnify and hold harmless Richland Township, its employees, and its elected and appointed officials, from and against any loss, claim, cost, damage, expense, including but not limited to attorney's fees and court costs, which may arise or result in any way from the participant's participation in any Richland Township sponsored event for the current year. All participants and their legal representative, heirs, executors and assigns are informed that any photograph taken by or on behalf of Richland Township at a scheduled Township event will become the property of Richland Township and all participants, their legal representatives, heirs, executors and assigns consent to the use of any such photographs for such things as Township-issued brochures, newsletters, other publications and the Township website. If you prefer that such photographs not be used by the Township, please contact the Parks and Recreation Coordinator, Melissa Williams.

Signature of Participant, Parent, or Guardian if under 18: _____

Date _____

Winter is Coming - Remember, Only Rain Down the Drain!

Winter snow often puts a pristine white coat over every surface that makes for beautiful photos and lots of family fun. However, it's not long before the sun comes out to expose a host of issues created by the melting snow. Just like when rain falls the rest of the year, melting snow turns into stormwater runoff. Heavy rains sweeping across your yard and driveway carry pollution and high volumes of water into our nearby streams, lakes, and other waterways. Melting snow does the same things. Both rain and snow melt can seriously impair Pennsylvania's waters when they travel over the land in our developed communities. They can also cause significant property damage at your home.

In winter, melting snow actually causes a few unique stormwater problems. Because the ground is often frozen at the surface, melting snow can't infiltrate into the soil the way a light or moderate rain would be able to. So even a small amount of snow can cause localized flooding on your property. When snow builds up over several small storm events without melting in between, it can turn into large winter storm impacts when it finally does melt leading to potential community wide flooding events. In both cases, that standing and flowing water on the ground is picking up all kinds of debris, pollutants (especially de-icing salts and chemicals), and litter that will find their way into nearby streams.

Here are some tips for managing your property for winter stormwater this season:

- ♦ When piling your snow after shoveling and plowing, choose locations where the snow will have the most opportunity to infiltrate instead of becoming stormwater runoff. Pile your snow in areas where you don't usually have ponding in the spring rains, on relatively flat areas, and away from sensitive areas like streams, ponds, and your private well if you have one.
- ♦ Clear your downspouts to allow melting roof snow to flow and not collect at your foundation.
- ♦ Make sure your nearest storm drains are clear. Do not pile snow on storm drains and make sure your neighborhood plow is not piling snow over the drains too. Clear away any snow that may have been kicked onto the drains by passing cars.
- ♦ Use de-icing chemicals and salts judiciously. Use what you need to make your walkways and driveways safe, but try to avoid spreading around sensitive areas like waterways and your private well.

By: Stacey Hendlar Ross



Pittsburgh Zoo Tickets

Discounted Pittsburgh Zoo Tickets will continue to be on sale throughout the fall and winter months. Tickets are valid until March 9, 2023. Cost is \$15.00 per ticket and only cash payment will be accepted.



Discounted Ski Tickets—Cash Only



Hidden Valley: Monday—Thursday— All Day-Price \$ TBD
Sunday— Thursday Twilight - Price \$TBD



Seven Springs: Monday— Thursday— All Day - Price \$TBD
Sunday-Thursday Twilight - Price \$TBD



WINTER IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER

The Richland Township Public Works Department is responsible for the winter maintenance of approximately 69 miles of Township streets. Our seven-man crew does their best to keep those streets passable during winter storm conditions. In some storm situations, this can be a daunting task.

You Can Help! Parking of vehicles on roadways during winter maintenance operations can make it very difficult for our trucks to maneuver and can result in some areas being un-plowed or treated. Often we have to request assistance from the police department to get vehicles moved just so our trucks can travel through to complete their designated routes. This causes delays and can add to hazardous conditions. There is also the concern of one of our trucks sliding on untreated roadways and colliding with vehicles that are parked on the roadway. In addition, shoveling snow from your walk or driveway out on to the roadway can cause hazardous conditions. If the route has been plowed and treated, depending on conditions, it may not be re-treated or plowed for many hours. Snow that is pushed or shoveled onto the roadway can re-freeze creating traffic hazards as well as extra work for an already stretched crew.

Your cooperation with these issues will greatly assist in our operations.

Reporting an Issue

Some roads are NOT Township-owned roads. The following roads are maintained by either PennDOT or the Allegheny County Maintenance Department:



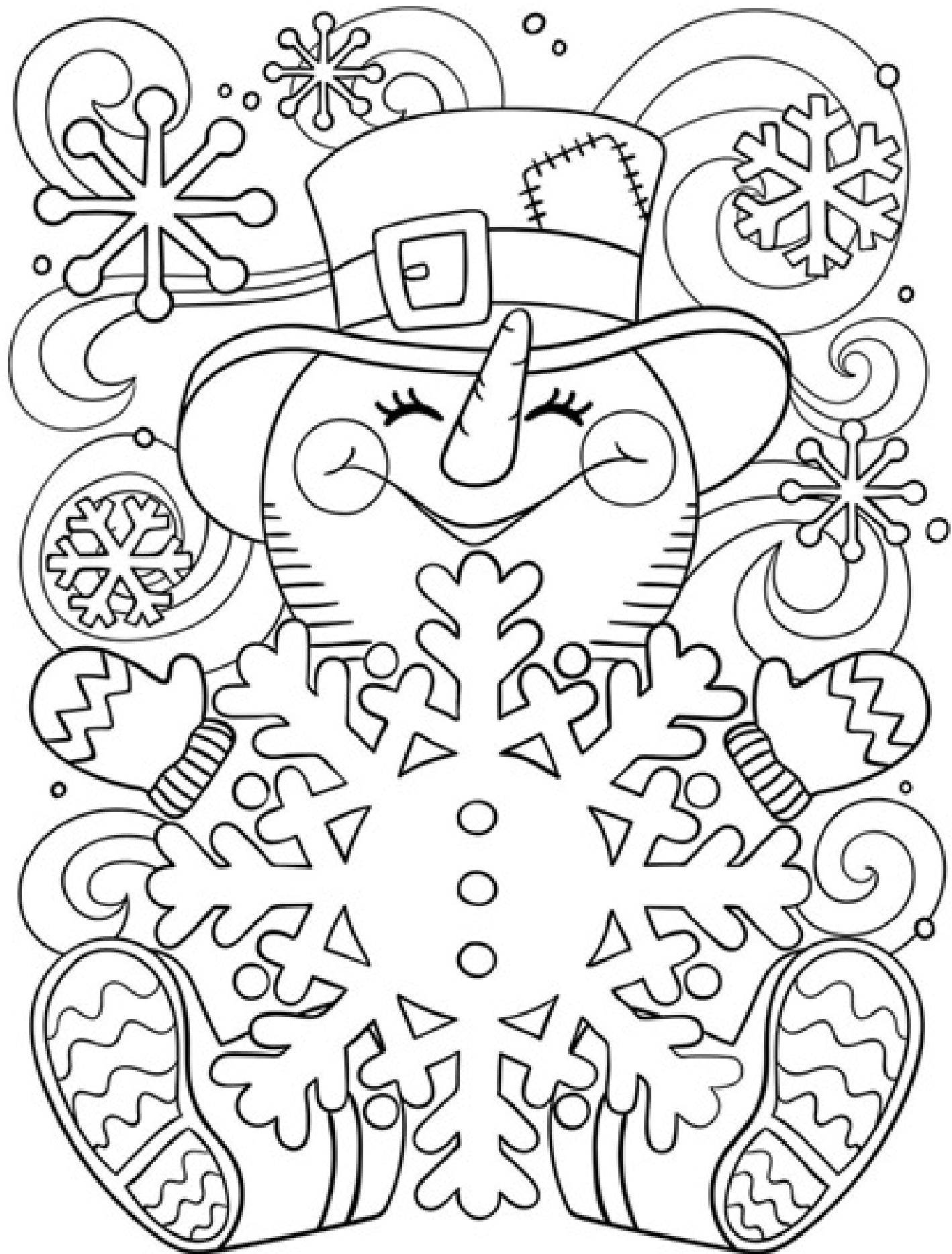
State roads: (1-800-FIX-ROAD)

Route 8 (William Flinn Highway)
Route 910 (Gibsonia Road)
Bakerstown Road (Red Belt)
Hardt Road
Valencia Road

County roads: (District #1 – 724-443-7532)

Meridian Road
Station Hill Road



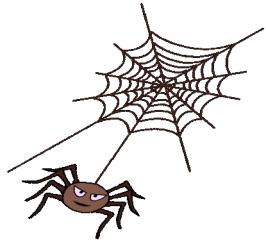


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Website: www.Richland.pa.us



REFUNDS OR TRANSFERS:

Refunds and transfers will be granted only:

1. When a class or event is canceled by the Parks and Recreation Department due to low enrollment or other circumstances.
2. When a participant submits a refund or transfer request to the Department at least one week before the starting date of the program.

PROGRAM FEES:

Program Fees are determined by the cost of instructors, supplies, and expenses for the minimum enrollment. All fees collected support and finance the program. Note: Some classes may require additional fees or supplies to be purchased by the participants.

RESIDENTS/NON- RESIDENTS:

A non – resident is considered anyone who lives outside Richland Township.

CANCELLATIONS OR CHANGES:

The Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel, postpone, change time, date, cost or location of programs, or make any revisions which may be necessary.

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Need another program registration form:

Go to: www.Richland.pa.us

Click on Parks and Recreation/Newsletter

Mission Statement

To provide and maintain quality recreation facilities and services which are available to all residents of Richland Township. To make recreation decisions which are sustainable, economical, and environmentally sound. To provide recreational opportunities within the financial means of the community and to protect and preserve unique, natural areas of the Township.