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Earth Day Celebration!

Nick Brewster (right), Director of Education at Aark Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Center, and Aark volunteer Hazel Hoelper showcase wildlife animals at Middletown Township's annual Earth Day Festival. Aark is one of 40 participating vendors at this event. See story on page 2.

Photo by June Portnoy

Core Creek Park comes alive with eco-inspiration at Earth Day Celebration

by June Portnoy
Middletown Township's annual Earth Day Festival returned to Core Creek Park on Sunday, April 27, after a one-day delay due to rain. The weather might have shifted plans slightly, but the community showed up in full force to celebrate environmental awareness, sustainability, and community engagement.

With an estimated 1,000 attendees over the course of three hours, the festival offered something for everyone, including live music, eco-friendly vendors, children's activities, and even horse-drawn carriage rides through the park, a first for this event.

"We have a dedicated group of vendors each year, so we still ended up with about 40 vendors in attendance," said Patrick Graham, Assistant Director at Middletown Township Parks & Recreation. "We had a great turnout despite a very windy day."

The festival, which has been a long-standing tradition in the community for over 20 years, was originally initiated by the Middletown Environmental Advisory Council (EAC), a group of community members passionate about local environmental issues. "This event started as an effort for local residents to come out and learn about environmental issues," Graham explained. "Each year we invite a variety of vendors ranging from the nature centers of Bucks County, such as Silver Lake, Churchville, and Peace Valley, to businesses like PECO and Waste Management who share information about their energy efficiency programs with the public.

Vendors provided hands-on



Sisters Aliya, 4 (left), and Yasmeen, 9, both from Langhorne, hold up their balloon sculptures.



At the Four Lanes End Garden Club table, Ethan and Delaney learn to make bird feeders by covering pine cones in Crisco and then rolling them in bird seeds

activities, information booths, and giveaways, such as tree saplings from Middletown's EAC—roughly 350 young trees given to attendees, which could one day grow up to 50 feet tall—and garden plant giveaways from the Falls Township EAC. "We want people to come to learn about their environment and how to be a good steward of the environment and the community," Graham emphasized. "Whether it's

picking up trash in your neighborhood or at your local park, we want folks to leave with a better understanding of how they can make a difference."

The festival also included family-friendly attractions such as an inflatable slide, balloon sculptures, caricature artists, and a stage with live performances. A local DJ emceed the day and coordinated sound for two live acts, including a

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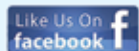
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Langhorne Council for the Arts

On Saturday, May 31 from noon – 4 PM, Langhorne Council for the Arts will host a most unique and delightful event: The Arts in the Garden Tour. Artists and musicians will add to the enjoyment of natural beauty in five private and public gardens in Langhorne Borough and Langhorne Manor. Several stops on this self-guided tour also include open artist studios!

Artwork on display (and some for purchase) will include photography, acrylics, pastels, watercolors, tiles, jewelry, and quilts. Musicians will include harpists, blues, folk, indie, jazz, and pop. A full schedule will be posted on www.LanghorneArts.org. Here are the locations of the gardens:

609 Hill Avenue in Langhorne Manor was built in 1918. This shady property has a lush landscape and award-winning gardens with strategically placed river rocks, specimen plantings, a magical Irish garden, and Fern and Hosta gardens.

Everyone who passes by 312 N. Bellevue Ave. oohs and aahs at the gorgeous riot of flowers in the front yard, but wait until you see what's in the backyard!



A pond, a playhouse, and more flowers and birdhouses make this a haven for birds, frogs, and grandkids.

222 N. Green St. is the location of Langhorne Heritage Farm. On this property, the farm's outbuildings have been converted into artist studios, the bullpen into a meditation garden, and the field into 100 community garden plots. Lots to see here!

You'd never know when driving by the beautiful Victorian home at 128 E. Maple Ave. that it hides an enchanting secret garden with ponds, specimen plants, and two artist studios! Tiles, jewelry, and

award-winning pastel paintings are created in this inspiring place.

The gardens of the historic Richardson House, 102 W. Maple Ave., are yet another ideal setting for lovers of art, music, and lovely landscaping under the care of Four Lanes End Garden Club. And right behind the garden will be another open artist studio!

Tickets (cash or check) are \$25 for adults, \$10 for students, free for children under 6 years old, and can be purchased at all the garden locations. For more info, including any changes due to weather, visit www.LanghorneArts.org.

Partners in planting: Celebrating our latest grant-funded projects

Bucks Beautiful is proud to announce the recipients of our latest round of grants, awarded to support impactful beautification and reforestation projects across our community. These deserving organizations share our vision for a greener, more vibrant Bucks County, and we're honored to help bring their projects to life. Through their efforts, new trees will take root, neglected spaces will bloom, and our shared environment will flourish for generations to come.

Bucks County Civil War Museum & Library. Flower beds beautifying the Museum & Library entrance and the 104th monument honoring soldiers in the heart of Doylestown Borough.

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Rooted in faith, fueled by family: A journey from corporate to lawncare

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With steady growth over time the business was able to allow Lindsay to resign from her teaching job and stay at home to raise the kids. Last year in 2024, Ryan was able to take the leap of faith and resign from his full-time job at Coca-Cola to be able to focus full time on growing the lawncare business. Ryan says that he is very grateful for his time in the corporate world where he learned so much. Ryan and Lindsay are excited to see what



The Dittes Family

plans the Lord has in store for them as they grow their family and business.

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Planting

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Replace approximately sixty trees that have died at Holicong Park.

County of Bucks Employee Volunteers. Employee volunteer planting project to reinvigorate the main entrance of the Bucks County Administration Building.

Doylestown Township Environmental Advisory Council - Expansion of Native Demonstration Garden at Central Park.

Network of Victim Assistance (NOVA). Commemorative arbor restoration in memorial garden at Core Creek Park.

TJS Distributors. 10 native trees to replace those lost due to storm damage at Tinicum Park.

Town & Country Players. Revitalization of historic theater's grounds with new garden beds and seasonal planters.

Washington Crossing Historic Park. Rehabilitation and expansion of the Thompson-Neely Kitchen Garden.

Bucks Beautiful has been providing Community Grants since 1991 to encourage non-profit organizations, schools, garden clubs and local municipalities to host public garden or tree plantings. The grant award is a 50/50

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Kenderdine's Heating Oil & HVAC

Spring allergies got you down? Your AC filter might be to blame

Spring brings sunshine, fresh air, and for many of us, sniffles and sneezes. While you may be quick to blame blooming trees and high pollen counts, your indoor air could be part of the problem. If your AC filter hasn't been changed or cleaned recently, it might be circulating allergens instead of keeping them out.

Your HVAC system works hard to maintain a comfortable temperature, but it also plays a big role in your home's air quality. A dirty or clogged filter can't trap dust, pollen, and pet dander effectively, which means those particles stay in the air you breathe.

Don't Let a Dirty Filter Ruin Spring

How often should you check your AC filter? It depends on your filter type:

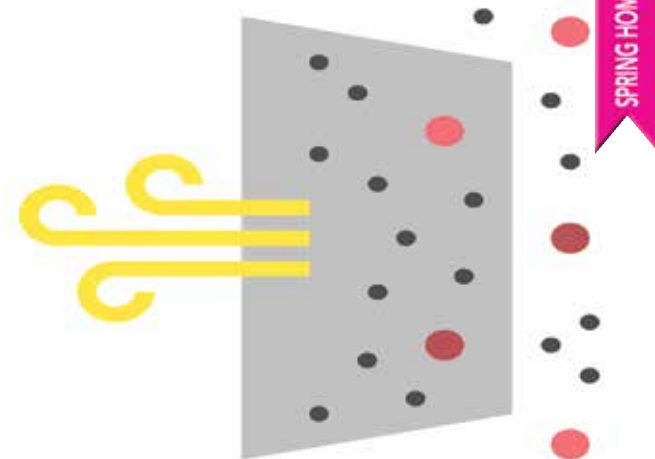
- **Disposable filters:** Swap them out every 1-3 months. Households with pets or allergy sufferers should lean toward the monthly mark. Pro tip: Always give the filter rack a quick vacuum or wipe-down when you change or clean the filter; it helps keep dust from blowing back into your system.
- **Washable filters:** These should be cleaned every three months. After rinsing, make sure they're fully dry before putting them back in place.

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Services to families in need

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and personal hardship. Thanks to the generous partnership of Koller Automotive, 15 vehicles received vital services including oil changes, fluid top-offs, and other general maintenance

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What one local seller almost gave up before listing her home

In a seller's market, it's not uncommon for eager buyers to make a move before the "For Sale" sign even hits the yard. That's exactly what happened to one local homeowner recently—only this time, the story took a very different turn.

Before she had the chance to list her home, a relative of a neighbor approached her with an offer. The buyer was polite and direct: they wanted to purchase the house off-market, for \$25,000 less than what her realtor had suggested she list it for. To someone unfamiliar with the selling process, it seemed simple—skip the showings,

avoid commissions, and be done with it.

But the seller wasn't comfortable handling the sale on her own. She wasn't sure how to verify the buyer's qualifications, navigate contracts, or protect herself legally. So, she called her agent for advice.

Her agent encouraged her to take a breath and consider the bigger picture. The only way to truly know the home's value was to expose it to the open market—and let buyers compete. It felt risky at first, but she trusted the guidance and listed the property.

The result? Multiple offers. Fierce competition. And a final sales price that was \$86,000 higher than the original



off-market offer.

While the buyer's early offer wasn't malicious—in fact, it was a smart move on their part to try—it underscores an important truth: when sellers take shortcuts to avoid com-

missions or sidestep the process, they often leave far more money on the table than they realize.

In this case, listing the home publicly didn't just bring in a better price. It also brought peace of mind. The agent qualified the buyer, managed every detail of the transaction, and ensured the seller got both the best price *and* the best terms.

The story is true! The agent you choose to work with does matter—so choose wisely! If you're considering selling your home, let's talk! You can reach me at 215-801-2019 or KathleenLayton.com. I'd love to meet you!

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completely free of charge.

Throughout the event, participants enjoyed a festive Cinco de Mayo-themed nacho bar while their vehicles were being serviced. Once maintenance was complete, each car received a complimentary hand wash, courtesy of dedicated volunteers.

Drive And Thrive exists to serve those whose transportation needs are critical to their wellbeing, and this clinic was no exception. Attendees included women and their children who recently fled domestic violence, grandparents raising grandchildren on fixed incomes, and individuals managing serious medical challenges.

One participant, Maryanne of North Wales, shared, "I am a single parent of two children with multiple disabilities. Drive and Thrive is the only resource

I have found to help with car repairs. I take my children to so many doctor appointments and therapies at CHOP and Nemours that having a car is essential to help them get the care they need to flourish. Thank you so much Drive and Thrive for making sure my car is safe so I can keep my focus on helping my children and supporting them. I am so grateful you saw a need and took action caring for the community."

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One of the biggest issues that homeowners face during this time of year is the emergence of pests and diseases. There are several pests and diseases that commonly affect trees in the northeast, such as emerald ash borer, Dutch elm disease, oak wilt, and Spotted Lantern Fly. These pests and diseases can cause



Consult with a Certified Arborist to assess the best methods to prevent and treat diseases affecting your trees.

significant damage to your trees, and it is important to take action to control them as

soon as possible. One of the best ways to prevent pests and diseases is to keep your trees healthy. This means providing them with the right amount of water and nutrients, as well as pruning them regularly to remove any dead or diseased branches.

Additionally, you should be on the lookout for any signs of infestation, such as holes in the trunk or leaves that are discolored or wilting.

If you do notice any signs of pest or disease infestation, it is import-

ant to act quickly. There are a number of different treatments that can be used to control these issues, such as insecticides, fungicides, and tree injections.

As an experienced arborist, I can help you determine the best course of action for your trees and provide you with the necessary treatments to keep them healthy.

At the first sign of infestation or disease, it is important to act quickly and seek professional help.

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Bucks County Community College expands dual credit for high school students with \$1M state grant

Bucks County Community College has received a \$1 million Dual Credit Innovation Grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Education to enable more high school students to enroll in dual credit programs, giving them more opportunities to chart their own course and prepare for successful careers.

Bucks County Community College is pleased to announce the establishment of the Bucks County College Access Network (Bucks CAN) with this support from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. This initiative is a collaborative partnership between Bucks County Community College (BCCC), the 13 public school districts of Bucks County, the three Bucks County technical high schools, and the Bucks County Intermediate Unit #22. Bucks CAN

is dedicated to expanding dual credit enrollment across Bucks County by increasing access to opportunities to help students shorten the time required to complete a college degree and reduce the financial burden associated with higher education. Bucks CAN offerings will include a diverse range of dual credit courses offered on Bucks County Community College's three campuses in Bristol, Newtown, and Perkasie, through Bucks Online, and in the high schools.

BCCC President & CEO Patrick M. Jones said, "The Bucks County College Access Network will allow academically qualified high school students to take college-level courses while still enrolled in high school to enable them to get a jump start on their collegiate education,

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Andrew's Lawn Ranger

Following last year's drought, we still have a rain deficit. We had a cold and dry winter. Plants already drought-stressed were damaged further by extreme cold, coupled with temperature fluctuations in March and April. While lawns may look lush right now, they are still lacking adequate soil moisture.

Flea, Tick and Mosquito Suppression: It's flea and tick season, and mosquitos will be around in large numbers this year. Let us help you enjoy your time outdoors with monthly visits to treat your property for these pests. Applications are made by fogging the perimeter of the property and spraying nesting areas, using organic control with peppermint and rosemary oils. Plant material around the house (patio, deck, pool, swing set wood lines if

applicable) will also be treated.

Turf Care: We are finishing our second round of crabgrass preventer and weed control. It's not too late to get you on our program! Mowing height is the most frequent question we receive. The shorter the turf, the more stress on the plant. Height should be in the 3.75" to 4.25" range. Change the mowing direction so you don't create a 'pattern' in your lawn. Sharp mower blades will prevent your turf from getting a fuzzy brown look.

Plant Health Care: Are your plants protected from insects? Our technicians are applying foliar insect, mite, and fungicide sprays now. This is crucial due to current plant stress as well as rising temperatures coming in the next few weeks. Continued watering of trees and shrubs would be advised until soil mois-



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while saving a substantial amount of money on college tuition." Jones added, "Bucks CAN will bring high school teachers and college professors together in a county-wide network to ensure students from every community of Bucks County have access to higher education, and the grant will remove or reduce financial barriers faced by many families."

According to the Pennsylvania Department of Education, dual credit offerings improve academic achievement, high school graduation rates, college enrollment, and college completion rates.

Core Creek Park

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bluegrass band and a children's music performer.

Earth Day is a collaborative effort between Middletown Parks and Recreation, the Middletown EAC, and Bucks County Parks and Recreation. Graham also acknowledged the contributions of key partners like this year's title sponsor, Robin Kemmerer Real Estate, and Pita Chip, who for the past few years has come to serve those folks participating in this event with food from their local restaurant.

Middletown's EAC has seen a steady increase in community involvement



Bucks County Rangers (from left) Deputy Ranger Marty Smith, Corporal Michael Meisner, Chief of Rangers Pat Purkin, and Officer Mike Mannino are on hand to spread awareness of respecting the environment and the jurisdiction that they serve.

through Earth Day and other initiatives. "Outside of this event, the EAC does trash cleanups at different parks throughout the township, and tree plantings twice a year," Graham noted. "We have seen a consistent volunteer presence for their environmental initiatives."

From saplings to sustainability, Middletown's Earth Day Festival continues to inspire a growing commitment to environmental responsibility in the community, proving that even a windy spring afternoon can't dampen the spirit of those working to protect our planet.

Planting

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2025 Bucks County Sports Hall of Fame Inductees

by Karen Sangillo

The Bucks County Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame inducted its Class of 2025 on Thursday, April 24 at Brookside Manor in Feasterville.

Inductees included Lindsay Krasna (Pennsbury, basketball, volleyball); Donna Nicholson (Pennsbury, athlete, coach, PIAA official); Joseph Paluszek (Conwell-Egan, bowling); Victoria Worthen Lang (Council Rock South, track and field); Megan Schafer Miller (Neshaminy, soccer); Carl Poff (Council Rock, wrestling); Allison Nemeth Wunsch (Neshaminy, field hockey, softball); John Kopack (Bristol, wrestling); Jesse Hellyer (Bensalem, basketball);

and Sylvia Kalasz (Quakertown, athlete, coach, athletic director).

Kopack was a top wrestler for Bristol and for Millersville State Teachers' College (now Millersville University) before becoming the longtime wrestling coach at Pennsbury.

His daughter, Kelly Kopack Kauffman, was inducted in 2022 for her stellar field hockey career at Neshaminy and Duke.



(from left) Carl Poff, Lindsay Krazna, Megan Schafer Miller, Syliva Kalasz, John Kopack, Joseph Paluszek, Victoria Worthen Lang, Allison Nemeth Wunsch, Donna Nicholson, Jesse Hellyer (behind Nicholson).



(from left) Former Neshaminy girls soccer coach Rachel Clemens is with inductee Megan Schafer Miller (Neshaminy, soccer) and former Neshaminy soccer coach and 2013 inductee Rich Reice.

They join Pancho Micir (2016) and Addie Micir (2022) as the only father-daughter pairs in the Hall of Fame.

"This is very, very special," Kopack said. "I'm thrilled to be in the same Hall of Fame as my daughter, Kelly. That's something really special for me."

Krasna set the all-time scoring record at Pennsbury with 1,292 points. She went on to play at Cornell, then professionally in Israel.

"It's such an honor to be here," she said. "The players I played with in high school sports and beyond are a big part of who I am, and to be here and connected to my roots is really special."

Lang was a pole vaulter, winning the PIAA indoor title in 2009 for the Golden Hawks. She

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A fresh twist on a timeless classic: Newtown Arts Company brings Kate Hamill's "Pride and Prejudice" to the stage

Get ready for a bold, witty, and delightfully offbeat take on a literary favorite. From June 19 to June 22, Newtown Arts Company presents Kate Hamill's acclaimed adaptation of "Pride and Prejudice" at the historic Newtown Theatre, located at 120 North State Street, Newtown. Tickets are on sale now at newtownac.booktix.com.

Hamill, known for her inventive and irreverent spins on classic literature, reimagines Jane Austen's beloved novel with a contemporary sensibility and comedic punch. In this version, the social pressures of Regency-era England collide with a modern feminist lens, delivering a show that's fast-paced, full of surprises, and fiercely funny.

At the heart of the story



Andrew Donnie as Mr. Darcy, Kashfara Saba as Elizabeth "Lizzy" Bennet. Photo: Joe Cutalo Photography

is Elizabeth Bennet—sharp-tongued, fiercely independent, and totally uninterested in marrying for status. That is, until she crosses paths with the enigmatic (and awkward) Mr. Darcy. What follows is a clever and chaotic journey through pride, prejudice, and unex-

pected connection. The play turns tradition on its head while staying true to Austen's signature wit and insight.

Directed by Tammy Tuckey, this vibrant production promises lively performances, inventive staging, and a fresh voice that will captivate

longtime Austen fans and newcomers alike.

Presented through special arrangement with Broadway Licensing, LLC, servicing the Dramatists Play Service collection (www.dramatists.com), this production captures the essence of classic romance while infusing it with new energy, humor, and heart. Whether you're revisiting a favorite story or discovering it for the first time, "Pride and Prejudice" at Newtown Arts Company is a must-see theatrical event.

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Sports Hall of Fame

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competed at Princeton, winning numerous Ivy League titles.

"It's really amazing that people are recognizing me for things I did in high school and college," she said. "I'm very thankful to the committee for that recognition and the opportunity to relive the good old days and also to remember all the growth I had from sports."

Miller set the Neshaminy record for career goals (102) and assists (78) and was the Gatorade Pennsylvania Player of the Year in 2014. She was a member of Penn State's first-ever NCAA championship team (2015).

"It was an experience of a lifetime," Miller said. "Everyone asks me if I liked high school or college better, but they were so different; it's hard to choose. But I loved both and I'm very happy to be here."

Donna Nicholson excelled in field hockey, basketball and softball at Pennsbury. She returned to her alma mater to coach girls basketball and track. She was a PIAA field hockey official for 38 years and was named the Field Hockey Official of the Year in 1995.



Kelly Kopack Kauffman, inducted in 2022 for her field hockey career at Neshaminy, is with her father John Kopack, longtime wrestling coach at Pennsbury, inducted this year.

"Being a graduate of Pennsbury and being able to come back to Pennsbury as a teacher meant the world to me," she said. "It was such an amazing opportunity to give back and to impart some of the values that I learned at Pennsbury to student-athletes at Pennsbury."

Paluszek set the Philadelphia Catholic League record in 1998 with a 218.6 average. After graduating from Wichita State, he joined the Professional Bowlers Association in 2005, winning five PBA titles.

"This is an ultimate gratification for many years of dedication," said Paluszek, who owns Bowlero and Joe's Pro Shop in Feasterville. "It's a testament to the people who supported me and gave me the confidence to go on for so long."

Poff was another three-sport athlete, competing in wrestling, soccer and cross country at Council Rock. He was the head coach at Lock Haven from 1990-2002 and is a member of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame.

"It's a tremendous honor to be recognized by your local community," he said. "I have nothing but good memories about my experience in Bucks County and Council Rock. It's a special night for me."

Wunsch was the goaltender for Neshaminy's field hockey team, starting for three seasons and setting a program record for shutouts (35). She was all-state first team in field hockey and softball.

She played both sports at Princeton.

"They were all wonderful years, both at Neshaminy and Princeton," she said. "I was so fortunate to have fantastic people around me; so many great coaches, so many great teammates."

For more information about the Bucks County Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame or to make a nomination, go to www.buckscountysportshof.com.



Bucks County Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame president Sheila Murphy (left) is with inductee, Allison Nemeth Wunsch (Neshaminy, field hockey, softball).

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Use a programmable or smart thermostat

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Bucks County Opportunity Council Celebrates Economic Self-Sufficiency Graduation 2025

The Bucks County Opportunity Council (BCOC) hosted the 2025 Economic Self-Sufficiency (ES) Graduation on April 30 at The Warrington Country Club. This year's celebration honored 18 graduates, bringing the program's total to 1131 people in 420 households.

Bucks County Commissioner Bob Harvie kicked off the evening by welcoming all the guests and commending the BCOC ES Program for many years of contributing to the improvement of the lives of Bucks County residents. BCOC's CEO Erin Lukoss then presented the annual Champion of Self-Sufficiency award to Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick. The award honors a business, partner, or community member for their role in the success of the ES program. Kyle Melander, Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick's representative, accepted the Self-Sufficiency Champion award on behalf of the congressman and shared a video of Fitzpatrick congratulating the graduates on their



BCOC 2025 ES Graduates

accomplishments. He spoke about the importance of the ES program and its impact within Bucks County, which was why they were driven to help BCOC receive congressionally directed funding.

The ES Program is a highly successful program that provides one-on-one coaching and resources to those living in poverty who commit to working toward economic self-sufficiency. The graduates have worked, mostly for several years, on an intense, structured

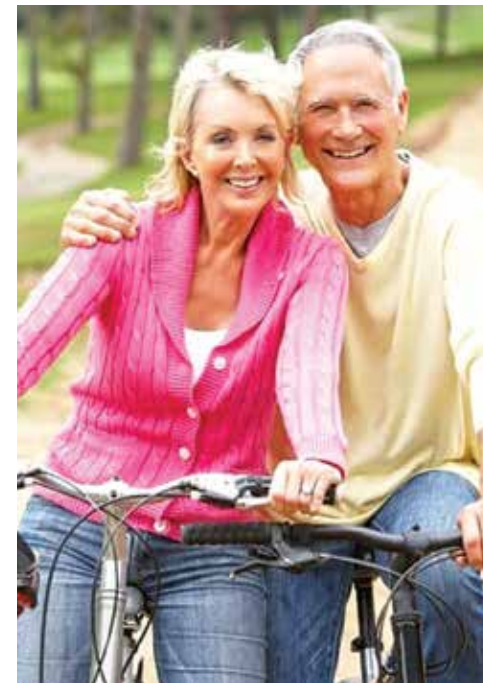
plan to become financially self-sufficient. Nearly every graduate reflected on the program as a life-changing experience. Each of their coaches provided help and support, and gratitude was a consistent theme throughout the event. The coaches and the program break the stigma often associated with asking for help. One graduate shared that through a difficult life, full of more downs than ups, her mantra was always "everything is temporary." She

got through, one moment at a time, convinced that things could be better. Being a part of the ES program, she was able to break the cycle of generational poverty that she had experienced. Her words, "I know my kids will have a better life" had an incredibly emotional impact on the over 200 guests.

The 2025 class began the program with an average starting income of \$19,687. In the 31 months' time it took for the group to graduate, they increased their income to an average of \$65,948, that is an increase of \$46,261. The key to success has been acquiring the additional education and training necessary to earn a living wage. All 18 graduates have improved their position within their company or gained new employment since beginning the program.

In her closing remarks, Lukoss said, "At BCOC, we know that economic mobility starts with stability. You can't dream about the future when you're worried about getting through the week. That's why our programs are designed to meet people where they are, with the resources they need to move

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Pennsbury Manor adopts new rescue horse: Norway

Norway, a former racing horse, joins Pennsbury from a Colorado “kill pen”

Pennsbury Manor, William Penn’s reconstructed estate on the Delaware River in Bucks County, welcomes Norway, a recently rescued racing horse, to its educational barnyard.

Norway Hanover, is a retired Trotter for the Standardbred harness racing industry, who raced across the US and Canada. These horses often end up in cramped and unhealthy “kill pens” until they can be auctioned for slaughter.



Pennsbury Manor

Norway was rescued by the Standardbred Retirement Foundation from a kill pen in

Colorado.

Norway has now found a forever home at Pennsbury Manor. After a period of rehabilitation to improve his physical condition, he joined Pennsbury in late March. At 16 years old, Norway is a handsome horse who brings a calm and gentle demeanor, making him an ideal addition to the historic site’s educational programs centered around historical animal husbandry, which represent farm life during William Penn’s time on the

property. Many local children will have the chance to interact with Norway during his life at Pennsbury.

“Norway joins Pennsbury’s existing herd, which includes Arnie the horse, the oxen team, sheep, and geese,” said Carole Cunliffe, Animal Curator at Pennsbury Manor. “Under the care of our dedicated team, he is already getting along famously with all his barnyard companions, including the

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forward. What does economic mobility really mean here? It means having the choice to live where you want to live. It means freedom to leave a job that isn’t working for you to pursue something better. And it means dignity, the kind that comes from knowing you can care for yourself and your family without fear. That’s the heart of what we’re working toward every day.”

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To learn more about all the BCOC does, visit our website bcoc.org

BCOC is the leading economic mobility non-profit organization in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, dedicated to ending poverty by connecting people with the resources they need to thrive.

BCOC has five major program areas: Housing, Food, Weatherization, Volunteer Income Tax Preparation (VITA) and the Economic Self-Sufficiency (ES) Program. Housing includes street outreach, rental and move in aid, and utility shut-off prevention. Food services supply food directly to families through a network of 75 food pantries and distribution sites. Weatherization services help families in reducing their energy costs. VITA provides free income tax preparation assistance. The ES Program assists individuals and families to leave poverty permanently through case management, education, and employment.

For 60 years, the Opportunity Council has served low-income families in Bucks County by helping them to stabilize when in crisis, garner resources to achieve a livable wage, gain additional education and training, and work towards economic self-sufficiency.

“Hit To Be Fit” Day was a real hit

A day of celebrating the great sport of tennis during “May Is National Tennis Month” was a real hit. The special event, “Hit to Be Fit” Day, was held on May 10 in conjunction with more than 300 other tennis facilities and sites across the country that were playing tennis simultaneously, showcased the ease and fun of learning tennis while benefiting from a great cardio workout.

Twenty-four tennis enthusiasts, from very beginners to accomplished players, gathered at Council Rock North High School’s tennis courts to participate in Red Ball—short-court rallying that provides a great way to learn and practice the game—as well as Cardio Triples—heart-pumping match play that keeps everyone moving.

BCTA (Bucks County Tennis Association) coaches Craig Batten and Cielo Orjuela led the group through various warmup and play activities. In addition to learning and improving their tennis games, participants enjoyed camaraderie, laughter, and giveaways at the end



of the match. Kudos to Tom Engler for receiving the “Most Enthusiastic” award, which was challenging to select given all

the on-court spirit.

The BCTA, which hosted the event, thanks its coaches, the USTA, and USTA Middle

States for their support. And, of course, it thanks the great group of tennis enthusiasts who came out to enjoy the fun (and battle the wind).

The BCTA offers public park programs in communities throughout Bucks County with multiple five-week offerings from May through October. Don’t miss the fun! To register for a program near you, visit playtennis.usta.com/buckscounty.

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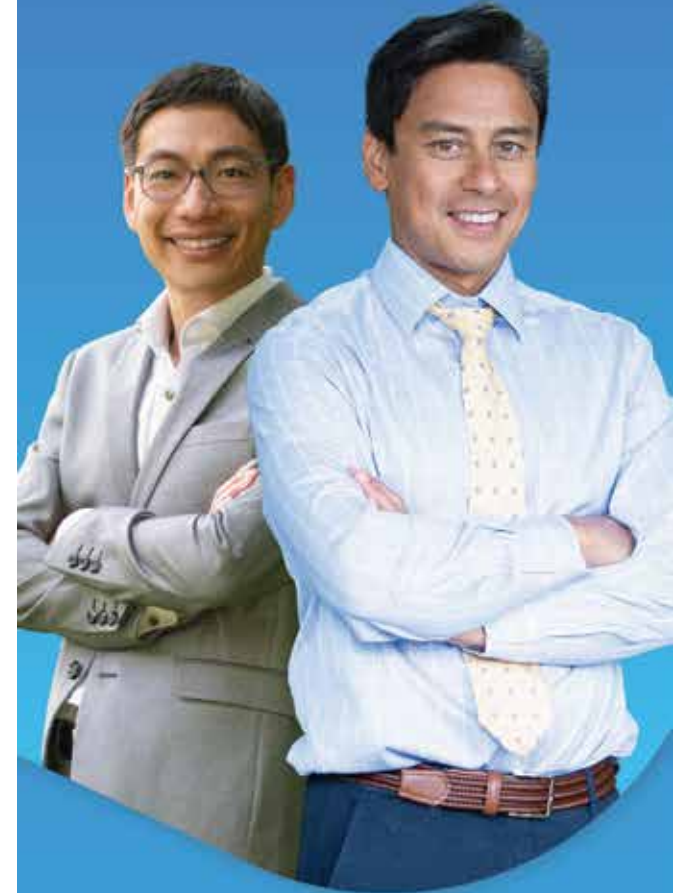
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Bucks County Opportunity Council celebrates Community Action Month

The Community Action Network is a robust state and local force that helps empower hardworking families to achieve economic independence rather than keeping them reliant on government assistance. There are nearly 1,000 agencies across the country working every day to create economic opportunities, strengthen local communities, and help families find pathways to prosperity. This year, Bucks County Opportunity Council (BCOC), a proud member of the Community Action Network, commemorates 60 years helping families throughout Bucks County.

"Each May, during Community Action Month, we reflect on the impact our programs and our network has had on families," said Erin Lukoss, CEO and Executive Director of BCOC.

"Last year alone, we served over 57,000 people in Bucks County, and Community Action Agencies served over 15 million across the country with services like job training, financial education, and small business support, helping families build skills to achieve long-term financial freedom."

Community Action Agencies ensure that hard-working American families have access to the opportunities they need to thrive, while also promoting local economic growth and reducing government dependency. All agencies are locally controlled with boards of directors composed of local elected officials, private and public sector representatives, and engaged community residents. "We are proud of our

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Pickering Manor

Celebrating community and compassion on the green

For 35 years, the Newtown Rotary Golf Outing has brought together local leaders, businesses, and golf enthusiasts for more than just a day on the green—it's been a celebration of community, service, and support.

Last year's outing raised over \$25,000 for Pickering Manor, Newtown's nonprofit Life Plan Community. But beyond the dollars raised, the event highlights the deep bond shared between two mission-driven organizations dedicated to service.

"The Rotary has been nothing short of incredible," said David Woodhead, CEO of Pickering Manor. "Their continued support over the decades has directly enhanced the lives of our residents. Thanks to their 2024 contributions, we were able to purchase new Hoyer lifts, which improve both resident safety and caregiver support in our Skilled Nursing neighborhood."

Woodhead adds, "Their motto, 'service above self,' is more than a phrase—it's something they live out with every gesture, every donation, every moment spent advocating for us and our surrounding community. We are honored to have them as steadfast partners."

Much of the event's success can be credited to the dedicated Golf Committee, whose planning and outreach efforts ensure a smooth and successful fundraiser each year. In appreciation, Pickering Manor treated committee members to a celebratory lunch.

From morning tee-offs to the closing awards ceremony, the Rotary's Golf Outing is a heartfelt reminder of what's possible

when community and compassion come together.

This year's Golf Outing will be held on June 2 at the Trenton Country Club. If you missed the chance to join us this year, there's always next time. Mark your calendar for next year's outing and be part of something truly meaningful.



Newtown Rotary Golf Committee presenting the 2024 Golf Outing fundraising check to Pickering Manor.

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Friends Village

As we approach the halfway point of 2025, there's no slowing down at Friends Village! With the arrival of warmer days, residents have been embracing the outdoors—most recently by gathering to plant and share joy in the garden. The coming weeks promise even more opportunities to connect and celebrate, from our table at the Senior Games Kickoff on May 28 at Bucks County Community College to Welcome Day on June 8, where we'll be sharing small gifts and big smiles with our community.

As we continue to celebrate Older Americans Month this May, we proudly embrace this year's theme: Flip the Script on Aging. This theme challenges outdated narratives and encourages a fresh perspective on what it means to grow older. Rather than seeing aging as a time of decline, we highlight the strength, wisdom, and valuable contributions that older adults bring to our families, communities, and society. Throughout the month, we are engaging in events and conver-

sations that honor the diverse experiences of older Americans. By flipping the script, we aim to reshape attitudes and celebrate aging as a dynamic, enriching, and purposeful stage of life.

And speaking of milestones—our Friends For All Time Gala on October 11 is fast approaching! This special event will celebrate 125 years since Paxson Hall first opened its doors. Built in 1900 by Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justice Edward Paxson and gifted to the Bucks Quarterly Meeting of Quakers, Paxson Hall has provided a warm, welcoming home for older adults ever since.

In preparation for its next century, we're embarking on an important renovation to replace Paxson Hall's aging heating and cooling systems and install a fire suppression system for added safety. These upgrades not only improve comfort and security but will also make the building more energy-efficient



and environmentally friendly. At Friends Village, we're committed to being an active part of the community and a valuable resource to those around us. After all, Friends Village isn't just part of the neighborhood—

Pennsbury Manor

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tative of the estate's historical authenticity."

Pennsbury recently said farewell to TC, a beloved 31-year-old mare, who recently passed away.

Considered a senior horse, Norway's care comes with costs, including hoof care, targeted nutrition, and regular veterinary check-ups. Pennsbury is currently seeking financial support for Norway's care to ensure that he enjoys a long healthy life on the estate.

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Saturday, May 31, 10 am, at the LMT Administrative building, 1100 Edgewood Rd. in Yardley, Mike Weilbacher, noted naturalist, environmentalist, educator, and author will present “Microplastics, The Invisible Pollutant”. He will discuss microplastics, found everywhere from the bottom of the sea to our blood. Learn the surprising ways they spread through our environment and what we can do about it. This free FREE event is sponsored by the LMT Environmental Advisory Council with the participation of the Yardley Refillery. For more information, contact: Dominique Mitchell at eacbucks@gmail.com.

Saturday, May 31, noon–4 PM, Langhorne Council for the Arts will host The Arts in the Garden Tour. Artists and musicians will add to the enjoyment of natural beauty in five private and public gardens in Langhorne Borough and Langhorne Manor. Several stops on this self-guided tour also include open artist studios! Artwork on display (and some for purchase) will include photography, acrylics, pastels, watercolors, tiles, jewelry, and quilts. Musicians will include harpists, blues, folk, indie, jazz, and pop. A full schedule, and tickets to purchase, will be posted on www.LanghorneArts.org. Tickets (cash or check) are \$25 for adults, \$10 for students, free for children under 6 years old, and can also be purchased at all the garden locations.

Tuesday, June 3, 6 pm, the Free Library of Northampton Township, 25 Upper Holland Rd. in Richboro, welcomes the renowned author of “Ghost Soldiers”, Hampton Sides, as he discusses his new book, “Wide Wide Sea: Imperial Ambition, First Contact, and the Fateful Final Voyage of Captain James Cook”. Register at newtownbookshop.com.

Saturday, June 7, 10 am–2 pm, Tour the beautiful mansion at Summerseat’s Traditional Patriot’s Day Event, 130 Legion Ave. in Morrisville. Fun for all the family! Raffle baskets, flea market, Summerseat hot dogs, baked goods and children’s games. For more information, call 215-801-0753. Also, visit the Facebook page for updated information at: www.facebook.com/summerseatbuckscounty.

Saturday, June 7, 1 to 2 pm, The Friends of the Doylestown Library presents “Past & Present Voices: Oboe and Violin in Concert” in The Backyard—the outdoor extension of the Doylestown Library, 150 S. Pine St. in Doylestown. This event is free. Arianna Kallian and Anna Majcherczyk will perform a program of duets by composers

from the eighteenth century to present day including Bennett, Boismortier, Casal, Fine and Ginastera. Please preregister for the event by emailing friendsofdoylestownlibrary@gmail.com. Chairs will be provided while available, or feel free to bring your own fold-up. In case of rain, the event will take place in the Pearl Buck room.

Saturday, June 7, 7:30 pm, Centennial Singers Spring Concert, “Singers Arise in Song” at Log College Middle School, 730 Norristown Rd. in Warminster. Come join us for a variety of music including classical, folk, jazz, choral, spiritual, show tunes, and of course, patriotic numbers. Free cookie buffet and awesome raffle baskets. The concert is free, but donations are welcome. For more information, visit www.centennialsingerswarminster.com and on Facebook @centennialsingerswarminster.

Sunday, June 8, 11 am–4 pm (rain or shine), the 30th Annual Bucks Beautiful Kitchen & Garden Tour is taking place. Explore stunning homes and lush gardens in Doylestown, Richboro, and New Hope. Early bird tickets are just \$45 through May 31! Proceeds support community greening projects across Bucks County. For tickets and information, visit www.bucksbeautiful.org.

Sunday, June 8, 3 pm, the Bryn Athyn Orchestra will present its Spring Concert at the Mitchell Performing Arts Center in Bryn Athyn. The program features Mahler’s Symphony No. 1; Mozart’s Overture to Don Giovanni and Symphony No. 38. Tickets \$27/advance, \$30/door. Students: \$15 (buy one get one free). Children under 12 are free. Seniors over 60: \$25. Tickets can be purchased online at baorchestra.org or at the door.

Friday, June 13, 5 pm–8 pm, the 2nd Friday Food Truck Rally will take place at Playwicki Farm, 2350 Bridgetown Pike, Feasterville-Trevoze. Enjoy food trucks, children’s activities, vendors, a DJ, and a beer/cocktail garden. For more information, visit www.playwickifarm.org.

Thursday, June 19 to Sunday, June 22, Newtown Arts Company presents Kate Hamill’s acclaimed adaptation of “Pride and Prejudice” at the historic Newtown Theatre, located at 120 North State St. in Newtown. Get ready for a bold, witty, and delightfully offbeat take on a literary favorite. Tickets are on sale now at newtownac.booktix.com.

Saturday June 21, 1–6 pm, Four Lanes End Garden Club proudly presents its Flower Show, “A Cavalcade of America” at the Richardson House (Langhorne Community Memorial Association Building), 102 West Maple Ave. in Langhorne. The theme and design classes reflect the dreams, courage, initiative, and achievements of those that shaped our American history. Visitors will have the opportunity to see judged floral designs as well as horticulture specimens of numerous types. It is open and free to the public, A raffle table will also be on display. For additional information, contact Chris Foster at 215-350-6038.

Saturday, June 28, 11 am to 3 pm, Bowman’s Hill Wildflower Preserve, 1635 River Road in New Hope, is hosting its 4th annual

Preserve @ Play family day. This year’s theme, Wee Wonders, celebrates the smallest creatures and the big impact they have on our thriving ecosystem. Pre-registration for Preserve @ Play is strongly encouraged. Registration is \$10 per group up to 6 guests with free admission for Preserve members and ACCESS Card holders. Guest passes are not usable for Preserve @ Play. Register today and learn more at www.bhwp.org.

Saturday, June 28, the Riverside Symphonia hosts its annual Concert Under the Stars at Tinicum Park in Bucks County, along the picturesque Delaware River. Gates open at 6 pm, inviting attendees to bring blankets, lawn chairs, and picnic baskets to enjoy a relaxing evening on the expansive park lawn. At 8 pm, the Riverside Symphonia will perform patriotic favorites, popular classics, and American standards, all leading up to the highly anticipated fireworks spectacular. Tickets are available at www.riversidesymphonia.org, by phone at 609-397-7300, or at select

local outlets. For more information, contact Vickie Lupisella at Riverside Symphonia, 4 South Union St., Lambertville, NJ 08530, call 609-397-7300, or email info@riversidesymphonia.org.

Monday, July 14, beginning at 10 am, the Feasterville Business Association’s 34th Charity Golf Outing will be held at the Spring Mill Country Club, located at 80 Jacksonville Road in Ivyland. The public is invited to participate, and entries are now being accepted. For additional information about participating as a golfer and/or sponsorship opportunities, contact Mike Wielehowski, golf committee chairperson at info@feastervillebiz.org. For details or to register visit www.feastervillebiz.org.

Saturday, October 4, 2025, The Central Bucks High School Class of 1958 from Doylestown will be holding its 67th Reunion at the Plumsteadville Inn. For more information contact drsmith524@verizon.net.

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