



Homeowners' **NEWSLETTER**

NOVEMBER 2014 www.villageofwestover.org

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Important Dates

Thanksgiving November 27

Leaf pick - last day December 5

Holiday Decorations

December 6 at 12:00 Noon

Santa's Breakfast December 6 at 9:00 am

Hanukkah Dec 14-24

Christmas December 25

New Year's Day January 1

Holiday Decorations January 10 at 9:00 am

Westover Santa Breakfast December 6th

The Westover Women's Club invites you to celebrate the Holiday Season with your neighbors and friends at our Open House with Santa! Enjoy a continental breakfast (bagels, pastries, fresh fruit, coffee, juice, etc.), crafts for the kids, and of course, photos with Santa!

Doors open at 9:00 am, but feel free to drop in at any time between 9:00 am and 11:30 am.

Directions to The Waugh-Wilson Retreat House from Westover:

- Make a right onto the Carlisle
- Turn left onto Silver Spring
- Retreat House will be the 1st long driveway on the left after the church

This event partially funded by the Westover Civic Association



WHEN: Saturday, December 6th **TIME:** 9am-11:30am

EVITE: http://www.evite.com/l/

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WHERE: The Waugh-Wilson Retreat House (large white house to the right of Silver Spring Presbyterian Church) at 444 Silver Spring Road, Mechanicsburg, PA

PRICE: Ages 2 & up \$6.00; under 2

years is free

RSVP by November 29 with # attending, check made payable to: Westover Women's Club, or cash SEND TO: Jill Laws

6216 Westover Drive, Mechanicsburg

PA 17050

EMAIL: WestoverWomgmail.com

PHONE: 717-841-4829





like to reserve a post, go to the

us a note as to which post you

address.

website www.villageofwestover.org

and on the "contact us" page send

would like to adopt, your name and



Westover Holiday Decorations



The Westover Civic Association will continue the tradition in 2014 of providing fresh garland and red bows for the street signs in the neighborhood. To help put them up, you all are invited to help! Decorations go up on Saturday, December 6th at 12

noon and come down on Saturday, January 10th at 9:00 am.

We look forward to your assistance with this fun and easy project. It is also a great way to meet your neighbors. We form teams, and each team does two or three posts. It is fun and only takes a few minutes. Refreshments of hot chocolate, coffee and cookies are provided. Grab your gloves, hat, and a warm coat and meet us in McCord Commons for your assignment.

MAKE IT A FAMILY PROJECT

This project has evolved

to be a very fun family project by adopting and trimming a sign. It is really easy and all you need is a step stool or a tall family member! We provide the bows, garland, ties, minimal instructions and, most importantly, the hot chocolate and cookies! It takes about 5 minutes for each post. If you would



Westover's Fall Pumpkin Carving Party

More than 45 children attended the 2014 Annual Westover Pumpkin Carving at McCord Commons on Thursday, October 23.

Jack-O-Lanterns both big and small were cleverly crafted and designed by all the children!

Everyone enjoyed hot chocolate with whipped cream & a variety of desserts baked by the **Westover Women's Club**. The sac races were, yet again, a popular event! Everyone won prizes!

Thank you to all who brought canned goods for the New Hope Ministries Food Drive. Tradition is priceless. Hope to see you all at the 2015 Annu-

al Pumpkin Carving! Do you know that we had over 6,000 hits on the photo page for the Pumpkin Carving!!!

Go to www.villageofwestover.org for a peek.



Haunted House in Westover! 21st year of Trick-or-Treat Night Fun

David and Doris Baboian of 6350 Pennsboro Drive hosted their 21st annual Halloween "Haunted Chamber" on Trick-or-Treat night. This was a wonderful and fun-filled night that all residents don't want to miss in the future. Approximately 200 brave children explored this year's

haunted house display. The Haunted Chamber featured dropping spiders, skeletons, zombies, mad scientists and more with the help of 12 behind the scene volunhelp next year, go to Westover's website teers. There were treats for all who made it out for this special and safe Westover tradition. See more pictures of this event

at www.villageofwestover.org

If you would like to volunteer to and send us a note on the contact us page.

















Village of Westover Updates

Dues Collection Continues

The Westover Civic Association asks for your continued financial support for the 2014-15 year by renewing your membership. The Civic Association is an all volunteer organization assisting with events, decorations, newsletters, dues, billings, etc. Your household membership is also voluntary. Dues are only \$30/year for a household.

Reasons why you should join and pay your dues:

- Summer block parties.
- Informative web-site located at www.villageofwestover.org.
- Informative newsletter.
- Financial support to help with several Women's Club projects such as the Garage Sales, Pumpkin Carving, Santa's Breakfast and Egg Hunt.
- Email Blast system for timely and quick updates.
- Holiday decorations throughout Westover in keeping with the original Williamsburg tradition.
- Mowing and maintenance in the beautiful Common areas.
- Maintenance and upgrades for the tree id signs, benches and entrance neighborhood lighting.
- Maintenance of the street signs.
- Working with HampdenTownship on the Federally mandated replacement of the street signs.
- Maintenance of the front entrance of Westover.

Old Westover Signs

There have been numerous requests by Westover homeowners to have one of the old signs for nostalgia purposes. The township generously cut the original



signs up for our distribution. The board of directors of the Westover Civic Association has decided to offer them at a **silent auction** at our annual block party. Keep posted as we will let you know the procedures for the auction to pick up a coveted Westover sign. The stack of signs are being stored in a board member's garage!

Westover's Home Page at www.villageofwestover.org ▼▼▼



Winter Snow Removal Policy

Below are the highlights from Hampden Township's snow and ice emergency ordinance:

Snow removal priorities:

- * Plowing will begin when snow is three inches deep.
- * Top priorities are all main and secondary roads, including Orr's Bridge Road, Good Hope Road, Lamb's Gap Road, Salem Church Road, Creekview Road, Central Boulevard, Erb's Bridge Road, Skyport Road, and Technology Parkway.
- * After the main roads are clear and remain passable, road crews will attempt to open the principal access road to each development. However, if main roads require additional attention, development plowing may have to be halted.
- * After the snow has stopped falling, plows will return to the developments to make a pass on each of the roads in each direction. Once all development roads are open, plows will return to widen them, if possible, to the curb.

Residents can help in three ways:

- 1. Don't travel unless necessary.
- Don't shovel or blow snow onto plowed or treated streets (the Township has an ordinance that prohibits this, under penalty of law).
- Move your car off the street so that plows have more room to operate. This is especially critical in cul-desacs.

Plus One Optional Way to Help:

Making available cookies, sodas or hot chocolate to a very hard working plow operator would be a very nice gesture and make the operator very happy! The job requires expert attention to the road with a high degree of concentration to avoid hitting a mailbox, curb or car.

Westover Elections

We are pleased to announce that all of the Westover Civic Association zone directors were re-elected! Elaine Farrell was reelected as Secretary and Dan Hooven was re-elected as vice president. Congratulations and thanks to all of the folks who help make Westover what it is today.



Detective Sergeant Shissler Update



Police Advisory-Phone Scam

The Hampden Township Police Department is alerting everyone of a police advisory to a phone scam that has

already targeted residents of the township.

The phone scam occurs when the victim receives a call from someone who claims to be a relative that was just arrested for a crime out-of-state. The caller tells the victim that they are in big trouble and that they need money to pay for an attorney who can get them immediately released from jail. The victim is asked to go to Western Union and wire transfer money to a location in another state such as Virginia. The victim is told that their "relative" will call them back as soon as they are released.

Residents are advised that legitimate calls for help in legal issues are typically made by "Collect Call" identifying that the call is coming from a prison or jail. Jails and court systems do not utilize Western Union. Bail procedures are typically handled through reputable and certified Bail Bond agencies.

Residents receiving unsolicited calls from anyone asking for money should be suspicious. If you receive such a call and are unsure of what to do, please call the Hampden Township Police Department at 717-761-2609 or by calling 911 and request to speak to a police officer.

NEW FEATURE! Sergeant Shiisler asked that we let all residents know that the Hampden Police Department has a new Facebook page with lots of good information for all of us. Just go to Facebook and search for Hampden Township Police Department.

Westover Mailbag

■Hello "Westover Civic,"

With all the new people in Westover, it would be great to get a new directory to the extent that funds allow.

Happy Homeowner

A. Westover Civic Association does provide directories to all dues paying members. If you need one just go to www.villageofwestover.org and on the contact us page, request one.

■Dear Westover Civic:

Do you think a larger envelope could be provided for the ballots and dues collection in the future?

A. We hear you and next year we will be using larger return envelopes.

■Dear Westover Civic:

The trees are dying in the McCord Commons area. Are you going to replant them?

A. Those trees are actually owned by Hampden Township and we work closely with them in the care and maintenance of the trees. We have a meeting scheduled to see what can be done as the trees are older, and we expect to lose another four or five in the coming years.

■Dear Westover Civic:

A guy came by and offered to paint the house number on the curb for \$10.00. Is this a scam?

A. While we cannot say with certainty whether any neighborhood vendor is a scammer or not, the idea of painting the house number on the curb is a great idea. We have noticed the appearance of many newly painted house numbers on our Westover curbs. And we know our emergency responders are appreciative of any effort to make their jobs easier.

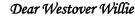
Hampden Township Leaf Pick Up in Westover Extended to Dec 5th.

Due to the volume of leaves which remain to be collected throughout the township, weather permitting, crews will continue with weekly leaf collection routes until December 5, 2014. Westover is scheduled for Friday.

Please note that crews will not conduct leaf collection on November 27 and 28. Normal collection routes and days will resume on December 1st and continue through December 5th.

Put all leaves near the curb but about 6-12"

away; please do not put sticks or stones in the pile. Park in the driveway on Thursday nights to enable the leaf collectors to work without cars in their way.





Dear Willie:

Q. Willie, can you watch over my house while I am away over the holidays?

A. Nope, I will not take on that job as I am very busy. However, I do recommend that you stop the newspaper and mail delivery. Most importantly, let a neighbor know you will be away and have them come into the house periodically to check that nothing is awry.

Q. Do you know if there is going to be a Block Party this summer? They are so much fun.

A. I hear via the grapevine that there will be a block party in June, and from my high vantage point I can tell you it is indeed a lot of fun. This year I hear that a Steve Crosby is heading up the committee and they have lots of things that they are considering like face painting, more games for the kids and the like. If you have any ideas, I hear the committee is open to suggestions and you can let them know by going to www.villageofwestover.org and send a note. I would do that for you, but I do not have internet up here in my tree (but sometimes I "borrow" it from a homeowner who does not have a protected network). You see we birds are flying high on technology.

Q. I like the new signs as I can read them now!

A. Thanks for your observation. I, myself, have an easier time flying around as the posts have lettering that I can see so that it reminds me where I actually am!

A. Hey Willie, do you know if Westover is going to decorate those metal signs?

A. While I am not allowed to attend the board meetings because they are held indoors, I hear that a committee is looking into the feasibility of decorations. They may look hokey so we will have three trained ladies giving final approval to whatever takes place.

Suggestions or questions for Westover Willie or the Westover Civic Association can be provided by going to the web-site at www.villageofwestover.org and contacting us.



Village Of Westover Contact List	
Name	Phone number
EMERGENCY - Fire, Police, Am-	911
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Westover Civic Association	Villageofwestover.org
Comcast Cable	1-800-934-6489
Cumberland County Offices	240-6100
Cumberland Valley School District	697-8261
District Justice	697-2201
Fredricksen Library	761-3900
Hampden Township	761-0119
Hampden Pool	737-4219
Hampden Recreation Department	761-4951
Hampden Township Utility Depart-	909-7145
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Humane Society	564-3320
P A American Water Co	1-800-565-7292
P A Dept. of Transportation	1-800-932-4600
Poison Control Center	1-800-222-1222
PPL Electric Utilities	1-800-342-5775
Township Tax Collector	737-4822
UGI Gas Utilities Inc	1-800-276-2722
United Water PA	564-3662
Verizon Communications	1-800-837-4966
York Waste Disposal (bulk pickup)	1-800-210-9675