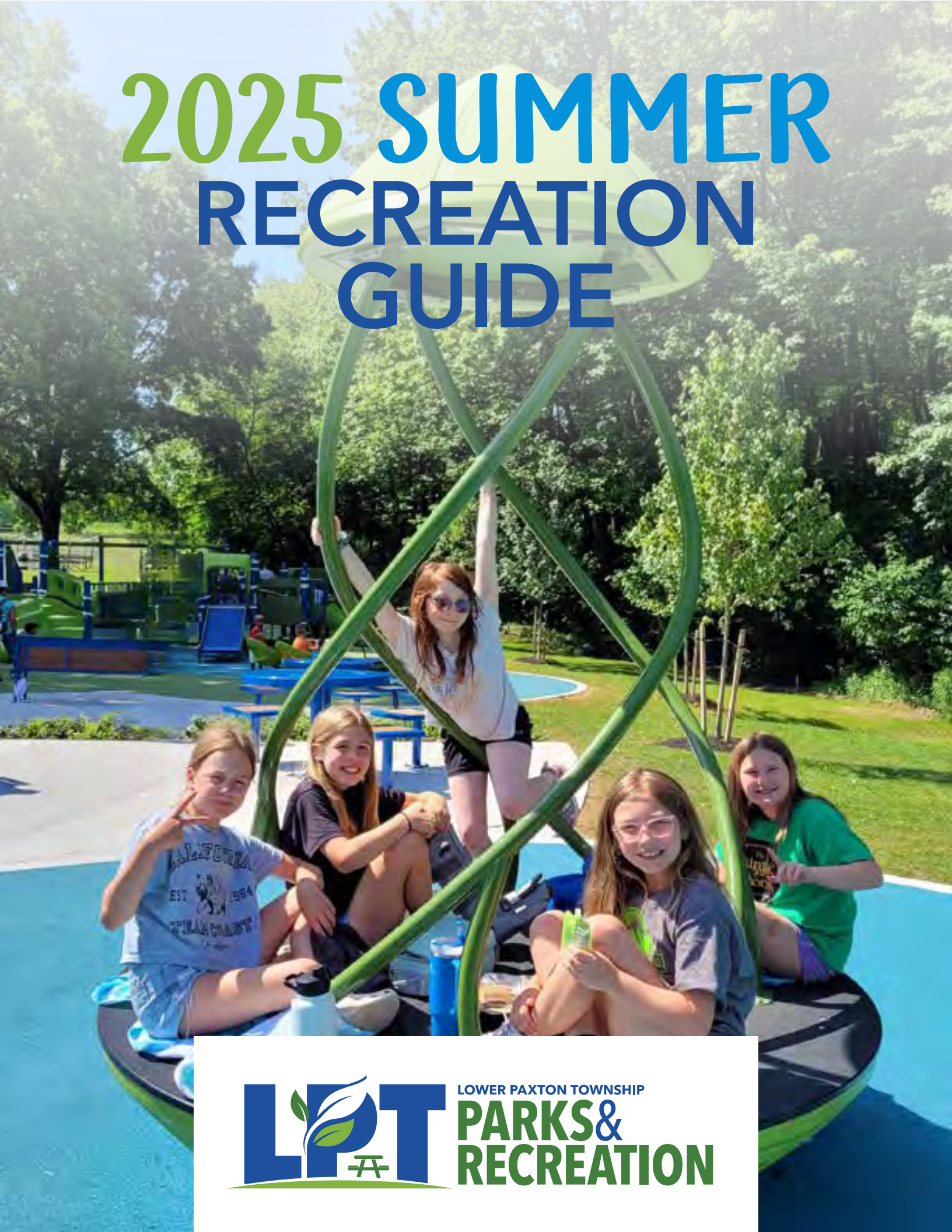


2025 SUMMER RECREATION GUIDE



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MISSION

We enrich the lives of the Lower Paxton Township residents through safe and accessible parks, recreation facilities, and programs that promote health and well-being, inspire and connect people, and build community pride.



RESERVATIONS AND RENTALS

Reservation requests are accepted the day after President's Day. Rental locations include: ball fields, courts, pavilions, Heroes Grove, and Township Municipal Center rooms. View each park's different amenities and rental fees online.

Pavilion Rentals

Each pavilion rental includes picnic tables and charcoal grills. Most pavilions have electricity and many parks have permanent restrooms.

bit.ly/LPaxReserve

Payments and Refund

Rental and program payments are accepted online or by mail. Event, facility, and vendor permits will be issued upon payment.



Please review our park ordinances and FAQs for further details.



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Limited grant funds are available to assist low-income residents who wish to participate in township recreational programs. Grants will cover 50% of the program cost and are awarded on a first come, first serve basis. Contact: Michelle Hiner

SUMMER IN THE PARKS



LIVE IN LP

2ND SUNDAY
JUNE JULY AUGUST

DAUPHIN COUNTY
HEROES GROVE
5010 Commons Drive

LPT LOWER PAXTON TOWNSHIP
PARKS & RECREATION

 <p>06.08 RAIN DATE 06.28</p>	SLEEPING BEAUTY 6:00-7:30PM	
EVERYONE IS INVITED TO DRESS UP AS THEIR FAVORITE FAIRY TALE OR STORYBOOK CHARACTER!		
 <p>07.13 RAIN DATE 07.17</p>	GREATER HARRISBURG CONCERT BAND 6:00-7:30PM	
 <p>08.10 RAIN DATE 08.17</p>	FAMOUS RUMORS COUNTRY BAND 6:00-8:00PM	
PLUS 07.06	LOWER PAXTON VARIETY BAND 6:00-7:30PM Independence Weekend!	ALL EVENTS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
		

SUMMER IN THE PARKS



FIREWORKS & FOOD TRUCKS



www.LowerPaxton-PA.gov
@lowerpaxtonparksandrec

JULY 3, 2025

RAIN DATE JULY 6

5:30-9:30PM
KOONS PARK

6030 Larue Street
Lingletown, PA 17112



**FREE
EVENT**

FOOD TRUCKS:

DonutNV
Foltz's Pretzels
Mad Dash
Sittin Pickin Chicken
Soul Lotta Empanadas
Sugar Mama's Cotton Candy
The Lucky Penny Burger Co
The Messy Pig BBQ
The Potato Coop
Whistle Stop on Wheels

SEASONAL HIRING



To apply:
bit.ly/LPaxParksSeasonalJobs



Basketball Referees

- Must be at least 16
- Summer league May-August
- Games at Brightbill & Koons Parks



Volleyball Officials

- Must be at least 16 & very familiar with the sport
- Summer outdoor league May-August
- Games at Koons Park



Summer Camp Counselors

- Must be 16 years of age
- Enjoy working with campers ages 6-12
- Camp runs June - August, weekdays only
- Must be CPR certified or willing to become certified

Contact Justine

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V.I.P. VOLUNTEERS IN PARKS



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: JEFF MCGUIRE KIWANIS

Meet Jeff McGuire, who serves behind the scenes keeping the 10 Book Nooks around the Township filled with books. A Girl Scout for her Gold project originally built the little library boxes in Brightbill, Centennial Acres, George, Kings Crossing, Kohl, and Koons Parks. The Linglestown Area Kiwanis Club has adopted the Nooks and added several more to Stray Winds Park, Blue Meadow Farms neighborhood, Linglestown Square, and the YMCA Friendship Center.

The Kiwanis Club's goal is to make books readily accessible to all children in common places where families spend time together. Over the summer months, Jeff refills the Nooks every other week which accumulates to a few thousand books a year. Some groups host book drives to help supply the Nooks. Donated books are always welcome with the greatest need being board books for toddlers and picture books.

Jeff has lived in Lower Paxton for over 25 years and explained that the Kiwanis Club invests in future generations by supporting the two high school Key Clubs at Central Dauphin and Central Dauphin East. Recently, Kiwanis partnered with the Township and Public Safety Department to construct a much-needed, temporary dog shelter in 2024. If you seek to enhance the community and give kids a brighter future, consider attending a Kiwanis meeting on the 2nd or 4th Thursday at 7:00pm at Enders Insurance. Contact Danette Blank at danette@bitnercares.com or 717-512-2394 to connect with Kiwanis.



SPORTS LEAGUES



SUMMER OUTDOOR ADULT RECREATIONAL 6v6 VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

Season: mid May - mid August

Registration dates: March 31 - April 17, 2025

Fees: \$370 Resident team, \$410 NonResident team

Ages: Open to adults (or high school groups with adult leader)

Game Location: Koons Park

WINTER VOLLEYBALL REGISTRATION FOR 6V6

Season: mid October - March 2026

Registration dates: September 2 - 12, 2025

Fees: \$625 Resident team, \$665 NonResident team

Ages: Open to adults (or high school groups with adult leader)

Game Location: DCTS - Dauphin County Technical School

Register:



bit.ly/LPvolleyball



COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

FITNESS CLASSES

Location: Municipal Center

- Pilates w/ Yvonne – Mon. & Wed. 9:30am
- Yogalates Combo w/ Terri – Tue. & Thur. 4:30pm

Location: Outdoors at Heroes Grove (rain location MC multipurpose rooms)

- Step w/ Sunny – Mon. & Wed. 8:30am
- Beginner Yoga w/ Sharon – Tue. 10:00am
- Mixed Level Yoga w/ Sharon – Thur. 9:00am

Drop-ins welcome!

Fee: Yogalates Combo \$12; All other classes \$10

Pre-register for these classes here:

bit.ly/LPregistrationfitness



Register:



SATURDAY GARDEN CHATS WITH A MASTER GARDENER

The Master Gardener Program of



PennState Extension

10:00-11:00am, Free to all



May 3: Stray Winds Park pavilion

Transplanting, Insect Identification, and Native vs. Non-native Plants

- Integrated Pest Management speaker Cindy Sproat
- Transplanting potted plants
- How to move house plants outside
- Splitting perennials



June 7: Kohl Park pavilion

All Things Roses and Mulching Dos and Don'ts

- Rose expert speaker Sharon Sowers

July 12: Kings Crossing Park pavilion

How and When to Water and Weeding 101

- Watering – how to and how often
- Staying on top of weeding
- Fertilizing flowering annuals

August 2: Koons Park pavilion

Planning Fall Gardens and Building a Compost Heap

- Selecting and arranging plants and bulbs
- Planning and building a compost heap

Register:



bit.ly/MGChats



PAINT IN THE PARK

Brightbill Park Pavilion

August 3, 2:00-5:00pm

Join the staff of Color Me Mine for an exciting afternoon of pottery painting in the park! Paint an ice cream bowl and enjoy a complimentary ice cream treat.

Residents: \$28, NonResidents: \$33

Registration: bit.ly/YouthFun

Ice Cream provided by:

Color Me Mine
POTTERY PAINTING

HOOP SKILLS

Instructional program focused on basketball basics with mini-games.

Fridays, 6:00–7:00pm

June 6–July 18

Brightbill Park Basketball Court #2

Ages 5–7 at start of program

Residents: \$85,

NonResidents: \$100

(t-shirt included)

Registration: bit.ly/YouthFun



SAVE THE DATE

Hoop Skills Fall Session

Wednesdays, 6:00–7:00pm

August 20–Sept 24

WEST COAST SWING

Participants are invited to join two social dance events in May at no cost. Try out a FREE class on May 1st. No partner needed.

Thursdays May 8, 15, 22, & 29

6:30–7:30pm

Heroes Grove

(rain location MC multipurpose rooms)

Early bird through April 10th

\$50 Resident, \$60 NonResident

After April 10th

\$60 Resident, \$70 NonResident

Ages 16+ (minors must be accompanied by an adult)

Pre-register for these classes here:

bit.ly/LPTprograms

Lessons by:



POT LUCK PLANT SWAP

May 10, 11:00am – 1:00pm

Location: Community Gardens
5905 Haverford Rd.

Interested gardeners in the area are welcome to exchange a plant they bring for a plant to take home.



SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

starts 4/21/25 and remains open for the full 10 weeks of the program.

bit.ly/LPsummercamp



GET INVOLVED

V.I.P. - VOLUNTEERS IN PARKS

Park Clean Up: 1st Sunday of every month from 8:00–9:00am starting April 7.

All ages welcome to help keep our parks beautiful! Supplies provided.

Register:



bit.ly/LowerPaxtonVIP

Trail Maintenance:

4th Saturday of every month from 9:00–11:00am starting March 22. Work with the Lower Paxton Greenway Committee to keep our local trails clear of litter and debris.

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS



..... Brightbill Basketball League Sponsors



Summer Camp Title Sponsor
Night Out for Public Safety Patron
Kite Festival Music/DJ

Volunteer Appreciation Title Sponsor
Summer Camp Special Activity



Summer Camp Treat
Brightbill League Supplies



Summer Camp Supplies
& Snack Sponsor

..... 2024



Fall Fest
Title Sponsor



Fall Fest
Platinum Sponsor



Fall Fest
Platinum Sponsor



Fall Fest
Platinum Sponsor



Fall Fest
Gold Sponsor



Fall Fest
Gold Sponsor

AROUND THE TOWNSHIP



Independence Weekend Family Celebration
Dauphin HEROES GROVE Center

Saturday, July 5, 2025
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Brightbill Park

SALUTE TO THE FLAG CEREMONY
VETERANS, SCOUTS
HISTORICAL DEMONSTRATIONS AND REENACTORS
CHILDREN'S CRAFTS AND GAMES
COMMUNITY PICNIC WITH FOOD TRUCKS

For more information please visit us online at LoPaxFoundation.com

LOWER PAXTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION **A PROJECT OF THE LOWER PAXTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**



Join us for FREE Pre-K learning workshops for children ages 3-5 who live in the Central Dauphin School District. For information and workshop registration links join our Facebook group www.facebook.com/groups/readysforschoolcd

Until May our workshops will be held in schools or community spaces within the district. Throughout the spring and summer and into the fall we will be meeting at Kings Crossing Park pavilion. Email mgill@cdschools.org or ichauhan@cdschools.org for more info.

Ready for School Ready to Succeed is an initiative partnership between the United Way of the Capital Region, the Capital Area Intermediate Unit and the CD School District.



Sponsored By **SUMMIT** WINE ADVISORS

Food & Beer Pairing followed by
COUNTRY MUSIC POWERHOUSES
BRIDGETTE TATUM & PAULINA JAYNE
Saturday April 5, 2025 @ 5:00PM
The Englewood Hershey
2025 Wine Pairing: The Englewood Hershey

Benefits: Local Scholarships, Community Giving Grants

tickets available at www.rothrockfoundation.org

Presented by **ROTHROCK FOUNDATION**
Rotary Club of Colonial Park

THURSDAY 2:00 PM



CENTRAL DAUPHIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

2025-2026 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION
OPENS FEBRUARY 24

Kindergarten pupils must be five (5) years old before September 1.

NEWS & EVENTS



FALL FESTIVAL

SAVE THE DATE

FREE EVENT

SATURDAY OCTOBER 4
GEORGE PARK
11:00-3:00PM

Rotary Club of Colonial Park