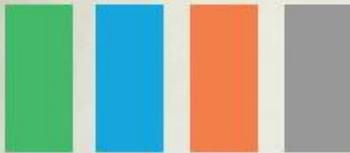

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Easter Egg Hunt 2015

This year's annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on the lawn in front of Memorial Pool on Illick's Mill Road at 10am on Saturday, March 28, 2015.

The annual Easter Egg Hunt is for Bethlehem residents and their children ages 3 through 8. The event will be held rain or shine. For information, call the Recreation office at 610-865-7081. As a reminder to all parents, please do not pick up the candy for your children. There is plenty of candy for everyone!



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YOUTH SPORTS IN BETHLEHEM



For the youth of Bethlehem, there is a wide range of sports organizations. Each youth organization is managed independently from the City of Bethlehem but utilize the City's facilities. Youth athletics are an integral part in child development and help build character later in life.

There are 6 Little Leagues serving Bethlehem. Participants must register with the league that is closest to their residence. The leagues offer baseball and softball and are open to boys and girls ages 5-16. For more information about the league, sign up dates, locations, please contact the individual leagues.

Shoveling the Skateplaza

The City of Bethlehem as a whole has been covered by snow for most of winter. Many of us in the area cannot wait until the weather warms up and the snow is melted. Thanks to a dedicated group of skaters and bikers, organized by Andy Po of Homebase Skateshop, the Skateplaza is open for the Spring weeks before any other city park. Over the weekend of March 7th, for multiple hours each day, these volunteers shoveled and moved snow from the entire Skateplaza. The Skateplaza takes up about a half-acre of land, and in 3 days the Skateplaza was completely clear of snow and open. A big thank you to Andy Po, Homebase Skateshop, and all the volunteers who helped!



CITY LITTLE LEAGUES

City Line Little League

Todd Willman, President
610-295-9711

Lehigh Little League

Gene Ashner 610-691-5234
Keith Ashner 610-390-3286

North Central Little League

TJ Herstich 610-866-8973
tjherstich@gmail.com

North East Little League

Amy Young 610-865-9287
Amy-young723@gmail.com

North West Little League

Mike McGraw 484-554-4321

South Side Little League

Jose Gonzales 610-867-2199

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Sand Island Tennis 2015



Located on Historic Sand Island, the City of Bethlehem's Public Tennis Courts are truly unique – featuring a Clubhouse and Eight Har-Tru (Clay) courts with an underground watering system that ensures consistent play through-out our summer season. Whether you need a few lessons, are a casual player, or enjoy the competitiveness of a league, Sand Island has it all for young and old. Season passes and daily rates are available.

Our 2015 season officially opens on Saturday, May 23. The deadline for signing up for the summer leagues is Friday, May 15th. Junior programs start the week of June 15 with clinics, match play, and travel team. Adult clinics will be Monday & Wednesday evenings. Private lessons and semi-private lessons are also available. Come out and enjoy one of Bethlehem's treasures.

For more information, contact our Tennis Instructor Bob Dragotta nogard5@yahoo.com or call 484-431-3077



Let's Go Swimming

The City of Bethlehem operates 5 public pools so there is a good chance you live near one. With reasonable daily rates and season passes, there is nothing like cooling off in a pool during the dog days of summer. Pool hours and rates vary by location.

Swimming lessons are offered for pre-school (ages 4-5) youth (6-up) in a group format. Adult, semi-private, and private lessons are also available based on interest. Class sizes are limited, so registrations are on a first come, first serve basis.



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Fun in the Summer Sun

The City of Bethlehem's Annual Summer Day Camp will continue this summer at the Ice Rink on Illick's Mill Road. The Camp is for boys and girls ages 7-12 and will run Monday through Friday from 10AM to 3PM. There are four 2-week sessions which begin June 15th. The cost is \$175 per session. Activities include swimming, arts & crafts, sports, games, & special events. Children must bring their own lunch. Swimming lessons at Memorial Pool are also part of the daily activities. Our free supervised playground program runs from June 15 to July 31 which is held at various parks throughout the city.

Also continuing this summer will be the Movies in the Park series which will feature 6 movies, once a week at different parks throughout the city. A schedule will be out in the Spring. When summer vacation starts, look for the week long Adventure Camp for youth ages 13-15 which includes biking, rock climbing, and more. For more information, dates, and availability, please call the Recreation Office at 610-865-7081 or visit our website: www.bethlehem-pa.gov/parks

Wildlands Conservancy: Summer Camp 2015 - Monocacy Park

We have partnered with Wildlands Conservancy to help bring their sought-after summer camps to Monocacy Park in Bethlehem! There are 3 weeks of outdoor fun, education and adventure for explorers entering kindergarten through grades 6+.

Sessions are as follows: June 22 - June 26, July 20 - July 24, and August 17 - August 21

HALF DAY

Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - NOON or 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Snack provided

Fee: \$159 (\$143.10 before May 1)

FULL DAY

Monday - Friday

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Send a non-perishable lunch

Fee: \$259 (\$233.10 before May 1)



Extended Camp Hours are available before and after camp. Please contact Maureen Ruhe, Director of Education Administration, at 610.965.4397, X136 or mruhe@wildlandspa.org for more information.

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Charles A. Brown Ice House

Pennsylvania Youth Theatre

The Velveteen Rabbit

This timeless children's tale comes to life with a colorful array of characters. A young boy, James, receives a stuffed rabbit as a Christmas gift. Initially snubbed by the other toys and ignored by James, the rabbit lies untouched, unloved and unanimated by James' imagination. But slowly he becomes James' loyal companion: coming gloriously alive as together they trek through the wilderness in snow storms, eat marshmallows by a camp fire and have pillow fights. When James becomes gravely ill, the Velveteen rabbit gives him pure love, and the boy is healed.

3/20 - 7:00 PM 3/21 - 1:00 & 4:00 PM
3/22 - 2:00 PM 3/27 - 7:00 PM
3/28 - 1:00 & 4:00 PM 3/29 - 2:00 PM

Narnia: The Musical

The first and most famous story of The Chronicles of Narnia has become a musical presentation of this unique, enchanted world filled with creatures and spirits of myth and fable, both good and evil, demonic and transcendent. The principal inhabitants, however, are the intelligent talking animals ruled by the majestic King Aslan, the great lion of Narnia. Though Aslan is often absent from the land (so that his very existence is doubted by some), he returns when the need for him is greatest.

5/08 - 7:00 PM 5/9 - 1:00 & 5:00 PM
5/10 - 2:00 PM 5/15 - 7:00 PM
5/16 - 1:00 & 5:00 PM 5/17 - 2:00 PM

Facility Rental

The Charles A. Brown Ice House is an indoor facility that can host birthday parties, dance showcases, performing arts, and other special events. There are a variety of athletic fields available for rent, including soccer, rugby, softball and lacrosse. The Bethlehem Rose Garden is available for rental for weddings, pictures, and special events. For more information, costs, and availability, please contact the Parks and Recreation office at 610-865-7081.



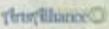
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<p>October 25 Sarah Carlson / DanceLink The Unbelievable Beauty of Being Human</p> <p>November 8 Southside Film Greasepoint / Peter Piper the Balloon Meister</p> <p>December 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21 Pennsylvania Youth Theatre Christmas City's Holiday Spectacular</p> <p>January 17 Trotter City All Stars / Voir Voir A Night of Reggae and Rock and Roll</p> <p>January 23 George Hrab Occasional Songs for the Periodic Table</p> <p>February 7 The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts Berett Concert</p> <p>February 20, 21, 22 Crowded Kitchen Players An Original Adaptation of A.E. Housman's 'A Shropshire Lad'</p> <p>March 20, 27 Pennsylvania Youth Theatre The Velveteen Rabbit</p>	<p>April 25 Bethlehem Area Public Library "Words That Lift You: A Night of Poetry Hosted by Matt Wolf"</p> <p>May 2 A Night with Singer-Songwriter John Beacher</p> <p>May 8, 9, 15, 16 Pennsylvania Youth Theatre Narnia the Musical</p> <p>May 22, 23, 24 Blue Seaside Theatre A night of provocative, contemporary Irish theatre</p> <p>June 12 Pennsylvania Jazz Collective Spring Scholarship Fundraiser JAM Session</p> <p>June 27 Godfrey Daniels Coffee House presents The Maiden Creek Festival Fundraiser</p> <p>July 18 Bev Conklin Blues Bev Coridin and Friends Celebrating 20 Years</p>
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Information and reservations:
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Pavilions available for your next Party!

The City of Bethlehem offers 6 pavilions available for rent in 3 very different parks. There are two in Saucon Park, which boast plenty of open space, Saucon creek, and a playground. Two are located in South Mountain Park, which is a wooded area and home to an 18 "hole" disc golf course. The remaining two pavilions are located in Monocacy Park where you can enjoy a scenic walk along Monocacy Creek, and is a short distance away from the Bethlehem Municipal Golf Course and Memorial Pool. The City's pavilions are available from April to October, 7am to dark. The pavilions are a perfect place to host a birthday party, family reunion, or even a wedding!

Reservation fees are as follows:

Weekday

Resident: \$75 Non Resident: \$100

Weekend & Holiday

Resident: \$100 Non-Resident: \$150

Pavilions are reserved on a first come, first serve basis. To check pavilion availability, you can call us at 610-865-7081. To reserve a pavilion you can come to the Parks and Recreation Office in City Hall (Rm 506). Payments must be made in full when making the reservations, no refunds.

Reservations can now be made online at <https://www.bethlehem-pa.gov> and click on "My Account" along the top banner which allows you to sign in or create an account.



With the melting snow, the Bethlehem Golf Club will be opening in a few short weeks. To get prepared for the spring, reservations can be made to utilize our indoor hitting area, featuring a FlightScope 3-d Doppler Launch Monitor.

The FlightScope provides real-time data on your swing, club face angle, ball rotation, impact angle, swing plane, distance and a bunch of other golfing terms! Our golf instructors can then tell you what you are doing wrong (or right) and how to fix it to become better just in time for your first outing of 2015!

For more information on the FlightScope, or to inquire about leagues or lessons, call the Pro Shop at 610-691-9393 or email Paul Viola at pviola@bethlehem-pa.gov

Tee times can be made online by visiting our website at: <http://www.bethlehemgc.com/>