

the Village of Westover

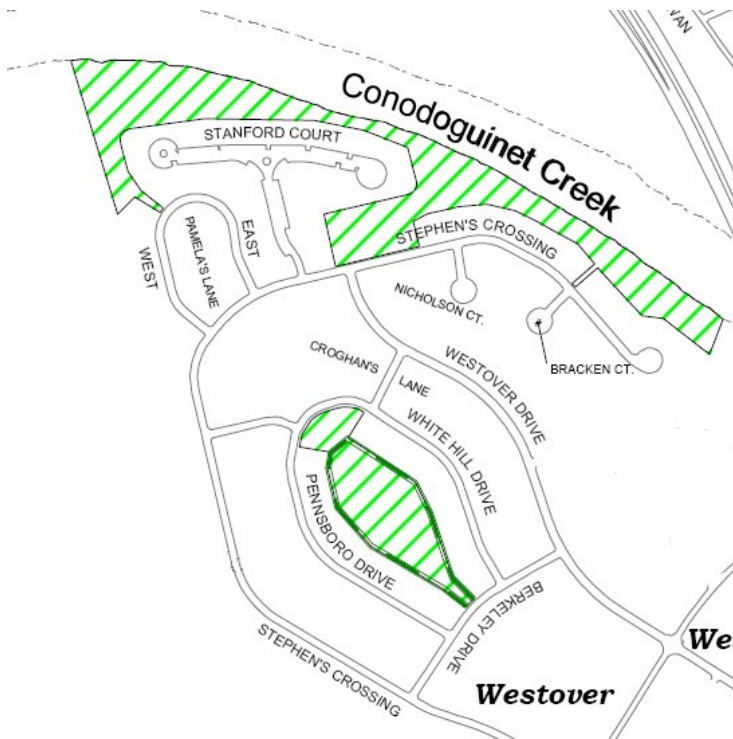


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Common Knowledge

With new families moving in over the past several months, the Civic Association has received inquiries about the Commons. Westover Commons is a 10 acre passive park owned and managed by Hampden Township. It includes what Westover residents often refer to as McCord Commons and the Lower Commons. The Commons is a Westover treasure of undeveloped land that provides a great area for walking along the creek, birdwatching, and leisure use. Amenities include benches, arboretum, trails, and Conodoguinet Creek access. McCord Commons includes a .287 mile paved loop walking path.



Many of our beloved annual activities take place at the Commons. On a given day, you will find someone enjoying the time and space of the Commons—perhaps yourself! Civic Association dues also contribute to the upkeep and maintenance of the Commons above what the Township provides. Volunteer work days are essential in the Spring and Fall to preserve the appeal of the park.

How do you enjoy the Commons? Stay tuned for Civic Association opportunities with projects and plans for updates to the Commons in the future.

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Important Dates

Board Meeting

August 2, 7pm

Good Hope Fire Station

Labor Day

September 3

Grandparents Day

September 9

Suicide Prevention Day

September 10

Westover Women's Club Summer Status

The WWC would like to extend our deepest gratitude for generous contributions to the Care and Share Campaign. Our neighbors responded! With the Care and Share contributions made in the last few months, the WWC was able to support each CV Elementary School with a \$100 wal-mart gift card and a \$500 contribution was made to New Hope Ministries. If you know of a local need that can be met by Care and Share, please contact the WWC treasurer, Denise Sloand at d_sloand@comcast.net or call/text at 717-979-3906.

Women's Club meetings will resume in the Fall. We extend many thanks to our Women's Club volunteers who stepped up to make our events possible in the past year. If you are interested and can't attend meetings, there are still ways to participate! Contact Women's Club at westoverwomen@gmail.com.

Helpful Township Updates

Road Work at Lamb's Gap and Creekview Roads

Improvement work to this intersection will continue through July. The work is required by PennDOT as a result of a traffic study that was completed in conjunction with construction of the Cumberland Valley School District's new middle and elementary schools. Intersection improvements include the widening of the roads in the area of the intersection, addition of two right turn lanes, and installation of new signals to correspond with the new lanes. Also, final design of the signalization of the 581/Creekview Road interchange is underway with the project expected to commence in November 2018 with completion in 2019. This project is being led by PennDOT.

Black Fly and Mosquito Spraying

Residents are advised that black fly (gnat) and mosquito spraying programs are conducted by the County and the Commonwealth with funding coming from those two entities. The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection reports having sprayed for gnats along the Susquehanna River and Conodoguinet Creek and reports that additional spraying will occur as weather and funding permits. [More information on these efforts and precautionary measures can be found here on the Hampden Township website.](#)

Public Invited To Participate In Joint Land Use Study Meeting – July 31

Hampden Township and the Naval Supply Activity Mechanicsburg invite the public to participate in a Joint Land Use Study planning meeting on July 31 at 7 p.m. to be held at the Hampden Township Municipal Building. What is a Joint Land Use Study? It is a cooperative land use planning effort between Hampden Township and the Naval Support Activity funded by a Federal grant. The Joint Land Use Study can directly benefit both Hampden Township and the Naval Support Activity by: 1) preserving long-term land use compatibility between Hampden and the Naval Support Activity; 2) promoting sound community planning and; 3) encouraging cooperation between the military installation and the local community. [Additional details about the public meeting can be found here.](#)



What's New in Westover

On the Website

The Directory has been up and running for several months and we appreciate your feedback. The Directory is only accessible to verified Civic Association members via the Village of Westover website. Please let us know if you have corrections, updates, or suggestions for the Directory. We periodically publish updates to the website when we are notified of new neighbors or changes in contact information.

On Nextdoor

Nextdoor is a voluntary social network with over 200 neighbors online. The Civic Association does not endorse or maintain neighborhood posts on this app. It can be a helpful way to find recommended businesses or services and share relevant information quickly with other members. Sometimes we get requests for babysitters or snow shovelers in Westover and the Civic Association does not keep such lists. Visit www.nextdoor.com to see if this social network could be useful for you. You will need to verify your address to participate.

Remember you can select to follow only Westover in addition to other local neighborhoods. Carefully select who you want to see your post before you hit the send button! Your post may not need to be read by all 40+ nearby communities and you may solicit unnecessary responses by posting to more than you intended.

Nextdoor uses advertisements and there are guidelines for business or personal solicitation. Please read the Community Guidelines to inform any personal posts if you have questions. The Westover Civic Association does not manage this social media app or its content.

We Need Your Help– Consider Joining the Board!

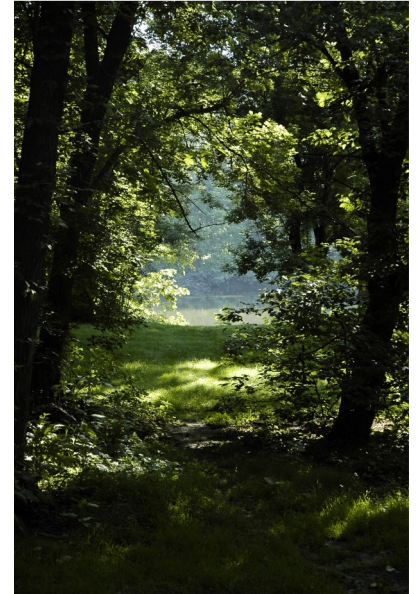
Volunteer organizations such as Civic Association benefit most from member involvement. Board meeting attendance has been low and we need members to attend to conduct normal business operations at our quarterly meetings. Send us your ideas for newsletter articles! Let us know you want to coordinate or host a special interest event in the neighborhood! We welcome communication and feedback at westover@villageofwestover.org. Please visit the Membership section of the website or use the PayPal link on the website to pay your dues.



Enjoy these photos of McCord Commons and the Lower Commons. You can see more Westover photos through the years on the website, www.villageofwestover.org.

Get a snap or photo in Westover you want to share? Sent it to us at westover@villageofwestover.org and you may see it featured in a future newsletter!

The photos at top right and far right are of the Lower Commons. Did you know the Commons is featured as a stop on the Conodoguinet Creek Water Trail? [See the Trail map here via the Cumberland County website.](#)



Westover Mailbag

Dear Westover Civic Association,

Q: I am writing to share someone's kindness in Westover. I was walking with my dog and a stroller in the heat and a passerby stopped to see if I was okay because my dog plopped in the grass. She does this occasionally as some others with dogs may relate. While we were fine, it was so nice to see that others notice and care about each other. We are often in our own little worlds and I appreciated this part of our walk.

A: No answer required! Thanks so much for sharing. Hopefully we all pay it forward and continue to know Westover as a caring community. Remember to take care in the heat, especially with young children, older adults, and pets!



Westover Willie

Dear Westover Willie,

Q: Did you make it the Spring Picnic? It was so much fun! The weather was perfect and the food was delicious. I even got an owl balloon made to look like you!

A: I sure did! Steve and Amanda Crosby and all the volunteers who help including Women's Club do a great job planning the Spring Picnic and I would not miss it! I saw your balloon and had a chuckle. It seems like everyone gathers in the shade to relax and catch up and I don't blame them! See you around in the Commons!



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Cumberland Valley School District	717-697-8261
District Justice	717-697-2201
Fredricksen Library	717-761-3900
Hampden Township	717-761-0119
Hampden Pool	717-737-4219
Hampden Recreation Department	717-761-4951
Hampden Township Utility Depart-	717-909-7145
Humane Society	717-564-3320
PA 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	717-737-4822
UGI Gas Utilities Inc	1-800-276-2722
United Water PA	717-564-3662
Verizon Communications	1-800-837-4966
York Waste Disposal (bulk pickup)	1-800-210-9675

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