


**SUSTAINABLE
CHELTENHAM**

NEWSLETTER

March 2014 Special Edition

The Cheltenham Township Environmental Advisory Council

Earth Day 2014 Activities

Saturday, April 26, unless otherwise noted

Nine community groups will commemorate Earth Day with cleanups, plantings, invasive removals and more throughout Cheltenham Township, the first community in Montgomery County to adopt a Sustainability Plan designed to make the township more environmentally friendly and resilient. The activities will be conducted on Saturday, April 26, unless otherwise indicated. Everyone is invited to take part; no registration is needed.

All Sustainable Cheltenham activities fall under the umbrella of the Cheltenham Township Environmental Advisory Council (EAC). For more general Earth Day information, contact EAC Member Barb Duffy at 215-885-1506. Contacts are provided for details about the specific events.

Keswick Underpass

Activity: Cleanup and planting
Meet: Keswick Avenue near Glenside Ave.
Time: 9 am to noon
Bring: Garden gloves and protective clothing
Contact: June Parkinson 215-886-4746
Sponsor: Abington and Cheltenham neighbors

Parkview Park

Activity: Trash and invasive vine cleanup
Meeting Place: Parkview & Front Streets
Time: 9 am to noon
Bring: Garden gloves, protective clothing and loppers
Contact: Doryan De Angel 215-834-7578
Sponsoring Group: Neighbors of Parkview Park

Downtown Glenside

Activity: 1st Annual Downtown Glenside Arts Festival will celebrate Earth Day & Sustainable Cheltenham
Meet: Easton Road (between Glenside Ave. and Waverly Rd.)
Time: Noon to 6 pm
Bring: Friends and Family
Contact: Maureen Haff 215-576-5583
Sponsor: Downtown Business Merchants Association
****Participants get a coupon for a slice of pizza at the festival****

Tookany Creek Parkway War Memorial Cleanup

Activity: Beautification of the War Memorial
Meet: Tookany Parkway & Central Ave
Time: 9 am to Noon
Bring: Gloves, shovels and trowels
Contact: Mike Hoffman 314-308-3536
Sponsoring Group: The Rotary Club of Cheltenham and Rockledge
Rain or shine event

Curtis Arboretum

Activity: Trash and invasive vine cleanup
Meeting Place: Dog Park
Time: 9 am to Noon
Bring: A friend, gloves, and loppers
Contact: Karen Shaffran 215-601-9916
Sponsoring Group: Cedarbrook MS Science classes

Edward Parry Bird Sanctuary

Activity: Small trees and shrubs planting and cleanup
Meeting Place: near Washington Lane Underpass on Glenside Avenue

Time: 9 am to Noon

Bring: gloves, protective clothing-closed shoes, long pants

Contact: Dave McVeigh-Shultz 267-481-3284

Sponsoring Group: Glenside United Church of Christ

Melrose Park Train Station

Activity: Flowerbed cleanup

Meet: Melrose Park Train Station

Time: 10 am to noon

Bring: gardening tools, gloves, kneeling pads, etc.

Contact: Riki Lent rsimone49@aol.com

Sponsoring Group: Melrose Park Neighborhood Association

High School Park (Saturday, April 19 & Tuesday April 22**)**

Activity: Cleanup, plantings and trail work in the park

Meet: garden shed near Montgomery Avenue

Time: 10 a.m. to Noon

Bring: protective clothing- closed shoes, long pants and long-sleeved shirt

Contact: Kevin Reis, 215-782-8082 or

fhsprestorationmanager@gmail.com

Sponsoring Group: Friends of High School Park

Grove Park (Sunday, April 27)

Activity: Creek and garden cleanup, kids' activities, Township recycling truck, popcorn

Meet: Lynwood Ave and Cherry Lane in Glenside

Time: 2 pm to 5 pm

Bring: gloves, boots and garden tools

Contact: Dottie Baumgarten 215-870-5650

Sponsoring Group: Friends of Grove Park

Rain date: Sunday, May 4 (2 pm to 5 pm)

Sustainable Cheltenham Showcase

Part of Arts in the Park featuring Sustainable Cheltenham

Sunday, June 1 from 10AM-5PM (rain date June 8)

High School Park, High School Road & Montgomery Avenue in Elkins Park

This year's Arts in the Park will include a new feature: Sustainable Cheltenham. To help educate and motivate others about ways to live more sustainably, the Cheltenham Township Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) is assembling a Project Showcase for the event to spotlight the sustainable practices of our residents, institutions and businesses. Possible examples include solar water heaters, solar roof panels, geothermal installations, pervious pavements, wildlife habitat-certified gardens, and home bee-

keeping and chicken coops.

If you or anyone you know in the Township has completed such efforts, the EAC invites you to participate in our Sustainable Cheltenham Showcase. Please fill out the [Showcase Form](#) and, if possible, email a photo of the project to scshowcase.form@gmail.com by **May 1, 2014**.

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