

## Abington Twp EAC Public Relations Committee Report – March 11 to April 8, 2014

1. EAC & Community Events to support – need to decide and support events listed in table below. Cakky and Jenn each have an EAC banner. Jenn picked up supplies from PennDOT, so let her know what cleanup supplies you need (see website tips).
2. Community partnerships
  - A. RCMA, MBS: RBTT project has ended. Final reports and accounting need closeout.
  - B. McKinley Civic Association: Jenn attended 4/3 meeting and announced events.
  - ~~B-C.~~ STC: bare root trees from PHS will arrive 4/26. Jenn ordered 4 serviceberry trees to replace dead trees. EAC will support 4/26 Arbor Day event: Grove Park and Baxter Dog Park cleanup, EAC table, and rain barrel demonstration (Jenn, Sue, Michele).
  - ~~C-D.~~ ACT: Annual fundraiser dinner is April 24 5:30, please consider supporting since Jenn will be receiving a community volunteer award. EAC needs to vote on an ad in the booklet. Cakky is collecting canned goods at events for the ACT food drive.
  - ~~D-E.~~ Redeemer Valley Community Garden growing season activities have resumed. Jenn is supporting.
3. School partnerships:
  - A. ASHS H2O Club “Walk for Water” on 3/22: Cakky, Jenn & Michele hosted an EAC table, with rain barrels, bean barrel toss game and environmental info, and gave out fliers.
  - B. Earth Day Cleanup events were listed in the April issue of the ASHS Service Station newsletter. The deadline for the May issue is 4/15.
  - C. AJHS Green Thumbs Club would like to replace at least one dead tree that students planted a few years ago (see 3B). Christina Rooney is seeking approval for replacing the tree.
  - D. Jenn is supporting.
  - E. Mary Brucker obtained dates and costs for ASD elementary school spring fairs. Most are charging a fee this year, and the EAC does not have enough funds to attend. The Willow Hill Resource Night is free; a volunteer is needed to support.
  - F. McKinley Elementary Garden is holding sessions every Thursday, Jenn is supporting. BBNC hosted a walk with Commissioner DiPlacido at McKinley Elementary on 3/22, Jenn gave a tour of the school garden.
  - G. ASD has an excess of wood chips available if anyone needs them for a project.
4. Public space project maintenance
  - A. Montgomery Award tree at Rubicam Park will need replacement in the spring (see 3B).
  - B. Adele Block’s honorary tree at ASD needs replacement (see 3B). Cathy Gauthier will lead effort and has approval from ASD’s Stephen Saile.
5. Social Media
  - A. EAC newsletter & flier: Cakky sent out an e-newsletter on 3/21. She created flyers and placed at twp locations. Jenn sent the flier to TTFWP to hand out at their 3/29 rain barrel workshop with Jenkintown EAC.
  - B. Website: needs engaging content, photos & project updates; please send content to Jenn.
  - C. Facebook: Would someone please add the cleanups as events? FB needs engaging content and photos; please post or send content to one of the FB administrators (Cakky, Jenn, Sue).
  - D. Press: -
6. Township spring newsletter: Cakky and Jenn sent items to Dolores Downs on 3/12.

Respectfully submitted,

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April 8, 2014

Upcoming events and meetings

\* EAC support needed. \*\*Does EAC want to support? (each person listed will need to check the agendas)

<u>Events</u>	<u>Meetings</u>
4/7-11 AT Trash cleanout week 4/12 9:00-12:00 AT Paper Shredding event CE, AS 4/12 9:00-12:00 Karebrook Park AW, CS, JSh 4/12 10:00-1:00 Roychester Park JSo, JW, BSA 72 4/12 11:00-2:00 Baederwood Park cleanup – L.Crossette, JSh 4/18 TBD Baederwood Park cleanup – Girlscouts, SM 4/24 5:30-8:00, ACT dinner CE JSh MK 4/26 9:00-10:30 BBNC walk w/ Commissioner Sanchez at Rydal Park** 4/26 9:00-12:00 Keswick Ave Underpass cleanup JP, JSh 4/26 12:00-3:00 STC Arbor Day,* EAC table, 12:00-2:00 Grove Park cleanup, 1:00 RB demo JSh, SM, MK 4/27 TBD Plant trees* JSh, AS, JSo, CG 4/27 2:00-5:00 Hollowell Park AS, STC 4/27 2:00-4:00 Roychester Park cleanup* with GSTroop 71540 4/27 1:00-4:00 Briar Bush Earth Fest ** 4/29 7:00-8:00 pm Green Your Yard* CE JSh, STC  5/3 9:00-12:00 Ardsley Wildlife Sanctuary * GUCC 5/4 9:00-11:00 Triangle Garden, II, JSh 5/10 8:00-10:00 Roslyn Park CE, JSh 5/17 BBNC walk with Commissioner Jones at Alverthorpe Park** 5/23 ASHS Service Day** JSh Crosswicks? CE rain barrels? 5/31 10:00-11:00 EAC Rain Barrel workshop* CE, JS 6/7 BBNC walk with Commissioner Markman at Crosswicks Audubon Sanctuary** <a href="#">7/1-7/31 EAC cabinet display* at Abington Library JSh, II</a> <a href="#">7/22 7:00-8:00 pm Rain Barrel Workshop at Abington Library JSh</a>	?? Hollowell Park meetings* AS April BOC JSh April Zoning** CE April Planning** SM April Public Works & Code** JSo May Public Affairs & Public Safety** MK May BOC ** JSh 5/3 EAC Network Conference* JSh



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