

MPNA News

The Melrose Park Neighbors Association

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From MPNA President – Andy Rudin
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Ian Thomas

John and Linda Thomas' only child died suddenly on Monday, February 14th. Ian Thomas (who is a graduate of Cheltenham High School) was at the college he attended - the University Missouri. He was a senior and anticipated graduating this spring. Apparently, Ian died unexpectedly of natural causes after being taken to the emergency room.

A memorial service will be on Saturday, March 12th at Philadelphia First Church of the Brethren, 8707 W. Cheltenham Avenue, Wyndmoor, PA 19038. At 10:00 the church will be open for friends and relatives to offer condolences to the family. At 11:00 there will be a memorial in the church sanctuary. A reception with light fare will be held in the church social hall directly after the service. MPNA

Cheltenham Township Accepts Ads for Calendar

Local businesses can promote their goods and services to local customers by advertising in Cheltenham Township's 2011-12 Annual Report and Calendar. The 36-page publication is mailed to approximately 14,000 residences and businesses in June, distributed via libraries and community centers, and sent to all homebuyers throughout the year. Residents refer to it throughout the year for its wealth of information, including a complete list of township events, meetings, school closings and municipal program guidelines. The township's [website](#) features the current edition of the publication.

Ad prices range from \$175 for a business-card size ad to \$600 for a 7" x 4" ad. The submission deadline is Monday, April 18. This is a unique opportunity to advertise specifically to Cheltenham Township consumers. For complete information, contact the Cheltenham Township [Public Information Office](#) at 215-887-6200, ext. 230. MPNA

Environmental Education Programs in Cheltenham

Cheltenham Township's Parks and Recreation Department is offering a variety of new environmental education programs for adults, kids and families. Registration for all events is available from 9:00 a.m. to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the La Mott Community Center, 7420 Sycamore Avenue in La Mott, and the Rowland Community, 400 Myrtle Avenue in Cheltenham.

• **Integrated Pest Management for Adults**, for ages 15 and older, emphasizes environmentally-friendly ways to control garden and home pests on Sunday, March 20 from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the La Mott Community Center. Register by March 16. Fee: \$15 per person.

• **Water Conservation for Kids**, for grades 3 and over, includes practicing water-saving techniques on Sunday, April 10 from 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the La Mott Community Center. Register by April 6. Fee: \$10 per person.

* **Woods Walk for Families**, for ages 5 and older, describes the stories of animals that live in the woods and includes a scavenger hunt and games from 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 1 at High School Park, High School Road and Montgomery Avenue in Elkins Park. Register in advance or at the event. Fee: \$10 per person.

* **Grove Park Programs**, for kindergarten to grade 3, offers separate sessions exploring Grove Park, on Lynnewood Avenue near Cherry Lane in Glenside, on four Tuesdays in April from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Register in advance or at the events. Fee for each session: \$10 per person.

- April 5 - Where Are the Animals?
- April 12 - Where Are the Birds and What Are They Doing?
- April 19 - Who Lives in or by the Creek?
- April 26 - Tree, Bushes, Flowers and Grasses at Grove Park.

For more information, contact Cheltenham Township Recreation Superintendent [Brian Hinson](#) at 215-885-0496.

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You're Invited to Our Launch Party!

Pot-Luck Banquet+Fun+Family+Music+Action Groups

This Sunday, March 13 4 - 8 PM

Cheltenham High School

500 Rices Mill Road

Wyncote, PA 19095

More Information: www.transitioncheltenham.org/launch

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This Newsletter

If you have any suggestions for items for this newsletter, feel free to email them to me at andrewrudin@earthlink.net

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MPNA memberships

Membership in MPNA helps pay for plantings, signage, and many other things. Annual dues are \$10 per individual, \$20 per household. Send your contribution to MPNA Board member Jim Muldoon, 106 Parkview Road, Cheltenham, PA 19012. The membership cycle is the calendar year.

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Members of the MPNA Board are Andrew Rudin, Phil Kates, Michael Shectman, Jim Muldoon, Debbie Posmontier and Albert Fried-Cassorla. If you are interested in helping out with MPNA, please email me atandrewrudin@earthlink.net. This newsletter is available or will be soon on our website – www.melroseparkneighbors.org

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