



# WEST CHESTER GREEN TEAM NEWS

April 2026

*Mission: The West Chester Green Team is a civic organization in West Chester, PA, that works to educate the local public and to establish and nourish green initiatives in the community in harmony with nature and each other, promoting the health of all living things and of planet Earth.*

## Inside:

Our biggest issue ever! Earth Day events, Porchfest, Garden Tour, Gardening opportunities, More on the Goose Creek spill, Pesticides, so much more we can't list it all here!



# WCGT Calendar of Upcoming Events

## When – What – Where.



**April 5:** Easter Sunday for those celebrating.

**April 22:** Earth Day

**April 22:** Green Team's own Margaret Hudgings and Molly Hanford speak at WCU on **Porchfest and Sustainability**. 12:00-12:50, more details on page 4.

**April 25: Green Team's Earth Day Celebration.** Various locations around West Chester. See details beginning on page 5

For details on other April and later events, see listings beginning page 3. Also see more events at <https://wcgreenteam.com> and countywide events at <https://chescoenvt.org>.

Related groups and committees (please check online before attending, especially on or near a holiday):

**4th Monday of every month: East Bradford Environmental Advisory Council (EAC)**, 7 – 8:30pm, East Bradford Township Bldg, 676 Copeland School Rd.

**4th Monday of every month: East Goshen Sustainability Advisory Committee**, 7 – 8:30pm, East Goshen Township Bldg, 1580 Paoli Pike

**4th Tuesday of every month: West Goshen Sustainability Advisory Committee**, 6 – 8 pm, West Goshen Township Bldg., 1025 Paoli Pike

**4th Tuesday of every month: Westtown Environmental Advisory Council**, 7 – 8:30pm, Westtown Township Bldg., 1039 Wilmington Pike (Rt. 202)

**4th Thursday of every month: West Chester Sustainability Advisory Committee**, 6:30 – 8 pm, Room 240, Borough Hall, 401 E. Gay St.

Be sure to visit our Web site at <https://wcgreenteam.com/> and our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/WCGTeam/> (all are welcome to post environment- and sustainability-related items there). If you wish to support our work, please donate here: <https://wcgreenteam.com/contact-2/>

**NOTE: Deadline for the May 2026 issue is April 30! We welcome contributions and suggestions from our readers for possible inclusion in a future issue. E-mail your ideas to Dianne Walsh at [LDwalsh318@gmail.com](mailto:LDwalsh318@gmail.com).**

## ***This and That: More Coming Attractions***

**April 18th (April 19 rain date):** Marshall Square Park Spring Cleanup, 8:30am-noon.

Be part of this year's Marshall Square Park Cleanup Crew by giving your park a couple of hours picking up sticks, spreading mulch, and keeping it safe, beautiful and healthy. Kids are welcome to come with their parents, too! Coffee, donuts, and water will be available at the gazebo!

Please Register below if you are planning to help! Let us know in your registration if or what tools you could bring.

'Light Rain' or shine, check in either with Roger Lacy near the corner of N Marshall and E Matlack, or with Jordan Norley near the corner of N Franklin and E Biddle.

(Rain date - if heavy rain is forecast, we will push it back a day to Sunday April 19, and let you know as soon as practical by email .) Thank you and see you soon!

[Register](#)

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**April 20:** 4<sup>th</sup> annual Zero Waste Summit at WCU

**FOURTH ANNUAL**  
**ZERO WASTE SUMMIT**

**WCU WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY SUSTAINABILITY**

**Join us for...**

- ✓ Snacks
- ✓ DIYs and giveaways
- ✓ Student presentations
- ✓ Clothing thrifts
- ✓ Free lamp repair by Downingtown Repair Cafe!

**April 20th**  
11am-1pm  
Sykes Balrooms

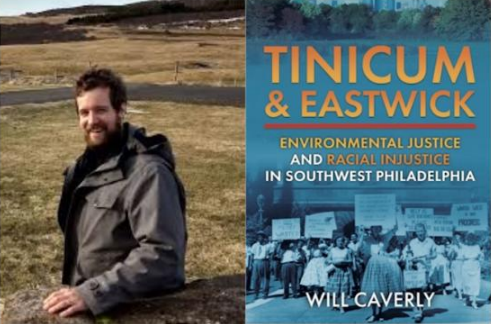
**Take action this Earth Week and learn about campus resources**

**QUESTIONS?** Email [sustainability@wcupa.edu](mailto:sustainability@wcupa.edu)

**April 22:** Green Team's own Margaret Hudgings and Molly Hanford will be speaking at WCU on **Porchfest and Sustainability**. Wednesday, April 22, 12:00-12:50, Rm 255, Sykes Student Union or via Zoom, Meeting ID 95413261652, passcode 880242.

**April 23:** Will Caverly, author of *Tinicum & Eastwick: Environmental Justice and Racial Injustice in Southwest Philadelphia* (<https://www.brooklinebooks.com/9781955041140/tinicum-and-eastwick/>) will present an evening lecture at WCU. The book is a history of urban planning and environment in the city's formerly rural southwest. The Eastwick neighborhood was subject to a brutal urban renewal/slum clearance project. This project also threatened what would later become the Heinz Refuge, the last portion of (relatively) unspoiled tidal marshlands in SW Philly. The book follows two grassroots movements that formed in response - one to save the homes of humans, the other to save the homes of birds.

A LECTURE AND Q&A WITH  
**WILL CAVERLY**  
AUTHOR OF *TINICUM & EASTWICK: ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND RACIAL INJUSTICE IN SOUTHWEST PHILADELPHIA*



THURSDAY  
APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup>  
6:30-8:00PM  
BUSINESS AND PUBLIC  
MANAGEMENT CENTER  
ROOM 116

CO-SPONSORED BY THE WCU  
DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY  
AND PLANNING AND THE  
OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY

QUESTIONS? EMAIL  
SUSTAINABILITY@WCUPA.EDU

**April 23:** West Chester Garden Club Annual Flower Show, 12-4 PM, East Goshen Township Bldg., 1580 Paoli Pike, West Chester.

By the way, The WC Garden Club won a Blue Ribbon at the Philadelphia Flower Show this year!



The West Chester Garden Club  
Presents  
Its Annual Flower Show  
**“Spotlight on Natives”**  
Displays in horticulture, floral designs  
and photography

**April 23, 2026 12-4 PM**  
East Goshen Township Building  
1580 Paoli Pike, West Chester

**The Public is Welcome!**



## April 25: Everhart Park Clean-up, 9:00AM—12 noon

Help us keep our community beautiful by volunteering for our park clean up event. Everyone is welcome—bring your friends and family!

- Date: Saturday, April 25, 2026
- Time: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Meet at the Children's Cottage near children's entrance and playground off West Union Street
- Location: Everhart Park – West Chester
- What to Bring: Gloves, comfortable clothing and shoes. If you bring a tool, please label it.

Together, we can create a cleaner, safer environment for everyone. For more information or to sign up, please contact us at [friendsofeverhartpark@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofeverhartpark@gmail.com).



## April 25: Earth Day Celebration!



Please join us (and people around the world) in celebrating the 57th Earth Day on Saturday April 25! We offer you:

- 2pm: Show your commitment to Earth on our march beginning at West Chester Friends School, 415 N. High St. Bring your own signs or use ours. The march stops to rally and hear from speakers outside Uptown Knauer Performing Arts and at the Courthouse Corner and ends at the United Methodist Church at 129 S High St. by 3:30pm.
- 2pm: Wellness Fair at the United Methodist Church, 129 S High St., ending at 4pm.
- 3:30pm: A jazz trio will perform at Holy Trinity Church, 212 S. High St., ending in time for dinner.
- 5pm: Dinner served at 129 S High St. If you have free time before that, enjoy West Chester's amenities or help us set up the tables and chairs for dinner! *Suggested freewill offering for dinner: \$20 adults, \$5 youths. Please donate by April 20 by using the QR code or clicking [here](#).*

**Parking note:** You can park in the Friends School lots off High St. or Marshall St., or on the street in that neighborhood (check signs but should not be a problem on a Saturday eve). Carpooling desirable! You can leave your car there till after dinner, or retrieve and move it before dinner. Or, park at one of the public parking facilities in downtown West Chester. There is a public lot next to the Methodist Church and a few free spots are available in front of the church. A block south, there are a few free spots in front of the Baptist Church. Holy Trinity Church has its own lot, also.



Be advised that you can park in West Chester free on Saturdays **UNTIL 5:00PM** (parking garages excepted; you must pay all day if using those). After 5:00 you must pay to park, even if you were in your spot before 5:00. A parking kiosk is now in place in the lot next to the Methodist church and that may be easier to use than the current parking app (Flowbird).

# OUR POWER, OUR PLANET

Come Celebrate **EARTH DAY** with the West Chester Community



**WELLNESS Fair**  
at United Methodist  
Church 129 S High St  
2:00 – 4:00pm  
Learn about acupuncture,  
healthy eating, & tai chi.  
Explore meditation &  
essentials of forest bathing.  
Hear the borough's  
Sustainability Advisory  
Committee explaining what  
they are doing to make our  
lives healthier.  
Snacks by WC Co-op. Free



Office of Sustainability

## POWER DINNER

5:00 United Methodist Church  
129 S High St

Presentations, Awards, International  
Foods, Dinner & Sweets

Vegetarian options, sushi, salads & mains by Kim  
Stack of 3 Little Pigs & Mistral, French & Fast.  
Bread by La Baguette Magique & Cake by  
The Master's Baker.

Program honors environmental leaders & a  
reading of Mohawk Thanksgiving, praising the  
Earth on Earth Day

All Welcome Suggested free will  
donation \$20 Adults / \$5 Youth



## Our Power, Our Planet MARCH

Begin 2:00 pm WC Friends  
424 N High St  
Bring a sign or use one of  
ours - 1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> served  
Speakers, chants, and a  
community march.  
Strong turnout builds  
momentum.  
Prizes for creative signs &  
hats

Special thank you to the  
United Methodist Church of  
West Chester,  
to Holy Trinity Episcopal  
Church and to Westtown  
Meeting, Society of Friends  
for co sponsorship.

Cosponsored by the West Chester Green Team; West Chester University Office of Sustainability, and Westtown Meeting, Society of Friends

## BEAUTY of the EARTH CONCERT

Join the West Chester Community for Earth Day  
featuring: the **Connor Petula Jazz Quartet**



From left to right: Connor Petula, Connor Landis, Jordan Colucci, and Ryan Cairns



April 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm  
at Holy Trinity Church 212 S High St.  
West Chester, PA 19382

The Concert is a Free Event  
All are Welcome

Join us for Dinner afterwards at 5:00pm  
United Methodist Church 129 S. High



Special thank you to the United Methodist Church of West Chester, to Holy Trinity Episcopal Church and to Westtown Friends Meeting, Society of Friends for co-sponsorship

Songs will include: This I Dig Of You (Hank Mobley), Wave (Antonio Carlos Jobim) , How Deep Is The Ocean? (Irving Berlin), Days Of Wine and Roses (Henry Mancini), What A Wonderful World (Bob Thiel / George David Weiss), Joy Spring (Clifford Brown)

## Porchfest: May 16

**Volunteers needed!** If you can help with Porchfest, sign up here:

<https://westchesterporchfest.com/volunteer-with-porchfest/>



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## Reminder: Gardening Help Wanted—Various April Dates!

Let's hope we are now done with winter and looking forward to spring. WCGT will need help again with the following garden cleanup projects:

### Maintenance/ Clean-up dates:

- Prescott Alley Pollinator Garden--Saturday 4/11-**9 AM**
- Justice Center - week of 4/13- @ 4-5 volunteers (time to be determined)
- Chestnut St. Pollinator strip/ Law Alley--4/18-**9 AM**



### Planting:

- Church St. Towers Planting - Saturday May 9 at **9 AM** -- we will be planting and mulching existing beds including 7 containers for the residents. I'll need about 7-8 individuals--estimated time @ 2 hrs. **(See flyer on next page.)**

Please let Chris Pugliese ([chrispugl@gmail.com](mailto:chrispugl@gmail.com)) know if you are available for any of these dates. Much appreciated!

Join West Chester Green Team  
for Gardening at Church Street Towers on May 9



Enjoy the pleasure of gardening with native plants,  
inspired by Doug Tallamy & designed by WCGT VP Chris Pugliese  
Where: Church St. Towers, 222 N. Church St., West Chester, PA. 19382


When: Saturday, May 9 beginning at 9 until Noon  
(anytime you can offer is Welcome!)

RSVP: [mhudgings@gmail.com](mailto:mhudgings@gmail.com) specifying the hours you can plant  
Together we create a healthier, happier, more interconnected community



...and here's what else is happening at WCU:

## SUSTAINABILITY RESEARCH and PRACTICE SEMINAR



Join us every Wednesday at lunchtime – in person or via Zoom – to learn how WCU scholars, staff, and students explore and apply principles of environmental, social, and economic sustainability in their research and practice.  
*Cookies and coffee provided each week!*

**Wednesdays from 12:00 to 12:50 pm in person  
(255 A/B Sykes Student Union) and via Zoom**  
<https://wcupa.zoom.us/j/95413261652>, meeting ID: 954 1326 1652, passcode: 880242

## BIRD WALKS

APRIL 2026



Join us at the entrance to the Gordon Natural Area! Binoculars are provided.

4/11	9:00-10:30AM
4/17	8:30-9:30AM
4/20	BIRDING SOCIAL 7-PM SYKES 010B

All are welcome: WCU students and employees and West Chester community members!

LEARN MORE 



- FEBRUARY 4, 2026**  
**Dr. Casey R. Schmitt**  
*Interdisciplinary Studies and Exploratory Studies*  
Take a Sustainable Climate Perspective from East and Fulbright-Hays
- FEBRUARY 18, 2026**  
**Ashley Boukhari**  
*Environmental Psychology '27*  
**Lisa Smart**  
*Wildlife Action Network*  
Analysis of Reusable Biodegradable Go Containers
- MARCH 4, 2026**  
**Dr. Ellie Brown**  
*Psychology*  
"Under the Skin": Implications of Sustainability Policy and Practice
- MARCH 11, 2026**  
**Michael Benedict**  
*Art + Design*  
Landscape Painting and Rare Landscapes
- MARCH 18, 2026**  
**Michael Brockman**  
*Midwill Keystone Area*  
Sustainability: People, Perpetuity
- MARCH 25, 2026**  
**Paige Jones, M.Ed. School Counseling '27, Ariel Whaley, M.S. Geography '26, Lea Rubenstein, B.M. Music Education, '27**  
North Campus Bird Walk  
**(Meet in Sykes Lobby, no Zoom for this seminar)**
- APRIL 1, 2026**  
**Dr. Devin Arne**  
*Music Theory, History, and Composition*  
**Silvana Cardell**  
*Creator of TERRA: Bodies + Territories*  
TERRA: Bodies + Territories
- APRIL 8, 2026**  
**Dr. Carlos A. Morales-Ramirez**  
*Geography and Planning*  
Protecting Gentle Giants: Sustainability Challenges in Whale Shark Ecotourism
- APRIL 15, 2026**  
**Dr. Amir Golmohamadi**  
*Nutrition*  
Organic and Non-Organic Foods, Pesticide Residue, and Sustainability
- APRIL 22, 2026**  
**Dr. Margaret Hudgings and Molly Hanford**  
*West Chester Green Team*  
West Chester Porchfest and Sustainability
- APRIL 29, 2026**  
**Dan Spracklin**  
*Founder and CEO, SoMax*  
Transforming Waste into Resources: An introduction to Hydrothermal Carbonization  
**(For this date only, meet in Sykes 210)**

For more information, visit [wcupa.edu/sustainability](http://wcupa.edu/sustainability) or write to [sustainability@wcupa.edu](mailto:sustainability@wcupa.edu)

## June 6: Garden Tour, 10 AM 'til noon

The Green Team traditionally holds a garden event in June. This year our Vice President, landscape designer Chris Pugliese, has set up an exciting opportunity to visit the personal gardens of Donald Pell Gardens, a design-build landscape company located half an hour's drive north of West Chester, near Phoenixville. This event is free to all. (Photos illustrate some of the Pell gardens.)

If interested, please email [nathanielbsmith@earthlink.net](mailto:nathanielbsmith@earthlink.net) to sign up and receive driving instructions. We expect 10-15 participants and will facilitate car-pooling.

To see more information about gardens [here](#), including links to past tours and videos of local gardens. For our 2025 tour, see [here](#).



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## Shapiro Administration Helps Pennsylvanians Replace Invasive Plants with Native Species for Free

Pennsylvanians can replace up to three invasive trees and shrubs with native species for free through the statewide Pennsylvania Invasive Replace-ive Program.

In 2025, Pennsylvanians replaced more than 1,300 invasive plants with native species.

For more information on this program including where plants may be picked up, see:



<https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dcnr/newsroom/shapiro-administration-helps-pennsylvanians-replace-invasive-pla>

Please be aware that the closest location to West Chester is Upper Darby.

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## Volunteer of the Month – Dianne Walsh

With a hobby of knitting creatively and teaching how to do it, and an occasional job as steward of a downtown art gallery, Dianne Walsh is clearly an artist. She shows her creativity in another form, too—journalism. Dianne has volunteered with the Green Team for many years now and shared her many talents as an art consultant, basket-maker for auctions, communicator with artists, and go-between with the United Methodist Church, the location of our Earth Day program this year. She originated the WCGT newsletter. And doesn't it look professional!



One of Di's fancier knitted pieces. Her work is regularly sold in the Chester County Art Association's ShopArt store.

Our newsletter has been recognized and praised as an outstanding publication for a small group like the GT. Its excellence has been cited as one of the reasons for the rapid growth of the WC Green Team. Dianne deserves the accolades. She edits, consolidates and formats, and keeps track of our many members, now nearing 1,000. She is also reliable and always willing to show up and that is so important.

We would like to thank Dianne for her many contributions. Thank you, Dianne, you are a great member of the team. Many, many thanks for your years of service.

**Dianne sez:**

***Well, gee whiz. Thanks for the accolades—and it's always nice to be complimented. Besides being a compulsive knitter, I was a technical writer and editor for about 30 years and one of my past jobs included handling the company's employee newsletter as well as writing manuals; also, I created and edited a newsletter for the Chester County Sports Hall of Fame for a couple years, so I was not a newsletter newbie when I took over the GT newsletter. On another tech job—three years writing anti-submarine warfare manuals for the Navy (I am not kidding)—I learned to literally cuss like a sailor, so that helps, too, when things are not going well. You never know where you'll learn a valuable skill that has direct applications to publishing!***

***I hope you all enjoy this newsletter. I try to make it as informative, visually attractive, engaging, and fun as this old 'word wonk' can. I'm always open to suggestions, too, if you can think of ways to make it better. Just give me a holler.***

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## Changes at Green Team

Karen Slossburg has stepped down as our president but will stay on and represent Green Team at a presentation on the Lenape at Unitarian Congregation this month and continue to represent us every month at the Borough SAC. Chris Pugliese, as current vice-president, will step up to assume the duties of president until we hold elections in August. We thank Karen for her tenure with us and look forward to continuing to work with her.

## Fun with Science?

Can you have fun while helping science? Sure! Check this out:

<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/how-inaturalist-app-users-have-fun-while-aiding-science/>



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## Three Common Recycling Mistakes

*From PennPIRG email newsletter*

Is that coffee cup actually recyclable?

Tossing a bottle, cup or container into the recycle bin instead of the trashcan can feel like a small win in the moment. But it's no guarantee of a second life.

**Good intentions are only half of the equation. Before you haul this week's recycling to the curb, let's take a look at three common recycling mistakes to avoid:**



If a peanut butter jar or a pizza box has food remnants, the staff at your local recycling facility may consider it to be contaminated and reject it. Worse, if a dirty item sneaks past inspection, that leftover sauce could spill and ruin an entire batch of otherwise clean recycling.

**A quick rinse goes a long way.**

While you don't need each item to be pristine, it's essential to give your containers and cans a good scrape or rinse before tossing them in the blue bin.



Polystyrene foam is a tricky one.

While it's technically mechanically recyclable -- a rare few municipalities do accept it -- most local recycling facilities aren't equipped to process polystyrene foam. That's because it's expensive and difficult to handle.

Sending polystyrene foam to a facility that can't process it can contaminate the whole load. **Always check with your local municipality** before tossing polystyrene foam packaging and food containers into the bin.



Newspapers and mail are recycling staples. But many paper products are actually coated with thin, plastic film. For this reason, store receipts, coffee cups and most wrapping paper may not be recyclable at your local facility.

If it feels waxy or looks extra glossy, that paper product likely contains hidden plastic. **When in doubt, check your local guidelines!**

Plastic is nearly impossible to avoid and we all want to recycle as much of it as possible. **But less than 10% of the plastic ever created has been recycled, and that's why it's best to reduce and reuse plastic first.**



## Superbugs Will Kill More People than Cancer if Big Ag Doesn't Ditch Antibiotics and Pesticides

*From Organic Consumers Association email newsletter*

The use of antibiotics in agriculture is a major cause of the increasing number of untreatable infections across our country.

Scientists publishing in [Frontiers in Microbiology](#) recently showed that the most common species of multi-drug-resistant bacteria from hospitals are not only resistant to multiple antibiotic classes, but also to high concentrations of the weedkiller glyphosate.

Drug-resistant foodborne illnesses are spreading through meat from factory farms, where medically important antibiotics are routinely fed to healthy animals under the guise of "prevention", (now that using them for growth-promotion is prohibited).

Antibiotic fungicides and herbicides like glyphosate are making things worse, spawning antimicrobial resistant germs — including deadly yeasts and molds — that contaminate and live on fruits, vegetables, grains, or travel from farm runoff into tap water.

And water treatment won't save us. It doesn't kill them.

It doesn't have to be this way.

Farmers in Europe stopped using antimicrobials to boost growth over a decade prior to those in the U.S. They also [no longer use antimicrobial animal drugs routinely to prevent disease](#). Antimicrobials on European farms have dropped by around 43 percent over nine years up to 2020 at which point their use was more than [80 percent lower than in the U.S.](#)

**TAKE ACTION: [Tell Congress to Pass the Prevention of Antibiotic Resistance Act— and Make Sure It Includes Antibiotic Pesticides like Glyphosate!](#)**

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## New Analyses: Cancer Warnings and Pesticides



The West Chester Green Team began with our concern about the spraying of pesticides by County government. Our federal government has not done a good job of protecting us from poisons and now, the situation is even worse.

The Center for Biological Diversity states: [Two new analyses](#) show that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has routinely failed to require cancer warnings on pesticide products — even when its own assessments found a high cancer risk for those products.

The Center for Biological Diversity looked at labels for all currently approved pesticides, finding that the EPA put cancer warnings on only 69 of 4,919 products the agency itself designated a “likely” human carcinogen.

Our timing is key: Later this month the Supreme Court will hear arguments in a case hinging on whether the EPA has sole authority to implement pesticide-label warnings. Pesticide manufacturers are trying to get off the hook from future lawsuits brought by people who contracted glyphosate-linked cancers after using glyphosate-based products (like Roundup).

The same pesticides the EPA fails to label for cancer risks are also driving species declines. Glyphosate kills milkweed, monarch butterflies’ only host plant.

Be careful out there!!

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## More on the Goose Creek Spill

*Summarized from an article by Bill Rettew published March 3, 2026, in the Daily Local News*

On Saturday, at 12:20 p.m., the West Chester Borough was notified of a “milky white substance” in Goose Creek, near Niels Street, that allegedly caused a fish kill. The source was traced to an outfall pipe located at Atmos Technologies near Henderson High School.

“Atmos Technologies reported to DEP that chlorinated water from the tank was released to a containment area where it mixed with manufactured product known as Long Duration Foam AC-645, forming the foaming agent. DEP and West Chester Borough plugged the outfall pipe on Saturday, and the release was terminated in the afternoon,” reads the PA Department of Environmental Protection release. “No further fish kill has been reported downstream, DEP followed up on Sunday 3/1/2026, and the creek appeared clear, with some foam accumulation present on debris. Conditions remained the same Monday, 3/2/26.”

“DEP had alerted Aqua PA, who continues to monitor the downstream flow. DEP is overseeing Atmos Technologies regarding the ongoing clean up. DEP is also working in cooperation with West Chester

Borough, West Goshen Township, Chester County Hazardous Materials Response Team and the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission on its investigation,” according to the DEP release.

“The response team of West Goshen public works, codes, and sewer and West Chester Public Works and wastewater mobilized and notified PADEP, PA Fish and Boat Commission, and Chester County Hazardous Materials Response Team.” according to a Monday release issued by West Goshen Township. “As part of the clean up and remediation process, the business will be subject to rules and regulations of PADEP and West Goshen Township and could face fines.”

Courtney Finneran, a Green Team member and member of the Goose Creek Alliance, is outraged and said that another level of pollution introduced into the ecosystem at Goose Creek makes the alliance’s job even tougher.

It makes the job for the Goose Creek Alliance more important and critical so this never happens again,” she said. “Never did I think our group would be dealing with illicit discharges.”

Finneran noted that Goose Creek is a headwater stream and eventually drains into the City of Chester.



The site of a spill at Goose Creek in West Goshen. (BILL RETTEW/MEDIANEWS GROUP)