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What Mt. Carmel Has to Offer

Churches

- **Our Lady of Mount Carmel**
Catholic Church
47 South Market Street
(570) 339-1031
- **Divine Redeemer Church**
Catholic Church
438 West Avenue
(570) 339-3450
- **SS Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church**
131 North Beech Street
(570) 339-0650
- **St. Michael's Orthodox Church**
Eastern Orthodox Church
131 North Willow Street
(570) 339-1200
- **Hope Community Church**
551 West 4th Street
(570) 339-2906
- **Grace United Church of Christ**
136 East 3rd Street
(570) 339-1130
- **Our Lady of Fatima Arabic Catholic Church CCE**
110 East Mt Carmel Avenue
(570) 933-0355
- **Bethany Bible Fellowship Church**
654 Wilburton Road
(570) 339-4693
- **First United Methodist Church**
46 North Hickory Street
(570) 339-4830
- **Zion Primitive Methodist Church**
33 North Market Street
(570) 648-2342
- **St Stephen's Episcopal Church**
4th Mt Carmel St
(570)339-1307
- **Living Power Ministries**
45 East 4th Street
(570) 339-4286



Restaurants

- **Mattucci's Willow Cafe**
451 West 4th Street
(570) 339-2310

- **Schicky's Restaurant**
34 North Oak Street
(570) 339-3238

- **New China Wok**
115 South Oak Street
(570) 339-2950

- **M C Coney**
48 North Oak Street
(570) 339-4139

- **Mt Carmel Bull Pen**
337 North Hickory Street
(570) 339-2157

- **Hard Coal Cafe**
347 East Water Street
(570) 339-3724

- **Winkie's Pizza**
120 East 3rd Street
(570) 339 4435

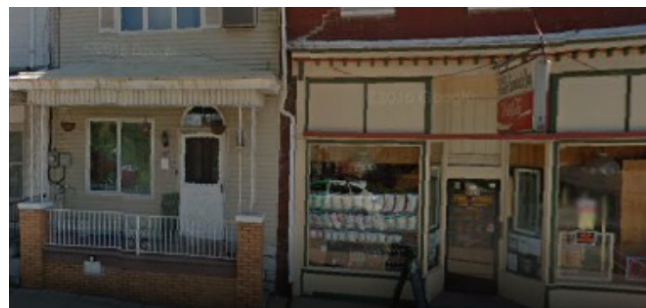
- **Hollywood Pizza**
39 North Oak Street
(570) 339-9802

- **Vine Street Sandwich Shop**
150 West 2nd Street
(570) 339-0339

- **Original Italian Pizza**
3 South Oak Street
(570) 339-1730

- **Shaulinski's Bar**
201 South Market Street

- **Village Towne Restaurant**
10 PA-61
(570) 339-2261



Services & Utilities

- **Waste Management**
Quarry Road, Coal Township
(570) 648-4278
- **Mostik Brothers Disposal**
(570) 339-1133
- **Moster's Sanitation**
(570) 339-2066
- **Disposal Management Services Inc.**
154 Quarry Road, Coal Township
(570) 644-1374
- **Northumberland Auto Tags & More llc.**
4 Anthra Plaza, Coal Township
(570) 648-2000
- **Cole's Hardware**
Rt. 61 Atlas
- **Owen's Corning**
1024 Locust Gap Hwy



Get Involved!

- **American Legion Veteran's Organization**
(570) 339-4740
- **Mt. Carmel Eagles Club**
(570) 339-1539
- **Lions Club of Mt. Carmel**
hajones2@ptd.net
- **Sons of Poland**
(570) 339-5413
- **Lithuanian Social Club**
(570) 339-4770
- **Mt. Carmel Historical Society**
139 South Chestnut Street
- **Mt. Carmel VFW**
(570) 339-4410
- **Knights of Columbus**
(570) 339-3940

For the Kids!

- **Mt. Carmel Public Library**
30 South Oak Street
(570) 339-0703
- **Mt. Carmel Town Park**
1 South Market Street
- **St. Joseph's Art Studio**
101 South Chestnut Street
(570) 875-8099
- **Kindermusic Mommy and Me Classes**
319 West Avenue
(570) 339-5075
- **Knoebel's Amusement Park**
391 Knoebels Boulevard, Elysburg, PA
17824



Possible Programs

Below are new programs that would enhance community cohesion and could be included in the above welcome packet



Designed by TownMapsUSA.com





Figure 1: This image depicts a Block Captain holding a meeting with her street’s local community members to discuss the block’s rules and to make sure everyone is keeping up with the standards she has set.

Block Captain Program

Block captains are volunteers in charge in maintaining a block’s safety, beauty, and health. Through a block captain program, one prominent member of the block volunteers for this role. There will need to be some sort of checks and balances system where the block captain will be able to ensure that a family, or property, is inline with the block’s rules. This program will encourage respect and care for the town’s blocks as there will be a sense of solidarity that exists.

The City of Port Pentworth in Georgia has implemented this program and has seen success through the inevitable result of cohesion on the block. Don Fletcher and Sarah Kaip, the creators of this program claim that “the Block Captain is an effective gatekeeper for the exchange of information between the program leadership and his or her neighbors. The Block Captain also helps to plan block meetings so that they support overall program priorities.” We are convinced that this will lead to a more beautiful block as everybody will want to keep up with their neighbors and not fall behind. In order to ensure this, the Block Captain will be elected in a fashion similar to the one set up in Philadelphia. The forms below are reproduced for Mount Carmel based on these models. Block parties will also be a great way in which families can come together and spend time with each other. This will have numerous positive implications such as a unification of the block, an attractive force for outsiders that may be interested in this sort of town interaction, and a way for kids to stay out of trouble.

Below is a list of helpful techniques for a Block Captain and for the residents of the blocks.

As a Block Captain, you are the person who unites the residents on your block. Together, you can build a vision for a clean and beautiful block.

Here are some helpful hints:

- Sweep walks and gutters.
- Plant flowers on the block, in yards, in window boxes, in sidewalk urns, and around the base of street trees.
- Maintain and paint abandoned houses.
- Plant new street trees.
- Install decorative security lights.
- Hang flags or pennants.
- Paint curbs.
- Help neighbors paint and renovate.
- Scrub steps.
- Organize block parties.
- Coordinate activities for children.
- Install and maintain block litter baskets.

How Can Block Captain Serve Their Block?

- Be leaders- unite their neighbors to set goals and share the workload
- Plan an agenda and select a time and place to oversee monthly meetings
- Remain in contact with the block residents. Listen to their needs and/or ideas
- Act as advocates and speakers for their block
- Invite children to partake in some of the activities

How Can Block Residents Help?

- Work with their Block Captain to achieve their cleanup and beautification goals
- Join the block committee and pay their dues
- Do their part in cleaning and planting- set a good example
- Attend block meetings and share their ideas for improvements to the block
- Participate in block parties, cake sales, and other activities to raise fund for the block and build block spirit

Below is an example of a sheet that the Block Captain would need to complete in order to become a Block Captain for their street.

Mt. Carmel More Beautiful Committee

Dear MCMBC Officer:

We, the residents of _____, wish to register and organize as a Mt. Carmel More Beautiful Committee Clean Block.

The attached petition indicates residents' agreement. We understand that upon receipt and review of this agreement, the MCMBC Officer will contact the residents to discuss guidelines and to present the Block Captain's Card.

BLOCK CAPTAIN

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Below are signatures of at least fifty-one (51%) of the residents on our block who do hereby consent to this request.
ONLY ONE SIGNATURE PER HOUSEHOLD.

	Name	Address	Phone #
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____	_____
7.	_____	_____	_____
8.	_____	_____	_____
9.	_____	_____	_____
10.	_____	_____	_____



Figure 2. This image shows an area (the open baseball field) in Mt. Carmel that could potentially be used for a community recreation program involving sports and activities.

Expanding Community Sports Program for Children

At this moment Mt. Carmel has few opportunities for children to come together and be active. This lack of options for kids will exacerbate problems. Creating a town wide recreation league will bring the community together, provide outlets for children, and help create a sense of pride in the town. By creating this program, children will also create positive memories and long-term investment in the town. These memories may become strong enough to ensure that less young people leave the town as soon as they are able to. This program would support already popular high-school level programming. Countless towns in Pennsylvania and other states come together and rally around their high school sports teams or community organizations. The bonds of the enjoyment of seeing their kids excel, as well as the idea that they once competed in this same manner. Over time both of these feelings could be extended with recreation activities, which will link people to the town, and link the people of the town to one another. Finally, this is an inexpensive enterprise, and could provide summer jobs for teens or young adults. For any leagues that already exist, the forms can be included in our welcome packet for new residents to get their kids involved in the town. Below is an example of such a form that could be used for new leagues.

Below is a template of a potential Registration Form.

MT. CARMEL YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE PLAYER REGISTRATION FORM

Mailing Address: MTCSL, P.O. Box 1537, Mt. Carmel, PA 95927 Phone: 894-1088 Fax: 894-8889

E-Mail: MtCYS@gmail.com Web Site: www.mtcysoccer.com

FEE: \$25 per player

PLAYER INFORMATION - PLEASE PRINT

SPRING ____ FALL ____

Player Name _____

Address _____ City/Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Age _____ Birthdate _____ Sex: Male ____ Female ____

PARENT INFORMATION - PLEASE PRINT

Father _____ Phone H) _____ W) _____

Address _____ City/Zip _____ Email _____

Mother _____ Phone H) _____ W) _____

Address _____ City/Zip _____ Email _____

I AM INTERESTED IN

Head Coach: Dad Mom Assist Coach: Dad Mom Board Member Team Helper Referee Sponsor

UNIFORM

Please Note: A T-Shirt is provided for all participating players. Players will need to purchase a pair of ALL WHITE SHORTS and solid colored socks to match the T-Shirt.

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ AND SIGN BOTH LEGAL STATEMENTS BELOW

1. I, the parent or legal guardian of _____ hereby agree to allow the minor to participate in the activities of the Mt. Carmel Youth Soccer League, and I agree to indemnify and hold it, its officers, employees and affiliated personnel harmless from and defend against, any and all liability for any manner connected with participation in the Mt. Carmel Youth Soccer League. I hereby agree not to hold the Mt. Carmel Youth Soccer League responsible for any medical expense incurred as the result of the minor's participation in any of its activities.

CONSENT FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT (MINOR)

2. I, the parent or legal guardian of _____ hereby give my consent for emergency medical care prescribed by a duly licensed Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Dentistry. This care may be given under whatever conditions are necessary to preserve the life, limb or well-being of my dependent.

Special information for allergies or medication: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____ (Must be signed before child can participate)

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

LEAGUE USE ONLY

Amount Received: _____ Date: _____ Birthdate: _____ Verified By: _____



Figure 3. This image shows how community members can purchase lots in a local their local community gardens to grow and maintain a healthy food supply as well as making the town more green.

Community Garden

Community gardens are a growing trend across the country. These serve as a way to unite communities and provide healthy food options. Community gardens are relatively inexpensive to start and maintain. There are many spaces in Mt. Carmel that could be transformed into a site for a community garden. This transition from abandoned lots to community gardens will also help to beautify the community and make it more appealing for people looking to move in. The garden could also provide positive activities for the youth of the community to participate in. After School, In-School, and weekend programs could be created to get kids together and teach them how to maintain the garden. There are countless grants available for communities that are looking to start their own community garden. These grants would provide the funds needed to help create the garden, and after the garden is up and running it would not require much money at all to maintain it especially if it is used as a program to involve the children of Mt. Carmel.

2016 Adopt-a-Plot Agreement

Terms and Agreement for Adopt-a-Plot and Share the Harvest:

Mt. Carmel Community Garden/City of Mt. Carmel will:

Provide the garden plot, water, access to tools, mulch, compost, and gardening information. A section of seeds and some transplants will be provided for a nominal cost, when available.

Community Gardeners will:

- Plant their plot with fruits and vegetables throughout the growing season, March through October. Year round gardening is encouraged.
- Water as necessary.
- Weed their plot AND the walkway around their plot.
- Chop soft tissue, non-diseased plants for composting to recycle as a valuable source of nitrogen to keep the garden beds healthy. Only large hard-stemmed, weedy, and diseased plants shall leave the garden.
- Learn and use only organic gardening methods.
- Harvest their produce to encourage more production and reduce wasted produce.
- Harvest and donate the MAJORITY of your weekly produce for the Saturday 10:00 AM food pantry pick-up. If you are not available to do it, arrange for another gardener to do it or inform the garden leader
- Participate in the assigned community chores necessary to maintain the garden.

Guidelines:

1. If, for any reason (health, issues, work), you cannot maintain your plot or have a grievance with others, inform your garden leader after taking steps to resolve it yourself.
2. Each new gardener will pay a one-time \$10 processing fee to the Mt. Carmel Community Garden when they are assigned their plot.
3. Available plots shall be given to new gardeners before being given to an existing gardener. New gardeners will start with one plot their first year. The maximum allowance of garden plots by one family or group is two plots or the number of plots you ended with the prior year.
4. The Mt. Carmel Community Garden Chair and designated garden leaders oversee the gardens. The garden leaders will assign plots, assist new gardeners, report maintenance issues, check supplies, ensure community chores are being done, check garden plots for compliance with agreement terms and be available to resolve problems. The garden leader meetings are open to all gardeners.
5. Gardeners must adhere to the terms stated above to continue to garden their adopted plot(s). The garden leader will contact the gardener of a grievance and work to resolve it within a specified time. If the grievance remains, then the garden leader and Garden Chair may revoke the plot assignment.

Mt. Carmel Community Garden
Adopt-a-Plot Registration

(please circle one) New Gardener Renewing Gardener

Name: _____ Date _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, Zip Code: _____ Phone _____

Email: _____

List others who will be working with you on your plot: _____

I, _____ agree to all Terms of Agreement to garden a Mt. Carmel
Community Garden plot. I understand that neither Coppell Community Garden nor
the City of Coppell nor the Post Office is responsible for my actions.

Signature _____ Date _____



Figure 4. The image above shows what a Community Walk would look like. It shows how community members would walk/run together for a good cause while raising awareness and raising money.

Community Walks

A community walk will allow community members to go outside and get to meet each other and interact at a deeper level of interaction. This will be beneficial to Mt. Carmel because new and old neighbors can interact and form relationships. This walk can also serve the purpose of raising money for a cause, such as a “crisis fund” in case of emergencies. On our visit we learned that an emergency fund would be beneficial for the community members in case there was a crisis. Many community members live next to people whose homes are unstable and are often a danger and hazard to their community and safety at large. This fund will allow the community to knock down the unstable and hazardous houses so that the people are not at risk. Overall the community walks will help Mt. Carmel come together and work as a community towards a goal.

Below is an example of a Community Walk (5K) Registration Form.

Mt. Carmel Community 5K

REGISTRATION FORM

A completed form is required for each participant.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age on Sept. 2, 2014: _____ Gender: Male Female

Emergency Contact Name & Phone: _____

Event Participant Waiver: Sign and return or sign one on race day

I know that running a road race is a potentially hazardous activity. I should not enter unless I am medically able and properly trained. I assume all risks associated with running this event, as well as dependents I am responsible for. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in consideration of your accepting my entry fee, I, for myself, my dependents, and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive and release RBBSCS, EHS, EHS Athletic Department, their representatives and successors, officials, employees, or volunteers for all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event.

Participant Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature (if participant is under 18)

Pizza Order:

Single slices at the event are limited and available for \$2, first-come/first-served.

Large pizzas (8 slices) are available for pre-order for \$10.

Cheese | Qty: _____ Sausage | Qty: _____ Pepperoni | Qty: _____

Shirt Order:

Shirts are included for pre-registered entrants. (Limited availability at the event.) Indicate quantities/sizes for pre-registrants:

T-Shirts: S | Qty: _____ M | Qty: _____ L | Qty: _____ XL | Qty: _____

TOTAL ENTRY FEE ENCLOSED: \$_____ Please make checks payable to: EHS Cross Country

Mail this form to:
Mt. Carmel

Email this form/information to:

Works Cited:

Kentucky University Community Walk Model

<http://www2.ca.uky.edu/HES/FCS/FACTSHTS/HEEL-LR-919.pdf>

Coppell Texas Community Garden Model

<http://www.coppellcommunitygarden.org/>

Possible Grant Options for community garden

<http://www.gardenabcs.com/grants.html>

<https://www.pasafarming.org/resources/grant-opportunities/recent-grant-announcements-resources>

Youth Recreation programs

<http://playpass.com/blog/organizing-rec-sports-league/>

Block Captain Program

<http://www.philadelphiastreet.com/pmbc/>

http://www.philadelphiastreet.com/images/uploads/documents/15_Do_You_Want.pdf