

# PRPS Program and Event Roundtable

## January 25, 2022

Kenneth Lehr: Hello Leigha and DeAnna! Welcome aboard!

Kenneth Lehr: Hello Joe!

Leigha Getty: Thank you!

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Kenneth Lehr: I was just happy we were able to have a Summer Rec Program (even at reduced registration). Looking forward to normalcy in 2022. ONE CAN HOPE!

Ashley Helmstaedter: i lost video... anyone else? Or just my amazing internet?

Becky Richards Asst. Park Director: Hello, all! Becky with Exeter Township. We are in a similar to Doug in Susquehanna Twp, and rebuilding our Recreation programs for the Township. We had a few special events last year and a summer playground program. We are planning a full year of programs for 2022 starting with our Easter Egg Scramble. We plan to expand our program offerings across different

age groups and adding in new programs not offered in this area before. Last year we has a large increase in participation for our special events.

Ashley Helmstaedter: thank you i got it back

Becky Richards Asst. Park Director: Sorry, I'm low tech here- no video and phoning into the conference. LOL

Karen Schreiber: I can't get video as well.. I just thought user error. LOL

Kenneth Lehr: Welcome Tess!

Ashley Helmstaedter: Can we talk about Easter? Anyone non traditional hunt? my video is going in and out.

Tess Croy: Here at Spring Township we are doing an Easter Egg Hop Thru- a drive thru event

Helmstaedter: We do a flashlight scavenger hunt, so each kid gets same amount of product but debated a hop a long trail?? anyone done a trail walk/hunt

Tyler Walker: <https://pittsburgh.madscience.org/>

Leigha Getty: We use Mad Science too in Upper Gwynedd Township, here is our contact: [susan@madscienceofnj.com](mailto:susan@madscienceofnj.com)

Walter Mulholland: Sing Along Princess Parties. We're right outside Philadelphia. Not sure how big the company is but they've been great to work with

Kenneth Lehr: Walter...Although it's late for this year, next year I will steal your "Make a Bouquet" idea.

BTW...As someone who grew up in Upper Southampton, I am glad to see Lower Southampton brought you onboard!

Becky Richards Asst. Park Director: For a late winter/early spring Nature program- I am working on putting together a Pollinators program, where participants will learn about the importance of them, and will build a Mason Bee House and get a packet of seeds of native plants/flowers- still a work in progress.

Walter Mulholland: Thank you Ken. We did the Flower design class for Christmas Wreath as well. That was very popular

Dan Hendey: Walk with a Doc

Christine Boud: grant writing

Dawn Householder: senior programs

Doug Knauss, Susquehanna Township: All the above

DeAnna Martin:Virtual, On demand

Tess Croy: All the above

Ashley Helmstaedter: Virtual

Joe miller: virtual and on demand

Stephanie Gradel: all of the above

Walter Mulholland: grant writing, senior programs, would rather do in person but being only person in my department right now virtual is best for now

Christine Boud: I agree zoom. Don't have the funds to do the training. still hoping to make the conference.

Kenneth Lehr: Depends on the topic. On demand is great for short sessions with very specific info. For interactivity, nothing beats in-person, but zoom is certainly more convenient. Looking forward to in-person again!

Christine Boud: yes please

DeAnna Martin: canva

Niki Tourscher: <https://www.nrpa.org/certification/>

Becky Richards Asst. Park Director: Passed! :-)

Sarah Colondrillo: Passed! Dan does a great job preparing students.

Christine Boud: thank you

Joe miller: very valuable - thx!