



Weston Make a Difference Day

At over 700 acres, Exton Park is a lot of land to manage. As a part of a five year commitment to Exton Park and the Township, Weston Solutions, Inc., an environmental engineering firm based in West Whiteland, has volunteered its scientists and wetland experts to develop and the restore the park's riparian buffer along the feeder stream to the pond.

A new planting plan has beautified the park, wildlife habitat has been enhanced, invasive species have been removed, and a riparian buffer along the park's stream has been added. In 2009 and 2010, the company planted over 1000 native trees and shrubs with the help of Township residents as well as the Church Farm School.

Also notable is Weston's enhancing of park trails and installation of a historically accurate landscape surrounding the park's landmark Pennypacker House. Next on the agenda is more tree planting, the building of a simple boardwalk for wetter path areas, kiosk signage installation, and various children's activities that include gardening, bluebird box building, and rock painting. For their efforts, in 2011 Weston was selected and received the prestigious Albert P. Greenleaf "Outstanding Volunteer" Award. Albert "Alby" P. Greenleaf, the namesake of the award, was a life member of the Chester County Fire Police and the West Whiteland Fire Company, Station 6, where he served for more than 55 years.