



FRIENDS OF SMEDLEY PARK



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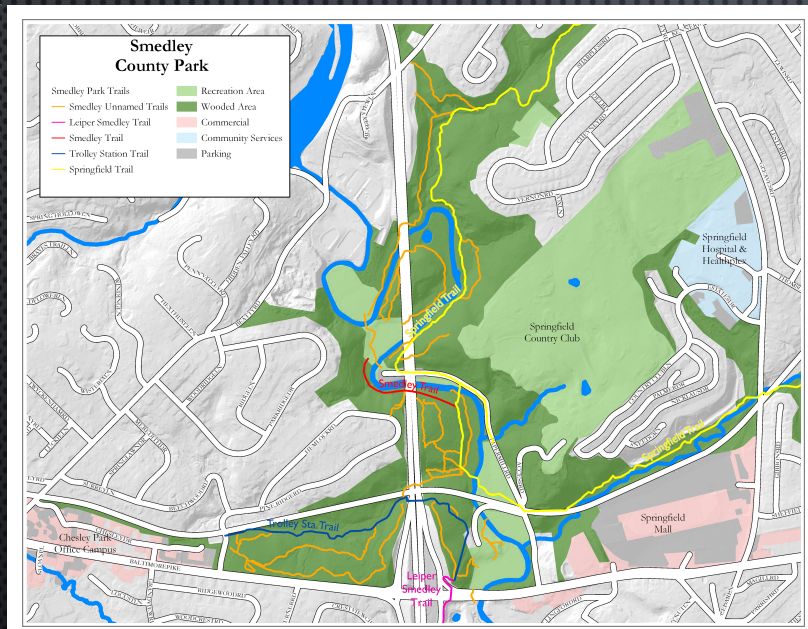
SPRINGFIELD TRAIL

OUR BEGINNINGS & GROWTH

- FOUNDED JANUARY 2017
- NON-PROFIT 501C ORGANIZATION
- DEDICATED TO THE PROTECTION, IMPROVEMENT & PROMOTION OF SMEDLEY PARK
- JOINED WITH THE SPRINGFIELD TRAIL ORGANIZATION TO MAXIMIZE RESOURCES
- FACEBOOK – 2,100 FOLLOWERS (FSP) & 1,900 FOLLOWERS (ST)
- STRONG RELATIONSHIP WITH COUNTY PARKS DEPT, NETHER PROVIDENCE & SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIPS
- BUILT BRIDGES WITH THE VARIOUS GROUPS AND PARK PATRONS



OUR ORIGINAL GOAL



Old County Map of Smedley Lacked Well-Defined Trails & Pathways,

Park Patrons & Hikers Frequently Inquired about Trail Maps at the Penn State Extension Office.

We Determined to Create Three Colored Trails of Various Distances with Posts & Blazes

We Embarked on a Three Year Project.

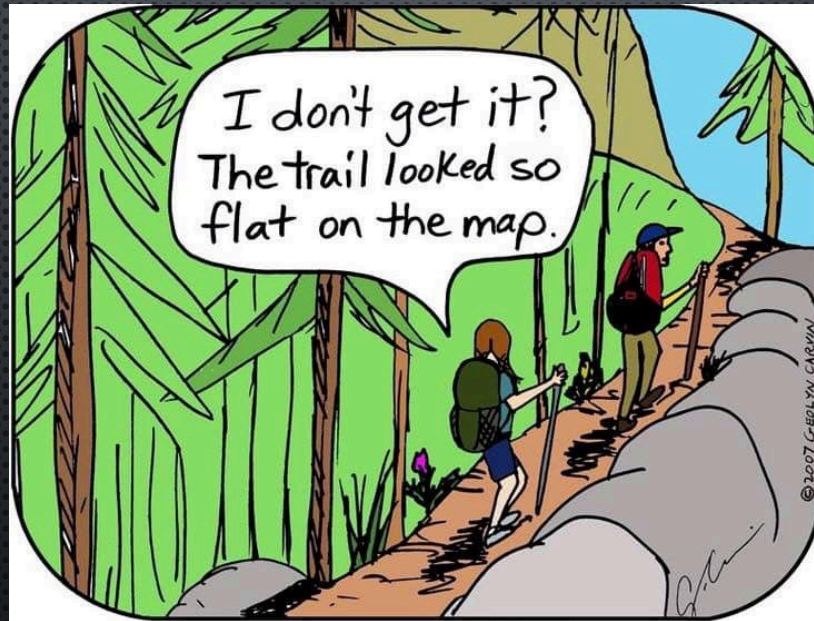
DETERMINING THE ROUTES



Easy Terrain &
Distance for Seniors &
Young'uns



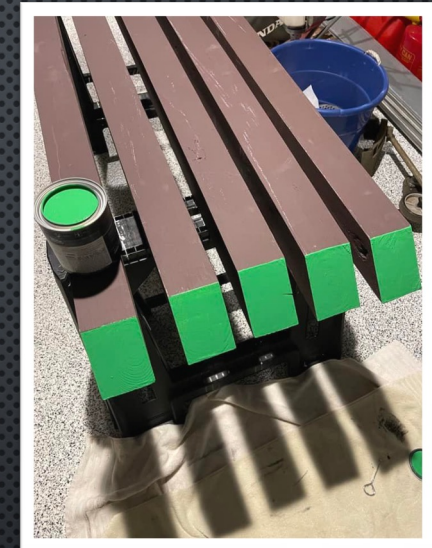
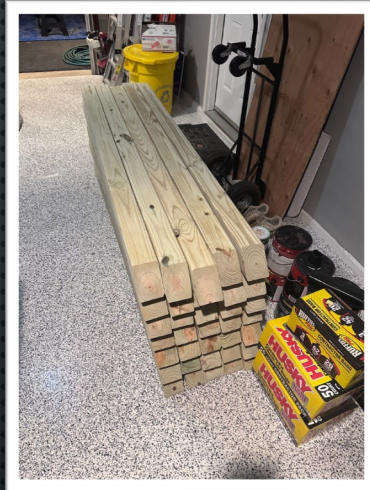
Medium Terrain &
Distance for a Nice
Day in the Woods



More Challenging
Terrain & Distance
for a Good Workout



Full Intensity Hike –
Springfield Trail



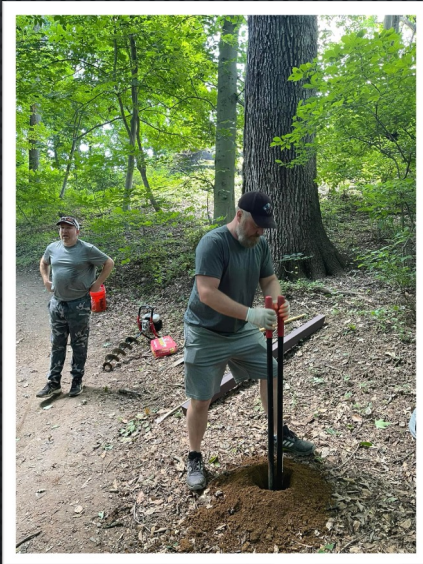
PREPARING THE POSTS

4x4 HOME DEPOT PURCHASE

CHOP-SAWED, SANDED, PRIMED, AND PAINTED BY VOLUNTEERS

INSTALLING THE POSTS

DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS
CARTING THE POST DIGGER, TOOLS, CEMENT BAGS
& POSTS DEEP INTO THE WOODS



MARKING BLAZES & ARROWS

FINISHING UP THE WORK

SHARING WITH OUR SMEDLEY FRIENDS



Marked Trails In & Around Smedley Park

There are now four marked trails, totaling almost 10 miles, in & around the park. In addition, there are a number of other unmarked trails.

Three of the trails intersect at the “Hub” next to the third footbridge over Crum Creek. In the near future these trails will be mapped and posted online.

1. **YELLOW** (Springfield Trail) is a 5.0 mile loop that connects Smedley Park with three Springfield Township parks (Jane Lownes, Woodland & Thomson), as well as other privately owned wooded areas. About 90% of it traverses wooded areas and about 10% is on neighborhood sidewalks. It is hilly in many places, with a total of about 400 ft. of elevation gain. There are about a half dozen water crossings. It can be accessed at any of 13 trailheads each indicated by large, informative signs with maps.
2. **ORANGE** is a 2.5 mile loop that essentially circles much of Smedley and Jane Lownes Parks, including a high trail around the perimeter of the golf course. It has 200 ft. of elevation gain and two water crossings. It runs concurrently with the Yellow (Springfield) Trail on part of the carriage trail in Smedley and from the Jane Lownes Trailhead to the Quarry Cliffs Trailhead.
3. **RED** is a 1.8 mile loop that runs along Pine Ridge Run (and the trolley tracks) toward Media and along Baltimore Pike. It passes next to the Penn State Extension office and the Environmental Center. While it is somewhat hilly, the elevation gain is not too great. There are no water crossings.
4. **GREEN** is a 0.9 mile hairpin shaped trail that starts beyond the back parking lot next to the baseball field. It is relatively flat and has no water crossings.

MEET AMANDA

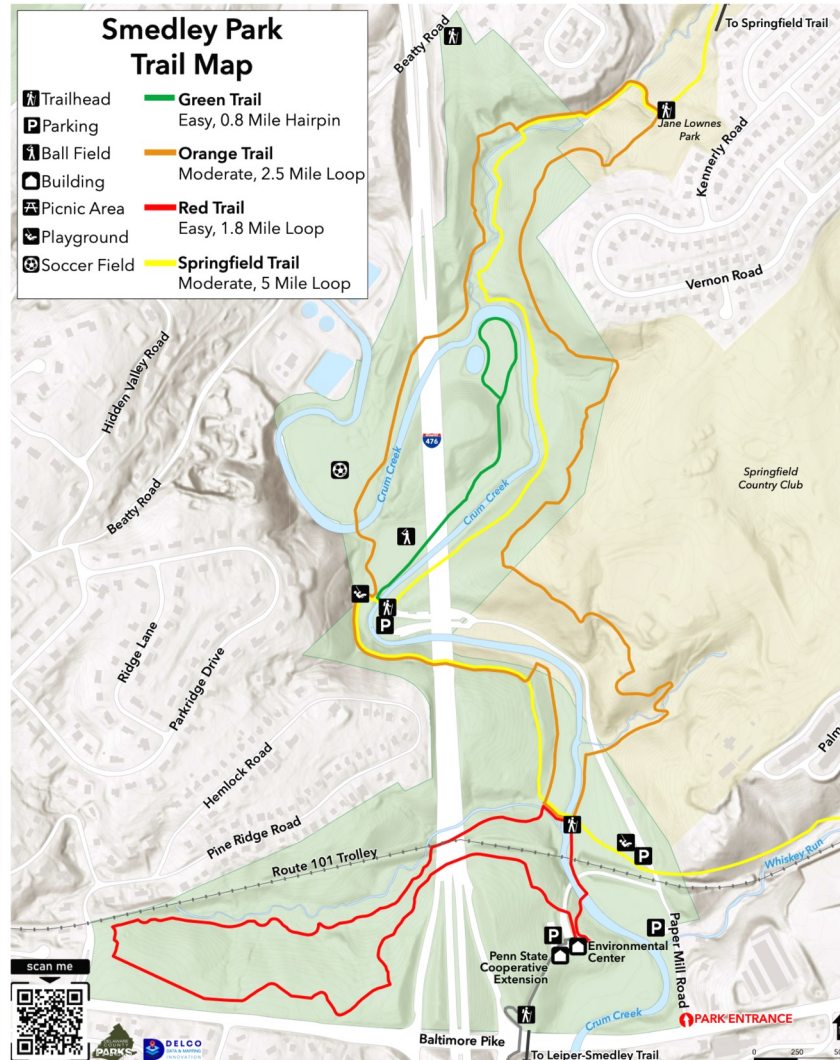


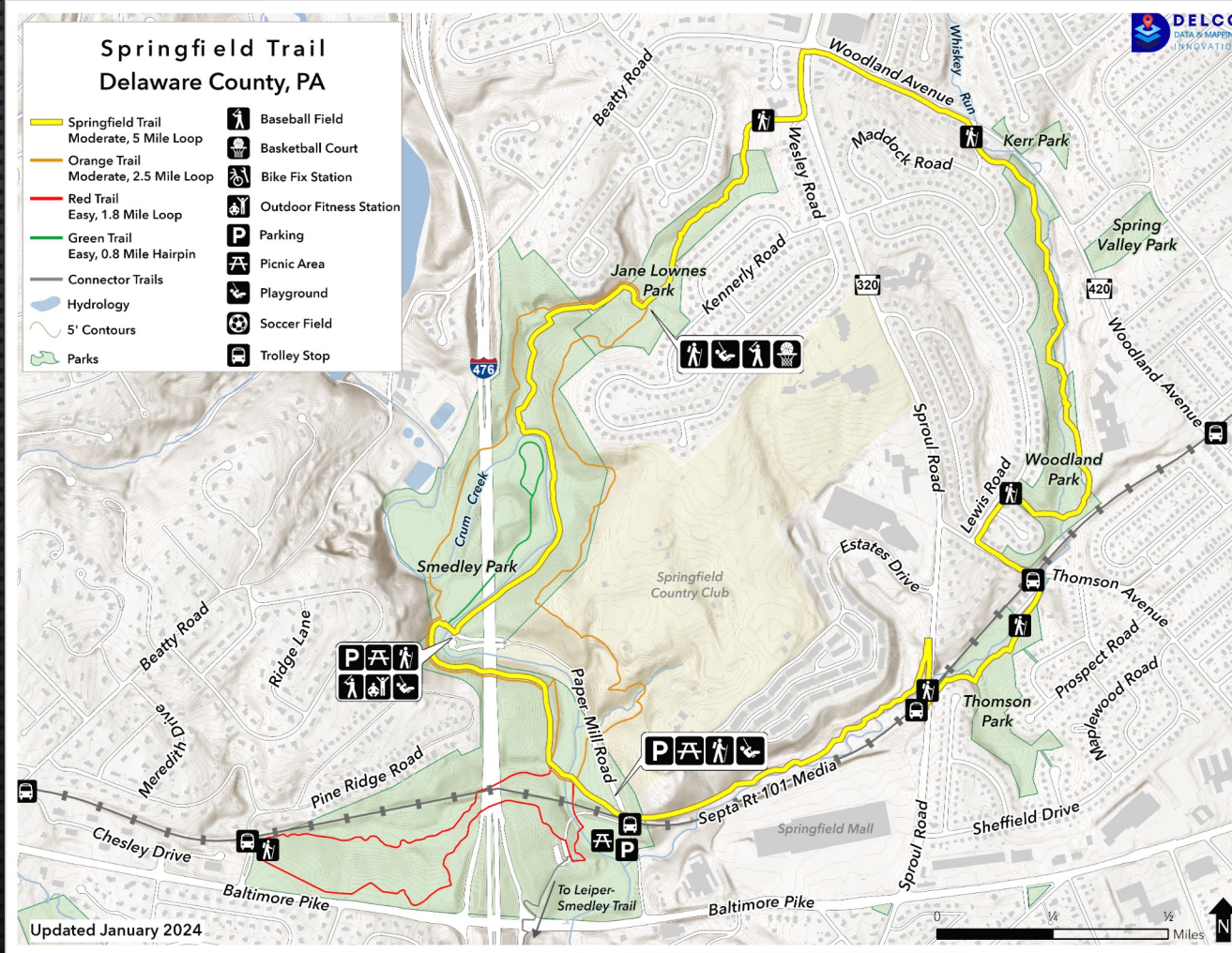
Amanda works as a Senior GIS Specialist in the County Office of Data and Mapping Innovation.

She is a great friend of Smedley Park.

Amanda was very kind in giving up two Saturday mornings last August to hike the green, red, and orange trails to gather the coordinates and put together a new Smedley Trails map. We are very thankful to Amanda.

Here is the map she created for us.....





Amanda also created an expanded map inclusive of the full Springfield Trail.

Both maps are available on the smedleypark.org website.

They are located on our two park bulletin boards.



WE THANK ALL THOSE WHO VOLUNTEERED WITH OUR
TRAIL & MAPPING PROJECT.

COME HIKE SMEDLEY
BRING A FRIEND