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GROWING GREEN: MOSQUITO CONTROL

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The mosquito (*Aedes aegypti*) that carries the Zika Virus is not a threat in the Lehigh Valley. It is a tropical species and not adapted to the region's cooler climate.

We do have the Asian Tiger mosquito (*Aedes albopictus*), which is considered a potential vector for the Zika Virus. We also have plenty of *Culex* mosquitoes, the species that transmits West Nile virus.

In a telephone press conference, Dr. Tom Frieden, Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said, "It is now clear the CDC has concluded that Zika does cause Microcephaly." The CDS [*sic*] based it [*sic*] conclusion on a peer review of a New England Journal of Medicine report released April 14.

In a press release April 15, Dr. Karen Murphy, Secretary of Health, Pennsylvania Department of Health, stated, "The confirmation of these Zika-related health complications reinforces the need for all Pennsylvanians to be aware of how to protect themselves from the Zika Virus."



It is important to do everything we can to get rid of mosquitoes. Controlling mosquitoes, and exposure to diseases they may carry, can be done by chemical and non-chemical

methods. Your first line of defense begins at home.

For the full news article and tips on mosquito control view:

<http://salisbury.thelehighvalleypress.com/print/2016/04/28/growing-green-mosquito-control>

UPCOMING EVENTS



September 10 —12:00—5:00 p.m.—5th Annual Allentown Woofstock at Cedar Beach. A party for your pooch and the whole family. Exhibitors, sponsors and volunteers are welcome! Contact us today! Phone 610-432-7275, info@allentownparks.org or for exhibitor registration go to: <http://wp.me/pRK1F-83Z>



**GREAT EGRETS
GRACE
MUHLENBERG
LAKE**

The Lehigh Valley Audubon Society reported that up to 10 beautiful Great Egrets were recently seen gracing the shores and island at Muhlenberg Lake.

Unique and awesome nature

sightings to be enjoyed (not disturbed, please).



Photos courtesy of LVAS member Rich Fritz

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO...

Before you pack up the family and head to your favorite park, consider the following event:

August 5-7: Cedar Creek Parkway—Drum Corps International Eastern Classic (corps will rehearse at a number of venues throughout Allentown; performances will be at J. Birney Crum Stadium)



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