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### Village Planning in Worcester... What's Happening

The Worcester Township Planning Commission has been diligently working on village planning concepts for Fairview Village, Center Point, and Cedars Village. Ensuring the viability of our villages will increase the community's tax base and provide necessary services to our residents. The Cedars Village Overlay Ordinance is currently before the Board of Supervisors for review. This is the first of

the three villages to be considered.

The Planning Commission recommended a concept that

provides for a level of retail and commercial growth that will preserve and enhance our existing villages. The Cedars Ordinance will enable property owners in



the village to develop certain types of retail, service, and professional businesses on their property while protecting the historic character of the village.

The Planning Commission meets on the second and fourth Thursday of every month and regularly discusses village planning issues. Worcester residents are invited to participate and offer their ideas and concerns.

Please visit www.worcestertwp.com for all meeting agendas, meeting minutes, and proposed ordinances, or contact the Township office with further questions.





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### 2012 Summer Camps!

To register, please call Worcester Township 610-584-1410. Full camp details and descriptions are available at: http://worcestertwp.com/parks\_recreation.htm

# Nothing But Nets Basketball Camp

June 18-22 - Rising 1st-8th graders

Girls: 9am-12pm / Boys: 12pm-3pm / \$89 per child

Focus of the camp is developing fundamental basketball skills with a huge emphasis on FUN. All campers grouped by age and skill level. Low camper to counselor ratio.



#### **Bricks for Kidz: Amusement Park**

June 25-29 - Ages 5-10

9am-12pm / \$140 per child

These classes provide an extraordinary atmosphere for children, where they learn, build and play with LEGO bricks. This week, kids will build a LEGO Amusement Park. Each camp day includes carnival-themed games, group challenges and model building.

# Mad Science: Space, Infinity & Beyond! August 6-10 - Grades K-5

9:30am-12:30pm / \$148 per child

Kids will investigate unique flying machines, including building balloon-copters, boomerangs and a mini hovercraft as take-home projects. Kids will also learn about navigation, and finally build an Estes Skywinder rocket.



#### Yard Sale Rules

Yard sale season is here. Please be reminded of the following rules related to yard sales in Worcester Township:

- A permit is required (available on our web site or at the township office)
- There is a \$5 fee and separate \$25 deposit required to ensure that all signs will be taken down
- Sales are limited to one per calendar year



#### Ponyshare Equestrian Programs

All programs available 2 different weeks:
July 16-20 OR August 13-17



Making Children's Horse Dreams Come True...

Petite: Ages 3-7

3-4pm / \$185 per child

Pony Grooming & Riding: Ages 7-11

4:30-6pm / \$225 per child

Ponyshare 1/2 Day Camp: Ages 8-13

9am-12:30pm / \$285 per child

A hands-on introduction to the wonderful world of equines in a fun-filled, non-threatening atmosphere. Some of the horsemanship matters covered include: safety, basic anatomy, grooming, the tack and harness, riding styles and more!

#### **UK Elite Soccer Programs**

1/2 Day Soccer Camp: July 9-13 - Ages 5-9

9am-12pm / \$135 per child



Offers the perfect combination of learning and FUN! These action packed camps are designed to promote learning techniques and skills focusing on the individual player. A typical day will include games, structured practices, scrimmages, and our World Cup Tournament to end each day.

### **Heebner Park Pavilion Rentals**

Heebner Park offers two pavilions available for rent, by Worcester residents and township-based businesses. Full details, including a permit application are available on our web site at:

www.worcestertwp.com/pavilion rental.htm



## **Full Line Up of Bus Trips in 2012!**

To register for all trips, please call Worcester Township at 610-584-1410. Space is limited! For details on all trips, please visit www.worcestertwp.com/bus trips.htm (New trips added throughout the year)

#### ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY

Wednesday, July 25 **Depart Worcester Area: Approx.** 9:30am Depart AC: Approx. 4:30pm \$35 per person

### \$20 in free slot play included!

Enjoy a summer day in the city that is



always turned on. Our luxury motor coach will drop you off and pick you up at the Resorts

Casino, centrally located on the Atlantic City Boardwalk, where you will enjoy a carefree day without the hassle or cost of driving to the shore. Must be 21 or older.

#### **GETTYSBURG**

Saturday, September 22 **Depart Worcester Area: Approx.** 

630am **Depart Gettys**burg: Approx. 3:30pm \$68 per person Join us as we visit Gettysburg for a



day that will be fun for the whole family. We will start with a visit to the Welcome Center where you can explore the museum, watch the movie and view the Cyclorama followed by lunch at General Picketts Buffet. After lunch, we will have a 2 hour guided tour of the battlefield. Your cost includes: transportation, entrance to the Visitors Center, Guided Tour and Lunch. We will stop for dinner on the way home.

#### **RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR**



Three dates in 2012!!

Each trip features round trip coach

transportation to mid-town Manhattan, a ticket to the Radio City Christmas Spectacular, a voucher for a free popcorn and beverage at the show,

and free time in New York City. Details for each trip are listed below...

Monday, December 3, 2012 Depart Worcester Area: Approx. 7:45 am Depart NYC: Approx. 4:30pm \$110 per person

This trip features tickets to the 11am show, and approximately 3.5 hours of free time in NYC before departing for home. Tickets for this performance are located in Orchestra Section 600, Rows F through K

Wednesday, December 12, 2012 Depart Worcester Area:

Approx. 7:45 am

Depart NYC: Approx. 4:30pm \$110 per person

This trip features tickets to the 11am show, and approximately 3.5 hours of free time in NYC before departing for home. Tickets for this performance are located in First Mezzanine Section 400,

Rows D through H

Tuesday, December 18, 2012 Depart Worcester Area: Approx. 8 am Depart NYC: Approx. 5pm \$110 per person

This trip features tickets to the 2pm show, and approximately 3.5 hours of free time in NYC before the performance. Tickets for this performance are located in Orchestra Section 600, Rows C through F

## Safety Reminders When Opening Your Pool This Summer

With warmer temperatures coming, thoughts turn to outdoor activities such as swimming. Please take a few minutes to review these safety checks. They may prevent a swimming pool tragedy.

**Perform a pool barrier safety check.** Be sure your fence was not damaged over the winter and is structurally sound.

Check all gates. They must swing away from the pool, be self closing and self latching. Sometimes an adjustment may be required for the gate to self latch. Although the minimum barrier height is 48", the minimum height of the gate release device is 54". There are pool gate locks made to meet this requirement.

Check door alarms. Be sure batteries are fresh and they are operating properly. If your house is being used as part of your barrier, the doors that provide access to the pool area must have UL 2017 listed and labeled alarms. The deactivation switch shall be 54" minimum above the door threshold.



Spas and hot tubs. Check and confirm the safety cover has operating locks and complies with ASTM 1346.

Blow up, temporary and portable pools. The 2009 International Residential Code (IRC) defines a swimming pool as "any structure intended for swimming or recreational bathing that contains water over 24" deep. This includes in-ground, above-ground and on-ground swimming pools, hot

tubs and spas." Any temporary pool that is 24" deep must meet all of the barrier requirements of the 2009 IRC. Any temporary pool with less than 24" of water should be emptied and turned over when unsupervised or not in use.

These items are not all inclusive. They are a safety awareness reminder. For the complete Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code requirements please contact Worcester Township at 610-584-1410.

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# TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING TIMES

#### **Board of Supervisors**

1st Monday at 9:00 am 3rd Wednesday at 7:30 pm

#### **Planning Commission**

4th Thursday at 7:30 pm

#### **Planning Commission Work Session**

2nd Thursday at 7:30 pm

#### **Zoning Hearing Board**

4th Tuesday at 6:30 pm All Public Meetings are held in the Worcester Township Community Hall 1031 Valley Forge Road Fairview Village

# Reminders from the Departments of Building & Code Enforcement

Don't forget...

Residential sprinkler systems should be inspected annually.





township office to schedule all required inspections, including the final use & occupancy. The failure to resolve the status of an open permit may affect future transactions of the property, so please help us help you.

- A second means of egress is required for all finished basements.
- Home alarms need to be registered with the township office within 15 days of installation.
- Property owners wishing to display a private automobile for

sale, must register with the township. For full details on Private Vehicle Sales please refer to § 150-194.1. of the Worcester Township code.

• For any questions, please call us at 610-584-1410.

