



MANHEIM WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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THIS WEEK IN MANHEIM MARCH 1 - MARCH 7, 2010

All Week	MC Rec Classes and Programs Old Middle School For more information or to register, please call (717) 664-7506 or visit their website at www.mcrec.org	Varies
All Week	Winter Reading Program Manheim Community Library 15 East High Street Children ages 2 to 12 are encouraged to pick up a reading log at the library. For more information, please call 665-1572.	Please Check Library Hours.
3/2	Design Committee Meeting Manheim Downtown Development Group 17 North Main Street For more information, please contact Doreen at 665-1762.	7:00 pm
3/3	WEB—Women Engaged in Business Manheim Area Chamber of Commerce Brick House Café, 60 N. Main St. For more information and to register, please contact Terry at 666-6330.	8:00 am
3/3	Story Time Manheim Community Library 15 East High Street For more information, call 665-1572.	10:30 am
3/4	Open Mic Night Swashbuckler BrewPub & Eaterie 2775 Lebanon Road Artists are welcome to come out and play their instruments, serenade the crowd with singing or even recite their own poetry.	7:30 pm - 9:30 pm
3/6	Green Eggs and Ham Picnic Manheim Community Library 15 East High Street Join the Cat in the Hat and Senator Mike Brubaker to share the famous Seuss story and help the Cat celebrate her birthday. For more information, call 665-1572.	Noon
3/5 & 3/6	Comedy at the Pub Swashbuckler BrewPub & Eaterie 2775 Lebanon Road Shows are every Friday and Saturday. Admission of \$20 and a la cart menu pricing for food and drinks.	9:00pm
3/6	Laser Dome Show LaserDome 2050 Auction Road All shows are \$20 (\$15 with student ID). All shows include all you can play laser tag and halo3. For more information, please call 492-0002 www.laserdome.com	10:00 pm - 1:00 am

Manheim Springs into Action

Downtown Manheim will spring into color again in the upcoming months as the Manheim Downtown Development Group gets ready for their annual planter program, façade improvement grants and seeks adopters for their Adopt A Block Program.

“These urban beautification programs will bring bright splashes of greenery and color to the sidewalks and storefronts of downtown Manheim as well as cutting down on litter and trash along the main corridor of our downtown.” stated Doreen Ober, Main Street Manager

“The Planter Program is in its third year and has been a huge success. Last spring businesses and residents purchased almost 30 planters in the downtown delighting and welcoming our visitors and the Manheim Community.” Stated Ober. In business for over 30 years, Martin’s Greenhouse of Manheim designs and coordinates the planters that are filled with a mixture of beautiful seasonal spring flowers. Spring was also the birth of a new program to Manheim aimed to involve the community to help keep our town clean, safe and beautiful. “The Adopt A Block program had a great start last year with over 35 blocks/areas adopted in our downtown.” Stated Ober “It was great to see so many individuals willing to invest and commit their time in making our downtown a better place.” The organization will

continue to accept adoption applications and hold a safety orientation and distribute supplies this March.

The Manheim Downtown Development Group’s façade improvement program provides grant funding to eligible property owners that are located within the boundary of the downtown improvement area that is part of the Main Street program. The



purpose of the program is to provide an incentive to building owners to invest funds into improving the visual character of the façade of the building through rehabilitation that will contribute to the overall historic streetscape of the downtown area. The end goal of the program is to improve the visual image of the overall downtown area thereby attracting new businesses and customers to the downtown.

To date, the Manheim Downtown Development Group has approved sixteen (16) grants since the program started in the spring of 2008. The scope of work that has been approved for façade improvement grants this month included window replacement, window repairs, painting, door replacement, and soffit and trim repair to commercial building facades. The Manheim Downtown Development Group is pleased to award these grants and initiate programs to help building owners make improvement that will visibly impact Manheim.

If you would like more information, please contact Doreen Ober at (717) 665-1762 or email at info@manheimdowntown.org. Please visit our website at www.manheimdowntown.org.

Don't wait for something big to occur. Start where you are, with what you have, and that will lead you into something greater.

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