



MANHEIM DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT GROUP

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THIS WEEK IN MANHEIM JUNE 29 - JULY 5, 2009

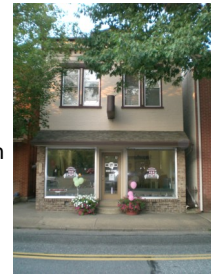
- 6/29 **IMPORTANT Public Information Session** 7:00 pm
 Manheim Central Middle School Auditorium. 261 White Oak Rd. The Manheim Borough Authority will be holding a public information meeting to discuss the ramifications of the Chesapeake Bay Program, the cost of the mandated upgrades on the WWTP and the financial impact on the rate payers over the next several years.
- 6/29 **Learn to Belly Dance** 6:30 pm
 Crickets Performing Arts
 1 North Main Street
 Learn to Belly Dance at Crickets Performing Arts. For more information and to register, please call 664-4018
- 7/1 **Summer Story Time at the Library** 9:30 am
 Manheim Community Library
 15 East High Street
 Please call the Library at 665-6700 to register and for more information.
- 7/1 **Create an Altered Book** 10:30 am -
 Manheim Community Library
 15 East High Street
 Mimi Shaprio, Book, Artist and Poet will help you explore words and creativity-come prepared to cut, glue, write, color, collage and more. For more information, please contact the Library at 665-2470.
- 7/3 **First Friday in Manheim** All Day
 Support local businesses with the First Friday event where businesses stay open later and offer special savings! The Manheim Community Library will also be featuring First Friday Family Fun Nights from 6 pm - 7 pm at the Mini Park on the corner of High and Main Streets. July 3rd will feature... Garbage Games!
- 6/14 **Open Tours of the Railroad Station, Birney Trolley and Fasig House** 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 The Manheim Historical Society will open the facilities to the public, free of charge. For more information, please visit their website at www.manheimpa.com.

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT MANHEIM DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT GROUP

The Manheim Downtown Development Group is a non profit organization committed to the revitalization of our downtown.

In 2007, Manheim obtained Main Street status. The Main Street Program provides a proven specific model that communities follow to qualify for program support. Our success relies on volunteers and the financial partnerships of our local businesses and residents.

We know as a Manheim resident, you desire to live in a place that you are proud to call home. A healthy downtown and surrounding residential neighborhood can spur business development, increase the local tax base, create jobs, stimulate the housing market, promote civic pride and inspire involve-



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ment from local leaders. The Manheim Downtown Development Group is dedicated to ensure this commitment in our community!

You realize firsthand that such programs invaluable enhance and encourage our community spirit.

This week, you may have received our Manheim Downtown Coupon Savings Publication and a partnership mailing requesting support for our volunteer efforts. Please take a moment to read over the information and to visit our

www.manheimdowntown.org for more information, programs and events that are happening in our Manheim Community!

IMPORTANT PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION

The Manheim Borough Authority will be holding a public informational meeting to discuss the ramifications of the Chesapeake Bay Program, the cost of the mandated upgrades on the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP), and financial impact on the rate payers over the next several years

The Chesapeake Bay Program was formed after Governor Richard Thornburgh of Pennsylvania, Governor Harry Hughes of Maryland, Governor Charles S. Robb of Virginia, Mayor Marion Barry of the District of Columbia, and William Ruckelshaus, Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency signed *The Chesapeake Bay Agreement of 1983*.

The agreement was designed to repair and preserve the Bay through cooperative efforts. The Manheim Borough Authority understands its responsibility in upholding Pennsylvania's por-

tion of the program and the environment as a whole. Unfortunately, such responsibilities come at a heavy cost, all of which is distributed between the Authority's constituents.

In order to meet these requirements it is estimated that the upgrades to the WWTP are going to cost \$10 million in project and construction costs. If the County, State, and Federal legislatures do not supply any funding, the entire costs of the upgrade will be divided among the existing customer base. In expectation of being "stuck with the bill" the Authority expects to increase sewer rates 20% in 2009.

The meeting will be held on **Monday, June 29, 2009 at 7:00pm in the Manheim Central Middle School auditorium, 261 White Oak Manheim, PA.**

