

## Independence Day Celebration

In November, 2008, it became evident to Township Council that the economic downturn affecting the country as a whole was also having an affect on the Township's 2009 Budget. After much tribulation, Council adopted a budget for 2009 that focused on the Township's core services, such as public safety, road maintenance, and sanitary sewer operations. This then meant that some things had to go, and even though the Township cut five full-time employee positions it became necessary to further cut one of the two days in which the Township celebrates the July 4<sup>th</sup> Independence holiday.

As such, since most residents who attend the Township's Independence Day celebration do so on July 3<sup>rd</sup> rather than July 4<sup>th</sup>, it was decided to discontinue the July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks display and activities. This then would enable residents to enjoy Hampton's festivities on July 3<sup>rd</sup>, which will include such activities as hayrides, a concert in the park, community booths, and a fireworks display, while still being able to take in an additional fireworks show somewhere else on the evening of July 4<sup>th</sup>.

The Township will revisit this decision as part of the 2010 Budget process; however, for this year we thank you for your understanding and support.

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### **Independence Day Community Celebration**

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#### **Friday, July 3**

- FREE SWIM, All ages, outdoor pool ..... 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
- Free Children's Games, 12 & under, Comm. Ctr. .... 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
- Free Foul Shooting Contest, Comm. Ctr. Gym ..... 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
- Family Hay Ride – FREE, loads at Comm. Ctr. .... 6:00 p.m. – Dusk
- Community Organization Food & Activity Booths,  
Community Center North Parking Lot ..... 6:00 p.m. – Fireworks
- D.C.S. Inflatable Activity ..... 6:00 – 9:30 p.m.
- FREE Oldies Concert – The Maquires  
Comm. Ctr. South Parking Lot ..... 7:00 – 9:30 p.m.
- Low Level Special Effect Fireworks by Pyrotechnico,  
Soccer Fields ..... At Dark

For more information, please call the D.C.S. Office  
at 412-487-7870 or 724-443-7585

**\*\* If you would like to enjoy a local activity with regard to July 4<sup>th</sup>, Allegheny County Parks & Recreation, with support of the Township, will be hosting a "Musical Fireworks Show" with the Pittsburgh Symphony at Hartwood Acres beginning at 8:00 p.m. This concert and event is free to the public. For more information, please go to the attached website:**

**<http://www.pittsburghsymphony.org/pghsymph.nsf/concert+listings/29268BDBB373BEAD852575AE005E3775>**