

# WORCESTER



# TOWNSHIP

*At the Center Point*

*of Montgomery County*

## Comprehensive Plan Update

Since mid-2020, the Comprehensive Plan Update Task Force (CPUTF) has been working to update Worcester's 2008 Comprehensive Plan, our community's primary planning guide. Task Force members have carefully reviewed each chapter in the plan, and have finalized recommended updates to the plan that will help our Township address key issues throughout the years to come.

On October 27th, the CPUTF hosted their second open house event at Community Hall. The previous open house was held virtually in March 2021. We would like to thank all of the residents that came out to learn more about the comprehensive plan update.

While the CPUTF will not be meeting after the end of this year, this process is not finished. The draft plan will now be considered by the Planning Commission, before being submitted to the Board of Supervisors for review and adoption.

The Township would like to thank all of the volunteers that were a part of the Task Force. To view information about the Comprehensive Plan Update, please visit the Comprehensive Plan Information under Top Topics on the website.

Questions about the Comprehensive Plan? E-mail us at [cpu@worcestertwp.com](mailto:cpu@worcestertwp.com).

## 2022 BUDGET PROPOSED

No New Taxes, No Tax Increases

**L**ike low taxes and local government that's sensible and responsible? Then there's a lot to like about Worcester Township. The proposed 2022 Budget includes no new taxes and no tax increases, and maintains the higher-quality services and programs our community enjoys today.

The current Township real estate tax, at 0.05 mills, is the lowest municipal millage rate in Montgomery County... and this rate will stay the same in the coming year. This means that the owner of a property in Worcester Township that is assessed at \$300,000 (about a \$640,000 sales price) pays \$15 in property tax to the Township. This same owner pays \$1,206.60 in property tax to Montgomery County (4.022 mills), and \$9,379.35 in property tax to the Methacton School District (31.2645 mills).



### The proposed Budget provides...

- more than \$900,000 in road improvements, to keep our streets in good condition;
- several improvements to Township trails and parks;
- a 5% increase to the Township's contribution to the Worcester Township Volunteer Fire Department, our community's all-volunteer emergency service provider;
- a 5% increase to the Township's contribution to the Norristown Library, our community's public library; and,
- new Public Works equipment, to replace needed equipment that has reached the end of its useful life.

The Budget proposes a half percent increase in residential and commercial sewer rates in the coming year. For residential customers the sewer rate will increase by about 22 cents per month. The 2022 Budget is now available for review at the Township Building and at [worcestertwp.com](http://worcestertwp.com).

The Board of Supervisors will consider adoption of the Budget at their monthly Business Meeting on December 15. Any questions about the Budget may contact Finance Director Nicole Quagliariello at (610) 584-1410, or by e-mail at [nicoleq@worcestertwp.com](mailto:nicoleq@worcestertwp.com).

## Safe Disposal of Fireplace & Woodstove Ashes

Just a reminder as you are operating your fireplace this season. Ashes from woodstoves and fireplaces must be disposed of properly to avoid fires in and around your home.



Please remember to carefully consider the type of container in which the ashes are stored. Never empty ashes into a paper or plastic bag, cardboard box, or another similar container. The only way to safely store ashes is to use a metal container with a lid. And don't forget to pour water on the ashes prior to attaching the metal lid to the pail.

Lastly, never store your metal ash container on your deck, in your garage, or in any location that may allow heat to transfer from those hot coals to nearby flammable items. Countless wooden decks catch fire each year because of this simple oversight.

Questions about the proper disposal of ashes? Contact Dave Cornish, Fire Marshal, at [dcornish@worcestertwp.com](mailto:dcornish@worcestertwp.com).

## Days Gone By

### What were the first four ordinances passed in Worcester Township?

- **Ordinance No. 1** was passed in 1948 and was a nuisance ordinance to prohibit dumping of various materials on properties.
- **Ordinance No. 2** was passed in 1949 and was an ordinance to open new roads.
- **Ordinance No. 3** was passed in 1952 and was an ordinance for a social security agreement for township employees that was entered into with the Commonwealth.
- **Ordinance No. 4** was passed in 1953 and was the adoption of the zoning ordinance.

Source: *A History of Worcester Township*.



## VARIETY HOLIDAY LANE

Variety Holiday Lane is back this year! Walk or drive through Variety's 77-acre campus and enjoy the beautiful sights and sounds of the holidays.

**Drive Through Tour:** December 1, 5pm–7pm, \$10/car

**Walking Tours:** December 2–4, 4pm–8pm, \$10 adults, \$5 kids

**Where:** 2950 Potshop Road, Worcester, PA 19490

Hot cocoa included with ticket. Live entertainment, kids' activities & a holiday bazaar! Tickets available at [www.varietyphila.org/holiday-lane-tickets](http://www.varietyphila.org/holiday-lane-tickets). 🐦

## BRANCH DROP-OFF LOCATION- NIKE PARK!

The branch drop-off site is open at Nike Park, 1575 North Trooper Road, just south of Potshop Road on Saturdays from 10AM to 2PM (except when there is holiday, the drop-off will be Wednesday) from November-February. The location will be open two days a week, Wednesdays and Saturdays, from 10am to 2pm from March-October.

The Township chips tree branches and makes the mulch available to Township residents at no cost. The mulch, and other materials are available for pick-up at the compost bins that are located near the Public Works Building 24/7 and at our new branch drop-off location during hours of operation. Please note the mulch must be self-loaded.

For more information and the most up to date schedule, please visit [www.worcestertwp.com/departments/public-works/branch-drop-off-site/](http://www.worcestertwp.com/departments/public-works/branch-drop-off-site/). 🐦

## OPEN BURNING REGULATIONS

In Ordinance 2021-286, along with new recycling guidelines (see page 3), there is some clarification regarding open burning. It is not permissible to burn leaves, yard waste, or other materials in Worcester Township.



### Exceptions to allow open fire and burning is as follows:

- Burning shall be permitted for fire-fighting training by Township-designated fire-fighting organizations conditioned on prior approval of the Worcester Township Fire Marshal.
- Burning shall be permitted for recreational and entertainment purposes, such as bonfires and camp-fires, conditioned on prior approval of the Worcester Township Fire Marshal. Fire pits, fire bowls, and chimeneas may be used without Fire Marshal approval provided these are used in accordance with the manufacturer's safety guidelines.
- When approved by a government agency only, burning is permitted for (a) the prevention and control of disease or pests, (2) the conservation and management of unique and natural areas, (3) the prevention or abatement of a fire hazard, (4) a management technique for preventing wildfires, scientific research, or vegetation management, or (5) for agricultural uses and purposes as permitted by State Law.

For more information on these new requirements, please visit our new Recycling page on our website at [www.worcestertwp.com](http://www.worcestertwp.com). 🐦



## NEW RECYCLING REQUIREMENTS!

On August 18, 2021, the Worcester Township Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance 2021-286, which enacted new recycling requirements in order to make sure the Township is fully compliance with recycling requirements as mandated by Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). Recycling requirements were already in place in the Township, but the new regulations have to do with leaf and yard waste collection and clarifying open burning regulations.



community and the schedules for the monthly curbside collection.

### There are many reasons for the implementation of this regulation:

- **Good for the Environment!** – The leaf and yard waste collected by each of the haulers will be recycled at a DEP-permitted facility. These facilities will recycle the materials instead of the leaf and yard waste ending up in a landfill.
- **Grant Money!** - The Township will now be eligible for grant money by implementing and enforcing these requirements and will be eligible to apply for other grant opportunities.
- **Convenience!** – This will allow another convenient way for residents to dispose of leaf and yard waste without having to load it up in your vehicle and driving it to a separate location for disposal.

Starting by the end of the year, you should receive notification from the trash hauler that you contract with that there will be monthly curbside collection of leaf and yard waste. The leaf waste will have to be bagged in biodegradable bags in order to be picked up. Some haulers may accept branches and other yard waste items. The Township has placed the information received from each of the trash haulers that service our

For more information on these new requirements and information for each of the haulers that service our community, please visit our new Recycling page on our website at [www.worcestertwp.com](http://www.worcestertwp.com). 

## HOME COOKIN' AT MEADOWOOD

By Meadowood Resident and Amateur Chef Judy Jones

I chose my Mom's handwritten meatloaf recipe because it's delicious, especially in winter. It's easy to make and transport if you want to bring a hot meal to a friend (just wrap it in heavy duty foil – no plate needed). The first time I made Mom's recipe, I looked at the back of the Lipton Onion Soup box and guess what I found – a recipe for "Souperior Meat Loaf!" It exactly matched Mom's handwritten recipe except hers said "Mom's!" I laugh every time I make it. Sometimes I shape it into 2 smaller loafs in the same pan – one for myself and one for the freezer.



### I like to pair it with broccoli (or cauliflower) casserole:

Steam a bunch of rinsed and salted broccoli or cauliflower until fork tender (about 15 minutes). Drain and mash. Add 1 cup sour cream (light or regular); 1 cup shredded cheese (cheddar or other); chopped onion, green onion or garlic if desired; salt and pepper to taste. Mix and pour into ungreased baking dish; sprinkle with paprika. Bake at 350 for 30 minutes (until edges are bubbly). 

## 2022 Road Program Preview

The Township completed the 2021 Road Program in September – on schedule and on budget! The program repaired and resurfaced more than 3.1 miles of Township-owned roads – a significant investment in our community's roadway network. And that doesn't include the many smaller fixes made by our Public Works team throughout the year!

### The Township is now preparing a list of roadways for possible repair or resurfacing in 2022. At this time the list includes all or portions of:

- East Adair Drive
- West Adair Drive
- Methacton Avenue
- Plumlyn Avenue
- Markley Avenue
- Slough Road
- Reichenbach Road
- Shefley Lane
- Hollis Road
- Doe Brook Road
- A portion of Heebner Park/walking trail

Please note the list is tentative. As the winter progresses Township staff will carefully monitor roadway conditions, and prioritize projects as conditions warrant. The Township will provide additional information on the 2022 Road Program in the Spring newsletter and on our website [www.worcestertwp.com](http://www.worcestertwp.com).

## Ask Mary Ann

When the telephone rings at the Township Building, and the resident on the line asks a question, Receptionist extraordinaire Mary Ann always has the answer. Here's one of questions that Mary Ann often fields, and her answer...

**RESIDENT:** "How do I know if my road is a state road, a township road or a private road?"

**MARY ANN:** "Visit our website at [Worcestertwp.com](http://Worcestertwp.com) and go to Departments, choose Public Works, Roads and then click on Roadway Classification List."

## Cub Scout Pack 200

Fall was very busy for Cub Pack 200 with all events occurring in person. In addition to weekly den Meetings, the scouts participated in Fishing at Center

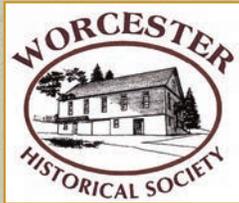


Point, Cub-0-Ree, and Fall Fest Service projects completed this fall included volunteering at the Church's country fair and of course scouting for food where the scouts collected tremendous amounts of food for those in need locally.

Interested in joining the fun? Contact cubpack200@gmail.com.

## Worcester Historical Society- Christmas Open House

The Worcester Historical Society is planning its annual, Christmas Open House at the Farmers Union Hall located at



2011 Valley Forge Road in Center Point. Please mark your calendar for Saturday, December 4th from 1pm to 4 pm. Find updates on their Facebook page @ WorcesterHistoricalSocietyPA.

Also, in partnership with the Montgomery County Registrar of Deeds, there will be a joint program Sunday, March 27 between 2:00pm- 4:00pm. The subject of the presentation is Worcester Deeds, how to read and interpret them, their historical significance, how they have changed overtime, etc. Please feel free to bring any questions you may have. Check their Facebook page @ WorcesterHistoricalSocietyPA as time gets closer.

## ZACHARIAS TRAIL EXTENSION UPDATE

Last year, the Township was notified that we received a \$326,000 grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. This trail extension is a joint venture with Skippack and park officials with Evansburg State Park. This extension of the trail will connect the Zacharias Trail into Evansburg State Park, where it will connect to an existing 24-mile trail network.

During the initial survey of the site, the Township was notified by PECO that they are no longer allowing trails to be constructed under their powerlines in certain voltage areas. While that was not expected, the Township along with Skippack and State Officials came up with alternative plan. The one-mile extension will begin at the trail's existing terminus near Green Hill Road as was originally planned, and

continue up through the State property and the border with the Skippack Golf Club and crossing at Kratz Road, before crossing into Skippack Township and Evansburg State Park. The eight-foot-wide paved trail will be constructed on property owned by the Commonwealth. The trail will be maintained by Worcester Township and Skippack Township.

This new route ended up being a better option, there is less clearing and it provides an easier waterway crossing. Site survey and field work should begin in the Spring 2022 and then hopefully construction will be started in early 2023.

Many thanks to State Representative Matt Bradford and State Senator Katie Muth for their strong support of this terrific project!



## SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

The following projects are now under review:

- **Huganir** – An eight-lot single-family detached home subdivision at Artmar Road.
- **Palmer** – Seven commercial lots and one residential parcel at Skippack Pike & Valley Forge Road.
- **Palmer Village** – An eleven-lot single-family detached home subdivision, with a bank, convenience store, and pharmacy, at Skippack Pike & Valley Forge Road.

The following subdivision and land development projects are among those receiving approval in the recent years, and construction has not yet begun:

- **Bethel Development Associates** – A two-lot single-family detached home subdivision at Skippack Pike.
- **Gunsalas Tract** – A three-lot single-family detached home subdivision at Mill Road.
- **Meadowood** – A 4,200 sf addition for administrative offices and resident

amenities at an existing retirement community at Skippack Pike.

- **Sparango Construction** – An eight-lot single-family detached home subdivision at Berks Road.
- **Stony Creek Village** – Office, retail, and restaurant buildings at North Wales Road & Township Line Road.

The following approved subdivision and land development projects are now under construction:

- **Mandraccia** – A two-lot single-family detached home subdivision at Stump Hall Road.
- **Meadowood** – A 20-bed memory care facility at an existing retirement community at Skippack Pike.
- **Reserve at Center Square** – A residential subdivision at Skippack Pike that includes 125 townhomes and 125 single-family detached homes.
- **Whitehall Estates** – A 39 single-family detached home subdivision at Whitehall Road.



## WINTER IS COMING- SNOW REMOVAL TIPS!

**W**hen snow begins to fall, the Township applies a brine solution to the roadway surface to prevent the formation of ice. Our Public Works team then works to plow the roadways, following specific routes that aim to clear emergency routes and high-priority roads first. For safety reasons cul-de-sacs and other secondary roads are not plowed until all emergency routes and high-priority roads are passable.

As always, the Township will do its very best to keep roadways as clear as possible, but we need your help!

### When the first snowflakes begin to fall, please remember to:

- Remove vehicles from the roadway until the roadway is cleared. Vehicles parked on the roadway hamper snow removal operations, and vehicles parked on emergency routes may be towed.
- Wait until the roadway is cleared before shoveling your driveway, sidewalk and mailbox area. But if you must clear these areas sooner, please know Township trucks will likely throw snow back onto these areas when plowing the road.
- Refrain from shoveling snow into the roadway. Pushing snow from your driveway or sidewalk into the roadway creates a safety hazard and could cause an accident.
- Prepare your vehicle for winter driving. And if you are too nervous about driving on snow and ice, don't drive. Share a ride with a neighbor, or wait until the roadways are cleared before traveling.

The Township does not plow County and State-owned roadways, private roadways and roadways not yet dedicated to the Township. For a full list of roads and their classification, please visit [www.worcestertwp.com/departments/public-works/roads/](http://www.worcestertwp.com/departments/public-works/roads/)

The Township would like to thank all residents for their patience and cooperation while we work to keep our roads safe during the winter season! 🙏

## FROM THE WORCESTER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

### Please Keep Hydrants Clear of Snow

**F**or your safety, please help the Worcester Volunteer Fire Company by clearing snow away from fire hydrants in front of your property. Our volunteer firefighters need approximately three feet in all directions to be free of ice and snow, in order to properly connect hoses to a fire hydrant. The few extra minutes you spend clearing snow from a fire hydrant can make a big difference during an emergency. 🙏



## Proper Placement of Mailboxes

### Help Reduce the Opportunity for Damage



Worcester Township takes every precaution to avoid damaging mailboxes during snow removal operations. **Below are some helpful mailbox placement tips to help reduce the chance your mailbox is damaged this winter:**

- Along an uncurbed roadway, a mailbox should be located 2' from the edge of pavement to provide adequate clearance.
- Along a curbed roadway, a mailbox face should be located 8" behind the curb face.
- Install the mailbox on the side of your driveway away from approaching traffic. This will lessen the likelihood of a plow strike, and minimize the shoveling needed to clear the area around the mailbox.

**The Township will replace a standard mailbox and post only if either or both are struck by the plow, and only if these are installed to the specifications of the United States Postal Service (USPS). The USPS requires that:**

- the mailbox be installed at least 42" above the roadway surface; and,
- mailbox posts not exceed 4" by 4" for wooden posts, and a 2" diameter for steel pipe posts; larger posts are deemed "deadly fixed objects", and are not permitted within the right-of-way.

The Township neither replaces nor reimburses residents for custom mailboxes or ornate posts, and the Township is not responsible for damage caused by snow or ice that is thrown from the snowplow blade.

If you believe a properly-installed mailbox or post was struck by a Township vehicle please contact the Township at (610) 584-1410.

## Holiday Recycling Tips

Here are some recycling tips to keep in mind during the holiday season:



- **Use wrapping paper that is made with recycled materials**, which can also be recycled after the gift is unwrapped.
- **Put out the recycling bin during parties.** Make it easier for guests to recycle their glass bottles and aluminum cans by putting the recycling bin next to the trash can.
- **Holiday Lights and tinsel are not recyclable.** Please make sure to remove these before recycling your trees. Some home improvement stores have bins available to recycle old holiday lights.
- **Recycle your cardboard.** Break down any cardboard and place in your recycling bin.
- **Bring your own shopping bags.** If you do use plastic bags, please return them to the grocery stores and recycle them. Plastic bags should not be placed in your recycling bins!
- **Recycle your old gadgets.** Get a new phone or computer- remember to recycle your old electronics either by taking it to a store that will accept it or by using retrievr, a service that will pick up items for recycling. Some items may have a fee charged for pick-up. For more information, please check out the Township's Recycling page by visiting [www.worcestertwp.com](http://www.worcestertwp.com) and clicking on the recycling tab at the top of the home page.
- **Rinse your recyclables.** Before tossing your empty containers or cartons in the recycling bin, give them a quick rinse.

For more information about recycling, please visit [montcopa.org/637/Recycling-Information](http://montcopa.org/637/Recycling-Information).

## MELTING SNOW: IT'S STORMWATER TOO!

Here are some tips from the Penn State Extension for managing your property for winter stormwater:



- When piling your snow after shoveling and plowing, choose locations where the snow will have the most opportunity to infiltrate instead of becoming stormwater runoff. Pile your snow in areas where you don't usually have ponding in the spring rains, on relatively flat areas, and away from sensitive areas like streams, ponds, and your private well if you have one.
- Clear your downspouts to allow melting roof snow to flow and not collect at your foundation.
- Make sure your nearest storm drains are clear. Do not pile snow on storm drains. Clear away any snow that may have been kicked onto the drains by passing cars.
- Use de-icing chemicals and salts judiciously. Use what you need to make your walkways and driveways safe, but try to avoid spreading around sensitive areas like waterways and your private well.
- Postpone outdoor construction projects in winter, when you can't establish new vegetation to reduce soil loss and muddy runoff.
- Pay special attention to places that are eroding during snow melt, and make a plan to improve these areas in spring using plants that can slow and stop erosion, like native grasses and meadow plants or native trees and shrubs. 🐦

## HOW MUCH CANDY IN THE FISHBOWL?

There is a fish bowl in the lobby of the Worcester Township Building. And in this fish bowl there is candy... Twizzlers to be exact. And lots of them.

How many Twizzlers are in the fish bowl is your guess, and if your guess is the closest to the actual number you'll win the candy, and sweet bragging rights. Submit your guess at the Township Building, before 4:00 pm on January 14th. One guess per person please. The winner will be announced in our next newsletter.



And congratulations to Barbara Wright who guessed the exact number of mini candy bars (210) in the fishbowl in our last contest. Barbara, don't forget to share! The candy is kindly contributed by the employees of Worcester Township, who are not eligible to submit a guess. 🐦

## BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

### Philadelphia Metro Wildlife Center

We recently spoke with Rick Schubert, Executive Director. Philadelphia Metro Wildlife Center is located at 2815 Township Line Road in Worcester Township.

#### What services does your organization provide?

“We are a hospital for injured and orphaned wild animals native to this area (animals like songbirds, owls, hawks, squirrels, rabbits, etc.) We do not provide care to domestics or to exotic animals, so no lions or tigers here! Injured animals are brought to us by the public, or by local police departments, animal control officers, park rangers, and PA Game Commission officers. We provide supportive and medical care to animals and give them a safe place to recover until they are ready to be released back into their native habitat.”



We also provide off-site educational programs to the public in places like schools, libraries, community groups, nursing homes, and other environmental centers like the John Heinz National Wildlife Refuge.

#### What is a recent animal rescue success story?

“We have many wonderful success stories. The one that stands out most this year involved three eastern screech owls, a parent and two juveniles, that became badly stuck to a wide band of lanternfly tape that had been placed around a tree. When they came in, they looked like a pile of feathers--it was hard to make out each individual animal. I slowly and carefully removed each bird from the tape (it took about an hour). All three survived and spent several months with us as they recovered and regrew their feathers. We released the three back where they came from a few weeks ago.”

#### How many people work for your organization and what volunteer opportunities do have available?

“We currently have 6 people on staff, and we have about 60 volunteers that help us with animal care. Our volunteers are an integral part of our team, helping with feeding, food prep, cleaning, etc. year-round, particularly in the spring and summer months when there are many babies to feed. People interested in volunteering with us can find a link on our website at [www.phillywildlife.org](http://www.phillywildlife.org).”

#### Anything else you would like our community to know about your organization?

“We are excited to be in beautiful Worcester Township and to be a useful resource to the community. We are here to help the public with their wildlife questions and concerns, to help encourage people to find ways to peacefully coexist with their wild animal neighbors, and of course, to help with injured and orphaned wild animals in need of care. We are a private nonprofit organization not a government agency. We receive no federal, state, or local funding, and are prohibited by PA law from charging for our animal care services; our funding comes primarily from donations. We're open 7 days a week, every day of the year, and our current winter-season hours are 9 am to 4 pm. We do request that people call us at 267-416-9453 before they bring an animal in.” 🐾

## Volunteer Firefighters Hours Logged

Through the first nine months of 2021, the men and women of the Worcester Volunteer Fire Department logged 6,613 hours conducting drills and responding to calls for help. If these folks were paid firefighters, the estimated cost to Worcester taxpayers for the same number of service hours would total about \$707,591.

And if the Township were to employ a full-time paid fire department this cost would top \$2 million per year, or about \$180 for each person now living in Worcester!

Our volunteer firefighters may not be paid, but maintaining a dependable volunteer fire department isn't free. The Worcester Volunteer Fire Department is always looking for persons who can help protect our community. But if you don't have the time to volunteer, please consider making a tax-deductible contribution to those who are willing to put themselves in harm's way to keep our families safe.

#### Send your contribution to:

Worcester Volunteer Fire Department  
1725 Valley Forge Road  
Post Office Box 1  
Worcester, PA 19490

## Toys for Tots



Worcester Township will again serve as a drop-off location for the United States Marine Corps' annual Toys for Tots Program. Help brighten the holidays for those less fortunate by bringing a new and unwrapped toy to the Township Building, 1721 Valley Forge Road, during office hours, 7:00am to 4:30pm, Monday through Friday.

Last year we filled over 7 large bins of toys... help us to do even better this holiday season! *Used toys, realistic-looking toy weapons and items containing food can't be accepted.* For more information about Toys for Tots, please visit [toysfortots.org](http://toysfortots.org). Drop off your gift between now and December 10.



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## Stay Connected!

Our website, [worcestertwp.com](http://worcestertwp.com), provides the most up-to-date information on public meetings, proposed land developments, community events, road projects, and much more! Check out Top Topics (*at the top of home page*) for in-depth information on key projects throughout the Township.



Our award-winning newsletter (you are reading now!) is mailed to every household in the Township four times a year.

Every Friday afternoon the Township distributes a "Peek at the Week"—a list of Township meetings and community events scheduled for the upcoming seven days, plus other useful information.

To get your Peek by e-mail simply enroll for E-News Sign-Up at [worcestertwp.com](http://worcestertwp.com). Peek at the Week is also posted to the Township's Facebook account.

 Facebook - @Worcestertownship  
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## Christmas Tree Sale

Boy Scout Troop 133 will hold its Annual Christmas Tree Sale at the Worcester Township Community Hall, 1031 Valley Forge Road, from 6pm on Friday, December 3rd until 5pm on Sunday, December 5th, and then again from 6pm on Friday, December 10th until 5pm on Saturday, December 11th... or until all trees sell out, and they always do! The Scouts offer a terrific selection of trees, so finding the perfect tree has never been easier. Proceeds make possible the many great programs and activities the Scouts enjoy throughout the year.



## Worcester Scenes

Congratulations to Robert Greenawalt, who was the first to correctly identify Heyser Field Horse Ring in our last newsletter.

## Santa Claus is Coming to Town!

Saturday, December 11  
(Rain date December 18)

Mr. Claus will be escorted around Worcester Township



on a fire engine. Santa's appearance is made possible by our dedicated volunteers at Worcester Volunteer Fire Department who, as always, have been good all year! Please check [worcesterfd.com](http://worcesterfd.com) for Santa's tour times.

## Holiday Tree Drop-Off

Worcester Township will again host a holiday tree drop-off location at the self-serve bins located at the Public Works complex (behind the Township Building), 1721 Valley Forge Road. Trees and greens may be dropped-off between December 26 and January 31. Since we recycle the trees into mulch, all stands, ornaments, plastic bags and tinsel must be removed. And please note that wreaths are not accepted.