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PRESS RELEASE

50th Anniversary of Springettsbury's Arts and Crafts Show

York, PA – Springettsbury Township proudly announces the 50th anniversary of its annual recreation Arts and Crafts Show. The Township Arts and Crafts Show originated in 1960, two years after the inception of the summer recreation program. Children ages five to sixteen were invited to attend the free daily recreation program at a local Township park. Artwork they created during the summer program was on display at a local church during the inaugural craft show.

Today, Springettsbury Township's summer recreation program is attended by over one thousand children. Each day, children are able to create a craft project, in addition to participating in athletic events and games. Submitted arts and crafts projects are displayed at the Galleria Mall to highlight the children's work. Each craft is awarded a ribbon and three age-class winners are awarded a trophy. Winning craft projects are then displayed at the Township building for the public to view.

Since its charter year in 1960, the Arts and Crafts Show has grown from a few dozen entries to nearly 800 crafts. In addition to individual crafts, each of the nine park programs creates an All-Park craft, depicting the collective efforts of the park children. The public is asked to view the All-Park crafts and vote for the winning project. Votes may be cast during this year's event beginning Thursday, July 29, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. The 50th Annual Springettsbury Township Arts and Crafts Show will run until 9:00 p.m. Saturday, July 31, 2010.

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