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Supervisor John Foley remarks that the new Park Boulevard connects both vehicular and pedestrian paths from the downtown to the entertainment complex.

COMPLETION OF THE PARK BOULEVARD PROJECT PROVIDES MUCH MORE THAN A NEW BRIDGE AND ROAD

There were a lot of reasons to celebrate at the ribbon cutting event held on November 2, 2016 for the completion of the Park Boulevard project. The project began because the Park Boulevard bridge was 60 years old, deficient, and losing weight load capacity. Additionally, Park Boulevard had a substandard alignment and poor sight and stopping distance. The combination sparked a solution that resulted in further improvements to enhance safety, connectivity, access, and the future economy.



Supervisors John Foley, Susan Cort, and Matthew Weir at the ribbon cutting for Park Boulevard. The new road greatly improves access for emergency services.

The Park Boulevard project is the result of a 10-year collaborative effort between the Hershey Trust, Hershey Entertainment and Resorts, The Hershey Company, Representative John Payne, Dauphin County Commissioners and the Derry Township Board of Supervisors.

When initial discussions occurred on the project, there was foresight into numerous enhancement possibilities that this project could achieve. Rather than replace the bridge and the road in their existing locations, they were moved south where a new 126-foot bridge was constructed over Spring Creek and a new Park Boulevard was built.

The new 5,807 foot road begins at the Hershey Entertainment Complex main entrance and ends at the intersection with Ridge Road. The \$9.7 million project included the following:

A traffic signal on Park Boulevard at the intersection with Chocolate World Way (the old Park Boulevard).

A ramp from the northbound lane of Park Boulevard to the Hershey Entertainment Complex main entrance.

The widening and overlay of Park Boulevard from Ridge Road to Park Avenue.

A shared use sidewalk from the intermodal facility to the Hershey Entertainment Complex.

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PARK BOULEVARD PROJECT

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A new sidewalk at the underpass on Ridge Road and a change making the Ridge Road underpass one-way northbound.

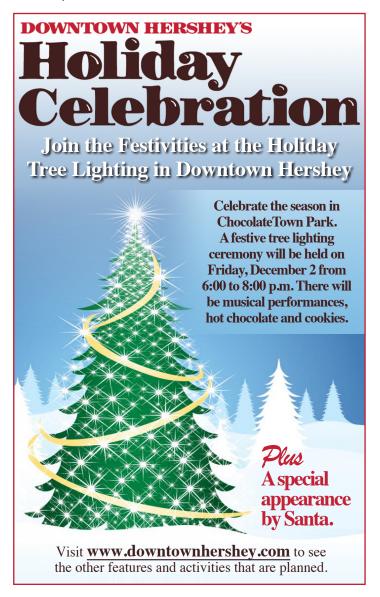
The new connection with the Hershey Entertainment Complex from Park Boulevard will improve the emergency response time to the Complex. Previously, responders could only access the Complex from Hersheypark Drive. Derry Township board member John Foley said, "The realigned road is a significant improvement for our emergency services. North to south pathways are challenging. The new road will allow for improved access and better response times for police, fire, and emergency medical services."

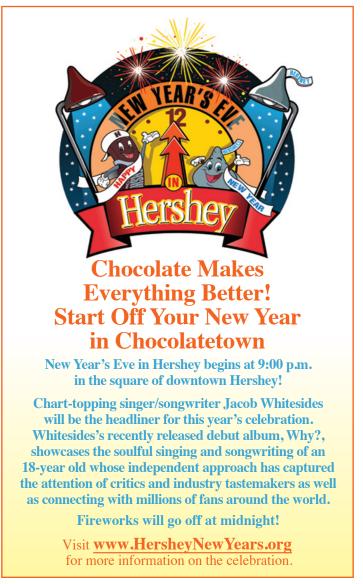
The new sidewalk at the underpass provides a designated area for pedestrians to safely travel from downtown Hershey to the Hershey Entertainment Complex, and provides a beautiful and scenic location to enjoy a walk where the Township's trail does not exist.

The relocation of Park Boulevard will allow Hersheypark to expand west to the old swimming pool and ballroom area to develop approximately 38 acres. The expansion will generate additional jobs and attract more tourists, which is beneficial to the Township because it will increase the amount of earned income tax, local service tax, amusement tax, and parking tax, and will create more business for hotels, restaurants, and retail establishments. The ability for Hersheypark to expand and contribute to the local economy played a role in the attractiveness of the project to receive state funding.

Representative John Payne said, "What really drove the state to participate in funding the project was not that Derry Township had a problem. What drove it was the fact that Hershey Entertainment & Resorts was gaining approximately 38 acres of new land for the Hersheypark expansion. From the state's viewpoint, that was important."

The project was funded through a Dauphin County Liquid Fuels grant, federal and state funding, The Hershey Company, Hershey Entertainment & Resorts, and Derry Township.





Understanding the Township's Proposed Official Map

In September, the Derry Township Department of Community Development presented a draft of the Official Map at a public hearing. Because of the number of residents who attended the hearing and the questions that continue to be presented, we are providing the following information to better explain the purpose of the Map and Ordinance and how it affects property owners.

Thank you to all of those that have already shared your concerns and suggestions and for being a part of this collaborative process. The map is currently being updated to reflect the changes suggested by residents. A new draft version of the map will be posted prior to the next public hearing, which will likely be held in January 2017. In the meantime, you are encouraged to continue submitting your ideas.

1. What is an Official Map?

An Official Map is a map and ordinance that shows existing public lands and designations for future public lands and facilities in the Township. Many of these designations have already been identified in the Township's Comprehensive Plan, traffic studies, the Parks and Open Space Plan, or other studies that have been completed by the Township. Facilities are designated to address issues such as bike and pedestrian paths, existing and proposed parks and open spaces, intersection improvements, road extensions, stormwater facilities, and flood improvement areas.

The Official Map and Ordinance are permitted under the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC) and much of the language of the Ordinance is from the Code. While the Official Map is a separate document from the Township Zoning Ordinance, Zoning Map, and Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance, the Official Map and Ordinance are supplements depicting potential future public facilities and establishing a process for the Township to facilitate construction of the facilities simultaneously with new development projects.

2. Why is an Official Map beneficial to a Township?

- The map establishes the long-term planning efforts of the Township to provide for additional public facilities and safety improvements to the road network.
- It conveys the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan and other planning documents completed by the

Township. By combining the goals and objectives of numerous planning documents into one map, the Township is able to focus its resources and prioritize areas for future public facilities. The map will be utilized in financial planning and collaboration among Township departments.

- The Township Zoning and Subdivision and Land Development Ordinances are limited by the MPC to regulating things like permitted uses and the design of new construction projects on private property. When used in conjunction with these Ordinances, Official Maps help to provide an additional planning tool to municipalities by serving as a guide for the location of future public facilities, and ensuring that the facilities are either completed or otherwise incorporated into the development proposed on private properties.
- The Official Map increases the likelihood that sensitive environmental features will be preserved by enabling the Township to reserve land for future parks, trails, greenways and protection of other environmental resources, without having to immediately commit funds to purchase land or easements.
- The Map will give the Township a competitive advantage over those municipalities that don't have an Official Map and up-to-date Comprehensive Plan when applying for grants and other funding to implement priority areas identified on the map.

3. What kind of facilities may be shown on the Official Map?

The MPC permits municipalities to show existing and proposed bicycle and pedestrian paths, existing and proposed parks and open spaces, intersection improvements, road extensions, stormwater facilities, and flood improvement areas. Additional features may be included provided there is a benefit to the public for the features to be shown.

4. If my property is shown to contain a portion of a public facility will it affect improvements to my property?

Once an application for a qualified development is received, the Township has up to one year to determine whether they want to pursue acquisition of land for the facility shown on the Official Map. When an application is submitted for private development that is not associated with a formal subdivision or land development submission, this determination would be able to occur quickly so that the permit process is not held up for a significant amount of time beyond typical review periods.

If the Township decides to proceed with acquisition of lands, a negotiation process will begin with all of the affected property owners. The property owner may dedicate land or right-of-way for the facility to be constructed, the Township may condemn purchase an easement or right-of-way from the owner, or the developer may construct the facility as part of their development.

In order to ensure the integrity of the Official Map, Section 126-5 of the Ordinance would prevent any new structure from being constructed within the lines of a public facility shown on the Map. Once the map is adopted, this limitation provides that any building or improvement knowingly placed within the lines of a public facility shall be removed at the expense of the owner.

To protect property rights and values, the Board of Supervisors may issue special encroachment permits under the Ordinance for construction of an improvement in the area where a public facility has been identified on the Map, provided the owner can demonstrate that no other alternative locations exist for that improvement. If a special encroachment permit is issued, the applicant may legally proceed with the improvement to their property.

5. Will the Township definitely need my land if a facility is shown on my property?

Showing the feature on the Map does not mean that your property has been or will be needed by the Township. Some of the improvements shown on the map may never occur if site conditions are prohibitive, there is a lack of funding, or there are other unforeseen factors that would prevent the improvement from occurring.

The purpose of the Map is to show that the Township has determined that there is an opportunity in that area for a future improvement. The map identifies these areas for potential future improvements in a comprehensive manner so that residents and developers are aware. The Township gains no additional eminent domain power through the Official Map adoption process. In fact, a governmental entity

may use eminent domain to obtain lands for a public purpose without the Official Map. The Official Map identifies areas for improvements and provides a process to negotiate with landowners and developers to obtain lands for a public purpose so that eminent domain is used as a last resort.

6. Why does the Draft Official Map Ordinance mention the term "taking" under Section 126-4 and 126-5 of the Ordinance if showing the public facilities on the map is not a taking?

Section 225-126.4.C of the Ordinance is where it is stated that showing any features on the map, in and of itself, does not constitute a taking of property; however, adoption of the Official Map does set up a process to negotiate terms of acquiring the land at some point in the future for public use, if necessary. The acquisition of the land at some point in the future is what the term "taking" is referring to in Section 126-4.A of the proposed Ordinance.

7. If a public facility is shown on my land will I have to pay for its completion?

The improvements shown on the map, such as the sidewalk corridors, trails and road improvements, would likely be part of a larger Township-sponsored project, or they may be included in subdivision and land development projects where they would then be privately funded by developers. Residential owners may be asked to dedicate or sell an easement or portion of land through the negotiation process described above, if it is necessary for completion of the improvement. It is not the intent of the Map and Ordinance for individual residents of the Township to install the improvement.

8. Will the Official Map change my ability to make improvements to my property in the future?

No. If a potential facility is shown to run through any part of your property, you will submit plans and permit applications for development as you have done in the past. A policy statement is being developed that may be added to the Ordinance to define what types of development will undergo a review process under the Official Map.

9. Are the locations of the proposed facilities shown on the Map final?

No. Locations of proposed facilities are not final if shown on the Map. The future trails and other line segments showing road extensions, for example, have only been drawn for planning purposes. Engineered plans do not exist for the majority of the features on the Map. Site conditions, negotiations with landowners and developers, and available funding will all have a significant impact on the final location of the facilities.

Some locations of the proposed facilities on the Map are being altered based on public comment, where possible, so that many of the proposed improvements will follow property lines instead of bisecting central areas of a property. This will enable many improvements to existing dwellings, as well as construction of many types of accessory structures, without incurring any additional review under the Official Map requirements.

However, if a property is anticipated for future subdivision or land development under the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance, facilities may still be shown running through central locations of the property to encourage developers to construct the facilities, or to provide easements or rights-of-way as part of that development. If site conditions and negotiations with landowners and developers differ from the Township's early planning of the future facilities, plenty of flexibility is offered with the Map to plan alternative locations.

If you have questions or concerns prior to the continued public hearing, please contact Brandon Williams, Assistant Director of Community Development, at bwilliams@derrytownship.org.

The proposed Township Official Map and accompanying ordinance may be viewed <u>here</u> and at the Derry Township Department of Community Development, 600 Clearwater Road, Hershey, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.



Cocoa Castle Castle Is Almost Ready for Serious Fun!

It's not too late to have your own personalized fence picket or commemorative brick included in the project.

Information can be found in the following links:

<u>Picket Sales</u> <u>Brick Sales</u>

Thank you for helping to provide a safe and quality play area for children for generations to come.

Contact us at <u>CocoaCastleHershey@gmail.com</u>, if you have any questions, or need additional information.

Thanks to everyone in the community who donated their time and money to construct a new Cocoa Castle. It is installed and will be ready soon for outdoor fun!

Many thanks to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the grant funding and to the community for their financial support in keeping this neighborhood recreational amenity alive.

VALUED EMPLOYEE RETIRES FROM THE HERSHEY PUBLIC LIBRARY



Last month, Barbara Nwoke retired after 24 years of service as a professional librarian with the Hershey Public Library. Barbara's work was behind the scenes serving as the Cataloging and Collection Development Librarian. Her skills served the community well as she was responsible for

building the library's collection and cataloging the items. Many things had changed during Barbara's career with the library. When she started her position, very little computer skills were required. She mastered several versions of library software, spent countless hours reviewing, selecting, pricing, and ordering materials for the library's shelves, taught electronic research skills to patrons, and was involved in developing the plans for the new library.

Barbara Ellis, Director of Library Services said, "Barbara has always been a quiet person, not known for drawing attention to herself. She listens intently and thoughtfully to what others have to say. Her contributions to staff discussions were always the result of clear thinking and organized and thoughtful consideration. Barbara's valued viewpoint and ideas always helped us to make sound decisions. Her commitment to serving the visitors using the Hershey Public Library was always her top priority."

Chairman Marc Moyer presented Barbara with a retirement award at the October 11, 2016 Board of Supervisors meeting. The Township is grateful for the many years of service and the contributions that Barbara made during her career. We wish her a wonderful retirement and hours of fun with her grandchildren.

Volunteers Help to Plant Trees



Volunteers came out on Saturday, October 22 to help plant approximately 130 trees to expand the riparian buffer along Swatara Creek in two locations across Derry Township and Londonderry Township. These trees were made possible by a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation entitled "Greening the Lower Susquehanna" administered through the Penn State Agriculture and Environment Center.

Trees, whether planted in a riparian buffer or elsewhere, provide many benefits to the environment and our community. Trees intercept precipitation and (1) help more of it infiltrate into the soil, (2) reduce the velocity of the water and help dissipate it across the landscape, and (3) absorb it into the tree itself and provide for increased evapotranspiration. By doing all those things, trees help reduce the amount of sediment, nutrients, and other pollutants entering our streams. If that wasn't enough, trees help stabilize stream banks, provide habitat for wildlife, and provide us with recreation opportunities. If you missed our tree planting don't worry, you can always plant your own trees or plan to join us for our next community tree planting event.

Pete Fure Takes Officer's Oath



The newest member of the Police Department, Officer Pete Fure, comes to Derry with over 17 years of experience in law enforcement. He was sworn-in on Tuesday, October 11 at the Board of Supervisors meeting.

Officer Fure is a graduate of Bishop McDevitt and he received an Associate's degree in Police Science from Harrisburg Area Community College. He began his career as a Deputy Sheriff with Dauphin County and

then served for eight years as a police officer with the Middletown Police Department. Most recently, he performed investigative work as a detective for the Dauphin County Criminal Investigative Division. He has been a member of the Dauphin County Crisis Response Team for seven years and has obtained experience in patrol, investigations-child abuse, tactical crisis response, homeland security, and firearms instruction.

He has been the recipient of many awards and commendations, most notable for his marksmanship.

"Pete comes to our Department with a vast range of experience and training in law enforcement. Officer Fure's professional traits for hard work, integrity, commitment to community interaction, and the love of the job of law enforcement, will be a great addition to the Derry Township Police Department," said Chief Garth Warner.

Officer Fure resides in Steelton Borough with his wife Marialena and their son.



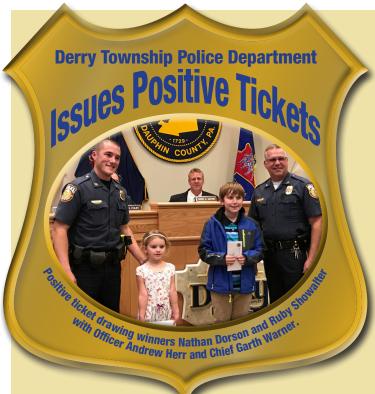
Keep Our Pipers Silent Benefit Hockey Game Scheduled for December

The Annual COPS for K.O.P.S. (Keep Our Pipers Silent) benefit hockey game is back another year and will be held on Saturday, December 3 at 1:00 p.m. at the Giant Center.

New to this year's event is an "after party" to be held at the Hershey Italian Lodge. 2016 marks the 11th year of this benefit hockey game with all proceeds helping children of police officers killed in the line of duty.

Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at the GIANT Center. Children age three and under are free.





This summer the Derry Township Police Department started a new Positive Ticket Program to reward adolescents when they are observed demonstrating good character and behavior that shows that they have respect for themselves, others, and the community. The program, which runs June through August, was instituted to strengthen the relationship between the youth in the community with members of the police department by fostering positive interaction.

The department issued 34 positive tickets with prizes, making the recipients eligible for a grand prize drawing. Recipients receiving tickets have been rewarded with vouchers for free items at local businesses.

Chief Garth Warner announced the grand prize drawing recipients at the October 25, 2016 Board of Supervisors meeting. Officer Andrew Herr, who brought the program to the department, was present to congratulate the following winners:

Alistair Demko received a positive ticket for wearing his bicycle helmet. He received Giant and Sheetz gift cards.

Giojere Hampton received a positive ticket for helping his great grandmother out of the house and caring for her outside during a structure fire. He received a Fitbit.

Nathan Dorson received a positive ticket for being supportive of his mother and being respectful and polite. He received tickets to a Hershey Bears hockey game.

Evana Stoffel received a positive ticket for waiting patiently while being locked out of the house. She received passes to Christmas Candylane.

Ruby Showalter received a positive ticket for sharing equipment while playing in the playground. She won a Hersheypark season pass.

A special thanks is expressed to Giant, Sheetz, Wendy's, Mr. Sorrento's Pizza, Papa John's, Subway, Tanger Outlets, and Hershey Entertainment & Resorts Co. for their contributions to the program.



PART-TIME LIBRARY ASSISTANT IS PROMOTED

Krista Hughes, who has served as a Technical Services Assistant at the Hershey Public Library for the past 11 years has been named the new Cataloging and Collection Development Librarian.

Krista holds a Master of Science Information Studies from Drexel University with an emphasis on Technical Services, Cataloging and Academic Librarianship. She also holds a B.A. in Philosophy from Brandeis University where she graduated Summa Cum Laude with Phi Beta Kappa honors.

Krista has been chiefly responsible for the children and young adult cataloging and processing. She has assisted in many important projects including the development of the World Languages Collection and the conversion to the Radio Frequency Identification security system. Recently, she has focused on simplifying call

numbers in the non-fiction juvenile easy reader's collection, and on initiating a process that will improve efficiency of shelving and access. Her work has also included training and managing volunteers and new staff in Technical Services. In addition, Krista has covered regular shifts at the public service desks and helped when needed in children's programming.

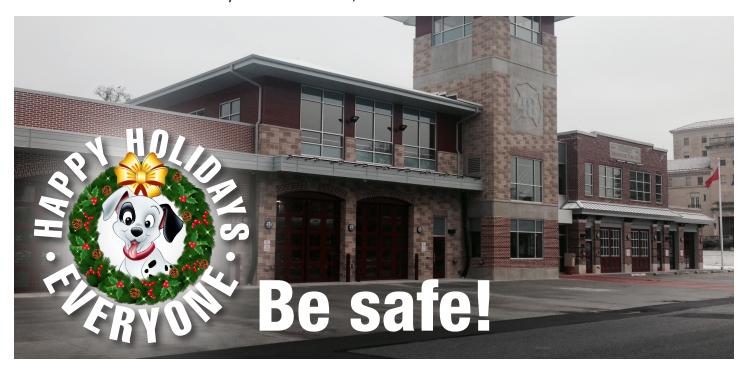
Prior to joining the HPL staff in 2005, Krista worked in the F.A. Moore Library at the Medical College of Pennsylvania and Hahnemann University, and in the Goldfarb Library at Brandeis University, where she gained a wide variety of experience with library systems, processing academic journals, binding, working with vendors, and assisting patrons.

"Krista is skilled and innovative, highly competent in technology and open to changes that will lead to efficient and accurate cataloging and processing. Hershey Public Library is very fortunate to have hired her years ago and to now have her take over this integral position," said Director of Library Services, Barbara Ellis.

Krista and her family live in Elizabethtown, where her husband James is a Professor of Mathematical Sciences at Elizabethtown College. They have 3 children: Jamie, Kira, and Ian.

Hershey Volunteer Fire Company Activity Report

Provided by David Sassaman, HVFC Public Information Officer





Snow Removal

As we usher in the cold temperatures and winter season, we all know that snow is not too far behind. We'd like to remind you about the importance of removing the snow from around the fire hydrants near your home.

If the hydrant is buried under snow, we might not be able to find it! If the firefighters have to clear the hydrant, precious time will be lost causing further loss and placing everyone in greater danger. Please help us, so we can help you!

Frozen pipes?

Visit our friends at the <u>American Red</u> <u>Cross</u> to learn more about how to prevent and thaw pipes safely.

It's never too late to service all of your heating appliances and clean your chimneys.



Calling all parents

Santa will soon be visiting the Hershey area. His visitation schedule will be on our social media sites. Santa will also be tweeting his location throughout his visit again this year on Twitter. If you have not yet followed @hersheyfire company, now is a great time to do so.



Test Your Batteries

Please remember to test all of the smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms and make sure that they have working batteries. When these devices are tenyears old or older, it's time to replace them.

The HVFC would like to thank everyone who has supported us throughout the summer months. February 2017 we will be in our new firehouse for a year! We invite you to visit our website at www.hersheyfire.org for more information on how you can make a donation, participate, and keep up-to-date on everything about the Hershey Fire Company.

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook (Hershey Volunteer Fire Company), Twitter (@hersheyfire), and Instagram (hersheyfiredept).



Derry Township Municipal Authority Stormwater Management Program Update

The responsibility for stormwater management is being transferred from the Township to the Derry Township Municipal Authority. A Stormwater Management Program Fee has been announced to provide a consistent, focused funding source that cannot be used for any other purpose and doesn't have to compete with the other financial needs of the Township. Additionally, the DTMA will provide the personnel necessary to carry out the many functions the fee will fund, with those employees dealing only with stormwater and not competing with other activities imposing on their time.

Why is DTMA Implementing a Stormwater Fee?

The costs associated with the upkeep and maintenance of the Township's stormwater infrastructure has grown over the years as the system's size and complexity have increased. Additionally, upcoming changes to the Township's MS4 Permit will require capital expenditures for pollution reduction measures and increased permit compliance costs. Finally, impairments to our local streams are a Township-wide issue that need to be addressed. Addressing pollution generated from stormwater is a big part of solving our local water quality impairments.

Over time, as pieces have been incrementally added to our overall stormwater infrastructure, the need to manage that infrastructure as a utility has reached a critical point. Combined with the increased regulatory and compliance needs of the upcoming 2018 MS4 permit, we have now reached a tipping point where stormwater cannot effectively be managed without a dedicated source of funding.

What has happened so far?

A Stakeholders Advisory Committee (SAC) was formed in late 2015 to begin addressing the stormwater needs of the Township and determine an equitable fee structure to fund those needs. The SAC identified over \$27 million in stormwater improvement needs over the next 10 to 20 years and determined a Stormwater Management Program Fee based on impervious area (IA) was the most equitable way to fund the program.

Impervious area is any surface which inhibits infiltration of rainfall into the soil. This includes pavement (asphalt, concrete, etc.), rooftops, patios, sidewalks, and compacted graveled surfaces such as parking areas and driveways. Numerous studies have shown that impervious area is a strong indicator of both the quantity and quality of stormwater.

Once the Stormwater Program Fee method was determined, an analysis of the Township's impervious area was conducted and the information was used to calculate a fee. The fee is based on an Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU), which was statistically determined to be 3,800 square feet. The DTMA set the

ERU fee at \$6.50/month/ERU. This fee was calculated by taking the monetary costs to run the program and dividing by the number of ERUs in the Township. The DTMA set the fee implementation date as January 1, 2017. Beginning in January 2017, property owners in Derry Township with a minimum of 500 square feet of impervious area will begin receiving a stormwater management program fee bill. For those property owners who already receive a sewer bill, the stormwater fee will be a new line item on that bill. Property owners who aren't connected to the public sewer will receive a standalone stormwater bill.

The stormwater fee for a typical residential home (1 ERU) will be \$6.50/month (\$78.00/annually). The stormwater fee for non-residential properties will be calculated by dividing their total impervious area by 3,800 square feet to determine the number of ERUs. The number of ERUs will be multiplied by \$6.50 to determine the monthly charge. For example, a commercial property with 19,000 square feet would equal 5 ERUs (19,000/3,800 = 5). That property's monthly fee would be $5 \times $6.50 = $32.50 ($390.00 annually)$.

What happens next?

DTMA is continuing to work with the SAC and to process public comments received at the first two public meetings to finalize the implementation of the Stormwater Management Program Fee. When the Stormwater Management Program Fee was being developed, it was determined that the fee would consist of two parts. The first part of the fee is a fixed amount to cover the operation and maintenance aspects of the stormwater program and MS4 permit required activities. The other portion of the fee is a variable portion that is designed to incentivize

property owners to address stormwater issues on their properties and within their communities. When a property owner conducts an activity that improves the amount, rate, or quality of stormwater generated on their property, a credit to their fee will be applied. The details of this process will be covered in DTMA's Credit Policy, which is currently under development. The continued development and implementation of the Credit Policy is the next major focus of the SAC.

What does this all mean for you?

Beginning in January 2017, you will either see the Stormwater Management Program Fee as a line item on your existing DTMA sewer bill, or you will begin to receive a Stormwater bill from DTMA if you currently are not served by public sewer. In April 2017, property owners will be able to apply for Stormwater Management Program Fee credits. Credits will be issued for property owners with existing, functional stormwater management best management practices (BMPs) on their properties or to property owners who install new BMPs. A BMP is a broad term encompassing a lot of structures and activities, but you can think of them as things like stormwater basins, rain gardens, infiltration t renches, etc. Stormwater Management Program Fee credit applications will be available on DTMA's website at http://www.dtma.com, beginning in March 2017.

What is on the horizon for 2017?

Although transferring responsibility for stormwater management to DTMA will help us begin the process of implementing solutions to some of our stormwater problems, it won't all happen overnight. The dedicated source of funding generated by the Stormwater Management Program Fee provides us with the financial resources to begin to address the challenges of comprehensively managing the Township's stormwater issues. Here are some things you can expect to see happening beginning in 2017:

- 2. Further development of a priority list of capital improvement projects.
- 3. Development of our 2018 MS4 Permit application and associated Pollution Reduction Plans.
- **4.** Identification of locations where new BMPs can be implemented over the next five years to meet our requirements under the MS4 Pollution Reduction





take Action to Prevent Opioid Addiction and Overdose

We need to save our children from the opioid epidemic. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), from 1999 to 2014, the rate of overdose deaths involving opioids has nearly quadrupled. Drug overdoses have nationally become the leading cause of injury deaths, surpassing fatalities from motor vehicle accidents. Opioid is a category of drugs that include heroin and prescription pain medicines like morphine, codeine, oxycodone, hydrocodone, methadone, and fentanyl. Opioids affect the nervous system receptors minimizing the body's perception of pain, lowering the blood pressure and slowing breathing and the heart rate. The CDC reports that approximately three out of four heroin users abused prescription opioids prior to using heroin and turned to heroin because it is more easily available and costs less.

Please talk to your children about the risks of prescription drug abuse and the destruction that it can lead to before it's too late. If they are taking a prescribed drug, monitor what they are taking. Young people may have a legitimate need for a prescription drug, however, be aware that they can form an addition by taking pain medication for a sports injury, or can abuse medications such as Adderall for Attention Deficit Disorder by snorting it to get high. Take every step that you can

to protect your children from opioid dependency and the addiction crisis to prevent the pain that is caused by this heartbreaking epidemic.

There is a safe disposal site at the Derry Township Police Department to protect your family from unused and expired medications. The box is located in the lobby and can be accessed 24-hours a day.

In an effort to prevent opioid overdose deaths, Derry Township police officers now have naloxone (Narcan) available in their vehicles. Naloxone, also known as Narcan, quickly reverses the effects of an opioid overdose when administered in a timely manner.

Naloxone is also available to family members and friends who fear that a loved one has an addiction and will overdose. The medication by obtained with a prescription from their family doctor. Visit the **Pennsylvania Department of Health's website** for more information on how to obtain Naloxone. Have an open dialog with your children, and pay close attention to their behavior. Click here for treatment centers in Pennsylvania, if you suspect that there may be a problem with abuse.

ADVERTISING FUNDS TOWNSHIP'S COMMUNITY MAP AND GUIDE

We'd like to thank the following businesses for sponsoring the Township's Community Map and Guide by purchasing an advertisement on the map. Their generous support provided the funding to print the document. Please remember their community spirit in support of this project when you are looking for a service.

Smith's Insurance Agency, Inc. Cullari Vineyards and Winery

Kirman Eye Trust and Technology

Sweet Dawgs Self-Serve Frozen Desserts

Ebersole Excavating, Inc.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Joan May, Coldwell Banker Realtor

Associated Otolaryngologists of PA, Inc.

Diana M. Reed & Associates, PC, Certified Public Accountants

Bill Maloney Men's Wear

Korch Orthodontics

Mangia Mangia Italian Grill

Paul Carnathan, Colonial Electric Service Inc.

Down A Country Road

Gastroenterology Associates of Central PA

First United Methodist Church

Hershey Federal Credit Union

Stover Energy

Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc.

Bauman's Septic Tank Cleaning and Repairs

Spring Creek Church of the Brethren

Crossroads Antique Mall

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

The Backyard Woodshop

Linda Ott, Berkshire Hathaway Realtor

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church

Super 8 Hershey

Steve's Inc. General Store

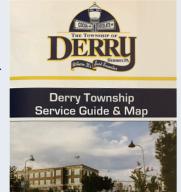
Hershey Pediatric Ophthalmology Associates, PC.

Hershey Pediatric Center

Diana Caine-Helwig, State Farm Agent

Pennsylvania American Water

The Derry Township Community Map and Guide features the services, events, and amenities that make Derry Township a great place to live, work, or visit! Additional copies are available at the Administration Building at 600 Clearwater Road.



Recyclebank®

7 Ways to Avoid Holiday Weight Gain

(In Your Trash Can, That Is)

Household waste increases by about 1 million extra tons from Turkey Day to New Year's. **Keep that weight in check!**

The other day I was reading a magazine and flipped the page to the inevitable article with tips on surviving the holidays without packing on the pounds. With parties, baking, and food-centered celebrations, not to mention cold weather that makes getting outside more difficult, this is always a challenge for me.

But equally as challenging as keeping excess weight off my waist is keeping excess waste out of the trash. After all, it's the time of year when packages are delivered on a near-daily basis, we're baking and cooking more than usual, and we're shopping not just for gifts but for decorations and festive outfits and, possibly, provisions for a vacation or even just a road trip to grandma's.

Indeed, household waste increases about 25 percent between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day... that's about a million extra tons of trash! It's hard not to give into the excess and celebratory spirit of the season, but a few small changes this year will help you keep your own holiday waste weight in check this year. Here's how:

Consolidate your online orders. Especially if you have Amazon Prime or shop at places offering free shipping this season, it's easy to be cavalier about ordering just one or two items from your shopping list as you think of them. Instead, keep items in your online shopping cart until you've amassed a bunch, and then click on "place order". This will allow the retailer to pack your orders in as few shipments as possible, saving packaging materials and the resources used in shipping. You could even go one step further: Have an online shopping sesh with your neighborhood friends and put in your purchases on the same order to save even more on shipping resources.

Don't shop so much! We love the unprecedented step that outdoors retailer REI took this year, closing its

stores on Black Friday and encouraging its staff and customers instead to spend the day outside. We're spending the day kayaking, and it's setting the tone for the holiday season to not shop to excess. After all, less stuff = less waste. Pare down your list of gift recipients this year — ask extended family if they want to draw names to buy a nice gift for just one person, or ask friends if they want to meet up for lunch rather than spend money on gifts for each other... chances are they'll be just as relieved as you are to not have to shop for one more token gift.

Spring for the real Christmas tree. The real vs. artificial tree debate is the holiday version of gas vs. charcoal grills or cloth vs. disposable diapers. And, as with these other debates, there's no clear answer as to which is better for the environment. But because artificial trees are made from petroleum-based plastics, they are not only bad for the environment when they're produced,

but they will also take centuries to decompose in the landfill. And although artificial trees supposedly last for as long as 10 years, the scales still tip in favor of real trees, which are typically farmed under managed-forestry regulations, and, after the holidays, can be mulched or otherwise recycled. And if you want to be even greener with your live Christmas tree, you could check out

the live tree rentals that many cities offer.

Avoid gift wrap. (Or reuse it.) The huge garbage bags of gift wrap, ribbons, and plastic-and-cardboard toy packaging always makes me feel a bit queasy on Christmas morning. And with its dyes, thin quality, and metallic embellishments, gift wrap isn't always recyclable. But a pile of gifts under the tree would just look, well, naked without it! And, after all, it's a longstanding tradition. Instead of buying pricey rolls of paper, scout around the house for some alternatives to repurpose: Fabric, newspapers or magazine pages, cloth napkins or tablecloths, and decorated cardboard boxes all make great options for concealing a surprise.

Give experiences, not stuff. In our tiny house, I've been trying to instill in my kids the joy of an experience rather than just another toy or game that will take up space and eventually fall from favor. And it's working. My daughter got horseback riding lessons for her birthday, and last Christmas we surprised them with tickets to the live performance of their favorite TV show. Not only are these gifts making memories (and they really don't play with — let alone remember — that must-have toy that I scoured the malls for a couple of years ago), but they also don't use up resources in the way of packaging, shipping, and manufacturing. And there's nothing to throw away!

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Use reusable shopping bags (and not just at the supermarket). I'm pretty good about bringing a stash of reusable shopping bags to the supermarket, but when I'm at a mall or in my neighborhood shopping district, it's another story. Plus it's hard to deny the pleasure of slinging the little glossy shopping bag handles over your arm as you stroll along Main Street. I've collected a couple of pretty reusable bags that squish down to nothing and can fit into my purse so whether I'm in a boutique or at a mall, I can say no to the shopping bag, no matter how fancy it is. The reusable bags from Baggu come in a wide variety of cute patterns and a range of sizes, and they fold up into a pouch for your purse.



Send e-cards instead of paper ones. Sure, it's fun to open the mailbox every day to hand-addressed envelopes holding cards, family photos, and annual



The Department of Public Works will collect trees beginning Monday, January 2 through January 20, weather permitting. Residents may also bring their tree to the Recycling Center during operating hours.

The Public Works Department will make every effort to adhere to the following schedule:

Monday: W. Areba Ave., W. Caracas Ave., W Granada Ave., Beech Ave., Chestnut Ave., Cedar Ave., Swatara Ave., Reese Ave., Half Street, Andscott Manor, Robin Road (area) Stafford Heights, E. Caracas Ave./E. Granada Ave., (IN TOWN), E. Areba Ave., Java Ave., Ceylon Ave., Bahia Ave., Para Ave., Hockersville Road, Fishburn Road, Hilltop Road, Clark Road, Church Road, Valley View (area), McCorkle Road, Old Hershey Road, Gates Road, Jacobs Creek

newsletters, rather than the usual bills and junk mail. Card company Hallmark estimates that more than 1.2 billion cards are sent each year. That's a lot of paper and envelopes to recycle, if they can even be recycled: Cards with glitter or foil embellishments might not be able to go in your curbside bin. With the hectic pace of the holidays, I'm always all too eager to eschew all the addressing of envelopes, purchasing of stamps, and delivering to the post office in favor of e-cards, which cost nothing to send and waste fewer resources. You can help society or the environment by choosing an e-card service that gives back to a charitable organization. And, if you just can't resist the tradition of mailing cards, then consider finding your cards on CardsThatGive.org, a site where you can find cards that raise money for worthy causes, or choose cards that are either made from recycled paper or don't have too many adornments, so that the recipient can

Tuesday: Locust Ave., Maple Ave., Elm Ave., Oak Lane, Briarcrest (area), Cherry Drive, Peach Ave., Somerset Drive, Cambridge Commons, Glenn Acres, Glenn Acres East, Chadds Ford, South Hills (area), Sandhill Road (N. of Roush Road)

Wednesday: Mill Street, Hillcrest Road, Orchard Road, Glen Road, Valley Road (IN TOWN), Cocoa Ave., Cocoa Townes, Laurel Woods, Sandhill Road (S. of Roush Road), Woodridge Manor, Roush Road, Welbeckon, Hillcrest (area), Hillchurch Road, Twin Oaks/Sunnyside (area), Village of Innsbruck, Shady Hill Estates, Waltonville Road, Walton Spring Hills, Stoney Run, Landvater Road, Bullfrog Valley Road.

Thursday: Ridge Road, Linden Road, Brook Lane, Governor Road, Clifton Heights Road, Dartmouth Farms, Stone Creek, JoAnn Ave., Locust Ave., Middletown Road, Southpoint, Southpoint Commons, Deer Run, Orchard Run, Indian Run, Carol Acres, Carol Acres East, The Oaks, Waltoncroft, Derry Woods, Oakmont, Division Street, Royal Street, Old Quarry Road, East Main Street, Mountain View.

Friday: W. Chocolate Ave., E. Chocolate Ave., N. Lingle Ave., Lehman Street, Wexford Road, Brittany Drive, Hotel Road (area), Owls Hills (area), Fairway Drive, Trinidad Ave., Palmdale (area), E. Derry Road, Center Road, Park Ave., Park Place.

Inclement weather and an overabundance of leaves may delay the schedule.

If you have guestions on the recycling and trash collection services

in Derry Township, call the Recycle Line at 533-8665. The Recycling Center operating hours, a list of materials that are accepted at the

Recycle Hotline - 533-8665

Center, and information on curbside pick-up are provided.

Provides Information on Trash and

Recycling in Derry Township.

Recycling Center Schedule

(Effective through March 11, 2017)

Monday 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturday. 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Recycling Center Holiday Schedule

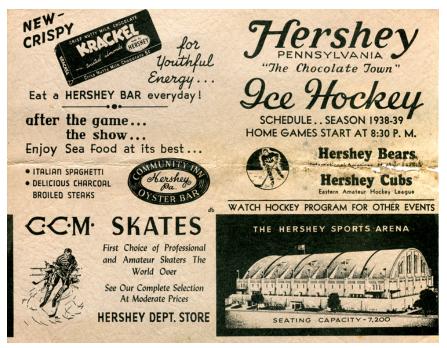
The Recycling Center will close at noon on Friday, December 23 and Friday, December 30.

The Recycling Center will be closed on the following days:

Friday, November 25 Saturday, December 24 Monday, December 26 Saturday, December 31 Monday, January 2 Monday, February 20



HERSHEY'S HOCKEY CLUB



Hershey Bears' season schedule, 1938–1939

Hershey Bears hockey fans were disappointed their Bears did not advance in the Calder Cup tournament last season, but Bears fans know their team is a winner every season. Ice hockey has been a part of Hershey since 1931.

Aware of the growing popularity of ice hockey, in 1931, J.B. Sollenberger, then general manager of Hershey Park, convinced Milton Hershey to have the Convention Hall converted into an ice rink and then convinced two amateur ice hockey teams from Villanova College and the Penn Athletic Club, to come to Hershey and play some games in the new Ice Palace. The immediate popularity of the sport led to Hershey Estates fielding its own team the following year. The Hershey community fell in love with ice sports. The hockey team was affectionately christened the "Hershey B'Ars" and ice hockey games began to be played on the new ice rink. At first ice hockey teams from eastern Pennsylvania came to Hershey to play their games, but the sport's immediate popularity soon resulted in Hershey fielding its own team.

The Tri-State League was established prior to the 1932-1933 season and featured the Hershey B'Ars as one of the league's clubs. Ice hockey continued to grow in popularity and the following year the Tri-State League reformed as the Eastern Amateur Hockey League (EAHL) with more teams included in the league. In Hershey, hockey games drew large

crowds. Unfortunately, the Ice Palace only seated 3,500 people and the games often sold out creating unhappy fans unable to watch the competition. Milton Hershey responded to the demand for more seats by constructing the 7,200-seat Hershey Sports Arena in 1936.

At the conclusion of the 1937–1938 season the B'Ars won their third straight EAHL title and the United States Amateur Championship. It was the team's last year in the amateurs. Hershey was granted a franchise in what was then known as the International-American Hockey League, now just known as the American Hockey League (AHL), in June 1938.

Now a professional hockey team, the league, and some sports writers, challenged the appropriateness of the Hershey team name.

As a result, the Hershey team was rechristened as the less commercial "Hershey Bears" for the 1938–1939 season.

As a professional hockey team, Hershey Bears continued to play well and reached the playoffs during their first eight seasons in the league. In 1946-1947, the Bear's ninth season, they took home their first Calder Cup after being down three games in the series and winning the seventh game with a 5-0 shutout against the Pittsburgh Hornets. Replacement goalie Gordon "Red" Henry, who had played only five regular-season games, allowed only one goal in the three final games of the series.

Since their first win, the Bears have won a championship in every decade since their organization. After their initial 1947 Calder Cup victory, the Hershey Bears have gone on to win eleven championships to date.

While fans loved the Hershey Sports Arena for how the seats seemed to put you right in game action, the 1936 facility did not offer much in the way of amenities that fans had come to appreciate in other ice arenas. The Arena had no club seats or sky boxes. There was no concourse or many food or catering venues. Responding to guest expectations, in 2002 Hershey opened the Giant Center, a 12,500-seat arena. While the Giant Center is still home ice for the Bears, it also serves as a venue for a wide range of entertainment events and programs.

Hershey History Provided by Archivist Pamela Cassidy Whitenack



CHAMPIONSHIP SEASONS

1935-1936:

Hershey Bears win their first Eastern Amateur Hockey League Championship; led by coach Herb Mitchell.

1936-1937:

Hershey Bears win their second EAHL Championship; led by coach Herb Mitchell.

1937-1938:

Hershey Bears win their third straight EAHL Championship; led by coach Herb Mitchell.

1937-1938:

Hershey Bears defeat the Detroit Holzbaugh-Fords to win the United States Amateur Championship.

1946-1947:

1st Calder Cup Championship; led by Coach Don Penniston.

1957-1958:

2nd Calder Cup Championship; led by player-coach Frank Mathers.

1958-1959:

3rd Calder Cup Championship; led by player-coach Frank Mathers.

1968-1969:

4th Calder Cup Championship; led by general manager-coach Frank Mathers.

1973-1974:

5th Calder Cup Championship; led by coach Chuck Hamilton.

1979-1980:

6th Calder Cup Championship; led by player-coach Doug Gibson.

1987-1988:

7th Calder Cup Championship; led by coach John Paddock. 50th anniversary season.

1996-1997:

8th Calder Cup Championship; led by coach Bob Hartley.

2005-2006:

9th Calder Cup Championship; led by coach Bruce Boudreau.

2008-2009:

10th Calder Cup Championship; led by coach Bob Woods.

2009-2010:

11th Calder Cup Championship; led by coach Mark French.

LIBRARY PROGRAMS



WINTER LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Thursday9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.Friday9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.Saturday9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.Sunday1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

CRUISE INTO KINDERGARTEN

The Hershey Public Library provides a regular schedule of preschool programming from September to July. Each cycle includes two weeks of registration and five weeks of programming.

Programs are designed to help children "cruise into kindergarten."

Pennsylvania Libraries and the Hershey Public Library know that children's development in the years between birth and kindergarten is impacted greatly by loving relationships, stimulating environments, and engaging experiences. The Hershey Public Library encourages families to build stronger relationships by acknowledging and supporting families as a child's first teacher. We provide families with a place to socialize, play, read, and find support that will bolster their role in creating the foundations for life-long learning and success.





CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

STORYTIME

A five-week series of half-hour programs designed for children 3 to 5. Storytime provides a structured literature-based opportunity for children to gain independence. Parents and caregivers are strongly encouraged to use Storytime to fill their own library needs.

Sessions are divided by age to best serve our young listeners.

Storytime for 3's and 4's

Monday mornings at 10:00, February 13—March 13

Storytime for 4's and 5's

Monday afternoons at 1:30, February 13—March 13

Resident registration begins January 30; Open registration begins February 6



A series of 20–30 minute interactive programs for children 24 to 36 months and their caregivers. One child and one adult register together for songs, stories, rhymes, and a joyful introduction to the library.

Tuesday mornings at 9:30, February 14—March 14

Wednesday mornings at 9:30 and 10:30, February 15—March 15

Resident registration begins January 30; Open registration begins February 6.

PLAY DAY FOR FAMILIES

For families with children ages 3–5 to come to the library for an hour of center-based free play that encourages children and their adults to engage in the five practice of Early Literacy: talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing

Every other Friday morning at 10:00 a.m., January 6 and 20, February 3 and 17.

Resident registration begins January 30; Open registration begins February 6.

Please register for each class that your child will attend.



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

WONDERFUL ONES

The Hershey Public Library presents a five-week series of 20 minute interactive programs for walking children 12 to 24 months old with their caregivers. One child and one adult (accommodations can be made for special circumstances, please speak to a member of the children's library staff) register together for songs, simple stories, nursery rhymes, and action plays. This is a great opportunity to meet other parents of young children while introducing your baby to the library and literacy.

Tuesday mornings at 9:45 and 10:45, January 9–February 7

Resident registration begins December 26; Open registration begins January 2.

Tuesday mornings at 9:30, February 14–March 14

Resident registration begins January 30; Open registration begins February 6.

BOOKS AND BABIES

The Hershey Public Library presents a four-week series of 20-minute interactive programs for pre-walking children birth to 12 months and their caregivers. One child and one adult register together for songs, simple stories, nursery rhymes, and action plays. This is a great opportunity to meet other parents of young children while introducing your baby to the library and literacy

Monday mornings at 9:45 and 10:45, January 9– February 6

Township Registration begins December 26; Open registration begins January 2.

LEGO CLUB

Lego Club meets on the first Wednesday of the month from September through May. Children ages 6+ are welcome to register for each month they would like to attend.

December 7, January 4, and February 1

4:00-4:45 p.m.

Please note that pre-registration is necessary for these sessions.

Please call Children's Services at 533-6555, extension 3708, for more information.

VISIT THE LIBRARY!

Are you a daycare provider, homeschooler, scout leader, or teacher? The Children's Services staff at the library is pleased to welcome field trips to the library. We are happy to work with you in meeting your children's needs. Field trips can be scheduled as our programming schedule permits, please call 533-6555, ext. 3708, for dates. Please note that all evening field trips must be scheduled at least one month in advance.



FRIENDS OF THE HERSHEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

CHILDREN'S SERIES

ALL PROGRAMS ARE SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5.

YOUNG AUDIENCES PRESENTS A TASTE OF SPAIN



January 22, 2:00 p.m.

From Fandango to Flamenco, from the courts of France and Italy, to Madrid and the Gypsy camps, the **Alborada Spanish Dance Theater** celebrates the shared heritage that is now the hallmark of Spanish dance. Come and witness how Spain comes to life with colorful costumes and energetic dances. Olé!

MAPLE SUGARING

February 26, 2:00 p.m.

Have you ever wondered how maple syrup gets from the tree to your pancakes, or why we can't make maple syrup in the fall, or why the maple tree in your backyard won't make syrup? Come find the answers to all these questions and more as **the Lancaster County Department of Parks and Recreation** explains the production of maple syrup from sap to its delicious end! Sweet!



Register online at www.hersheylibrary.org. Call the Children's Desk at 533-6555, ext. 3708, with any questions.

DROP-IN PROGRAMS



DROP-IN PROGRAMS

WINTER BREAK MUPPET FILM FESTIVAL!

It's time to play the music! It's time to light the lights! It's time to get things started...

Join us for movies! Wocka! Wocka! Movies start at 10:00 a.m.



Monday, December 26

Rated (G)



Tuesday, December 27
Rated(G)



Thursday, December 29 (2015) Rated (PG)



Friday, December 30 (2016) Rated (PG)

SPECIAL DROP-IN!!! PLAY DAY FOR FAMILIES

Families with children ages 3–5 are welcome to enjoy an hour of center-based free play that encourages children and their adults to engage in the five practice of Early Literacy: talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing. Play Day will be held on

Wednesday, December 28 at 10:00 a.m.

MAKE IT FRIDAYS

Make it Fridays is a chance for tweens and teens, grades 6+ to hang out and build it, make it, program it! We will give you a challenge--how you meet it is up to you.

Make It Fridays is held on the third Friday of the month, December 16, and January 20.

Come to a SPECIAL Valentine's Day *Make it Sweet* February 14

2:45 - 3:30 p.m.

All of the following programs are sponsored or co-sponsored by Friends of the Hershey Public Library.

They are held in the library and are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.

Pre-registration is required for all programs.

Registration begins one month prior to the program. Seating is limited. To register, call the library's Circulation Desk at **533-6555**, or register online at **www.hersheylibrary.org**.



Monday, December 12 ● 6:00 p.m.

Scrooge, Marley, and an entire Victorian village come to life, just in time for the holidays. This amazing one-man show has become an annual tradition for a number of schools, civic organizations, and even private Christmas parties. Catch the Christmas Spirits! Steve Anderson is an actor and living history interpreter based near Harrisburg. His one-man shows and history programs tour year-round in Pennsylvania and beyond to schools, theaters, libraries and special events.

ADULT PROGRAMS 2017

Don't miss these other wonderful programs supported by the Friends to be held this spring at the library.



The Umbrellas

of Cherbourg

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Chocolat

PG-13 (2/18/17)

Midnight in Paris

PG-13 (2/25/17)

Moulin Rouge

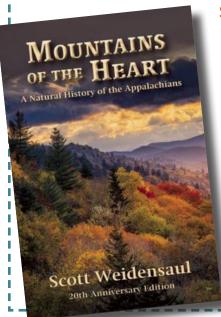
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Red Balloon

NR (2/11/17)

MOUNTAINS OF THE HEART

A NATURAL HISTORY OF THE APPALACHIANS WITH SCOTT WEIDENSAUL



Sunday, March 5, 2017 2:00 p.m.

Stretching almost unbroken from Alabama to Belle Isle, Newfoundland, the Appalachians are one of the oldest mountain ranges in the world. Renowned author and avid naturalist Scott Weidensaul will present how geology, ecology, climate, evolution, and 500 million years of history have shaped one of the continent's greatest landscapes into an ecosystem of unmatched diversity and beauty. The long-awaited 20th anniversary edition of Weidnesaul's classic "Mountains of the Heart" was released in February 2016 and will be sold and signed at the event. It has been fully revised to reflect the changes in ecology, conservation and natural history over the past two decades. Scott Weidensaul is also the author of more than two dozen books on natural history, including the Pulitzer Prize finalist, "Living on the Wind," about bird migration. Weidensaul's writing has appeared in dozens of publications, including Audubon, for which he is a contributing editor among many others. He also directs the ornithological programs for the National Audubon Society's famed Hog Island Center on the coast of Maine. Scott lives in Schuylkill County where he studies the migration of owls and hummingbirds.

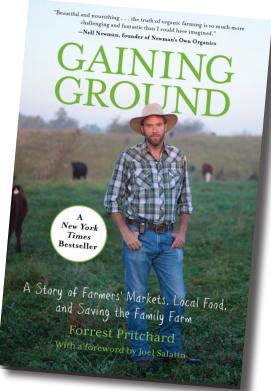
GAINING GROUND

WITH FORREST PRITCHARD

Sunday, March 19, 2017 2:00 p.m.

Forrest Pritchard is a 7th-generation professional farmer and bestselling author. His farm, Smith Meadows, has been a leader in the farmer's market movement for more than 15 years. As a columnist for Huffington Post and a regular guest on NPR, Forrest has become a national spokesman for the sustainable food and farm revolution. His first book, Gaining Ground, takes a humorous and

serious look at how he reinvented his family's farm for the 21st century and was the 2016 One Book, One Community Selection in our area. His second book, Growing Tomorrow, tells the stories of several sustainable farmers and includes recipes. Books will be sold and signed at the event. This program has been co-sponsored by the Friends of the Hershey Public Library and The Endowment Trust of the Hershey Public Library.



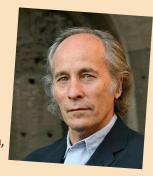
19TH ANNUAL NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK AUTHOR VISIT

Presented by Friends of the Hershey Public Library

GUEST AUTHOR RICHARD FORD

Sunday, April 9, 2017 2:00 p.m.

Born in Jackson, Mississippi in 1944, Richard Ford grew up between there and Little Rock, Arkansas. He is a graduate of Michigan State University. After college, he spent one uncomfortable semester in law school at Washington University in St. Louis before finding his way to the University of California, Irvine, where, under the tutelage of Oakley Hall and E.L. Doctorow, he earned an MFA in writing.



A member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters, Ford has taught at Williams, Princeton, Harvard, Northwestern and at Bowdoin College. His writing has appeared in *The New York Times, Esquire, Granta, Le Monde,* and *The New Yorker* among other magazines and journals.

Pulitzer-Prize winning novelist Richard Ford's "sinewy and distinctively American voice contains the echoing tones of many [literary] ancestors," *The New York Times* has said. Mark Twain, Sherwood Anderson, William Faulkner and Ernest Hemingway are often called to mind when discussing his work.

In person, Ford's voice is similarly impressive; his Mississippi beginnings yield a generosity of spirit, a honed eccentricity, and an absolute abhorrence of pretension. He is warm, open, accessible and brings a career-long repertoire of distinctive, insightful and witty ruminations to life. Ford's first two novels, A Piece of My Heart and The Ultimate Good Luck were both met with critical success. Recognized for his "immaculate" dialogue, "confident and rich" story-telling and "piercingly clear" prose, Ford quickly established himself as one of the great American writers of our time, according to *The New York Times*.

In addition to his beloved novels, Ford has penned three collections of short stories. It was his third novel, The Sportswriter that launched Ford from a critical darling to a household name. The novel introduced readers to protagonist Frank Bascombe, a New Jersey novelist turned sportswriter turned real estate agent—who would reappear in the sequels *Independence Day*, and *The Lay of the Land*. Twenty years in the making, his 2012 novel Canada is a visionary tale of vast landscapes, complex identities and fragile humanity, it questions the fine line between the normal and the extraordinary, and the moments that haunt our settled view of the world. In 2014, Ford delighted readers by revisiting his beloved narrator Frank Bascombe, after nearly a decade. A finalist for the 2015 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, Let Me Be Frank With You is comprised of four novellas narrated by Bascombe and set against the backdrop of Hurricane Sandy. *The New York Times* calls it "an apt vitrine for Mr. Ford's talents: his journalistic eye for the revealing detail, his knack for tracing the connections between the public and the personal, his gift for capturing the precariousness of daily life." In 2017 readers will have the chance to see these same talents on display in Ford's first memoir, Between Them. Due out in spring,

Books will be sold and signed at the event.

the book will be the memoir of Ford's mother and father.



CREATING A CUTTING GARDEN

with Jessica Walliser

Sunday, May 21, 2017 2:00 p.m.

Back by popular demand, Jessica Walliser will be with us to discuss how to create a cutting garden. Participants will be taught how to incorporate cutting flowers into their existing landscape and to tailor their choices to provide for bouquet possibilities all year round. Favorite non-traditional cutting

plants will be illustrated by slides and tips for arranging your posies will be shared. Jessica is a former contributing editor for Organic Gardening magazine and a regular contributor to Fine Gardening, Urban Farm, and Hobby Farms magazines. Jessica also serves on the Editorial Advisory Board of The American Horticultural Society. She's taught a diverse array of gardening topics for over 20 years and is a former faculty member of Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens. She is author of the Amazon best-seller Good Bug, Bad Bug: Who's Who, What They Do, and How to Manage Them Organically and blogs weekly for both SavvyGardening.com and HobbyFarms.com. Books will be sold and signed at the event.

FALL ADULT ENRICHMENT CLASS

FRESH EVERGREEN WREATH MAKING CLASS

Saturday, December 10 • 10:00 a.m.

Make a beautiful evergreen wreath to decorate your home for the holidays.

Fresh-cut greens, ring, wire and ribbons will be supplied and are included in the cost of the class. Fee: \$35

Registration must be done at the library. Payment must be made at the time of registration.



ADULT WINTER READING PROGRAM

The Adult Winter Reading Program begins Monday, January 2, 2017. Stop by the library any time after that date to sign-up.

WINTER/SPRING ADULT ENRICHMENT CLASS

A complete listing of the classes and their dates will be available at the library and on the library's website beginning January 2, 2017.

Community Events

Hershey Symphony Presents Holiday Spectacular

Celebrate the Holidays in December with the Symphony as we share seasonal favorites and some new goodies. Pianist Ami Hatori, the 2016 Hershey Symphony Young Artist Competition winner, brings us the Beethoven concerto movement that won her the prize and both the Hershey Festival Strings and Powerhouse Strings will make cameo appearances.

Please visit their **website** for more information.





Hershey Area Playhouse Presents Miracle on 34th Street



Miracle on 34th Street rounds out Hershey Area Playhouse's 2016 season. When a nice old man who claims to be Santa Claus is institutionalized as insane, a young lawyer decides to defend him by arguing in court that he is the real thing. Lois Heagy, an experienced actor and director in central Pennsylvania, will join Hershey Area Playhouse for the first time as a director of this heartwarming and familiar story.

Shows will take place on December 1 through December 3 at 7:30 p.m., December 4 at 2:00 p.m., December 8 through December 10 at 7:30 p.m., and December 11 at 2:00 p.m.



Visit <u>www.hersheyareaplayhouse.com</u> to purchase tickets.

Hershey-Derry Township Historical Society's Annual Holiday Train Display is Open

The annual holiday train display is for train enthusiasts of all ages. The exhibit showcases multiple trains and over 25 interactive displays on a large-scale layout. The exhibit features handcrafted historic Hershey landmarks such as the Cocoa Inn, the Derry Church Schoolhouse, the Hershey train depot, a historic Hershey trolley, and Derry Presbyterian Church Sessions House. Hands-on controls for trains and miniature amusement rides attract the youngest of engineers.



Admission is \$1 for children/students under 18, \$2 for adults, or \$5 per family.

Members are free. Admission donations benefit the Historical Society library, museum and educational programs and events.

Please call the Society at 717-520-0748 or visit our website, www.hersheyhistory.org, for the hours of operation.

The Holiday Open House will be held on Thursday, December 15, 2016, from 6:00–8:00 p.m. with trains chugging, the Hershey Community Chorus singing, and more!

MEETING YOUR MUNICIPAL NEEDS

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