

# Parks & Recreation Department

**Hershey Recreation Center**  
605 Cocoa Avenue, Hershey, PA 17033  
Telephone: 533-7138 Fax: 533-2154

**Office Hours**  
Monday-Friday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

*We also offer online registration for our programs through our website, [www.derrytownship.org](http://www.derrytownship.org) or email us for more information at [ParksHelpDesk@derrytownship.org](mailto:ParksHelpDesk@derrytownship.org).*

## Dates To Remember:

### Special Dates

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Kid's Club Begins                                | Mon. Aug 26  |
| 72 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Halloween Parade         | Tues. Oct 15 |
| Shank Park Halloween                             | Sat. Oct 26  |
| 34 <sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Arts & Craft Show | Sat. Nov 2   |
| Holiday Tree Lighting                            | Fri. Dec 6   |

## Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

*John Abel, Susan Cort,  
Mark Brace, Trish Foster,  
Michael Corado, Maria Memmi,  
Anthony Potter*

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**Members & Residents may register  
for all classes as soon  
as the newsletter is available.**

# Fall!



# Park Rental Fees



## PARK FEE SCHEDULES

### Picnic Shelters

(Shank Park, Gelder Park and Recreation Center)  
(Picnic Shelters ONLY, resident rate requires 60% residency.)

|                     | Resident | Non-Resident |
|---------------------|----------|--------------|
| 11:00 am - 3:00 pm: | \$60     | \$85         |
| 4:00 pm - Dusk:     | \$60     | \$85         |
| 11:00 am - Dusk:    | \$80     | \$120        |

*\$25 Non-refundable deposit is due at the time of request for shelter rentals.  
\*special events subject to additional fees.*

### ATHLETIC FIELDS

|                                 |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Resident                        | no charge     |
| Non-Resident                    | \$40 per hour |
| Resident & Non-Profit Event Fee | \$40 per hour |
| Non-Resident Event              | \$60 per hour |

*An event consists of clinics, tournaments, or non-league play.*



# Park Amenities

| PARKS:          | ACRES: | AMENITIES: |                |            |        |         |         |             |               |            |                 |                 |               |                   |                   |               |             |                      |
|-----------------|--------|------------|----------------|------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------|---------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------|----------------------|
|                 |        | ELECTRIC   | PICNIC SHELTER | PLAYGROUND | SWINGS | SANDBOX | FISHING | BOAT LAUNCH | NATURE TRAILS | BBQ GRILLS | SOFTBALL FIELDS | BASEBALL FIELDS | SOCCER FIELDS | BASKETBALL COURTS | VOLLEYBALL COURTS | TENNIS COURTS | LIFE TRAILS | CROSS COUNTRY SKIING |
| BOATHOUSE       | 8      |            |                |            |        |         |         |             |               |            |                 |                 |               |                   |                   |               |             |                      |
| BROOKSIDE       | 10     |            |                |            |        |         |         |             |               |            |                 |                 |               |                   |                   |               |             |                      |
| BULLFROG        | 3      |            |                |            |        |         |         |             |               |            |                 |                 |               |                   |                   |               |             |                      |
| CHOCOLATETOWN   | 1      |            |                |            |        |         |         |             |               |            |                 |                 |               |                   |                   |               |             |                      |
| FOUNDERS        | 41     |            |                |            |        |         |         |             |               |            |                 |                 |               |                   |                   |               |             |                      |
| GELDER          | 28     |            |                |            |        |         |         |             |               |            |                 |                 |               |                   |                   |               |             |                      |
| HERSHEY REC CTR | 17.8   |            |                |            |        |         |         |             |               |            |                 |                 |               |                   |                   |               |             |                      |
| KOONS           | 4      |            |                |            |        |         |         |             |               |            |                 |                 |               |                   |                   |               |             |                      |
| PALMDALE        | 10     |            |                |            |        |         |         |             |               |            |                 |                 |               |                   |                   |               |             |                      |
| SHANK           | 90     |            |                |            |        |         |         |             |               |            |                 |                 |               |                   |                   |               |             |                      |

# Upcoming Events

## HERSHEY WINTER 34th ANNUAL WINTER ARTS & CRAFT SHOW

Saturday, November 2, 2019 • 9 am-3 pm

Hershey High School  
550 Homestead Road • Hershey, PA  
Help inspire your Holiday spirit at Hershey's own  
Arts & Craft Show!



FREE PARKING, FREE ADMISSION, and artists from all over Central PA, as well as several other states.  
*Join Us On Saturday, and do some Holiday Shopping!!*



## Dodgeball This Fall – Beginning

Sept. 22, 2019

6th – 12th graders (Derry Township and neighboring school districts)

Sunday evenings beginning September 22

Sept. 22,  
29, Oct. 6,  
13, 20, 27



6:30 –  
8:30 p.m.

Exercise, social outlet, FUN, without a long-term commitment or expense

Derry Township School facilities  
(exact location to be confirmed)

COST—\$25

[Click on link to register](#)

Registration is on September 15th

*To Learn More Information about Dodgeball.  
Go To:*

<http://www.joyofsportsfoundation.org/dodgeball-this-fall-beginning-sept-22-2019/>

# Recent Events

*Dogs Days of*  
**SUMMER**

We Had a Great Time in  
June & August  
with the Dogs Days  
of Summer this year!



# Trips

## NEW YORK CITY YOUR WAY- BUS TRIP

**Saturday, September 21, 2019 7:30AM-10PM**

There's so much to see and do in the Big Apple! If you're visiting New York City and wondering what to do, check out our great tour options. Whether you want to see the latest Broadway Musical, experience New York City's best museums and attractions or go shopping and dining, we've got great recommendations for your trip to New York City. Plan your day in New York and let us take you there in the carefree comfort of a deluxe Wolf's motor coach.



New York offers a wide variety of world-class sightseeing, dining and shopping opportunities that you can take advantage of. Take New York City into your own hands. We will get into the city at approximately 11:30 a.m. and drop you off around the theater district and depart the city at 6:30 p.m. New York Your Way gives you the opportunity to

decide what you would like to do for the day. The city is yours for the day when it's "New York Your Way". There will be a short stop on the way to the city at a fast food restaurant and a short rest stop on the way home from New York City. Please have dinner in the city before departing for home.

*Trip will depart from the Harrisburg Mall, 3501 Paxton Street, at Pole #32 (Indicated with a Wolf's Bus sign).*

Depart 7:30 am  
#6618 (Sep 21)    \$80 Per person

Like us on  
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Upcoming Programs,  
Special Events,  
& Membership Specials!

## PA GRAND CANYON & WAGON RIDE BUS TRIP

**Sunday, October 13, 2019 • 7:30AM-11PM**

Join the fun in Wellsboro, PA where you'll enjoy panoramic views from above the PA Grand Canyon plus horse-drawn covered wagon ride into the gorge. After a short restroom stop on the way, we will begin our day with a delicious brunch at the Penn Wells Restaurant featuring a waffle bar, eggs benedict, French toast and much more plus a variety of lunch favorites.

Then, take a short walking tour of downtown Wellsboro, where you will feel like you have stepped back in time while viewing the beautiful well-kept homes, and the distinctive gaslights which line main street, followed by a driving tour through the local area. After the tour, we will make our way to the PA Grand Canyon Overlook and Visitors Center. Pine Creek Gorge, otherwise known as the "Grand Canyon of PA", is a classic example of a canyon cut during the Ice Age, primarily the result of water overflowing a former glacial lake. The canyon meanders through a vast wilderness landscape of breathtaking beauty and unparalleled views ablaze with the vibrant colors of autumn. The visitor's center will provide a look back at the formation of the gorge through an introductory video and exhibits. Now, it's time to take a closer look at the canyon with a 2-hour long covered wagon ride into the Upper Gorge along the Pine Creek. Please dress appropriately for the weather conditions. Following our covered wagon ride, we will depart for home with a dinner stop along the way at your own expense.



**Package Includes:**

Brunch at Penn Wells Restaurant, Step-on Guide, Short Walking Tour of Wellsboro, PA Grand Canyon Overlook & Visitors Center, Covered Wagon Ride & Transportation.

*Trip will depart from the Harrisburg Mall, 3501 Paxton Street, at Pole #32 (Indicated with a Wolf's Bus sign).*

Depart 7:30 am  
#6619    \$160 Per person

***There are only a limited number of seats available for each trip, please register early!***

# Soccer Shots



## FALL SOCCER

**Soccer Shots** is an engaging children's soccer program with a focus on character development. Our caring team positively impacts children's lives on and off the field through best-in-class coaching, curriculum and communication.



Our **coaches** are the best-trained in the business



Expert-approved **curriculum** that aligns with early childhood education standards



An exceptional customer experience with ongoing **communication**

## SEASON DETAILS:

**Who:** Children Ages 2-5

**Where:** Shank Park - Hershey

**Cost:** \$105 for 8 weeks

**How:** Enroll on our website at [harrisburgyork.soccershots.com](http://harrisburgyork.soccershots.com)

### Additional information:

If you have any questions, please call us at **717-350-8804** or email us at [harrisburg@soccershots.org](mailto:harrisburg@soccershots.org)

**ENROLL TODAY** at [harrisburgyork.soccershots.com](http://harrisburgyork.soccershots.com)

QUESTIONS? 717-350-8804 | [harrisburg@soccershots.org](mailto:harrisburg@soccershots.org) | [harrisburgyork.soccershots.com](http://harrisburgyork.soccershots.com)

# Youth Programs

## \*BALLET & TAP W/ KINDERDANCE

Age appropriate ballet and tap that incorporates fitness, creative movement and educational concepts such as colors, numbers, words, months, and seasons. Kinderdance is a continuing program but at a preschool rate. Parents are welcome to watch the class to see the fun! Clothing needed: Comfortable shirt and stretch pants or leotard and tights, if you'd like (any color). Shoes: Ballet and tap shoes are optional. Shoes are available to purchase from Kinderdance. Please call (717) 540-1090 for information and cost. Instructed by Kinderdance International.

### Ages 3-5

Tuesdays 5:45-6:00 pm  
Sep 10-Oct 22 #6658  
(no class 9/24)

Chocolate Workers Local 464  
16 W Caracas Avenue, Hershey

### Ages 4-6

Tuesdays \$65 6:45-7:00 pm  
Sep 10-Oct 22 #6661  
(no class 9/24)

Chocolate Workers Local 464  
16 W Caracas Avenue, Hershey

## \*KINDERTOTS Age 2

A pre-Kinderdance program designed to develop pre-ballet/tap/acrobatic skills.

Tuesdays 5:00-5:30 pm  
Sep 10-Oct 22 #6664  
(no class 9/24)

Chocolate Workers Local 464  
16 W Caracas Avenue, Hershey

*Instructed by Kinder Dance International.  
Registration fee \$15 once per year.  
Program fee is \$65 for Ballet & Tap/\$55  
for Kindertots  
\*PAYMENT WILL BE DUE ON THE FIRST  
DAY OF CLASS\*  
Cash or Check is accepted.*



## BITTY BALLET Ages 2.5-3.5

Bitty Ballet is a program designed for preschool age children (2.5-3.5 years of age) as an introduction to dance. Ballet is a wonderful stepping stone to encourage group participation, listening to an instructor and a true love of dance and movement for these developing souls. Simple ballet positions and moves also encourage physical activity and controlled body movements in toddlers. Specific lesson plans and activities are provided to parents and participants of for the sessions, and a small show is performed at the last class for parents.

Mondays 5:15-6:00 pm  
Sep 9-Oct 14 #6644  
Nov 11-Dec 16 #6646  
Mem/Res/Non-Res \$85  
Hershey Library- Meeting Rm #2

## BITTY BALLET

Ages 3-7

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Mondays 6:00-6:45 pm  
Sep 9-Oct 14 #6645  
Nov 11-Dec 16 #6647  
Mem/Res/Non-Res \$85  
Hershey Library- Meeting Rm #2

# Babysitter's Training Course

## BABYSITTER'S TRAINING COURSE

American Red Cross Babysitter's Training provides youth ages 11-15 with the knowledge and skills necessary to safely and responsibly give care for children and infants. Participants will learn how to keep themselves and others safe, basic child care and first aid, and how to help children behave. Upon completion, participants will receive certification in Babysitter Training, Infant & Child CPR, and First Aid.

Monday & Tuesday 8:30 am-4:00 pm  
Oct 14 & 15 #6692

Mem \$100  
Res \$105  
Non-Res \$110  
Hershey Recreation Center/Lobby



# Manada Conservancy

For more information or to register for a program, contact us at [office@manada.org](mailto:office@manada.org), [www.manada.org](http://www.manada.org), or 717-566-4122.

## **Sept 21 (Sat) 10am – Noon: Owl Pellet Lab for youth** (at Camp Catherine)

Middle school-aged students are invited to a dissection lab with real owl pellets! Learn about food webs & ecology, animal structures & anatomy, and lots of natural history about owls with Dr. Steve Rannels.

**Registration is required, and space is limited; So sign up early!**



## **Oct 6 (Sun) 1-3 pm:** *3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Walk in Penn's Woods*

Join us for a guided 1.5-mile walk at the Ibberson Conservation Area (East) in scenic Powell's Valley. Nature will be observed at its finest with field expert Ian Gardner and DCNR Service Forester Andy Brought. Wear sturdy shoes for uneven terrain; this walk is not wheelchair or stroller friendly. Co-sponsored by Dauphin County Woodland Owners Association. Please register by October 3.

**Directions and additional details can be found on the events page at [www.manada.org](http://www.manada.org).**

## **Oct 10 (Thurs) 7pm:** *Watershed Health program (at South Hanover Township building)*

Our water resources are a precious commodity. In this educational program, Scott Ensign of Stroud Water Research Center will discuss the health of some local watersheds and ways they can be protected for years to come.

**This program is free and open to the public; registration is appreciated at [office@manada.org](mailto:office@manada.org) or 717-566-4122.**



## **Nov 14 (Thurs), 7pm:** *Manada Conservancy Preservation Updates* (at East Hanover Township building)

Find out about Manada Conservancy's protected land, what it's like to have "boots on the ground," and what we see there. Check [www.manada.org](http://www.manada.org) after October 1 for more information.

**Registration for this free program is appreciated at [office@manada.org](mailto:office@manada.org) or 717-566-4122.**

# Memorial Day

## 2019 HERSHEY'S *Memorial Day* PARADE

*We would like to thank the following organizations and businesses for their generous donations of time and money to assist with the Derry Township Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony*

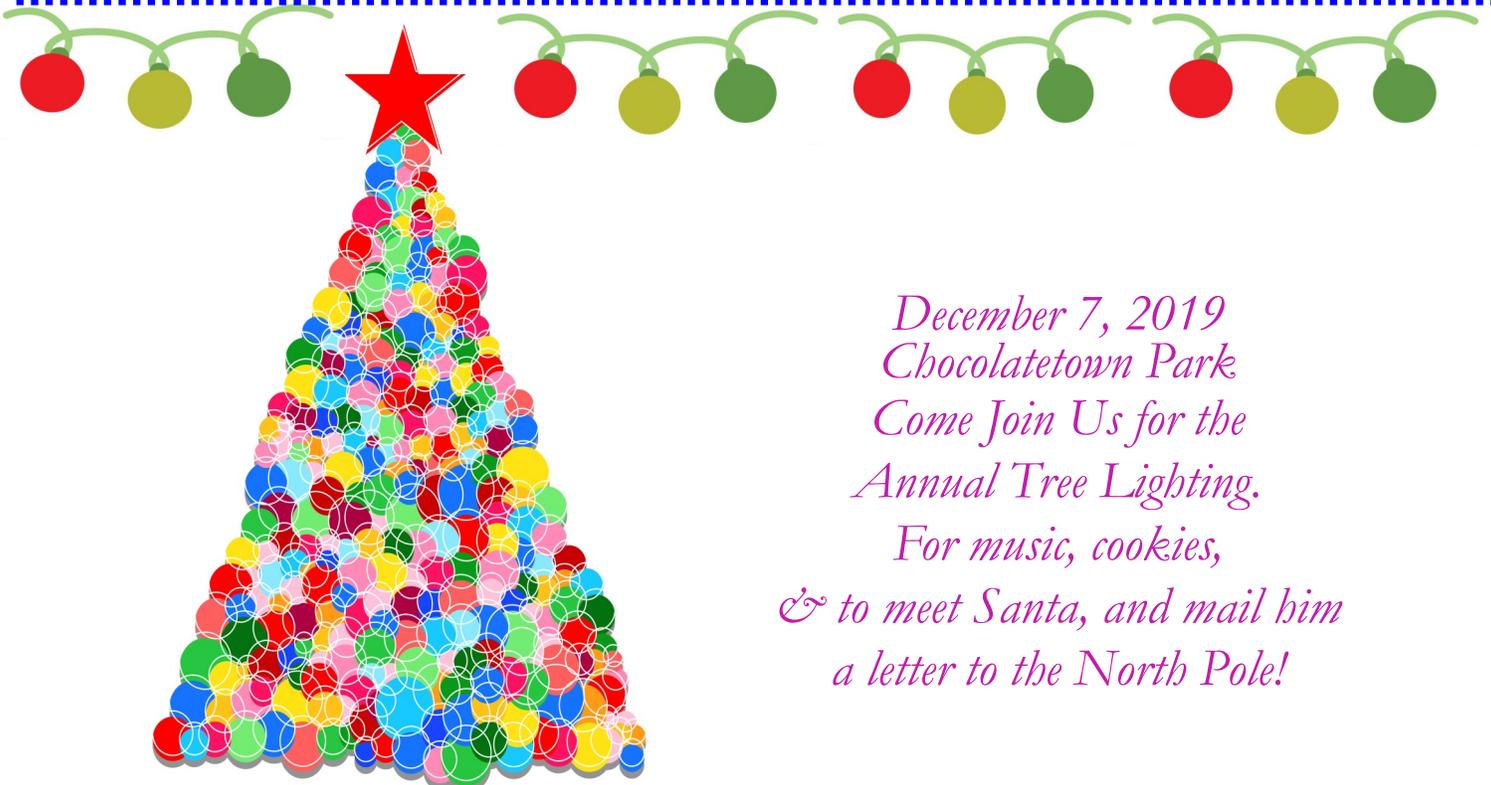


# *Thank You!*

*Township of Derry Board of Supervisors  
Township of Derry Friends of Parks & Recreation  
Memorial Day Organizing Committee  
Event Day Volunteers  
The Hershey Company  
The Hershey Country Club*

*Hershey VFW Post No 3502  
Hershey American Legion Post No 386  
Township of Derry Police Department  
Township of Derry Department of Public Works  
Hershey Fire Department*

# Holiday Tree Lighting



*December 7, 2019  
Chocolatetown Park  
Come Join Us for the  
Annual Tree Lighting.*

*For music, cookies,  
& to meet Santa, and mail him  
a letter to the North Pole!*

# 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Halloween Parade

## Registration Fact Sheet

1. The parade is scheduled for Tuesday, October 15 at 7:00 pm, and will form in the Hershey Recreation Center parking lot. Judging will begin promptly at 6:15 pm.
2. A special thanks to the *Hershey Federal Credit Union* and *Derry Township Friends of Parks & Recreation* for sponsoring the cash prizes.
3. ***We strongly encourage groups to meet at another location and walk to Hershey Recreation Center parking lot.***
4. The decisions of the judges are final. All registered participants must march in the parade.
5. Please do your best to keep your group together at the staging area. Volunteers will direct you to lineup. Be prepared to march at 7:00 pm.!
6. During the parade, keep your group moving, keeping pace with the group in front of you. Stopping along the parade route to sing, dance or perform other routines causes long gaps in the parade. As a result, these will not be permitted. We ask for your cooperation in this regard.
7. When you register for the parade, you agree to exempt from liability and hold harmless the Township of Derry and the Friends of Parks & Recreation and their respective agents, sponsors, and employees.
8. Signage identifying political figures shall merely identify the parade participant. Signs shall not read "VOTE for", "XXX for Office" or "Re-Elect", Political literature may not be handed out or otherwise.
9. For safety, NO candy or other items are to be thrown from motorized vehicles or floats.  
***This rule will be strictly enforced!***
10. For your safety, please bring a flashlight.
11. All animals must have a handler. Handler must clean up all excrement, and dogs must be leashed.
12. A special thank you to *The Hershey Company* for providing the candy for the spectators along the parade route! The donation is generous, however it is not limitless. It is recommended to bring additional candy if you choose to distribute candy.
13. The Township of Derry reserves the right to refuse participation if any parade entry is deemed inappropriate or offensive.
14. For further information, contact the Department of Parks of Recreation at 717-533-7138.



# 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Halloween Parade

## Halloween Parade

Tuesday, October 15

Judging begins at 6:15 pm • Parade begins at 7:00 pm

Severe weather make up: Wednesday, October 16

### DIVISIONS:

- I. Individual (Preschool to GR. 2)
- II. Individual (GR. 3 to Adult)
- III. Small Groups (Up 10)
- IV. Large Groups (More than 10)
- V. Floats and Motorized Vehicles
- VI. Marching Bands

### PRIZES:

- 1st PL \$50
- 2nd PL \$40
- 3rd PL \$30
- 4th PL \$20
- 5th PL \$16
- 6th PL \$10



Hershey area residents have always enjoyed the celebration of Halloween with costumes, trick-or-treating, parties, and most importantly, our Halloween Parade! This year, the parade celebrates its 72<sup>ND</sup> anniversary, and you can be a part of the tradition! The Parade Committee is now accepting applications from individuals and couples, small and large groups of costumed marchers, floats, and marching bands. Registered participants must walk in the parade.

**PLEASE NOTE: Due to the safety concerns, throwing candy or any other objects from the floats or vehicles is strictly prohibited.**

**Parade Registration:** Mail to - Township of Derry, Department of Parks & Recreation, 605 Cocoa Avenue, Hershey, PA 17033 or drop off at the Hershey Recreation Center by 12:00 pm on Tuesday, October 15, 2019.

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Division: \_\_\_\_\_ Approximate # in Group: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Brief Description of costume or theme: \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15 AT 12:00 PM**

For further information, contact the Department of Parks & Recreation at 717-533-7138.

*The Hershey Company will be supplying the candy for spectators along the route!  
 (Although the donation is generous, it is not limitless. If you choose to distribute candy, it is recommended that you bring your own.)*

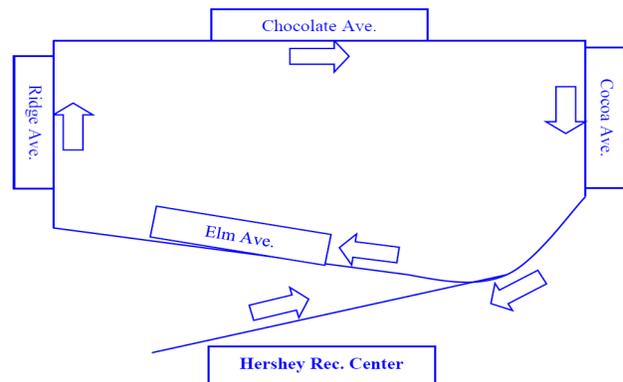
## 2019 Halloween Parade Route

Start at Recreation Center parking lot. Turn right on Cocoa Avenue to Elm Avenue. Turn left on Elm Avenue and follow to Ridge Avenue. Turn right on Ridge Avenue and follow to Chocolate Avenue. Turn right on Chocolate Avenue and follow to Cocoa Avenue. Turn right on Cocoa Avenue back to the Hershey Recreation Center.



### SPONSORED BY:

- Hershey Federal Credit Union
- The Hershey Company
- The Friends of Derry Township Parks & Recreation
- Township of Derry Department of Parks & Recreation



# Shank Park Halloween



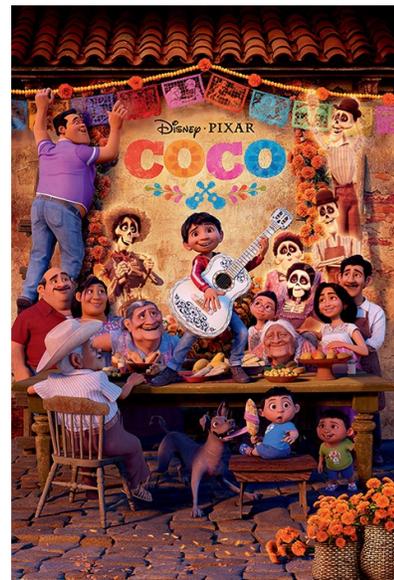
## Shank Park Halloween Saturday, October 26th

Join us for an evening of fun out at Shank Park with pumpkin decorating, inflatable games, face painting, a candy hunt, s'mores by the campfire, and finish the evening with a Drive-In Movie featuring "Coco".

**Crafts & Games: 4:30-6:30 p.m.**  
**Drive-In Movie: 7:00 p.m.**



*Suggested donation  
of \$5 per vehicle.  
Concessions will be  
available for purchase!*



# Tennis

## PEE WEE/QUICK START TENNIS

Ages 5-9

The Pee Wee/Quick Start program is for younger kids ages 5-9 that want to begin playing tennis but have no prior experience. This session will introduce fun games for the kids and mostly focuses on basic hand-eye coordination, racquet skills and the fundamental strokes and movement skills.

Saturdays 12:00-1:00 pm  
Sep 7-21 #6693

Mem/Res/Non-Res \$45  
Hershey Tennis Courts 1 & 2



## BEGINNER TENNIS

Ages 8-14

The Beginner program is for kids ages 8-14 that have very little tennis experience but do not want to start at the quick start level. This is for kids with basic coordination that have been athletically involved in other group sports, but are new to tennis. This clinic focuses on basic strokes, coordination, agility, racquet-handling skills.

Saturdays 1:00-2:00 pm  
Sep 7-21 #6694

Mem/Res/Non-Res \$45  
Hershey Tennis Courts 1 & 2



# Fall!