**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 or email us for more information at ParksHelpDesk@derrytownship.org.*

**Dates To Remember:**

**Special Dates**

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

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**Parks & Recreation Advisory Board**

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

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

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**Fall!**

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**Park Rental Fees**

**PARK FEE SCHEDULES**

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

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

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

**Park Amenities**

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**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:

**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 Facebook
Stay Up To Date On 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 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 harrisburyork.soccershots.com

Additional information:
If you have any questions, please call us at 717-350-8804 or email us at harrisburg@soccershots.org

ENROLL TODAY at harrisburyork.soccershots.com

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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

*A 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

*BABY 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

*PAYMENT WILL BE DUE ON THE FIRST DAY OF CLASS*
Cash or Check is accepted.

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.

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Monday & Tuesday 8:30 am-4:00 pm
Oct 14 & 15  #6692
Mem $100
Res $105
Non-Res $110
Hershey Recreation Center/Lobby
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:  
3rd 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.**

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 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 after October 1 for more information. **Registration for this free program is appreciated at 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!
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.
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 72nd 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.)

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**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.

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The Hershey Company
The Friends of Derry Township Parks & Recreation
Township of Derry Department of Parks & Recreation
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