

# THE MONTHLY BUZZ

THE LATEST NEWS AND UPDATES FROM THE TOWN OF HARRISBURG PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT.



## HarrisburgNC

PARKS & RECREATION

OCTOBER 2020

Monthly Updates

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CLICK THE ICONS TO CHECK OUT OUR  
NEW SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES!

## MONTHLY UPDATES

### New Communication Format

We have received feedback over the past couple of weeks about the preferred communication methods from the department.

There have been multiple changes to procedures, athletics and facilities and we are working hard to find the best way to communicate that information to you!

As a department we have decided to have a monthly newsletter, instead of a weekly newsletter, to highlight what is going on with Harrisburg Parks and Recreation.

Do you have feedback for Harrisburg Parks and Recreation? We would love to receive it. Take this brief survey to send in your feedback OR email: [acorley@harrisburgnc.org](mailto:acorley@harrisburgnc.org)



### Do you have recent pictures?

Now that Harrisburg Parks and Recreation has its own social media pages, it is time to feature YOU! Do you have recent pictures from any of our programs? Please text them to April Corley Sloop at 704.572.5431 OR email: [acorley@harrisburgnc.org](mailto:acorley@harrisburgnc.org)

# NEW YOUTH ATHLETIC CAMPS

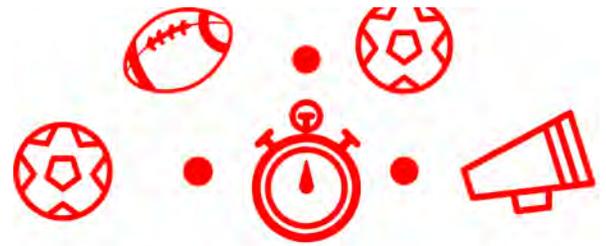
## Soccer, Football, Cheer and Flag Football

Our NEW Youth Athletic Camps have been a hit this season with baseball and softball. Now it's time for Soccer, Football, Cheer and Flag Football! Practices will officially begin on Monday, October 5th.

Please remember the following when you come to Harrisburg Park:

1. Parents/Guardians must remain 6 feet apart and wear a face covering.
2. Please continue to sanitize your child's hands prior to the start of practice. The restrooms are open if you need to utilize them prior to the start of practice. There is also hand sanitizer available at each field.
3. Please make sure you are bringing a water bottle for your child to each practice- clearly marked with their name.
4. The Health Screening questionnaire, which contains three questions, will be asked each week prior to the start of practice. This is a NC Department of Health and Human Services Guideline. We are asking team parents to help with this process moving forward.
5. If you are available to help with the health screening questionnaire, please get your volunteer badge! You can do that by filling out the forms online:

[CLICK HERE](#)



## NEW SOCCER, FOOTBALL, CHEER, & FLAG FOOTBALL YOUTH ATHLETIC CAMPS

THE KEY TO EXCELLING IN YOUR SPORT THROUGH  
CONDITIONING AND SKILL BUILDING



## OUTSTANDING COACH/VOLUNTEER

**Would you like to nominate a coach or volunteer to be featured on our social media and monthly newsletter?**

We are so appreciative of ALL of our volunteers and coaches. They go above and beyond to ensure our programs are made possible.

Email the name of the volunteer/coach you are nominating and 'WHY' you think they are OUTSTANDING!

Please send [email submissions](mailto:acorley@harrisburgnc.org) to [acorley@harrisburgnc.org](mailto:acorley@harrisburgnc.org)

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Pumpkin Decorating Contest

Who will create the funniest, most creative, and hometown favorite pumpkin of the patch?

There will be a winner in each of the following age groups: 3-4, 5-7, 8-10, 11-13, 14-17, & 18+

Each pumpkin will be scored in the following categories: Creativity, Attention to Detail, & Originality.

There will be an overall winner between ALL AGE GROUPS in each category: Overall Funniest, Overall Most Creative, & Overall Hometown Favorite

To Register, Please click the link below!

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## Harrisburg's Fall Fun Bucket List

Can you complete Harrisburg's Fall Fun Bucket List?

There are 3 items to check off:

1. Personalize a canvas treat bag with paint, markers and stamps.
2. Customize a mini pumpkin with paint and stickers.
3. Create your own candy apple with either chocolate or caramel, oreos, sprinkles and so much more!

Registration is \$25

There are 3 sessions to choose from: Tuesday, October 20th at 6PM  
Saturday, October 24th at either 9AM or 11AM.

Please email April Corley Sloop at [acorley@harrisburgnc.org](mailto:acorley@harrisburgnc.org) if you have any questions! To register, please click the link below.

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## Harrisburg Hikers - Adult Walking Club

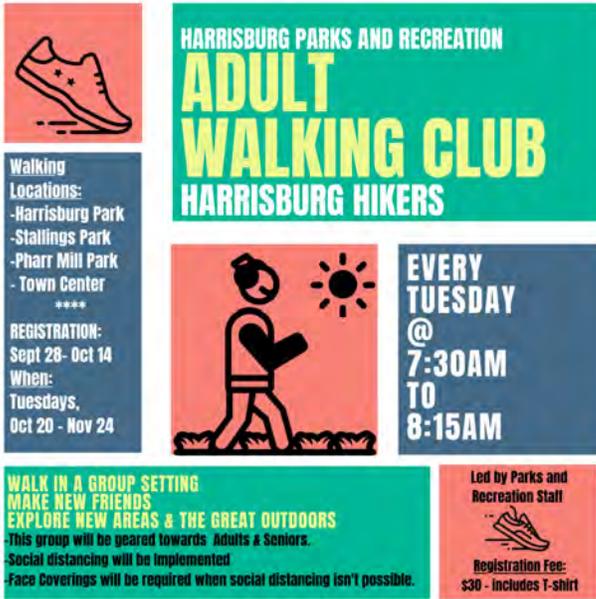
Harrisburg Hikers will meet every Tuesday from 7:30am to 8:15am from Tuesday, October 20th through Tuesday, November 24th.

This program will be led by Harrisburg Parks and Recreation Staff.

Pre-Registration is required. The Registration dates are: Monday, September 28th through Wednesday, October 14th.

The Registration fee is: \$30 per participant and includes a T-shirt.

To register, please click the link below.



**HARRISBURG PARKS AND RECREATION**  
**ADULT WALKING CLUB**  
**HARRISBURG HIKERS**

**Walking Locations:**  
-Harrisburg Park  
-Stallings Park  
-Pharr Mill Park  
-Town Center  
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**REGISTRATION:**  
Sept 28 - Oct 14  
**When:**  
Tuesdays,  
Oct 20 - Nov 24

**EVERY TUESDAY**  
**@**  
**7:30AM**  
**TO**  
**8:15AM**

**WALK IN A GROUP SETTING**  
**MAKE NEW FRIENDS**  
**EXPLORE NEW AREAS & THE GREAT OUTDOORS**  
-This group will be geared towards Adults & Seniors.  
-Social distancing will be implemented  
-Face coverings will be required when social distancing isn't possible.

Led by Parks and Recreation Staff

Registration Fee:  
\$30 - includes T-shirt

## North Carolina Wildlife - Living Wild Program

Brand NEW North Carolina Wildlife Series offered by the Town of Harrisburg Parks and Recreation Department!

For the month of October, participants will learn more about North Carolina wildlife. This camp series is an introduction for those wishing to learn more about wildlife and their habitats, habits, and common myths.

For Ages: 8-10

The Nature based lessons will include a take home activity at the end of class.

This program will be held every Thursday in October from 4:00pm to 5:00pm at Harris Depot Park or Pharr Mill Park, instructor will notify participants prior to class.

Cost: \$20 per participant, per session and pre-registration is required. To register, please click the link below.



**NORTH CAROLINA WILDLIFE - LIVING WILD!**

A Fall camp for kids between the ages of 8-10, who want to learn more about native and non-native wildlife, develop a sense of admiration for the Great Outdoors, and become stewards for nature!



## IN REMEMBRANCE OF...

### Coach Tommy Rucker

Coach Tommy Rucker was not only an outstanding member of the community but also a great friend, mentor and coach!

In remembrance of Coach Tommy Rucker, a memorial stone was placed at The HYA Memorial between Stallings Park and Harrisburg Elementary baseball fields.

Press the Play Button to watch a video we made in honor of Coach Tommy!



## HARRISBURG PARK UPDATE

### Please Pardon Our Dust!

Harrisburg Park is still under construction. Due to heavy rainfall this season, construction delays have occurred.

Please remember to stay out of construction zones if you are at Harrisburg Park for The Fall Youth Athletic Camps.



## STAFF SHOUT OUT

### Have you had a great customer service experience with one of our staff members?

The staff of Harrisburg Parks and Recreation works to serve the Harrisburg community to the best of their abilities. Would you like to send someone a special shout out to show that you appreciate them?

Please click the **megaphone** to learn how you can send one of the staff members a shout out!

