

BI-WEEKLY BUZZ

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



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PARKS & RECREATION

MARCH 5, 2021

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BI-WEEKLY UPDATE

Hey Harrisburg Family! We are excited to share updates from within the Harrisburg Parks and Recreation Department!

There has been a lot of change within our department and we are confident that these changes will benefit you and your family! In addition to changes to our programs and classes, there has also been a big change to our Parks and Recreation Staff.

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

[CLICK HERE](#)

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

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

SPRING 2021 YOUTH ATHLETICS

Baseball, Softball and Soccer

Our Fall 2020 Youth Athletic Season was a success! We had over 850 youth athletes in our program and were able to abide by all state guidelines and restrictions in regards to COVID-19.

Our Spring 2021 season will look a little different from Fall 2020. Registration for Spring 2021 took place in February and we have over 1,100 youth athletes that will participate in baseball, softball, and soccer.

If you have a participant in the Spring 2021 season, please take the time to read the important information below:

> Please click [HERE](#) for the Baseball/Softball document.

> Please click [HERE](#) for the Soccer document.



2021 SPRING YOUTH ATHLETICS BASEBALL, SOFTBALL AND SOCCER



COACHES' CORNER

Are you interested in coaching?

We could not do what we do for our community without the help of our volunteer coaches! We have had coaches commit to the Spring 2021 season, however, there is still room for YOU!

Interested in coaching? Click the link below to access The Volunteer Coaching Application:



Coaches, please mark the following dates on your calendars:

- > ONLINE Baseball/Softball Coaches' Meeting - 6PM
- > ONLINE Soccer Coaches' Meeting - 6PM

If you haven't received a link to the Coaches' Meeting, please email Mike Kirby at mkirby@harrisburgnc.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

Golden Egg Hunt

The Golden Egg Hunt is finally here! This year's format is almost identical to the year's past except there will not be in-person event.

In an effort to get families and friends in the parks spending time together, over 20,000 colored Easter eggs, along with 50 golden eggs, will be hidden in various parks throughout Harrisburg: Stallings Park, Pharr Mill Park, Harris Depot Park, Veterans Park and the lawn around Harrisburg Town Hall.

Families may search for eggs during park hours on Tuesday, March 30, Wednesday, March 31, and Thursday, April 1. Plastic-colored eggs will have a sticker or small toy that you may keep. Eggs will be hidden at various times during this period. If you are one of the lucky people to find a grand prize golden egg (with a ticket in it), you can redeem your prize at The Harrisburg Parks and Recreation office on Monday, April 5, 2021. Prizes include: tickets to various outings in the Cabarrus and Mecklenburg County areas, plus other goodies such as Easter baskets, toys, and games! For more information, please click the link below:



Harrisburg YMCA, Southwest Cabarrus Rotary & Harrisburg Parks and Recreation present ...

Harrisburg 5K

NEW LOCATION, NEW COURSE

MAY 15, 2021
5K - 6:30am (staggered start)
Virtual Awards will immediately follow the race.

LOCATION
Harrisburg Park, 191 Sims Pkwy Harrisburg, NC 28075

COURSE
The new course takes you through the neighborhood and winds around the new park.

COST
\$20 Nov-Feb 28 | \$25 Mar 1-Apr 10 | \$30 Apr 11-May 1 | \$35 Race Day
*All proceeds benefit our Annual Support Campaign that funds our Open Space Program.

REGISTRATION
In person at the Y:
Mond: 4100 Main Street, Suite 201, Harrisburg, NC 28075.
Online: rocabymca.org or runsignup.com/Harrisburg5K
Registration on race day starts at 5:30am.

SAFETY PROTOCOLS

- Social Distancing, Health Questionnaire, and will be used, and sanitary stations will be around for usage.
- Runners are only allowed to be there 15 minutes before their staggered start time. At that time, we are asking all runners to wear a mask.
- All Workers will be wearing masks, have a temperature check, and social distancing.

MANDIE CONDIE, RACE DIRECTOR
mcondie@rocabymca.org | 704.454.7800 x323

THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS

the Y, Rotary Southwest Cabarrus, Harrisburg NC Parks & Recreation

Harrisburg 5k

We are so excited to partner up with The Harrisburg YMCA for the 2021 Harrisburg 5k!

This year's race will look different from years past. This year's race will take place at The NEW Harrisburg Park.

Interested in learning more? Click the link below to learn more about the cost, registration process, and safety protocols.





**we
are
hiring!**

- Seasonal Splash Pad and Concession Stand Attendant
- Administrative Support Specialist

[HTTPS://WWW.HARRISBURGNC.ORG/JOBS.ASPX](https://www.harrisburgnc.org/jobs.aspx)

OUR TEAM

We Are Hiring!

Harrisburg Parks and Recreation is growing and we are hiring the following positions:

Full Time: Administrative Support Specialist

Part Time: Seasonal Splash Pad and Concession Stand Attendant

Interested in learning more? Click the link below!

[CLICK HERE](#)

We have a NEW Parks and Recreation Director who is moving down from New York to join the Harrisburg family! To learn more about Jim Spina, please click the link below.

[CLICK HERE](#)

ARTIST SHOWCASE

Interested in showcasing YOUR talent?

We were so disappointed that we had to cancel the 2020 Harrisburg Art Walk but we are hopeful to host the 2021 Harrisburg Art Walk in person this Fall.

In addition to planning our 2021 Harrisburg Art Walk for this Fall, we would like to celebrate local artists and showcase YOUR work this Spring!

Our Artist Showcase will be a way to showcase your talent, online, where people can view and even purchase your art from the comfort of your own home! Are you interested in submitting a video that showcases your craft to be featured on our Harrisburg Parks and Recreation YouTube and social media pages? Please email April Corley Sloop at acorley@harrisburgnc.org for more information.



VIRTUAL

ARTIST SHOWCASE



SPRING 2021

**WE WOULD LIKE TO CELEBRATE AND SUPPORT LOCAL CABARRUS COUNTY ARTISTS!
INTERESTED IN BEING FEATURED AND FILMING A VIDEO TO SHOWCASE YOUR TALENTS?**

EMAIL APRIL CORLEY SLOOP AT [ACORLEY@HARRISBURGNC.ORG](mailto:acorley@harrisburgnc.org)

HARRISBURG PARK UPDATE

Zone 1 Update:

Harrisburg Park is well on its way to completion. Our staff, and other contracted workers, have been working hard to complete the many projects within the park.

We can't wait for everyone to head out to the new park once it is complete! To keep everyone safe, Harrisburg Park is CLOSED to the public until construction is complete.

To best communicate the ongoing and new projects within Harrisburg Park, we have broken it up into zones.

Zone 1 consists of the lower field complex and its amenities. Please see below:

- The lower 4 field complex is complete and is ready for the 2021 Spring Youth Soccer Season!
- The 8' track around the lower 4 field complex has been installed. The Track is being evaluated for repairs and potential expansion.
- The Concession Stand building is complete and will be operational this spring during youth soccer. The Concession Stand is located at the lower 4 field complex.
- Parking within Harrisburg Park is well on its way to being complete! All parking lots are complete except for the lot adjacent to Field #5, which is in "Zone 3."
- All roads within Harrisburg Park are complete except for the Zmax drive entrance.

Zone 1 Projects To Be Completed:

Please see below for projects in Zone 1 that are to be completed:

- Stairwell addition to access the lower 4 field complex
- Additional Landscaping
- PA system installation to lower 4 field complex
- Patio addition to the back of the concession stand and expansion of the sidewalk around the concession stand



- Lower 4 Field Complex + Parking Lot next to Field #1



- Sidewalk leading down to Lower 4 Field Complex



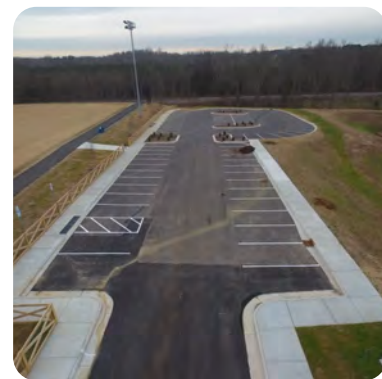
- Concession Stand



- Concession Stand Windows



- View from staircase at Field #1



- Parking lot next to Field #4

Be on the lookout for our upcoming bi-weekly newsletters that will share updates on Zone 2 and Zone 3.

**March 19, 2021 - Zone 2: Amphitheater, Splash Pad and adjacent parking lot
April 2, 2021 - Playground, Field #5 and adjacent parking lot**

STAFF SHOUTOUT

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!



HARRISBURG PARKS AND RECREATION MARCH CALENDAR

MARCH

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1 > ADULT COED SOFTBALL REGISTRATION BEGINS! > HACH MEETING AT 6PM	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 ONLINE COACHES' MEETING VIA ZOOM AT 6PM (BASEBALL + SOFTBALL)	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 ONLINE COACHES' MEETING VIA ZOOM AT 6PM (SOCCER)	16	17	18	19	20 BAKING WITH DEB > CHOCOLATE MOUSSE
21	22 > BSBALL/SFTBALL COACH DEADLINE TO CONTACT PARTICIPANTS > ADVISORY BOARD MEETING - 6PM	23 HARRISBURG YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING AT 6:30PM	24	25	26	27 YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL BEGINS!
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