

# BETHLEHEM PARKS & RECREATION FALL NEWSLETTER



## TRICK OR TREAT IT IS ALMOST HALLOWEEN!

The 93rd annual Halloween Parade will be held Sunday, October 26th at 2:00pm. The rain date is Sunday, November 2nd at 2:00pm. Anyone interested in participating may register by contacting the Recreation office or going to the City of Bethlehem's website at [www.bethlehem-pa.gov](http://www.bethlehem-pa.gov) and completing the registration form. The deadline for registration is Tuesday, October 21st. Participants will be notified by e-mail as to where they should report.

The parade forms at 15th Ave. and Broad St., continues down Broad to Main St., and then heads south on Main to Lehigh and Spring Sts. Cash prizes are awarded in the following categories: Marching Groups, Scouting, Floats, Schools, Special and Individuals. All entries must be decorated in a Halloween theme!



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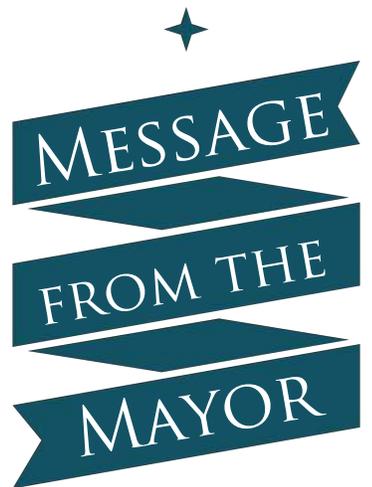
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Trick or Treat night is Friday, October 31st from 6-8pm.

Rain Date is Saturday, Nov. 1st.

Be Safe!



As your mayor I am committed to promoting a healthier Bethlehem by properly managing our recreation resources. Bethlehem has a great history of providing recreational facilities for its residents. From our large regional parks such as Saucon Park, Sand Island and the multi-sport complex along Illick's Mill Road. As mayor, I would like to invite you to enjoy all of the public resources that this great city has to offer this Fall, which include our Halloween Parade and Trick or Treat Night.

- Mayor Robert J. Donchez

# THE SUMMER IN REVIEW

It is hard to believe that summer has come and gone. We held many fun events this summer which included a new program that featured weekly activities at the pools. Some of these programs included: dance parties, fitness days, arts & crafts, bingo, and wildlife presentations.

Along with the new activities at the pools, some of our tried and true staples continued. Our summer playground program was held at 7 playgrounds. A new program was added at Roberto Clemente Park through a partnership with the Bethlehem Housing Authority. Our partnership with BASD also continued to provide free lunches to all playground attendees. Other organizations that facilitated programming were The Girl Scouts and Turning Point of the Lehigh Valley.

Bethlehem Adventure Camp also experienced another successful year. Wrapping up the 7<sup>th</sup> year of the program, Adventure Camp is a collaboration between the City of Bethlehem Recreation Department, Wildlands Conservancy and Department of Conservation & Natural Resources. Activities include canoeing, standup paddle boarding, rock climbing, hiking, biking, white water rafting, and fishing. The camp also received financial support from Wegmans of Bethlehem and Weis Markets on Crawford Drive. Look for the 8<sup>th</sup> installment of the camp in June 2015, space is extremely limited.

Movies in the Park continued in the City parks with 6 movie nights. The biggest movie night featured the box office hit Frozen at the Bethlehem Rose Garden! Princess Elsa even made an appearance to take pictures with kids, sing, and read books! A big thank you to our sponsors West Side Hammer, Action Rental of Bethlehem, Taylor Family Fuel, Fancy Photos and Bryan Callahan's Driving School. Check out our website in the spring for the Summer 2015 movie schedule.

Fitness in the Park also continued this summer at the Bethlehem Rose Garden. Classes included Bootcamp, Power Toning, and Yoga. Classes were held weeknights. Thank you to everyone who came out and participated. Program sign-ups for next year will start in Spring 2015.



# Earl E. Schaffer Municipal

## ICE RINK

### Bethlehem, PA

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With winter almost here and summer behind us, it is almost time to start making ice for the 2014-2015 season. Whether being the social hotspot for tweens on a Friday and Saturday night or a place to learn how to figure skate, or play Ice Hockey, the Earl E. Schaffer Municipal Rink offers it all! We are currently taking signups for our skating school. The first session starts the week of November 24th. Classes are 30 minutes and there are 4 classes per session. Please visit our website for more information about session dates, times and cost, at [www.bethlehem-pa.gov/parks](http://www.bethlehem-pa.gov/parks)

The Municipal Ice Rink is a perfect place to host a birthday party or event. Reservations can be made for the Rink or Party Room, subject to availability. Our afternoon public sessions are Monday through Friday 1-5pm. and Saturday & Sunday 1-4 pm. Evening sessions are Friday & Saturday 7-10pm.

Check the Rink for special events, shows, competitions, and more. Season Passes are available in the Recreation Office at City Hall. For more information please call the office at 610-865-7081.

### Adult Recreation

Registrations are currently being accepted for our adult winter basketball league. If you have a team interested in participating, please contact the office at 610-865-7081 for more information.

We are cohosting a Kickball Fest with LehighValleyWithLove.com on Saturday October 18th at 11 am at Elmwood Park for any adult wanting to relive their childhood. For more information or how to rsvp, please call 610-997-7971.



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The Bethlehem Golf Club is hosting some fun events this fall at the Golf Course.

Tuesdays are Ladies Day. Between the hours of 8 and 11am, Ladies can play 18 holes with a cart for \$32.

Wednesdays are Senior Day. Between the hours of 8 and 11am, Seniors 62 and over can play 18 holes with a cart for \$32. Call the Pro Shop for more details.

Have you ever wanted to golf at night? On Friday, October 24th, you now have your chance. Come out to the Club for a Steak Dinner at 6pm and a tee time of 6:45pm. The cost is \$65 per play and includes supplies for golf, food, drink, and prizes.

For more information about our upcoming events, to book a tee time, or to schedule a lesson at our indoor swing room, call the Clubhouse at 610-691-9393.



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