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## Mechanicsburg Gears Up for Fall Festivities

### **Mechanicsburg's Halloween Parade marks first of season**

Mechanicsburg, PA – October 1, 2013 – The Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce's annual **Mechanicsburg Halloween Parade** will be hitting the streets of downtown Mechanicsburg on Tuesday, October 8, at 7:00 p.m. The two-mile parade will form on Broad and Keller Streets near the high school and proceed east onto Keller Street, north on Arch Street, west on Simpson Street, and south on George Street. The parade will disband at the rear of the high school.

Year after year, the Mechanicsburg Halloween Parade is an entertaining celebration that captures the charm and welcoming atmosphere of our community. One of the region's first Halloween parades of the season, Mechanicsburg's parade is a 'must-see' event attracting thousands of spectators annually. The parade features numerous businesses, clubs, local marching bands, dance and baton groups, floats and more. The parade route will be posted with "No Parking" signs, allowing spectators plenty of room to line the streets.

For the fifth year running, Lawrence Chevrolet is the parade's major sponsor. Lawrence Chevrolet joins the Borough of Mechanicsburg, The Mechanicsburg Club, American Legion Post #109, and numerous other local businesses, community groups, and individuals that financially support the event. Without the generous support from these organizations and individuals, the Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce would not be able to present such a grand and successful event.

There is no registration fee to participate in the parade. For more information on participating or volunteering, visit [www.mechanicsburgchamber.org](http://www.mechanicsburgchamber.org).

### **Streets of Treats brings family fun downtown for 18<sup>th</sup> year**

The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual **Streets of Treats** will be held on Saturday, October 19, 2013, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m in downtown Mechanicsburg. This family-oriented event features

safe trick-or-treating at local businesses, crafts, and other FREE and low-cost children's activities.

South Market Street will be closed between Main Street and Simpson Street to provide a venue for businesses and civic groups to participate that are not located downtown. Children are invited to pick up a trick-or-treat bag and a map at the town square on the corner of Main and Market streets.

In addition to trick-or-treating, fun games, and fall crafts, various local costumed characters will be in attendance. Students from DanceVibe, a local dance studio, will return again this year and will be performing at noon on South Market Street.

'Streets of Treats' is presented annually by Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce. For more information, visit [www.mechanicsburgchamber.org](http://www.mechanicsburgchamber.org).



*Photo Caption: 2012 Streets of Treats*

*About the Chamber:*

*The Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce supports a variety of community, business and economic development programs throughout the year. It has over 400 business and residential members throughout South Central Pennsylvania; and focuses on the Mechanicsburg Borough, Hampden, Lower Allen, Monroe, Silver Spring and Upper Allen Townships. For more information, contact the Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce, 6 West Strawberry Avenue, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055; telephone (717)796-0811; e-mail [info@mechanicsburgchamber.org](mailto:info@mechanicsburgchamber.org).*

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