

## Sherman Parks and Rec

**Sherman Parks and Recreation** is a city-operated department that offers a wide variety of recreation activities and programs, such as sports, recreation, craft and educational classes, youth and outdoor programs, community activities and special events for the public. Under the direction of the Parks and Recreation Director, the grounds maintenance department oversees parks, athletic fields and municipality grounds.

### Programs

**Sherman Parks and Recreation offers** classes, team sports and special events throughout the year. Programs include an adult lap swim, basic and advanced dog obedience, Crafty Kids, Pitter Patter Painters, Digging up Roots! The Family Kind, Basic Quilting, Guitar, Heart Saver, Little Hip Hoppers, Modeling for the Future (model cars), Musikgarten — Family Music for Babies, Musikgarten — Family Music for Toddlers, Pilates, Karate, Tai Chi, summer softball, tennis, Twinkle Toes, volleyball, watercolor painting, wedding planning and more.

**Ongoing programs include** the tackle loaner program, where residents can check out a rod, reel and tackle for one week; Literati Book Club. Visit the city Web site for updated classes: <http://www.cityofsherman.org/>

### Sherman Youth Center

The Sherman Youth Center, where many of the Parks and Recreation Department's classes are offered, is located at 407 W. Washington. The cen-

ter also houses Parks and Recreation staff.

### Hours

The Sherman Youth Center is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Facilities reservations

Reservations for the Youth Center require at least four weeks notice. The department charges a \$100 deposit due at the time of the reservation. The deposit is refundable if no damages are incurred to the facility. The rental fee is \$15 per hour and includes all set-up and take-down time. Rental fee is due five days prior to rental date. Parks and Recreation staff does not allow reservations beyond 10 p.m., and alcohol is not allowed.

### Parks

**Cherry Street Park** is located at 401 Cherry Park Drive. Its amenities include a playground and a basketball court.

**Ely Park** is located at 919 S. Austin. Its amenities include playground equipment, one covered pavilion with tables and a grill, a sand ball field and World War II memorials.

**Fairview Park** is located at 1121 W. Taylor. Its amenities include playground equipment, a water park, two covered pavilions with grills and tables, three softball fields, one baseball field, six soccer fields, four tennis courts, two volleyball pits, water fountains, restrooms and a paved walking trail. The distance around the trail is 1.56 miles.

**Fielder Park** is located at 1100 E. Pecan. Its amenities include playground equipment, a gazebo with tables, a basketball

court and a ball field.

**Hawn Park** is located at 1202 S. Dewey. Its amenities include playground equipment, a splash ground with shaded tables and benches, one covered pavilion with grills and tables, a volleyball pit, a skate park and a paved walking trail. The distance around the trail is .59 miles.

**Herman Baker Park** is located at 2500 W. Center. Its amenities include picnic tables, grills, shade trees, a natural lake stocked with trout and a walking trail. The distance around the trail is 1.5 miles.

**Hillcrest Park** is located at 1205 Hillcrest. Its amenities include playground equipment designed for use by children with disabilities, one covered pavilion with tables and a basketball goal.

**Martin Luther King Jr. Park** is located at 922 N. East St. Its amenities include playground equipment, covered pavilions with grills and tables, a basketball court, a baseball field, horseshoe pits and restrooms.

**Old Settlers Park** is located at 1609 N. Harrison. Its amenities include playground equipment, two softball fields, seven baseball fields and a walking trail. The distance around the trail is .75 miles.

**Rosedale Park** is located at 1400 S. Gribble. Its amenities include playground equipment, a water fountain, restrooms and a baseball field.

### Park Hours

All parks are open daily from 5 a.m. to midnight.

### Park reservations

Softball fields and volley-

ball courts can be rented. The Parks and Recreation Department may require a deposit. All rental fees are payable five days prior to usage, and alcohol is not permitted.

### Park pavilion reservations

Reservations for park pavilions must be scheduled at least two days in advance. There is no fee for reserving a pavilion, but renters must complete a permit. Renters must clean up the area after use, and the user is responsible for the conduct of their parties and their safety. The department does not allow open flame cooking, except in provided cookeries. Users may bring their own grill.

### Pools

**Splash-Family Aquatic Center** located in Fairview Park on West Taylor. It opens Memorial Weekend and closes the weekend before school

opens. Admission is \$4 for those 16 and older and \$3 for children ages 15 and under. Children 4-years-old with a paid adult are free. The splash ground at Hawn Park is free.

### Hours

**Fairview The Splash** at Fairview is open Memorial Day weekend and daily beginning May 31 through Aug. 17. It is also open weekends only through the end of August.

### Pool reservations

The Splash reservations may be scheduled from 6 to 8 p.m. on Sundays and 7 to 9 p.m. all other days, through July 31. After July 31, all reservations are from 6 to 8 p.m. The two-hour rental fee is \$200 for Sherman residents and \$300 for others.

## Parks and Recreation Board

The Parks and Recreation Board is a body of city-appointed members that advise the Sherman City Council and the city staff on the development and use of park facilities and activities that will preserve, manage and enhance the leisure services designed to meet the current and future recreational needs of the community.

### Meetings

The Board meets the first Wednesday of each month at the Youth Center.

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