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### **Young Athletes Set to Compete in Hershey Track & Field Program**

The Hershey Track and Field Program will hold its final program and awards ceremony on July 2, 2008 at the Barnett Sports Complex, 6800 Fairway from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Wednesday's program, sponsored by the Jacob and Terese Hershey Foundation, is the culmination of this summer's season. Approximately 2,000 boys and girls, ages 6 – 14 have participated in this year's program.

"The Hershey Track and Field Program has been a vital part of our summer programs for 8 years," said Joe Turner, Director, Houston Parks and Recreation Department. "This year 180 of our young people qualified for the state meet and one young man placed 4<sup>th</sup> in that competition. We cannot say thank you enough to the Jacob and Terese Hershey Foundation for sponsoring this great event. We know their contribution has made many dreams come true for the young people who have participated in the program."

Events scheduled for the final track meet of the season include the 50-meter dash, the 100-meter dash, and the 200-, 400-, 800-, and 1600-meter run. There will also be a 4X100-meter relay, a standing broad jump, and a softball throw.

For more information on the Hershey Track & Field Program, please call (713) 865-4517 or (713) 865-4512. For information on the Houston Parks and Recreation Department, please call (713) 865-4537 or visit [www.houstonparks.org](http://www.houstonparks.org).