



# THE TOWN CRIER



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*Spring is coming soon! Spring is coming soon!*

## DISCOVERY GARDEN CLASSES THIS APRIL

Gardening enthusiasts are invited to attend a series of gardening classes held in cooperation with Hollidaysburg Borough and Penn State Extension. Tom Ford, Area Commercial Horticulture Educator with Penn State Extension, Cambria County teaches the classes.

The series of classes are free and open to the public. In return, participants agree to volunteer 18 hours at the Discovery Garden in Legion Park throughout the growing season from May to October 2013. Participants will receive a certificate of completion after the classes are over. Volunteers agree to work a minimum of two to three hours a week during the gardening season. Volunteer assignments include spring cleanup, planting, weeding, deadheading, guiding garden tours and helping with special events. Other opportunities are available for volunteers interested in providing educational activities for individuals participating in the horticultural therapy program of Skills and other community groups.

Class topics will include:  
Session I: Plant Health Care Begins with Soil Quality: Ford will discuss how gardeners can improve soil fertility through the use of cover crop, compost, and organic fertilizers. Session II: Plant Health Care Starts with Plant Selection, Planting, and Maintenance: Ford will discuss how to expertly select, plant, and maintain landscape plants. Session III: Plant Health Care: Using Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Techniques in Landscape Settings: Ford will discuss how to apply IPM practices/techniques in your garden & landscape. Session IV: Plant Health Care: Application of Horticultural Best Management Practices in Landscape Settings: Ford will demonstrate how gardeners can employ best management practices through hands-on activities at the Discovery Garden in Hollidaysburg.

Classes will be held on the following **Fridays** in April:

**April 5**, 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Hollidaysburg Municipal Building

**April 12**, 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Hollidaysburg Municipal Building

**April 19**, 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Hollidaysburg Municipal Building

**April 26**, 9:00 a.m. to noon at Discovery Garden, Legion Park

The Discovery Garden is a project of the Skills Foundation, which provides programs and supports to people with intellectual disabilities and mental illness. One of the Skills Foundation's programs is the Horticultural Therapy program at Discovery Garden. The program provides opportunities for people with intellectual disabilities to be involved in their community while experiencing the benefits of horticultural therapy such as exercise, socialization, improving gross and motor skills and lessening anxiety.

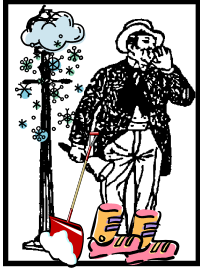
To register for classes, contact Patti Duron at the Hollidaysburg Municipal Office at (814) 695-7543 ext. 301.

**Registration deadline is March 30, 2013.**

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# WINTER WEATHER PROCEDURES

**HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY WINTER!**

In the event of a heavy snowfall, Mayor Dodson will make a snow emergency declaration to begin at either 8:00 AM or at 8:00 PM.

(morning), cars must be moved to the **odd-numbered** side of the street.

### TOWED AT OWNER'S EXPENSE.

Remember, odd-even parking restrictions are only in effect when a Snow Emergency has been declared!

The Borough will institute the **odd-even** parking designation during snow emergencies and **ONLY** during those times.

The objective is to achieve bare pavement on all Borough streets within 36 hours after a snowfall has ended.

According to Borough Ordinance, **all property and business owners** must clear all sidewalks of snow within **24 hours** of the end of a snow event!

If the snow emergency begins at **8:00 PM** (in the EVENing.) vehicles must be parked on the **EVEN**-numbered side of the street; if at **8:00 AM**

Snow emergencies will be announced on local media and on [www.hollidaysburgpa.org](http://www.hollidaysburgpa.org).

Please remember that **ANY** vehicle that violates the parking regulations imposed by a snow emergency **WILL BE**



## SLEDDING REMINDERS

To accommodate the popular wintertime activity of sledding, during times of significant snowfall, Spruce Street will be closed between Bella & Bell Streets ( the "double dips") to allow for sledding between **8:00 AM and 10:00 PM**. **There should be no sledding after 10:00 PM.**

**only be closed** when there is a significant snowfall, not every day in the winter.

**Parents, please remind children of this precaution!**

Remember that the street will

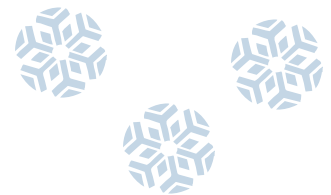
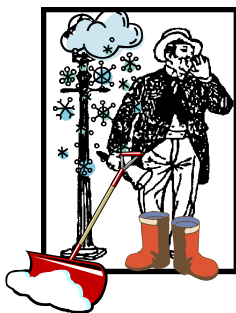


## SNOW SHOVELING REMINDER

With the continuing winter weather, please be considerate of your neighbors and remember to shovel sidewalks **within 24 hours** of the end of a snowfall event.

The buildup of snow and ice on sidewalks can be dangerous for pedestrians of any age, and Borough Ordinance requires residents to maintain a **30 inch pathway free of snow.**

The Borough appreciates your cooperation with keeping the sidewalks safe by complying with the Borough's Ordinance!





# NEWS FROM YOUR MAYOR

The Hollidaysburg Police Department has been awarded, for the seventh consecutive year, the AAA Community Traffic Safety Gold Award.

The 2012 AAA Community Traffic Safety Gold Award is presented for the department's success and dedication to traffic safety initiatives and its positive impact on our citizens. Congratulations to our Police Dept. for another

year of a job well done!

The "Toys for Kids" program was another great success for 2012. Thank you to all who contributed to this program.

I would like to thank all of our first responders for the great job that they do.

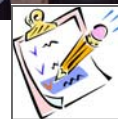
As always, please support our library, the YMCA, the Phoenix Volunteer Fire Department, and all the borough businesses. Please continue to pray for our military.

Congratulations to new Junior

Councilman Dominic Carson!

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone in the borough a happy and healthy New Year.

Mayor Joe & Asst. Chief Gehret



## MUNICIPAL TORT AND LIABILITY

Generally, the Hollidaysburg Borough and the Hollidaysburg Borough Authority and Hollidaysburg Sewer Authority are immune from claims of negligence.

As a result, a claim against these entities for property damage will likely be denied by these bodies unless the claim falls within a narrow list

of exceptions found in the Political Subdivision Tort Claims Act. Even then, such damages will be reduced to the extent of insurance coverage available to pay for the damage.

Citizens of the Borough and the service areas of the Authorities should understand that the event of a water line or sewer line break in and of

itself does not create liability for resulting property damage against the Borough or the Authorities.

Citizens should still contact their insurance agent to see if the property damage is covered by their insurance policy.

Daylight Saving Time Ends on Sunday, March 10th at 2 AM.



Remember to turn your clock ahead one hour before going to bed on Saturday, March 9th!

## PHOENIX VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY NEWS

The Phoenix Volunteer Fire Company, located at 206 Wayne Street, announces their annual Friday Fish Fries. Dinners will be prepared at the station beginning Friday, February 15, 2013 and will run through Good Friday, March 29, 2013.

Fish dinners will be baked or fried, and include two sides,

a roll, dessert and a beverage. Shrimp dinners will also be offered. The price of the dinners is \$9.00.

For more information, or to place an order, please call the Fire Station at 695-0521.

Saturday, April 13, 2013 will be Rip Ticket Night at the Fire Station. Watch for the newspaper ad!

Other upcoming events include:

Sat. May 4: Cash Drawing

Sun. May 19: Spaghetti Dinner

Sun. June 16: Chicken BBQ (Father's Day)

Sun. August 11: Chicken BBQ





# IRC ANNOUNCES SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND EVENTS

**Special Material Collection: May 4 (8 a.m. - 1 p.m.)** Location : Blair County Ballpark. Stay tuned for more details on materials to be collected at this event or other volunteer opportunities.

**Rain Barrel & Compost Bin Sale June 1 (8 a.m. - 1 p.m.)** Location – Blair County Ballpark. Rainbarrels & Compost Bins. Contact the

IRC for pricing or to pre-order at 942-7472. Damaged recycling bins can be returned to be recycled.

**Household Hazardous Waste Collection June 22 (8 a.m. – 1 p.m.)** Location – Blair County Ballpark. Cost - \$10 per car trunk load .

Acceptable Items:

- Oil-based paints & stains

- Pesticides & weed killers
- Automotive fluids & filters
- Mercury-containing products
- Fluorescent bulbs & tubes
- Poisonous/reactive chemicals

Unacceptable:

- Latex paint
- Medications

For more details, you may visit their webpage at [www.ircenvironment.org](http://www.ircenvironment.org)



## RECYCLE TODAY!



HOUSEHOLD WASTE EXAMPLES



COMPOST BIN



RAIN BARREL

## HOLIDAY CLOSINGS AT THE BOROUGH OFFICES

The Municipal Offices will be **closed** on these dates:

Monday, February 18



Friday, March 29



## HOLLIDAYSBURG AREA ARTS COUNCIL NEWS FOR THE NEW YEAR

The Hollidaysburg Area Arts Council announces that registration is now open for its annual Summer Student Art Camps.

The Arts Council invites you to come join in a very fun and creative week from June 10—June 14.

- Ages 6-8 9 AM to Noon  
Instructor: Alysia Watt
- Ages 9 –11 1 PM to 4 PM  
Instructor: Alysia Watt

at the Hollidaysburg Area Senior High

- Ages 12-14 + 8:30 AM to Noon  
Instructor: Barb Wertz-Leiden

At the Hollidaysburg Area Junior High

Registration forms are available online at [www.hollidaysburgpa.org](http://www.hollidaysburgpa.org).

**Limited enrollment. Get your form today!**

Questions may be directed to Jean Ofiesh at 695-6453.



## GATEWAY GARDENS TO BE PLANTED

The Borough of Hollidaysburg needs volunteers to help plant flowers at the Gateway Garden located beside The Dream Restaurant and also the Garden located at North Juniata Street and Allegheny Street.

The Western Pennsylvania Conservancy sponsors both Gardens. Tools and gloves

will be provided. Anyone wishing to volunteer his or her time to help to make the entrance into the Borough a little more beautiful is welcome. **Bring a Friend!!!**

Volunteers will meet at the garden near The Dream to plant flowers **at 9:00 AM on Saturday, May 18,**

**2013.** Work should be completed by noon.

If you have any questions please contact **Rick Pope** at 934-4032 or you may e-mail him at

[rpoppe@hollidaysburgpa.org](mailto:rpoppe@hollidaysburgpa.org)



## BOROUGH MEETING SCHEDULE



Those who may be interested in serving on any of these boards and commissions, should submit a **Volunteer Interest Form** to the Manager's Office.

Volunteer Interest Forms can be found on our webpage: [www.hollidaysburgpa.org](http://www.hollidaysburgpa.org).

**Borough Council**  
**7 PM**

Feb. 14 March 14

**Water Authority**  
**5:15 PM**

Feb. 19 March 19

**Sewer Authority**  
**5:30 PM**

Feb. 4 March 4

**Planning Commission**  
**5 PM**

Feb. 5 March 5

**HARB/HPC**  
**5 PM**

Feb. 7 March 7

**Shade Tree Commission**  
**3 PM**

March 18

**Hollidaysburg Area Arts Council**  
**2 PM**

Feb. 20 March 20

**Borough Meetings** are held in Council Chambers.

**The Arts Council Meetings** are held in the Municipal Building, Conference Room A, second floor.

All meetings are open to the public.



Find meeting agendas at: [www.hollidaysburgpa.org](http://www.hollidaysburgpa.org).





## WINTERFEST FESTIVITIES WINNERS FOR 2012

Jamie Baser has announced winners of the various competitions held throughout the 2012 Winterfest. These are:

### Soup Winners:

First Place: Black Dog Coffee & Catering Co. – Lasagna Soup

Second Place: Allegheny Creamery & Crepes – Chicken Corn Chowder

Third Place: Knickerbocker Tavern – Pumpkin Spice w/ Cinnamon Sugar Croutons

Mayors Choice: Buster's Six Pack Shop – Turkey Rivel

Thank you to all other participants! The Dream Restaurant, Donut Connection, Hoss's Steak & Sea House, Main Moon Chinese, Marzoni's Brick Oven & Brewery, Panera Bread

### Parade Winners:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Cub Scout Troop 30

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Foot of Ten Rockin' Recyclers Club

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Girl Scout Troops 46177, 46191, 46184, 40623

Honorable Mention: Investment Savings Bank

### Holiday Window Decorating Contest:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Roxanne's Renaissance

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Beerbower Jewelers

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Stultz Real Estate

A big thanks to everyone who supported these events to make Winterfest 2012 great fun for the community!



## SPRING BRUSH PICKUP IN THE BOROUGH TO BEGIN IN APRIL



The Borough will begin Spring Brush Pickup this year in **April**. Pickup will begin on **Monday, April 8, 2013** and continue **EACH WEEK** through **Tuesday, May 14, 2013**.

Throughout that time, Borough workers will pick up and haul away compostable waste such as: dead leaves, dead plant material, tree and brush trimmings and branches up to 3" in diameter and 6' in length. Brush and branches must be bundled with string or twine. Please do not use wire to bundle. Items that will not be picked up are: stone, garbage, gravel, dirt, junk, and appliances.

Borough crews will pick up all brush and bags on the **East side of Penn Street** every **Monday** and items will be picked up on the **West side of Penn Street** every **Tuesday**.

If your items were not set out in time or they were missed, they will be picked up

the **FOLLOWING WEEK**. Items must be placed curbside by 7:00AM, and the only alley pickups will be **Sweet Cherry Court** in Holliday Hills.

Please be reminded that after May 14, 2013, Summer Brush Pickup will not begin until the second week of June. For the rest of the summer, the pickups will take place on the **Mondays and Tuesdays of the second and the fourth week of each month. PICKUP WILL NOT OCCUR EACH WEEK AS HAPPENS IN THE SPRING BRUSH PICKUP!**

The April issue of *The Town Crier* will have a calendar of pickup dates that you can keep for future reference. Pickup dates are also available at [www.hollidaysburgpa.org](http://www.hollidaysburgpa.org)



# 2013 EVENTS

presented by:



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## **ALLEGHENY STREET CRUISE-IN & SIDEWALK SALE**

Saturday, May 11th in Downtown Hollidaysburg from 2pm-5pm\*

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## **DOWNTOWN LIVE! SUMMER CONCERT SERIES**

June 27th • July 18th • August 15th • September 19th  
Select Thursdays on the Diamond from 6pm-9pm

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## **FARM & CRAFT MARKET**

Every Tuesday, July-September, at Canal Basin Park from 3pm-7pm\*  
Every Friday, July-September, on the Diamond from 10am-2pm\*

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## **SLOPPY SOCKS 5K RUN**

Saturday, July 13th at Legion Park with start at 8:30am

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## **HOLLIDAYSBURG HAUL 5K RUN & KIDS FUN RUN**

Saturday, September 14th with start on the Diamond at 9:00am

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## **PUMPKIN FESTIVAL**

Saturday, October 19th in Downtown Hollidaysburg from 10am-4pm

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## **WINTERFEST CELEBRATION**

### **WINTERFEST PARADE**

Sunday, November 24th beginning at 2pm

### **LIGHT-UP NIGHT with SANTA LAND & SOUP SAMPLING**

Friday, November 29th on the Diamond from 5pm-7:30pm

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visit [WWW.HOLLIDAYSBURG.ORG](http://WWW.HOLLIDAYSBURG.ORG) or call 696-0544 for more details

\*some details are still tentative, please visit website or call closer to the event to confirm



# Hollidaysburg Borough

A NEWSLETTER FOR  
HOLLIDAYSBURG BOROUGH  
RESIDENTS & FRIENDS

Hollidaysburg Borough  
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Hollidaysburg PA 16648

Phone: 695-7543

Fax: 696-0636

Borough Manager Mark G. Schroyer  
manager@hollidaysburgpa.org

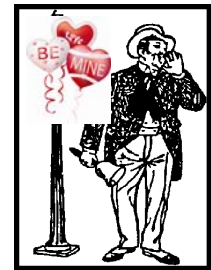
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## CURRENT RESIDENT

WE'RE ON THE WEB:

[HOLLIDAYSBURGPA.ORG](http://HOLLIDAYSBURGPA.ORG)

FEBRUARY 2013



## GUIDE TO BOROUGH GOVERNMENT & OFFICES 2013

### Borough Council

**Ward 1** Joseph A. Pompa  
207 Hickory Street, 693-1819  
1/1/2016

**Ward 2** Harold D. Burket  
401 Spruce Street, 696-3467  
1/1/2014

**Ward 3** Timothy A. Beresnyak  
505 Mulberry Street, 317-6062  
1/1/2016

**Ward 4** John P. Stultz, Jr.  
1015 Walnut Street, 695-2285  
1/1/2014

**Ward 5** Mark L. Shawley  
1309 Walnut Street, 695-4170  
1/1/2016

**Ward 6** Timothy M. Baranik  
309 Quince Ct., 693-6780  
1/1/2014

**Ward 7** Richard A. Scholton  
4 Belair Circle, 695-2178  
1/1/2016

### Mayor

Joseph R. Dodson  
522 Wayne Street, 695-4657  
1/1/2014

### Tax Collector

Donna Carson  
223 Bedford St., 696-4684  
1/1/2014

### Borough Staff 695-7543

Manager Mark G. Schroyer

Secretary Patricia J. Duron

Solicitor Nathan Karn

Police Chief Jeffrey J. Ketner

Assistant Chief David Gehret

Fire Marshal Robert E. Kerns

### Director of Community Facilities

Rick Pope

### Director of Water Department

Rick Pope

### Director of Wastewater

Operations  
Frank R. Cassisi

### Pre-Treatment Coordinator & Asst. Dir. Wastewater Operations

Frank B. Hicks, Jr.

### Finance Director

Jim Gehret, 696-0623

### Main Street Manager

Jamie Baser, 696-0544

Newsletter Editor Patti Duron

### Borough Authority

John A. Frank Richard A. Mingle

Zenas Brehm Stuart W. Sibold

James A. Faber

Sarah Zeek (Recording Secretary)

### Sewer Authority

Yoga Rajakone Regis Nale

Ralph T. Miller Carol Gale

Harry B. Thompson

Sarah Zeek (Recording Secretary)

### Zoning Hearing Board

Roy E. Cook, Jr. John Brenner

Larry Daugherty

Joyce A. Lowe (Alternate)

Robert P. Rea (Attorney)

Jennifer Carr (Recording Secretary)

### Shade Tree Commission

Terry Wilt 695-3226

David A. Zeek 414-5499

Joel Koss 695-0174

Dave DeRubeis 215-360-9090

Patrick Plummer 695-4370

### Civil Service Commission

James R. Huff, II

A. Paul Plummer

Ann M. Andrews

Patti Duron (Recording Secretary)

### Education

Patti Duron Joseph Dodson

Ann M. Andrews

### Planning Commission

A. Paul Plummer Amy Webster Sill

Jane Sheffield Sean Burke

Steve Martz

Patti Duron (Recording Secretary)

### HARB

Dave Macharola Andrew Haines

Sondra Kranich Jeff Decker

Mark G. Schroyer Lindsay Sill

Melanie Russell

Patti Duron (Recording Secretary)

### HPC

Jeff Decker Lindsay Sill

Robert Johnson Joel Koss

Andrew Haines Mark G. Schroyer

Jamie Baser Dave Macharola

Sondra Kranich Melanie Russell

Vacant

### Hollidaysburg Area

#### Arts Council

Marie Little Pat Gildea

Jean Ofiesh

### IRC (Borough Reps)

Mark G. Schroyer Timothy A.

Beresnyak

### IRC Executive Director

John Frederick, 942-7472

Webpage Administrator Patti Duron

