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SPRING PICKUP TO BEGIN

The Borough will begin brush pickup this year in **April**.

Pickup will begin on **Monday, April 2, 2018** and continue **EACH WEEK** through **Tuesday, May 22, 2018**.

Throughout that time, Borough workers will pick up and haul away compostable waste such as:

- Dead Leaves
- Dead Plant Material
- Tree & Brush Trimmings
- Branches - up to 3" in diameter & 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
- Gravel
- Junk
- Garbage
- Dirt
- 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 7AM, and the only alley pickups will be **Sweet Cherry Court** in Holliday Hills.

For the rest of the **summer** the pickups will take place on the **Mondays and Tuesdays of the 2nd & 4th week** of each month. The following is a list of the pickup dates:

	WEEK #2		WEEK#4	
	MON	TUES	MON	TUES
JUNE	11 th	12 th	25 th	26 th
JULY	9 th	10 th	23 rd	24 th
AUG	13 th	14 th	27 th	28 th
SEPT	10 th	11 th	24 th	25 th



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STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE FOR 2018

	WEEK #1	WEEK #2	WEEK #3	WEEK #4
APRIL	2 nd – 6 th	9 th – 13 th	16 th – 20 th	23 rd – 27 th
JUNE	4 th – 6 th	11 th – 13 th	18 th – 20 th	25 th – 27 th
SEPTEMBER	4 th – 6 th	10 th – 12 th	17 th – 19 th	24 th – 26 th

REMEMBER!

Swimming pools deeper than two feet need to have permits!!

Please contact Planning and Zoning Administrator Patrick Rabits at 695-3880 for information.



LIBRARY NEWS

April's schedule will include:

Friday Rocks – intergenerational drop-in program is held each Fri in April 2:30PM-4:30PM.

Allegheny Essential Oils Club – holds classes each Wed 6PM to 7PM.

Girl Scouts of Western PA hosts Library Girl Scout Daisies (K through 1st grade) Brownies (2nd/3rd grade) and Juniors (4th/5th grade) Troop 46502 at the Library each Tue 6-7PM. Email melanie@halibrary.org

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

The Children's Room display case for April will feature the pop-up book collection of Barbara Bundy.

April's Community Room display is a collection of spring-themed photography courtesy of the ABC Photo Society.

Handwork and Arts Group meets each Tuesday from 1:30PM to 3:30PM. Bring your own materials and projects; call Janice at 695-2281 for more information.

Knit Wits Knitting and Crocheting Club meets the first Thur of each month from 6PM to 7:30PM. Bring your own materials/projects. No signup is needed.

Allegheny Essential Oils Club holds classes each Wed from 6PM to 7PM.

Tech Help provided free each Sat in April from 10AM to 12noon to help with technical questions. No signup needed.

Storytimes held each Thur and Fri in April at 10:30AM. No signup is needed.

Texas Hold'em 101 from 6PM to 8PM April 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30. Beginners are welcome. No signup is needed. This program is intended for adults.

Construction Club each Fri in April from 3:30 to 4:30PM. Signup is required and space is limited.

For ages 6-12. Email melanie@halibrary.org

ABC Photo Society will meet April 2 at 7:15PM. Visit abcps.club for meeting topics. All are welcome.

Friends Meeting April 5 at 10AM. A box lunch will be available for \$5 pre-paid at the Library's front desk. All are welcome to attend.

***Poetry Storytime** April 5 at 10:30 AM.

Cosmic Arts April 6 and 27 and May 18 and 25 from 5PM to 7PM. Signup is required. Email melanie@halibrary.org.

Vitruvian Leadership Free Workshop will be held April 7, 14 and 21 from 10AM to 12PM. Email vitruvianleadership@gmail.com or call 757-409-4620 to signup.

Tick Awareness Program April 16 at 6:00PM. PA Lyme Resource Network and the PA Dept. of Health provide the most current research on prevention and early diagnosis of Lyme and other tick-borne illnesses to help keep you and your family from contracting them. Certified PA Lyme Resource Network member Amber Altiero provides this free program geared for adults (although all interested ages are welcome). No signup needed.



Library hours:

Mon – Thur 9:30 AM – 8:00 PM

Fri 9:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Sat 9:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Sun 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

All programs in April are subject to change due to weather conditions. The Library follows the winter weather closing schedule of the Hollidaysburg Area School District.

Artist of the Month

Abraham Onkst, 11th grader at Hollidaysburg Area Senior High.



ARTS COUNCIL NEWS



SUMMER ART CAMPS

Hollidaysburg Area Arts Council's 2018 Summer Art Camps theme is "I Made It All", with paper-making, making sketchbooks and stamp design for printmaking while studying historical and contemporary artists who used printmaking techniques in their work.

The camps run from June 18 thru 22 in the Art Room at Longer Elementary School, Union Street, Hollidaysburg with instructor Ann Bickel.

Camp 1 is ages 6 to 8 from 9 to 11:30

Camp 2 is ages 9 to 12 from noon to 2:30

The fee for the class is \$85. Registration is April 1 to 30 and forms can be obtained at hollidaysburgartscouncil.org. *Be sure to like and follow us on Facebook.*

WELCOME NEW MAIN STREET MANAGER

The Borough of Hollidaysburg and the Hollidaysburg Community Partnership (HCP) welcome Ms. Jordan Futrick to the position of Main Street Manager. Ms. Futrick's intern work with The Blair County Planning Commission, Blair County Conservation District and the Hollidaysburg Community Partnership gave her valuable experience that aligns well with the work she will be doing as the Main Street Manager.

Please feel free to reach out to Jordan with any questions, concerns or ideas you may have for the partnership. She can be reached at 814-696-0544 or via email at jfutrick@hollidaysburg.org.



MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR...



I am both pleased and proud to announce that Borough Council has extended an offer of police chief to Sgt. Rodney B. Estep, Jr., who has accepted. Sgt. Estep has been working with the Hollidaysburg Police Department since 2005. He has been a sergeant since August of 2010. At this time, the Civil Service Commission is ready to begin the process to update the eligibility list for the hire of a new officer. They will also be preparing for the sergeant test.

Please drive cautiously through spring as the children will be more active outdoors. As always, please support the library and pray for those in the armed forces.

You may find me in my office through the work week. If you miss me, do not hesitate to call me at 814 931-2341. I am happy to assist you. Happy Mother's Day on May 13th!

Joe says "A brave man dies once, but a coward many times."

~Mayor Joe

NEW CHIEF OF POLICE



Acting Chief Rodney B. Estep, Jr. has accepted an offer to become Chief of Police for Hollidaysburg. Sergeant Estep will be sworn in as Chief on Thursday, April 12, 2018 during the Borough Council Meeting. Rodney began employment as an officer with the Borough in July 2005. He was promoted to sergeant on August 20, 2010. Congratulations, Rod! Everyone at the Borough looks forward to working with you as the Chief!



BOROUGH OFFICES CLOSED

The Borough Offices will be closed on, May 28th for Memorial Day



BOROUGH MEETING SCHEDULE

Those who may be interested in serving on any of these boards and commissions, should submit your resume and a **Volunteer Interest Form** to the Manager's Office. Volunteer Interest Forms can be found on our webpage:

www.hollidaysburgpa.org.

Borough Council 7PM

April 12 May 10 June 7

Water Authority 5:30PM

April 17 May 15 June 19

Sewer Authority 5PM

April 9 May 14 June 11

Planning Commission 5PM

April 3 May 1 June 5

HARB/HPC 5PM

April 5 & 19 May 3 & May 17

June 7 & 21

Shade Tree Commission 4:15PM

April 10 May 8 June 12

Hollidaysburg Area Arts Council 1PM

April 24 May 22 June 26



Borough Meetings are held in Council Chambers.

The Arts Council Meetings are held in the Municipal Building, Conference Room B, Second floor. All meetings are open to the public.

Find meeting agendas at:

www.hollidaysburgpa.org.

FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR SEWER LATERAL REPLACEMENT

The Hollidaysburg Sewer Authority (HSA) wants its customers to be aware of the following funding options that may be available to residents who are seeking financing to assist in the replacement or repair of their private sewer laterals:

Institution:

S&T Bank
1100 Logan Boulevard, Altoona, PA
814-941-1080
stbank.com/hollidaysburgproject

Program Details:

Unsecured loan, minimum amount of \$2,000. APR starting @ 5.75%. Loan term based on amount borrowed. Loan to be used for the Hollidaysburg sewer line project.

Institution:

PHFA/PENNVEST
855-827-3466
www.phfa.org/programs/repairs.aspx

Program Details:

Secured loan (up to \$25,000). Up to 20 years at a fixed interest rate currently as low as 1.75%. No prepayment penalty if the loan is paid off early. Funds may be used for design charges, construction fees and costs, inspection and permit fees, and most loan origination fees.

Institution:

(NEW PARTICIPANT)

1st Summit Bank
7583 Admiral Perry Highway
Cresson, PA 16630
814-886-7527
smagnetti@1stsummit.com

Program Details:

Fixed interest rate for life of loan, currently as low as 1.75% for up to 20 years
Funds may be used for design charges, construction fees and costs, inspection and permit fees.

PHFA/PENNVEST participant

Institution:

Members Choice Financial Credit Union
800-834-0082
mcfu.org/loans/pennvest

Program Details:

Fixed interest rate for life of loan, currently as low as 1.75% for up to 20 years
Funds may be used for design charges, construction fees and costs, inspection and permit fees.

PHFA/PENNVEST participant

Institution:

Blair County CDBG Program
Contact: Trina Illig

Dept. of Social Services
Blair County Courthouse
423 Allegheny Street, Fourth Floor, Suite 441B
Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

Program Details:

Applicants who meet low to moderate income limits are eligible to apply for up to \$2,000 in grant money to assist in the repair, replacement and testing of their private sewer system.

What is Infiltration and Inflow (I/I)?

Infiltration is groundwater, or groundwater that is influenced by surface water, which enters sewer pipes (interceptors, collectors, manholes, or side sewers) through holes, breaks, joint failures, connection failures and other openings. Infiltration quantities often exhibit seasonal variation in response to groundwater levels. Storm events can trigger a rise in groundwater levels and increase infiltration flows. The highest infiltration flows are observed following significant storm events or following prolonged periods of precipitation.

Inflow is surface water that enters the wastewater system from yard, roof and footer drains, from cross-connections with storm drains, downspouts and sump pumps. Inflow occurs as a result of storm events such as rainfall, snowfall, springs or snow melt that contribute to excessive sewer flows. Peak inflow can occur during heavy storm events when storm sewer systems are surcharged, resulting in hydraulic backups and local ponding. Inflow and infiltration is clear water that enters the sanitary sewer system from a variety of sources.

Infiltration occurs when groundwater seeps into sewer pipes through cracks, leaky pipe joints and/or deteriorated manholes.

Inflow occurs in direct proportion to the amount of rainfall. Inflow is storm water that enters the wastewater system through rain leaders, basement sump pumps or foundation drains that are illegally connected directly to a sanitary sewer pipe.

Why is I/I a problem?

I/I ends up at the regional wastewater treatment plant, where it must be treated like sewage, resulting in higher treatment costs.

I/I often requires new and larger wastewater treatment facilities, conveyance systems or holding tanks to convey, store and treat larger volumes of flow. This additional infrastructure results in higher capital expenditures.

I/I flows contribute to sewer system surcharging into local homes and overflows into the region's waterways (CSOs), negatively impacting public health and the environment. It is estimated that inflow and infiltration make up 85 percent of peak flows during winter and rain events and as much as 70 percent of this peak flow comes from privately owned sewer networks.

Protecting the environment and decreasing wastewater treatment costs are the benefit of a responsible I/I control program.

STREET TREE PERMITS

Please remember permits are needed for pruning or removal of the street trees! There is no charge for street tree permits, however, not obtaining a permit may result in a fine up to \$600. To obtain a street tree permit, please contact a member of the Hollidaysburg Shade Tree Commission.

Terry Wilt at 695-3226
Dave Zeek at 414-5499
Patrick Plummer at 695-4370
Andy St. John at 412-260-1584



Thanks for your cooperation in this important matter.

PLEASE REMEMBER

It is unlawful to Permit Grass, Weeds or Other Vegetation to Become Nuisances. No persons, association, firm or corporation, owning or occupying any property within the Borough of Hollidaysburg, shall permit any grass or weeds or any vegetation whatsoever, not edible or planted for some useful or ornamental purpose, to grow or remain upon such premises so as to exceed a height of six inches (6") or to throw off any unpleasant or noxious odor, or to conceal any filthy deposit or to create or produce pollen.



PHOENIX VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY NEWS

The Phoenix Volunteer Fire Company, located at 206 Wayne Street, announces their upcoming events! For more information, or to place an order, please call the Fire Station at 695-0521.

Cash Drawing - May 5th at 6PM. Food, refreshments and a D.J. will be provided. Please see any member or call 695-0521 or 414-5499 for tickets and details.

Chicken BBQ - May 20th – 11AM until sold out. Each meal will include ½ chicken, two large sides and a roll for \$9.00.

Chicken & Pork BBQ – June 17th- *Father's Day* – 11AM until sold out. Each meal will include ½ chicken, pulled pork, two sides and a roll for \$10.00.



DISCOVERY GARDEN PLANT SALE

In partnership with community businesses, organizations and Skills Foundation.

Saturday, May 19, 2018 9 AM to 2 PM - Rain or Shine

Discovery Garden



Legion Memorial Park in Hollidaysburg

Sale items include but not limited to: Herbs, Annuals, Perennials, Vegetables, Crafts

Cash and Checks will be accepted



GATEWAY GARDEN PLANTING DATE

The Borough of Hollidaysburg needs volunteers to help to 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.

Friend!!!

Volunteers will meet at the garden near The Dream on **Saturday, May 19, 2018 at 9AM**. Work should be completed by noon.

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**

If you have any questions please contact **Rick Pope** at 934-4032 or you may e-mail him at rpop@hollidaysburgpa.org





Memorial Day Parade

May 28, 2018 at 9:30AM

The parade will start at the foot of Allegheny St. at the bridge. Following the parade, a ceremony will be held on the Diamond. Daughters of American Revolution will be there. A family will be honored as a Gold Star family.

REISER HOUSE WELCOMES VISITORS!

The Reiser House in Canal Basin Park will be welcoming visitors again starting April 9th from 10AM until 2PM every day! Stop in and learn some of its history! Admission is free but donations are welcome!



SIGNS IN PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAYS



Please keep in mind! According to the Hollidaysburg Borough Ordinance – Chapter 27, Part 5, Section 507.3B, no signs are to be placed in the public right-of-way with the exception of a select few.

Those exceptions include government postings, bus stop signs, information regarding public utilities, and emergency warnings.

Any signs such as yard sale advertisements erected in the public right-of-way are forfeited to the public and subject to confiscation.



IT IS PENNSYLVANIA LAW!

The Borough takes tremendous pride in the fact that its residents are consistently doing projects to take care of and maintain their homes. It is one of the great attributes of Hollidaysburg.

With summer on its way, many Borough residents are planning to remodel or initiate other projects regulated by Borough construction codes.

Be mindful that Pennsylvania State Law requires that you must obtain appropriate permits to

have certain types of projects done including but not limited to swimming pools (in or above ground). Not obtaining the necessary permits could lead to legal action and fines.

The Building Code Department is available to answer any questions you may have about construction Zoning permits from the Borough may also be necessary. Be sure to make the phone call before your project begins to ensure that the project progresses in a timely

manner and that you will not find yourself faced with penalties.

Please contact Planning and Zoning Administrator Patrick Rabits at 695-3880 for information.

A Citizen's Guide to Applying for a Building & Zoning Permit is available at www.hollidaysburg.org.



2018 Farmers Market

The 2018 Hollidaysburg Farmers Market has big plans this year. The market will offer not only fresh local food but also fun entertainment. Jordan Futrick, the new Main Street Manager, began working with UPMC Altoona and Dr. Gates' Empower 3 organization to bring a 'market bucks' program to the Hollidaysburg market. The market bucks are a voucher system that will benefit Dr. Gates' patients. These bucks can be used to buy fruits, vegetables and dairy products sold by our vendors.

The farmers market will be a place to buy fresh and local food and, to get a healthy dose of fun! This year the farmers market is planning to have live entertainment, food tastings, and educational demonstrations.

Make sure to mark your calendars to come to the Hollidaysburg Farmers Market on Tuesdays 12-4 and support your local farmer. You can like the Hollidaysburg Community Partnership Facebook page to receive weekly newsletters of the farmers market.





**A NEWSLETTER FOR HOLLIDAYSBURG BOROUGH
RESIDENTS & FRIENDS
APRIL 2018**



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401 Blair Street, Hollidaysburg PA 16648
Phone: 695-7543 Fax: 696-0636
Borough Manager James Gehret
manager@hollidaysburgpa.org

We're on the web: hollidaysburgpa.org

GUIDE TO BOROUGH GOVERNMENT & OFFICES 2018

Borough Council

Ward 1 Joseph A. Pompa
207 Hickory St, 814-693-1819
12/31/2019

Ward 2 Brady Leahey
411 Spruce St, 814-935-9218
12/31/2021

Ward 3 Patrick J. Plummer
P.O. Box 621, 814-695-4370
12/31/2019

Ward 4 Sean M. Burke
901 Walnut St, 814-215-8925
12/31/2021

Ward 5 Mark L. Shawley
1309 Walnut St, 814-695-4170
12/31/2019

Ward 6 Joyce Lowe
102 Quince Court, 814-695-7543
12/31/2017

Ward 7 Jeffrey J. Ketner
1208 N. Juniata St, 814-414-9850
12/31/19

Mayor

Joseph R. Dodson
522 Wayne St, 814-695-8834
12/31/2021

Tax Collector

Donna Carson
223 Bedford St, 814-696-4684

Borough Staff 814-695-7543

Manager James Gehret

Secretary Patricia J. Duron

Solicitor Nathan W. Karn, Sr.

Police Chief Rodney B. Estep, Jr.

Fire Marshall David A. Zeek

Director of Community Facilities
Richard T. Pope

Director of Water Department
Richard T. Pope

**Director of Wastewater Operations
& Pre-Treatment Coordinator**

Frank B. Hicks, Jr.

Finance Director
James Gehret

Water & Sewer Office Manager
Vacant

Main Street Manager
Jordan Futrick 814-696-0544

Planning & Zoning Administrator
Patrick Rabits

Newsletter Editor
Crystal Snyder

Webpage Administrator
Patricia J. Duron

Borough Engineer
Stiffler McGraw 814-696-6280

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Zenas Brehm Stuart W. Sibold
Carol M. Gale

Sarah Zeek (Recording Secretary)

Hollidaysburg Area Arts Council
Marie Little Pat Gildea
Christine Liebal

Sewer Authority
James Fitch Regis Nale
Ralph T. Miller Carol M. Gale
Harry B. Thompson

Sarah Zeek (Recording Secretary)

Zoning Hearing Board
Roy E. Cook, Jr. Richard A. Scholton
Larry Daugherty
Vacant (Alternate)
Robert P. Rea (Attorney)
Jo Nell Snider (Stenographer)

Shade Tree Commission
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David A. Zeek 814-414-5499
Patrick J. Plummer 814-695-4370
Andrew R. St John 412-260-1584
Vacant

Civil Service Commission

James R. Huff, II
Ann M. Andrews
A. Paul Plummer
John Little (Alternate)
Patricia J. Duron (Recording Secretary)

Planning Commission

A. Paul Plummer David A. Zeek
Jane Sheffield Ethan C. Imhoff
Steve Martz

Education

Patricia J. Duron Mayor Dodson
Lori M. Patterson

HARB

Andrew Haines
Sondra Kranich Donald Delozier
Patrick Rabits Holly O'Connor
Joel Koss

HPC

Andrew Haines
Sondra Kranich Joel Koss
Patrick Rabits Holly O'Connor
Richard Latker Steve Martz
Donald Delozier Josh Patt

IRC (Borough Reps)

James Gehret

IRC Executive Director

John Frederick 814-942-7472

Vacancy Board

Joseph L. Patterson