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WINTER WEATHER PROCEDURES

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

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

If the snow emergency begins at **8PM** (in the **EVENing**,) vehicles must be parked on the **EVEN numbered** side of the street; if at **8AM** (*morning*), cars must be moved to the **ODD numbered** side of the street. The objective is to achieve bare pavement on all Borough streets within 36 hours after a snowfall has ended.

Snow emergencies will be announced on local media and on www.hollidaysburgpa.org.

Please remember that **ANY** vehicle that violates the parking regulations imposed by a snow emergency **WILL BE TOWED AT OWNER'S EXPENSE**.

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

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!

SNOW SHOVELING

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!



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 **8AM and 10PM**. **There should be no sledding after 10PM**. Remember that the street will **only be closed** when there is a significant snowfall, not every day in the winter. **Parents, please remind children of this precaution!**

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**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME
ENDS ON SUNDAY, MARCH
11TH AT 2AM**



Remember to turn your clock ahead one hour before going to bed on Saturday, March 10th.

STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE

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	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

Maps will be available online

PHOENIX VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY NEWS

The Phoenix Volunteer Fire Company, located at 206 Wayne Street, announces their upcoming events!

Lenten Friday Fish Fries – February 9th – March 30th. Fish dinners will be baked or fried, and include two sides, a roll, dessert and a beverage for \$10.00. Shrimp dinners and chicken tender dinners will also be offered.

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



GATEWAY GARDEN PLANTING DATE

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 N. 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 and help make the entrance into the Borough a little more beautiful is welcome. Bring a Friend!!!

Volunteers will meet to plant flowers at the garden near The Dream on Saturday, May 19, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.. 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 rpope@hollidaysburgpa.org.



CITIZEN OF THE YEAR 2017

Virginia Mae (Eagan) Erb was the recipient of the 2017 Citizen of the Year Award. Ginny was presented the award at a special ceremony held Monday, November 20th at the American Legion Social Hall.

Ginny is a real estate broker in Hollidaysburg. She has been a member of the Soroptimists of Blair County, the Naval Reserve Officer's Association, Hollidaysburg Historical and Architectural Review Board, the Heidelberg Club, the NRA, and the Blair County Board of Realtors. Ginny continues to be an active member of this community. She is the eleventh person to receive this award in the Borough of Hollidaysburg.

Congratulations!



The Hollidaysburg Police Department is the proud recipient, for the second year in a row of the **AAA Highway Safety platinum award**. This is the highest level of award offered by AAA. The Chief would like to commend all of the members of the department for their hard work and dedication to the traffic safety program.

CHIEF OF POLICE RETIRES!



As of January 31, 2018, Chief of Police David C. Gehret retired. David was hired as a Patrolman for Hollidaysburg Police Department in 1984. He was promoted to Sergeant on November 11, 1996. David's leadership and managerial skills awarded him a promotion to Assistant Chief of Police on April 5, 2010. On August 14, 2014 David was promoted to Chief of Police. For the past 34 years David C. Gehret had honorably protected and served the citizens of the Borough of Hollidaysburg. We would like to thank David for all of his service and dedication to Hollidaysburg Borough and we wish David the best in his retirement! Sergeant Rodney B. Estep, Jr. will be the acting chief in the interim.



PERMITS

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.

Be mindful that Pennsylvania State Law requires that you must obtain appropriate permits to have certain types of projects done.

Not obtaining the necessary permits could lead to legal action and fines.

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

SPOT A STROKE™

F.A.S.T.





MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR...

Please support our library and continue to pray for all of our men and women in the armed forces. I wish you all a happy & healthy new year.

Joe says *“Success is measured by how many people you have helped.”*

~Mayor Joe



As we start 2018, I am back in the Mayor’s office again. I am glad to be here! I will be in my office on a daily basis other than on vacation days. My cell phone number is 814-931-2341. Please do not hesitate to call me if I can assist you in any way. When I was Mayor for 8 years before, I took all phone calls. I ran to serve all members of our community. I urge you to drive safely in these winter months and to watch out for our children. Please take heed of all traffic signs. Please continue to support our police department (as they are one of the best).

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

The Hollidaysburg Police Department reminds everyone to use caution while driving in the borough, especially during these winter months, as school children routinely walk to and from school.



BOROUGH OFFICES CLOSED

The Borough Offices will be closed on February 19th & March 30th in Observance of President’s Day & Good Friday



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
February 8 March 8

Water Authority 5:30PM
February 20 March 20

Sewer Authority 5PM
February 12 March 12

Planning Commission 5PM
February 6 March 6

HARB/HPC 5PM
February 1 March 1

Shade Tree Commission 4:15PM
April 10

Hollidaysburg Area Arts Council 1PM
February 27 March 27



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 available to residents who may be 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:

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.

Saturday, March 17, 2018



SPRING BRUSH PICKUP IN THE BOROUGH

SPRING PICKUP TO BEGIN IN THE BOROUGH



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 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.

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:

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

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.

HOLLIDAYSBURG AREA ARTS COUNCIL

The Hollidaysburg Area Arts Council is sponsoring a free St. Patrick's Day concert featuring the *Irish Pretenders* on Thursday, March 15th at 7:00 -10:00 pm at US Hotel Tavern, [401 S. Juniata Street](#).

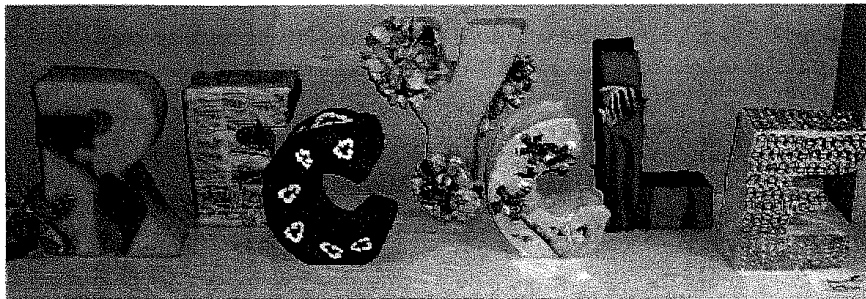




Recycling at the Buckhorn by the numbers...

- Over **515,000 lbs.** of electronics were recycled at our facility and events throughout 2017.
- Over **103,000 lbs.** of paper were recycled
- Nearly **31,000 lbs.** of bottles and cans were dropped off.
- Nearly **23,000 lbs.** of batteries and appliances were collected.

Thank you to all of you that have helped to spread the word, volunteered at an event, recycled with us, and generally supported our efforts. We could not have done this without you.



Holiday Recycling by the Numbers...

- Over **5,000 lbs.** of cardboard collected and recycled with Concord Plastics of PA
- Nearly **2,000 lbs.** of wrapping paper collected and recycled with Centre County Recycling and Refuse Authority
- **2,900 lbs.** of Christmas lights were recycled with Carraciola
- Over **100 cubic yards** of live undecorated trees will be processed into mulch

Hundreds of residents participated from throughout the county.



A NEWSLETTER FOR HOLLIDAYSBURG BOROUGH RESIDENTS & FRIENDS

FEBRUARY 2018



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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
12/31/2021

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.

Acting 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**

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Finance Director

James Gehret

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Vacant

Main Street Manager

Vacant

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Borough Authority

Philip Delozier Richard A. Mingle

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 S. 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

J. Terry Wilt 814-695-3226

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)

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Jane Sheffield Ethan C. Imhoff

Vacant

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Donald Delozier Sondra Kranich

Patrick Rabits Vacant

Joel Koss

Crystal Snyder (Recording Secretary)

HPC

Andrew Haines Holly O'Connor

Joel Koss Sondra Kranich

Patrick Rabits Vacant

Richard Latker Vacant

Donald Delozier Vacant

Josh Patt

IRC (Borough Reps)

James Gehret

IRC Executive Director

John Frederick 814-942-7472

Vacancy Board

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