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BRUSH PICKUP CONTINUES

Brush pickup will continue each week on Mondays and Tuesdays and run through **December 2nd and 3rd**.

Reminders are as follows:

Leaves & brush **must be** bagged in biodegradable leaf bags and placed curbside by 7AM of the day of pickup. **No alley pickups** except in Holliday Hills.

Twigs, 3 inches and less in diameter, **must be bundled and tied.** (No wire.)

Pickup to the **EAST** of Penn Street, including the east side of Penn Street, in the Borough will be **on Mondays**.

Brush pickup to the **WEST** of Penn Street, Gaysport, and Holliday Hills, in the Borough will be **on Tuesdays**.

Bags that contain recyclables or bags that are taped or stapled **will not be picked up** (simply fold the top of the bag over).

If items are missed, the pickup will occur the next week. **No exceptions!**

PICKUP RUNS THROUGH DECEMBER 2ND & 3RD!



WINTER WEATHER PROCEDURES

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

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

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** (*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, on the website www.hollidaysburgpa.org. & the borough Facebook page.

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!



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LOST & FOUND

Lost an item in the Borough? Call the Police Department at **814-695-3711** to inquire about any items that may have been turned in to the Borough.



Winterfest

IN DOWNTOWN HOLLIDAYSBURG

Winterfest Parade:

Sunday, November 24, at 2pm

Theme: Sounds of the Season

**Light Up Night/Soup Sampling/
Tree Lighting**

Friday, November 29, 5:00-7:00 pm

Sponsorships are available; contact Melanie at mramsey@hollidaysburgpa.org or 814-696-0544.

WINTERFEST COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**WANT TO HELP PLAN WINTERFEST?
TO JOIN THE COMMITTEE OR TO
PARTICIPATE IN WINTERFEST
CONTACT MELANIE RAMSEY @
mramsey@hollidaysburgpa.org or call 814-696-0544.**



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!

WINTERFEST PARADE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**WANT TO HELP WITH THE WINTERFEST PARADE?
TO VOLUNTEER FOR THE PARADE PLEASE CONTACT
MELANIE RAMSEY @ mramsey@hollidaysburgpa.org or
call 814-696-0544.**

SO MUCH SNOWWHERE DOES IT GO?

As we approach winter weather, the Borough wants to remind residents that sidewalks are to be cleared within 24 hours of snowfall. The snow also cannot go into the street, unless you are in the C-2 zoning district. The Borough appreciates your cooperation with keeping the sidewalks clear and safe.



SOUP SAMPLING



The Annual Soup Sampling Contest will take place from **5 pm-7 pm** during **Light Up Night on Friday, November 29** and will feature your favorite soups!

Local restaurants and organizations will be participating in the contest.

Tickets will be available on the First Floor at the Hollidaysburg Borough Building and at the Light Up Night event! Tickets are \$6 each.

For questions, please call Melanie Ramsey at 814-696-0544.

(Pre-purchase is encouraged!)

BE ALERT FOR FROZEN WATER PIPES!



During cold spells be mindful of your water lines in your basement. If the lines are not in a heated space, they can freeze and burst during cold weather.

Wrap lines with insulation or a heat tape to keep them from freezing. Make sure windows are closed and that any openings to the outside are sealed. In very cold weather, as a precaution, you could run a faucet very slowly.

BLIGHT COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



The Borough is seeking resident volunteers to serve on the Borough's Blight Committee.

Members will be appointed in 2024 and serve the remainder of the year, then continue to serve a three -year term. If you are interested, please complete a Volunteer Interest Form and return it to the Borough's Manager Office.

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR



Citizen of the Year 2024 was held October 16th to honor Linda Straub. Linda's friends and family joined in the celebration where she was presented with her plaque.

Linda Straub is also known as Yard Kitty for her work helping people to help stray cats. Learn more on Facebook at Yard Kitty 2.

Congratulations, Linda!

Many thanks to the sponsors and volunteers who made PumpkinFest possible, including Hollidaysburg Key Club, Don Delozier, Regis Nale, and Donna Carson, with a special thank you to Public Works!



Pumpkinfest 2024

SPONSORED BY
Hollidaysburg Area Arts Council



MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR...

Another autumn has begun and the borough is filled with all the beautiful colors of fall. Hopefully, you were able to attend Pumpkinfest and plan to attend all of our Winterfest activities.

Snow may be right around the corner. So, I would like to remind everyone to drive with caution and take your time while traveling.

Remember to support our local businesses.

Please pray for our armed forces and first responders.

I wish everyone a Happy Veterans Day, a Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Joe says "Failure is temporary, never quit."



Recently, HPD has added two new e-bikes to the fleet. This tremendous opportunity would not have been possible without the help and support from our community. HPD wishes to send its sincerest thanks to the Rothrauff family at Rothrauff Auto sales and E-bikes for their generous donation and outfitting of one of these bikes. HPD also wishes to sincerely thank Mayor Joe Dodson, Jim Dodge from Sorge Funeral Home & Crematory and Raj Patel from Sunoco of Hollidaysburg for their generous donations to make the purchase of a second bike possible. Thank you all so much for your support and generosity. We appreciate it!



BOROUGH OFFICES CLOSED

The Borough Offices Will Be Closed

Monday, November 11th

Thursday, November 28th

Friday, November 29th

Tuesday, December 24th

Wednesday, December 25th



BOROUGH MEETING SCHEDULE

Those who may be interested in serving on any of these boards and commissions, should submit their 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
NOV 14 DEC 12

Water Authority 5:30PM
NOV 19 DEC 17

Sewer Authority 5PM
NOV 12 DEC 9

Planning Commission 5PM
NOV 5 DEC 3

HARB/HPC 5PM
NOV 7 DEC 5

Shade Tree Commission 4:30PM
NONE

Hollidaysburg Arts Council 10:30AM
NOV 18

Borough Meetings are held at the municipal building.



Find Borough meeting agendas and public participation at:

www.hollidaysburgpa.org

Hollidaysburg Area Public Library
 1 Furnace Rd.
 Hollidaysburg, PA 16648
 (814) 695-5961
 www.hollidaysburglibrary.org



November 2024 Hollidaysburg Area Public Library



Library Hours
 Mon - Thurs 9:30 - 8:00
 Fri - 9:30 - 5:00
 Sat - 9:30 - 5:00
 Sun - 1:00 - 5:00

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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3	4 All Day Maker Monday 11:00 Canasta/Mah Jongg 6:30 Language at the Library	5 10:30 Storytime 12:30 Needlework & Arts	6 5:00 Twisted Stitches	7 12:00 Friends Membership Tea 6:30 Talking History	8 10:30 Storytime 3:30 Lego Club	9 LIBRARY CLOSED
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17	18 All Day Maker Monday 11:00 Canasta/Mah Jongg 6:30 Language at the Library	19 10:30 Storytime 12:30 Needlework & Arts 6:00 Garden Series	20 2:00 Computer Talks 5:00 Computer Talks 5:00 Twisted Stitches 6:00 Women Writers	21 10:30 Dance Sing & Play	22 10:30 Storytime 3:30 Lego Club	23
24	25 All Day Maker Monday 11:00 Canasta/Mah Jongg 6:30 Language at the Library	26 10:30 Storytime 12:30 Needlework & Arts	27 Library Closes at 5:00 P.M.	28 THANKSGIVING DAY LIBRARY CLOSED	29 LIBRARY CLOSED	30 LIBRARY CLOSED

WE HAVE THE ADDRESS, BUT WHERE IS IT?

The Borough of Hollidaysburg Fire Marshal and Borough Director of Community Development would like to remind you that it is a requirement through the International Building and Residential Code to have your address marked on your property. This isn't just so the pizza place can get your delivery there while it's still warm, it can be a matter of life and death. Police, Fire, and EMS need to be able to locate your property in case of an emergency. Here is what the Code says on address markers:



- Address identification shall be legible and placed in a position that is visible from the street or road fronting the property.
- Address identification characters shall contrast with their background
- Each character shall be not less than 4 inches (1/2 mm) in height with a stroke width of not less than 0.5 inch (12.7 mm)

In addition to the code, the address should be in a well-lit area so that it can be seen at night. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either the Fire Marshal or the Director of Community Development.

THE FALL BREEZE BRINGS FALL LEAVES



Borough Residents are reminded **NOT** to push or rake fallen leaves onto public sidewalks or into the public streets. The Borough Code of Ordinances addresses the maintenance of sidewalks and hazards to both pedestrian and vehicular traffic. The Department of Community Development will be taking action against those who violate this section of the code.

NEW FINANCE MANAGER



The borough is happy to announce that Accounting Clerk, Stacy Wert, has accepted the position of Finance Director.

Stacy has been with the Borough since April 2022, working in the water/sewer billing and finance office. She is a native of Hollidaysburg and grew up in the Borough. She graduated from Hollidaysburg Area High School and earned a degree in finance from Penn State University.

She currently lives in Hollidaysburg with her two daughters.

Congratulations, Stacy!

CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP



The Borough Public Works Services Crews will be picking up all discarded, live Christmas trees in January.

Trees will be picked up in the same way as the Borough's normal brush pickup; east side of the Borough on Monday and the west side on Tuesday.

Pickup Schedule:

East Side of town on Monday, **January 6th** and Monday, **January 27th**.

West Side of town on Tuesday, **January 7th** and Tuesday, **January 28th**.

Please do not place the discarded tree into a plastic, tree disposal bag as the trees will to be taken to a compost facility.

Have trees curbside **by 7:00 am** for pickup that day.

Enjoy the holiday season and have a safe new year!

Happy Thanksgiving

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME, SAVES MORE THAN JUST TIME!

Daylight Savings Time is **Sunday November 3, 2024**. As we remember to turn clocks back an hour, The Borough of Hollidaysburg Fire Marshal and Borough Director of Community Development would like to encourage residents to check their batteries in their smoke detectors and carbon monoxide alarms.

If you do not have smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms installed in your home, please remember that code requires smoke alarms in all dwelling units and carbon monoxide alarms in buildings that have fuel-burning appliances or attached garages.

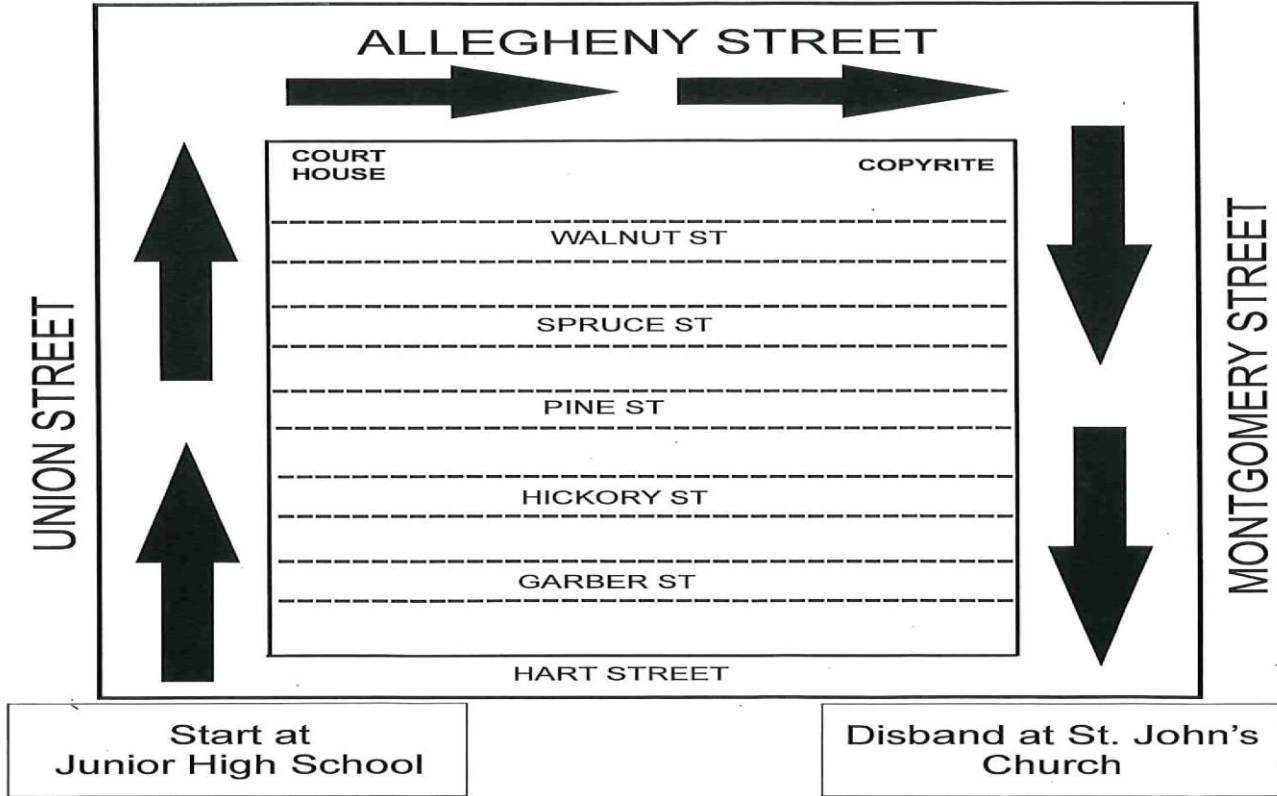
Here are some areas where smoke detectors are required:

- In each sleeping room
- Outside each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedrooms
- On each additional story of the dwelling, including basements and habitable attics and not including crawl spaces and uninhabitable attics. In dwellings units with split levels and without an intervening door between levels, a smoke alarm installed on the upper level shall suffice for the adjacent lower level provided that the lower level is less than one full story below the upper level
- Smoke alarms shall be installed not less than 3 feet horizontally from the door or opening to a bathroom that contains a bathtub or shower unless this would prevent placement of a smoke alarm required by this section.

UPDATED ROUTE

Winterfest PARADE

SUNDAY, November 24 at 2pm



Start at
Junior High School

Disband at St. John's
Church



PUMPKINFEST



ROTARY CLUB OF HOLLIDAYSBURG

Helping Hands For The Holidays

Friday, December 6th

7:30 a.m. to
4:00 p.m.

On The Diamond,
Downtown
Hollidaysburg

To Benefit The American Rescue Workers

Drive through Downtown and Drop Off:

CANNED GOODS, TOYS, MONETARY DONATIONS

NEWSLETTER FOR HOLLIDAYSBURG BOROUGH RESIDENTS & FRIENDS

NOVEMBER 2024



Phone: 814-695-7543 Fax: 814-696-0636

We're on the web: hollidaysburgpa.org & on Facebook

GUIDE TO BOROUGH GOVERNMENT & OFFICES 2024

Borough Council

Ward 1 David Jacobs
204 Walnut St, 412-440-8905
1/1/2028

Ward 2 Brady Leahey
411 Spruce St, 814-935-9218
1/1/2026

Ward 3 Clay Gingrich
213 Newry St, 814-944-2078
1/1/2028

Ward 4 Sean M. Burke
901 Walnut St, 814-283-2000
1/1/2026

Ward 5 William Kitt
625 Hawthorne Dr, 814-932-4184
1/1/2028

Ward 6 Walter Kalista III
110 Quince Crt, 814-317-5687
1/1/2026

Ward 7 Jeffrey J. Ketner
1208 N. Juniata Street
814-414-9850
1/1/2028

Mayor
Joseph R. Dodson
522 Wayne St, 814-695-8834
12/31/2025

Tax Collector
Donna Carson
814-696-4684
12/31/2025

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Borough Manager

Ethan Imhoff

Secretary Patricia J. Duron

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Police Chief Christopher Storm

Fire Marshal Amy Hazlett

Director of Community Facilities

Richard T. Pope

Director of Water Department

Richard T. Pope

Director of Wastewater Operations

Frank B. Hicks Jr.

Pre-Treatment Coordinator & Laboratory Supervisor

Nicholas Frank

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Carol M. Gale

Hollidaysburg Area Arts Council

Marie Little Pat Gildea

Sewer Authority

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Randy Manning Carol M. Gale
Jim Burke

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Danielle Fitch

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Chad Repko 303-549-3198

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Ann M. Andrews

Jeffrey Ketner

Vacant (ALT)

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Open Records Officer

Patricia J. Duron

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John Stultz, Jr. Andrew Haines
Jane Sheffield Chad Repko

Joseph Stanek

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Patricia J. Duron Joseph R. Dodson

Lori M. Patterson

HARB

Andrew Haines Andrew Holodnik

Donald Delozier Jane Sheffield

Adam Conrad Dave Macharola

Joel Koss

HPC

Andrew Haines Adam Conrad

Joel Koss Jane Sheffield

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IRC Executive Director

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