

THE TOWN CRIER



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It's summertime!



BROAD STREET STREETScape UNDERWAY

It's construction season on Broad Street. The long awaited Broad Street Streetscape Project, a \$700,000 investment in Borough infrastructure, began in April. The project will result in new sidewalks, curbs, street trees and lighting. The project design is intended to match the appearance of the North Juniata Streetscape Project, completed in 2004.

"Like the North Juniata Street project, the Broad Street project will have a big impact on the quality of life for residents along the Broad Street corridor", said Ethan Imhoff, Director of

Community Development and project manager.

The ultimate goal of the project is to provide a safe and inviting pedestrian atmosphere that also enhances the appearance of the Borough to motorists along Route 22. After the project is complete, Broad Street residents will be able to walk downtown without worrying about tripping over cracked sidewalks, and after dark conditions will improve with consistent street lighting.

Project funding for the Broad Street Streetscape Project comes from the Growing Greener II, Community Development Block Grant and

PennDOT Home Town Streets programs.

Borough staff anticipates the project will be complete by September. If residents have any questions or comments about the Broad Street Streetscape Project, please call Mr. Imhoff directly at 695-3880.



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PICKUP DATES

(remaining)

July 27, 28

August 24, 25

September 28, 29



SUMMER BRUSH PICKUP CONTINUES

Summer brush pickup will continue through **September 29**.

The Borough workers will pick up and haul away all 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.

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

Summer pickup will take place on the following dates:

Monday July 27- East Side

Tuesday July 28- West Side

Monday August 24- East Side

Tuesday August 25- West Side

Monday September 28- East Side

Tuesday September 29- West Side

Note: Fall Leaf pickup will begin in October.

SHADE TREE COMMISSION: GET YOUR PERMITS

The Hollidaysburg Shade Tree Commission reminds all property owners that **a permit from the Shade Tree Commission is required prior to the planting, trimming or removing of a street tree.**

A street tree is planted in the area between the curb and the sidewalk.

You may request that a street tree be planted near your property. Requests are taken year-round by the Commission for tree planting or you may also purchase an approved-type tree to have the Borough plant it or plant it yourself.

To obtain a street tree permit or to be added to the request list, please contact a member

of the Shade Tree Commission. Refer to the Government Guide in this publication or visit www.hollidaysburgpa.org for contact information.

Commissioners are volunteers who are appointed by Borough Council to serve a three year term.

A STREET TREE IS ONE THAT IS PLANTED IN THE AREA BETWEEN THE CURB AND THE SIDEWALK.



N. GRANT NICKLAS AWARD PRESENTED

On May 15, 1997, Borough Council adopted Resolution 97-30, to honor the memory of N. Grant Nicklas, Jr. who was instrumental in the establishment of the Historic District. He then served as Chairman of the Historical and Architectural Review Board from its beginning in 1989 until his death on May 17, 1995.

Resolution 97-30 named the historic preservation award the “N. Grant Nicklas Preservation Award”.

On May 14, Borough Council presented this award to the Rubbe Family for their property at 303 Jones Street. They received the award for a historically appropriate addition at the property.



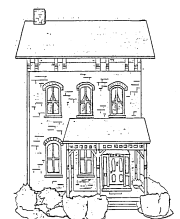
303 Jones Street.

CONGRATULATIONS!



DID YOU KNOW.....

The Hollidaysburg Historic District is listed on the National Register of Historic Places?





WATER CONSERVATION TIPS



Changing the way that you use water on a regular basis is good for your pocketbook as well as the environment.

In general, you should never put water down a drain that can be put to another use. Be conscious of water conservation. Also be aware of how much water you are using in your home by reviewing your metered water bill. Divide

the water usage by the days in the billing period and also by the number of people in the household. On average, a person uses about 50 gallons of water per day. Check to see if your bill is similar and if not, check for sources where you may be losing water through a leaking toilet, faucet or outdoor hose.

Recently, all Hollidaysburg water customers should have received a Water Quality Report in the mail. This re-

port contains information about the water you purchase from the Hollidaysburg Borough Authority. This report is also available at www.hollidaysburgpa.org or you may stop into the Municipal Building at 401 Blair Street for a free copy.

For more water conservation tips go to:

www.wateruseitwisely.com

CHECK:
www.hollidaysburgpa.org
for updates on
water restrictions.



BATHROOM, KITCHEN, LAUNDRY & OUTDOORS

Replace your toilet with a low flush model, avoid unnecessary flushing. Check toilet for leaks & repair them: place dye in the tank; if it leaks into the bowl before it is flushed, there is a leak. Turn off the water when brushing teeth, washing your face, & shaving. Take short showers. Put a bucket in the shower during warm up to catch

water for watering plants or cleaning.

Don't run water while rinsing and washing dishes, use a plug in the sink. Run only full loads in dish & clothes washers, set the level of water to the load size. Repair dripping faucets with washers & install aerators with flow restrictors. Store drinking water in the refrigerator. Don't run water

to rinse vegetables & fruit; wash in the sink filled with a little water. Do not use garbage disposals; compost instead. Do not use water to thaw frozen foods.

Use mulch. Use a pool cover. Water during the coolest part of the day & only every 5 to 7 days. Wash your car in the grass & use a bucket. Don't allow kids to play with a hose.

Position sprinklers to water only lawns & plants. Use a broom to clean sidewalks, patios, etc. Use hose shut off nozzles. Set lawn mower blades higher. Use a car wash that recycles water. Plant native landscaping.



GET YOUR PERMITS BEFORE STARTING WORK

With summer in full swing, many Borough residents are planning to remodel or initiate other projects regulated by Borough construction codes.

Whether you are thinking about a new swimming pool (in or above ground) or a building addition, be sure to check with the Building Code

Department to determine if your project requires a permit and is compliant with Borough construction codes.

Following up with a simple phone call before your project begins will ensure that your project progresses in a timely manner. The Building Code Department is available to answer any questions you

may have about construction codes and permits Monday through Friday, 8 AM until 4 PM, in person at the Municipal Building, or by phone at 695.3880.

For additional information on construction codes, see:

www.hollidaysburgpa.org





Mayor says:

Leadership is not the position you hold, it is the people you help.



NOTES FROM THE BOROUGH MAYOR

HELLO FROM MAYOR DODSON!

The Mayor wishes all residents a happy and healthy summer!

The Mayor encourages everyone to continue to support the local merchants, library, YMCA and the fire department.

Also, may you continue to support our men and women in the military.

Please remember to be good

to your neighbor and clean up after your pets when walking them.

On June 18th, the Blair County Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial Foundation held the Pennsylvania Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial Service. Each year this service is held in front of the courthouse at the Memorial Site.

This service is held to honor those officers who gave

their lives protecting citizens of this great Commonwealth, including fallen officers from Blair County.

The Mayor was among the many who came out to show their support and respect for the fallen officers that evening.

May we continue to honor those who gave the ultimate sacrifice; "LIFE."



**OUR TOWN:
HOLLIDAYSBURG
ON
WWW.WPSU.ORG**

OUR TOWN: HOLLIDAYSBURG ON WPSU

WPSU TV broadcast Our Town: Hollidaysburg on Thursday, June 4.

Producer, Charlie Gudeman reported that WPSU heard from a lot of people who enjoyed the program. Those who made a pledge to WPSU TV for their public programming, received an Our Town: Hollidaysburg DVD. Over 100 requests were made.

You may still order a DVD at www.wpsu.org by making a pledge. You may also watch a video of the broadcast that evening if you missed it! Let friends and family from out of town know so that they can view it as well!

Go to wpsu.org and follow the links to Our Town.



CANAL BASIN PARK SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

The Canal Basin Park Visitors Center began its seasonal hours in May.

Volunteer Coordinator Brian Fleck is currently in need of volunteers to work at the Visitors Center. Those interested may call him at 695.9516 for information about becoming a volunteer.

Volunteers are greatly needed! Without the help of the community, the hours of operation will have to be cut. Please call today to see how you can help! Pass the word!

The Visitors Center is open Tuesday through Friday from 11 AM until 5 PM, on Saturday from 9 AM until 3 PM, and on Sunday from 1 PM until 5 PM. The park is open

from dawn until dusk. After Labor Day, please call ahead to see if the Visitors Center is open.

Admission is free to the Visitors Center. If you would like to schedule a group tour, please call 696.4601 for the Visitors Center or Mr. Fleck at 695.9516.

Thanks for your support!



INTRODUCING DOWNTOWN LIVE!

Downtown Hollidaysburg comes alive with a series of free summer concerts on the 3rd Thursday of the month, in July, August and September on the Diamond. Several local businesses will stay open late providing a great opportunity to shop, eat and enjoy a night out on the town.

Downtown Hollidaysburg offers something for everyone! Stop in the local businesses for discounts and specials while enjoying the in-

credible talents of local performers on the street. What a great way to unwind after the workday. Make Downtown LIVE! part of your monthly calendar the 3rd Thursday of JULY, AUGUST and SEPTEMBER from 6pm-9pm.

ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE:

Sponsored by Hollidaysburg Downtown Development, LLC

*Sponsored by Altoona Center for Clinical Research**

Thursday, JULY 16th
FELIX AND THE HURRICANES

Thursday, AUGUST 20th
RANDY JACKSON & FRIENDS

Thursday, SEPTEMBER 17th
HALF TEMPTED

Additional sponsors include art4, Always a Party Rentals, Altoona First Savings Bank, Borough of Hollidaysburg, Vince Duffy Designs and Madden Steel Fabrication.



***Do You Or Someone You Know Suffer From Fibromyalgia and Sleep Disturbance? If so, please read this message.**

The Altoona Center for Clinical Research is currently participating in a 13-week clinical research study for people with fibromyalgia and sleep disturbance. If you are between the ages of 18-64, have been diagnosed with fibromyalgia and get less than 6 hours of sleep at least three nights per week, you may qualify to participate.

Qualified participants will receive at no cost: Study related medical care, investigational medication or placebo (an inactive substance), lab testing, and may receive compensation for time and travel.

Please call the Altoona Center for Clinical Research today at 1 800 924 7790 ext. 152.



HOLLIDAYSBURG HAUL 5K, ON THE DIAMOND

The 6th annual Hollidaysburg Haul 5K Race and Kids Fun Run are set for **Saturday, September 19th at 9AM** on the Diamond in Downtown Hollidaysburg, with the Kids Fun Run at 9:45am.

Enjoy this flat out and back course through the Historic

District and other areas in the borough.

Register today at www.hollidaysburg.org.

Proceeds from this event support the activities of the Hollidaysburg Community Partnership.





AUGUST CONCERTS PRESENTED BY ARTS COUNCIL



BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR OR A BLANKET.

The Hollidaysburg Arts Council invites everyone to the 2009 August Sunday, Summer Concert Series with performances at the Ann Sloan Borland Pavilion in the Canal Basin Park in Hollidaysburg. Concerts begin at 6:30PM.

AUG. 2 ALEX MEIXNER BAND: versatile, energetic and entertaining mixture of different music genres.

AUG. 9 U.S. SOUND THEATRE: local well known horn band. Music from the 70's.
AUG. 16 STEEL IMPRESSIONS: steel pan band. Back by popular demand. Featuring a new program.

And on **SATURDAY, SEPT. 5 at 6:00 PM:** in cooperation with the Altoona Symphony Orchestra; ALTOONA SYMPHONY: "OUR MUSIC

IS FOR EVERONE"
In case of rain the concerts will move to the Presbyterian Church, Penn and Walnut Streets, Hollidaysburg.

Special thanks to loyal sponsors: Borough of Hollidaysburg, McLanahan Corporation, & Wolf-Kuhn Foundation. For more info, see the Altoona Mirror or www.hollidaysburgpa.org.

BOROUGH MEETING SCHEDULE



Borough Council 7 PM

July 9 August 13 Sept. 10

HARB/HPC 4:30 PM

July 2 July 16 August 6 August 20

Planning Commission 4:30 PM

July 7 August 4 Sept. 3

Sewer Authority 5:30 PM

July 6 August 3 Sept. 14

Shade Tree Commission 3:00 PM

Sept. 14

Water Authority 5:15 PM

July 16 August 18 Sept. 15

Arts Council (HARC) 4:30 PM

July 22 August 26

All Borough meetings are held in Council Chambers and are open to the public. Find meeting agendas on the Borough's webpage: www.hollidaysburgpa.org

The Arts Council Meeting is held in Conference Room B, 2nd floor, at the Municipal Building.



SIGN UP FOR THE SLOPPY SOCKS RACE!

It's not too late! Runners looking for an off road 5K this year will have a chance to get their feet wet, literally. The Hollidaysburg Community Partnership & the Historic Preservation Commission will sponsor the second Sloppy Socks 5K at Legion Park on **July 18, 2009.**

The race will take runners through small creeks and mud, over rocks, logs and other natural obstacles.

"Last year, over 100 runners experienced Legion Park like never before. It's amazing that after running over three miles through mud, fallen trees, streams and other obstacles, everyone was smiling

after the race. The best part is we were able raise money for two great causes." said race director Ethan Imhoff.

The race begins at 8:30 AM to be followed by an awards ceremony. Commemorative glassware will be awarded to the overall top ten male and female finishers.

For more information about the race, contact Ethan Imhoff at 695-3880. Race applications are available at www.hollidaysburg.org





SUMMER ACTIVITIES SPONSORED BY THE HARC

Youth Outdoor Bingo will be held on **Wednesday afternoons**, rain or shine, starting **Wednesday, June 24th** from **2 PM to 3:30 PM** at the **Canal Basin Performance Pavilion in Hollidaysburg**.

Fee for participating municipalities (Duncansville, Frankstown Township & Hollidaysburg) is \$3 per play each session. Fee for all others is \$4 per player each session. Different learning bingo games

will be featured each week. Please bring something to sit on.

Date Night, every third Friday evening, starting **Friday, August 21st** from **7 PM to 10 PM**. at **Geeseytown Fire Hall**. Music will be provided by Hilton Entertainment. Enjoy an evening of music with your friends for only \$5 per person. Refreshments will be available for purchase from the Geeseytown firemen.

September Date Nights will be held at the Duncansville Community Center.

For more information about any of these events, please call Sue at 502.9505.

Thursday Crafts at the Park will be held at the Canal Basin Park Patio area for kids in grades 2-6. Classes are \$15 for participating municipalities. Pre-registration suggested. Sign up for 2 classes and get 1 free!

See schedule below.



HARC
is the
Hollidaysburg
Area Recreation
Commission.



THURSDAY CRAFTS AT THE PARK SCHEDULE

JULY 16
10 to 11:30 AM
STRING ART
12 to 1:30 PM
ORIGAMI

JULY 23
10 to 11:30 AM
METAL TOOLING
12 to 1:30 PM
ART PRINTING

JULY 30
10 to 11:30 AM
PATIO STONE
12 to 1:30 PM
STRING ART

AUGUST 6
10 to 11:30 AM
ORIGAMI
12 to 1:30 PM
METAL TOOLING

AUGUST 13
10 to 11:30 AM
ART PRINTING
12 to 1:30 PM
PATIO STONE



PARTICIPATING MUNICIPALITIES INCLUDE:

- DUNCANSVILLE BOROUGH
- FRANKSTOWN TOWNSHIP
- HOLLIDAYSBURG BOROUGH

ARBOR DAY TREE PLANTING



The Shade Tree Commission and officials from the Borough gathered with members of the community and the Public Works Crew to celebrate Arbor Day on Friday, April 14, 2009.

Although the weather was drizzly and clouds were about there was a festive atmosphere as two Celebration Maple trees were planted on the Allegheny Street

side of the Hollidaysburg Area Public Library.

Mayor Joe Dodson recognized the sincere efforts of the Shade Tree Commissioners as he issued a proclamation about Arbor Day.

Mark Maser of the Bureau of Forestry was on hand to present the Borough with the

Tree City USA award for 2009. This award is on display in the Municipal Building on the first floor.

Students of Saint Michael's School were there to take part in the tree planting as they helped to shovel dirt around the newly planted trees.



Terry Wilt, Chairman of the Shade Tree Commission, Mark Maser of the Bureau of Forestry and Kasey Prokop, Secretary of the Shade Tree Commission.



Hollidaysburg Borough

A NEWSLETTER FOR
HOLLIDAYSBURG BOROUGH
RESIDENTS & FRIENDS

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Penn Street 695-5507 1/1/2010

Ward 3 John W. Brenner 311
Wayne Street 696-7614
1/1/2012

Ward 4 John P. Stultz, Jr. 1015
Walnut Street 695-2285
1/1/2010

Ward 5 Michael W. McLanahan
1111 Pine St. 695-9807
1/1/2012

Ward 6 Elda J. Brown 128 Bed-
ford Street 695-5020 1/1/2010

Ward 7 Amy Webster Sill 1111 N.
Juniata Street 696-1123
1/1/2012

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695-4657 1/1/2010

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1/1/2010

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Secretary Ann M. Andrews

Solicitor J. Michael Dorezas

Police Chief Jeffrey J. Ketner

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Finance Director Robert Kuntz

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Ethan Imhoff

Director of Community Facilities
David A. Zeek

Director of Water Department
Rick Pope

Director of Wastewater Opera-
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Frank R. Cassisi

Pre-Treatment Coordinator &
Asst. Dir. Wastewater Op.
Becky Norris

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Jeff Decker Ethan Imhoff
Sam Findley Patti Duron (Rec. Sec.)

HPC

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Sondra Kranich Bill Dively Ethan
Imhoff Andrew Haines
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