

# THE TOWN CRIER



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**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**



## BOROUGH NEWS HIGHLIGHTS



The Blair Street Streetscape project is about to be completed.

The Borough appreciates everyone's cooperation and understanding during the construction period. The project is part of a long term effort to improve the Route 22 corridor. Specifically, the primary goals for the project are to slow vehicular traffic and make pedestrian travel safer and more inviting.

Funding for the project came from a transportation enhancement grant from PennDOT and the Com-

munity Development Block Grant program.

This August will mark the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Borough of Hollidaysburg. A celebration will take place over August 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14. The committee has been working hard to plan the events. Please see page 5 for a schedule. Anyone wishing to make a donation for the celebration should contact Borough Manager Mark Schroyer.

The Director of Community Development for the Bor-

ough of Hollidaysburg and Code Enforcement Officer, Ethan Imhoff, has taken a position elsewhere. At this time, Borough Manager Mark Schroyer has been appointed by Borough Council to carry out the duties associated with that office. Mr. Schroyer may be reached at 695-7543, in the Manager's office.

Please be reminded that the official webpage for the Borough of Hollidaysburg is [www.hollidaysburgpa.org](http://www.hollidaysburgpa.org) and not any similar webpage that may claim to be official.

## 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. Swimming pools that have the potential to be 24" deep, need to be permitted according to the UCC.

Following up with a simple phone call before your project begins will ensure that the project progresses in a timely manner.

The Building Code Department is available to answer any questions you may have by calling 695-7543, Monday through Friday, 8 AM until 4 PM, or you may drop by in person.

For additional information, please visit the **official** webpage of the Borough of Hollidaysburg at:

[www.hollidaysburgpa.org](http://www.hollidaysburgpa.org)

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PICKUP DATES

(remaining)

July 11 12, 25, 26

August 8, 9, 22, 23

September 12, 13, 26, 27



SUMMER BRUSH PICKUP CONTINUES

Summer brush pickup will continue through SEPTEMBER 27.

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 continue for the following dates:

Monday July 1, 25- East Side

Tuesday July 12, 26- West Side

Monday August 8,22- East Side

Tuesday August 9,23 - West Side

Monday September 12, 26 - East Side

Tuesday September 13, 27 - West Side

Note: Fall Leaf pickup will begin in October.

KITCHEN GREASE-THE PROBLEM!



Kitchen grease, commonly referred to as FOG (fats, oils and grease) is a major problem in municipal /public sanitary systems. The grease floats initially on the surface of the water as it flows through the drainage system. Often it is after the grease enters the public sanitary system that the grease clings to the pipes at the flowing water level. The grease will con-

tinue to accumulate until the flow in the drainage system is restricted enough to cause sewer back ups and overflows. The FOG in kitchens is an unavoidable by-product from food preparation and food serving areas. However, by using Best Management Practices these problematic quantities of FOG that can discharge to the sanitary sewer system will be virtually

eliminated. What goes down the drain from each plate or pan may seem minor and unimportant, but it is not! The best solutions for FOG is to capture it as close to the source as possible. Remember kitchen grease FOG is food waste and should be disposed of first like all food waste, in the trash!

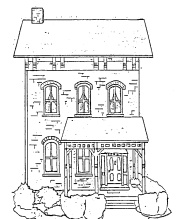
N. GRANT NICKLAS AWARD PRESENTED



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 12<sup>th</sup>, Borough Council presented this award to Mr. & Mrs. Rob Eberhardt for their property at 615 Blair Street. They received the award for restorations at their property. Great job!



CONGRATULATIONS!



# 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](http://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](http://www.wateruseitwisely.com)

**CHECK:**  
[www.hollidaysburgpa.org](http://www.hollidaysburgpa.org)  
for updates on  
water restrictions.



## MORE WATER SAVING TIPS



- 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
- Do not use garbage disposals; compost
- Position sprinklers to water only lawns & plants
- Use a broom to clean sidewalks, patios, etc.
- Use hose shut off nozzles
- Plant native landscaping

## BE A PERFECT RECYCLER AND WIN!

The Intermunicipal Relations Committee kicked off the Recycling Rewards Contest in April.

The IRC is searching for a 'Perfect Recycler' and choosing a winner every two weeks. The first winner was Joan Kozak of the City of Altoona.

Representatives of the IRC will be coming to a neighborhood near you searching for the next 'Perfect Recycler'.

Winners will receive a \$50.00 gift certificate to Giant Eagle. A perfect recycler would have properly prepared recyclables and no recycling in the trash. All materials that can be recycled at

the curbside include: plastic bottles, glass bottles, steel and aluminum cans, mixed office paper, magazines and catalogs, newspapers, school papers, phone-



**To learn more about Recycling Rewards or how to get a bin visit:** [www.ircenvironment.org](http://www.ircenvironment.org) or email [kpope@ircenvironment.org](mailto:kpope@ircenvironment.org).



## NOTES FROM THE BOROUGH MAYOR



Mayor says:

*Sharing and giving are the ways of God!*



The preparations for the celebration of the 175<sup>th</sup> Birthday of our town, Hollidaysburg, is progressing very well. I would like to thank each and every business, and acknowledge the personal donations that will contribute to making our celebration a very enjoyable event for everyone.

Another school year has passed and with summer here our children will be out and about. Please be mindful of our children while they are at play. Our children are our

most precious treasures.

As always, please support our local fire department, library, YMCA and local merchants. Please continue to pray for our men and women of the armed forces. I would like to give a special thanks to the Public Works and Water Department for the great job that they do.



*The above plaque was found in the municipal building's attic by Asst. Chief Gehret. It was originally displayed at the old Hillcrest School to honor the men & women in the Armed Forces. Anyone who may have more information, contact Mayor Dodson at 695-8834.*

## FARMERS MARKET IS EXPANDING THIS SEASON!

The Hollidaysburg Community Partnership is excited to announce that the Hollidaysburg Farmers Market is expanding! During the 2011 Season a **Tuesday evening market will be held from 4PM-7PM** in addition to the usual **Friday daytime market from 10AM-1PM**. In addition, more craft vendors will be encouraged to set-up at the market to offer a greater variety of locally made products addition to the fresh produce, baked goods and foods already available. Local artists and musicians will also make appearances at the markets throughout the season.

“The Friday daytime market is an excellent option for people who work Downtown Hollidaysburg or have summers off, but we wanted to add

another day with evening hours to accommodate as many members of the Hollidaysburg community as possible and allow greater access to the fresh local produce and handmade crafts sold at the market,” Hollidaysburg Main Street Manager Jamie Baser said. “The new Tuesday market will be a convenient stop for people coming home from work or a nice destination for a summer evening walk for anyone that lives in the Borough.”

The Hollidaysburg Farm & Craft Market will return beginning Friday, July 8<sup>th</sup> and run every Tuesday and Friday through the end of September. Both markets will be held on Montgomery Street, next to the Diamond in Downtown Hollidaysburg.

The Partnership is seeking vendors to participate the markets. Past markets have included a variety of locally-grown or produced products including fruits, vegetables, eggs, herbs, meats, baked goods, salad dressings, salsas, sauces, jams, flowers and yarn. Vendors who make handmade crafts are also welcome to set-up at the market. Past products sold have included items generated from farm raised products, handmade jewelry, candles, woodwork and other specialty items. Any business or individual with locally made foods or products may be eligible to become a vendor, and local gardeners are encouraged to sell their products as well – this market is not just for farmers!



For additional information or to join the market, call the Hollidaysburg Community Partnership at 814-696-0544 or visit their website at [www.hollidaysburg.org](http://www.hollidaysburg.org).



**For more information about becoming a Hollidaysburg Farm & Craft Market vendor, please contact Jamie Baser at 696-0544 today!**

# HOLLIDAYSBURG DODRANSBICENTENNIAL (175<sup>TH</sup>)



## TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR AUGUST 10, THRU AUGUST 14, 2011

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2011 - OPENING CEREMONIES

Opening Ceremonies at Canal Basin Park . . . . . 7:00 PM

Featured Speakers

Hollidaysburg Community Band & Alumni Community Chorus

Presentation: "Our Past 175 Years" - Bill & Emily Padamonsky

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2011 - CONCERT ON THE DIAMOND - *Sponsored by Evey Black Attorneys*

Downtown LIVE! (Get ready to rock & roll) . . . . . 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Featuring "The House Band"

Food Vendors, Local Restaurants & Activities

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 2011 - CAR SHOW ON THE DIAMOND - *Sponsored by Stuckey Ford*

Car Display . . . . . 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

1972 & earlier welcome - dash plaques & goodie bags to first 50 cars

"The Fabulous Flashbacks"(oldies, but goodies) . . . . . 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Food Vendors, Local Restaurants & Activities

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2011 - ACTIVITIES ON THE DIAMOND

Holliday Grave Site . . . . . 9:30 AM

Hollidaysburg Historical Society Photographic Display . . . 10:00 AM to Noon

*James Holliday Revolutionary Sword*

Historical Fashion Show . . . . . Noon to 1:00 PM

Featuring Period Costumes: 100 Years of Fashion

Sidewalk Sale - Downtown Businesses . . . . . Noon to 4:00 PM

"The SharpTones" (50's to the 80's music) . . . . . 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

PVFD Chicken BBQ, Local Restaurants & Activities

Parade . . . . . 6:00 PM

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2011 - ACTIVITIES AT CANAL BASIN PARK

Family Picnics - Pack a basket & bring a blanket . . . . . Noon to 3:00 PM

Food Vendor (Doug's Dawgs)

Children's Activities

National Park Service Presentation:

*"A Canal Basin Historical Perspective"* . . . . . 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Opening of Time Capsule . . . . . 5:00 PM

Closing Ceremonies

Concert - "J.D. Allstar Big Band" . . . . . 6:30 PM





## AUGUST CONCERTS PRESENTED BY ARTS COUNCIL



### HOLLIDAYSBURG AREA ARTS COUNCIL

Presents:

2011 Summer Concert Series

Location: Canal Basin Park, Hollidaysburg, Anne S. Borland Performing Arts Pavilion

Sunday - August 7 6:30 PM  
U.S. Navy Sea Chanters (vocal)

Sunday - August 14 6:30 PM

J.D. All-star Big Band

Sunday - August 21 6:30 PM  
Broadway Bound Kids and Gregg Brandt (vocal)

Saturday - September 3 6:00 PM  
Altoona Symphony Orchestra (note this is a Saturday concert.)

Canal Basin Park parking on Bedford Street.

From Rt. 22 in Hollidaysburg, Newry Street to Bedford Street.

Handicap Accessible!

Remember to bring your own seating!

**No admission charge!**

*In the event of rain, the concert will be held at the Hollidaysburg Area Junior High School Auditorium.*

## BOROUGH MEETING SCHEDULE



Borough Council 7 PM

July 14 August 11 Sept. 8

HARB/HPC 4:30 PM

July 7, 21 August 4, 18

Planning Commission 4:30 PM

August 2 Sept. 6

Sewer Authority 5:30 PM

July 11 August 1 Sept. 12

Shade Tree Commission 3:00 PM

Sept. 12 Nov. 14

Water Authority 5:15 PM

July 26 August 23 Sept. 20

Arts Council (HARC) 2:00 PM

July 27 August 24

*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](http://www.hollidaysburgpa.org)*

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



## BOROUGH THANKS THE WOMEN'S CLUB

The Borough of Hollidaysburg thanks and recognizes the Hollidaysburg Area Women's Club for generous contributions toward two important beautification projects in the Borough.

The Women's Club donated \$2,000 to support the tree planting project in the Hollidaysburg

Downtown area. The Club also donated \$7,500 to be used for tot lot playground equipment to be located at the Canal Basin Park.

The Borough will dedicate the tot lot playground in conjunction with the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Borough that will take place in August this year.





## DOWNTOWN LIVE! CONCERT SERIES CONTINUES THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER

The Diamond in Downtown Hollidaysburg comes alive for the third year in a row with a series of free summer concerts on the **select Thursdays** of the month **June through September**. Several local businesses will stay open late providing a great opportunity to shop, eat and enjoy a night out on the town. As a result of the series' past success, the HCP is very excited to announce that there will be six Downtown LIVE! Concerts this summer!

The August 11<sup>th</sup> concert is in conjunction with the Borough's 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. The September 22<sup>nd</sup> concert is the Kickoff to Roar in the Mountains and a wing off. The organization anticipates that these two events will bring hundreds of new people to the Downtown. Make sure to add Downtown LIVE! to your calendar.

- Thursday, **JULY 21<sup>ST</sup>** – Felix and the Hurricanes
- Thursday, **AUGUST 11<sup>TH</sup>** – The House Band
- Thursday, **AUGUST 18<sup>TH</sup>** – Shallow 9
- Thursday, **SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>** – Randy Jackson & Friends
- Thursday, **SEPTEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>** - Flight 19

For more information, contact the Hollidaysburg Community Partnership at 696-0544 or visit their website at [www.hollidaysburg.org](http://www.hollidaysburg.org).



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## HOLLIDAYSBURG 5K RACES ARE A FUN RUN FOR ALL

The 4<sup>th</sup> annual SLOPPY SOCKS 5K RACE will take place **Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM** at Legion Park in Hollidaysburg.

Be prepared for a seriously fun and dirty trail race, complete with water crossings and plenty of other natural obstacles.

The 8<sup>th</sup> annual HOLLIDAYS-

BURG HAUL is set for Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at **9 AM** on the Diamond in Downtown Hollidaysburg, with the Kids Fun Run beginning at **9:45 AM**.

Enjoy this flat out and back course through the Historic District and other areas in the borough with prizes for the top finishers.

Proceeds from both events support the activities of the Hollidaysburg Community Partnership. More information and registration forms for both races can be found at [www.hollidaysburg.org](http://www.hollidaysburg.org).

Questions? Call Jamie at 696-0544.



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

**PUMPKIN FESTIVAL – Saturday, October 15, 10 AM - 4 PM**

**WINTERFEST PARADE – Sunday, November 20, 2 PM**

**LIGHT-UP NIGHT, SOUP SAMPLING & SANTA LAND – Friday, November 25, 5 PM – 7:30 PM**





# Hollidaysburg Borough

A NEWSLETTER FOR  
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