

# THE TOWN CRIER



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*April showers bring May flowers!*

## BLAIR STREET BRIDGE PROJECT

PennDOT announces that work will begin on the Blair Street Bridge in Hollidaysburg (Route 22) on Monday, April 11, 2011.

Contractor Clearwater Construction of Mercer, PA, will start work on this bridge that carries Route 22 over the Beaverdam Branch of the Juniata River in Hollidaysburg.

The work scheduled will consist of replacing the superstructure, minor repairs to the substructures, and minimal ap-

proach work.

Beginning on April 18<sup>th</sup>, a three mile detour will be in place during that construction that will re-route westbound traffic from Route 22 (Blair Street) to Route 1002 (North Juniata Street) to Route 1001 (Plank Road) back to Route 22 (Broad Street) at the Wye Switches in Duncansville.

This \$1.56 million project is expected to be completed by the spring of 2012 and is being funded 100 percent by the Commonwealth of

Pennsylvania.

You may follow local PennDOT information on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/511PAALTOONA](http://www.twitter.com/511PAALTOONA).



## BOROUGH NEWSLETTER CHANGES

*The Town Crier* will no longer be mailed to residents beginning in 2012. The newsletter will be available on the official webpage of the Borough; [www.hollidaysburgpa.org](http://www.hollidaysburgpa.org)

You may register an email address so that you will receive notification when each issue of the newsletter is available on the webpage. Send an email address to [Town-Crier@hollidaysburgpa.org](mailto:Town-Crier@hollidaysburgpa.org) to register.

Printed newsletters will be available at senior living centers, the public library and the Blair County Courthouse for a limited time.



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**ARBOR DAY  
CEREMONY &  
TREE  
PLANTING**  
**APRIL 29**  
**11 AM**  
**500 BLOCK OF  
ALLEGHENY  
STREET**

## ARBOR DAY CEREMONY

The Hollidaysburg Shade Tree Commission announces that an Arbor Day Ceremony and annual tree planting will take place on Friday, April 29, 2011 at 11 AM. This year's event and the tree planting will take place at the 500 block of Allegheny Street.

This year, the Borough will be honored once again as a Tree City USA Community. It is the 22<sup>nd</sup> year that the Borough will receive this

award. Congratulations to the Shade Tree Commission on a job well done!

Mark Maser from the Bureau of Forestry will be there to present this award to the Borough.

Mayor Dodson will issue a proclamation.

*Photo: l. to r.: Terry Wilt, Chairman of the Shade Tree Commission, Mark Maser of the Bureau of Forestry and Kasey Prokop, Secretary of the Shade Tree Commission.*



**HAM &  
SWISS CHEESE  
SANDWICH  
SALE**  
**APRIL 29**  
**JUST \$2.00  
FOR A  
SANDWICH!**

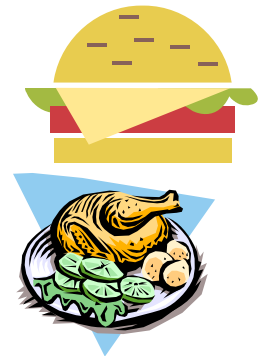
## PHOENIX VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY ANNOUNCES EVENTS

The Phoenix Volunteer Fire Company announces fundraisers for spring. Call the station at 695-0521 for more information, visit their webpage at [www.pvfd.org](http://www.pvfd.org), or see any member.

**Ham & Swiss Cheese Sandwich** on Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at the station for \$2.00 a sandwich. Place your order with any member.

**Chicken And Clem's Famous BBQ Ribs Sale** on May 1<sup>st</sup> and June 19<sup>th</sup>. \$10.00 for 1/2 a chicken, 1/3 rack of ribs, 2 sides and a roll. 11 AM - 2 PM.

On May 14<sup>th</sup>, the **Annual Cash Drawing** will be held at the station. Tickets are \$30. There will be a DJ, food and refreshments. Call Dave at 696-4154.



## VISITORS CENTER OPENING IN MAY

The Canal Basin Park Visitors Center will begin its seasonal hours on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Volunteer Coordinator Brian Fleck is currently recruiting volunteers to work at the Visitors Center. Those interested may call him at 695-9516 for information about becoming a volunteer.

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 of time to see if a volunteer is working at the park.

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. Group tours may be scheduled in **April**.

Volunteers are needed! Please call today to see how you can help!





# BRUSH PICKUP SCHEDULE

The Borough will begin brush pickup this month. **Spring Pickup begins on Monday, April 11, 2011 and continues each week through Tuesday, May 17, 2011. (Mondays and Tuesdays)**

Summer pickup will take place on the Mondays and Tuesdays of the second and fourth week of each month.

Please keep this summer schedule for reference.

MONTH	East Side	West Side
June	13	14
June	27	28
July	11	12
July	25	26
August	8	9
August	22	23
September	12	13
September	26	27



## GATEWAY GARDEN PLANTING DATE SET



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 14, 2011 at 9:00 AM.** Work should be completed by Noon. If you have any questions please contact Rick

Pope at 934-4032 or you may email him at [rpope@hollidaysburgpa.org](mailto:rpope@hollidaysburgpa.org).



### Did you know?

Borough Residents are eligible to get two recycling bins and one lid free of charge. Additional bins are \$6 each and lids are \$2 each. If you have an older bin, the new lids will fit them. Residents may obtain bins and lids at the Hollidaysburg Police Dept., first floor of the Municipal Building. Also, wheel kits for the bins are available from the IRC at 100 Chief Logan Circle, Altoona. Contact Katrina Pope at 942-7472.

## BLAIR STREET STREETScape UPDATE

Borough staff is pleased to announce the Blair Street Streetscape project will begin in April.

The project will include new sidewalks and curb ramps along the 500, 600 and 700 blocks of Blair Street. Also, new street trees will be planted, and crosswalks will be painted at street intersections.

This project is part of a long term effort to improve the Route 22 corridor. Specifically, the primary goals for this project are to slow vehicular traffic and make pedestrian travel safer and more inviting.

The project is funded through transportation enhancement funding from PennDOT and the Community Development

Block Grant program. If you have any questions about the project, please call Ethan Imhoff at 695-3880.

*Drawing:  
Proposed streetscape for Blair Street, looking East.*





Mayor says:

*The soul would have no rainbow, if the eyes had no tears.*



### NEWS FROM THE BOROUGH MAYOR

Mayor Joe recently vacationed in California and visited with a first grade class in Woodland Hills. The first graders were "all ears" as the Mayor spoke to them about our Norman Rockwell town of Hollidaysburg. (see photo.)

As the community makes plans to celebrate the 175<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Hollidaysburg this August, the Mayor respectfully asks for your support and welcomes monetary donations for the event. Dona-

tions may be made payable to the Borough of Hollidaysburg; c/o Mayor Joseph Dodson.

Mayor requests that everyone please obey the crosswalk signs to prevent any pedestrian accidents.

Our local merchants, library, police, ambulance and the YMCA welcomes your support. Also, your continuous support is needed for our men and women in the armed forces.



**PLEASE HAVE YOUR DONATIONS NEAR YOUR MAILBOX BY 8:30 AM ON MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>. THANKS!**

### POST OFFICE TO PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL FOOD DRIVE

Once again this year, the Hollidaysburg Post Office will conduct their yearly Food Drive in conjunction with the National Association of Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger campaign on **Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**.

All donations will be presented to the American Rescue Mission on Mulberry Street in Hollidaysburg.

Please have your donations placed by your mailbox by 8:30 AM that morning. Only non-perishable items, please.

Volunteers will pick up the donation.

Thank you in advance for supporting this drive. Your continuing generosity over the years is very much appreciated!



### MEMORIAL DAY PARADE ANNOUNCED

A Memorial Day Parade is scheduled to take place on Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. This parade is sponsored by the American Legion.

Services will be held at the bridge at Allegheny Street and North Juniata Street, sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution, Adam Holliday Chapter at 9:30 AM.

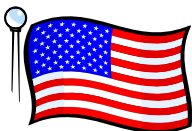
Major Martin Culp is guest speaker. The Lt. General E. Soyster Award will be presented.

**Following these services, the parade will assemble and begin to march.**

The parade will move east onto Allegheny Street, travel left onto Union Street, turn left

onto Walnut Street, proceed west with a left turn onto Montgomery Street and end on Allegheny Street at the Diamond.

To participate in this parade, or for additional information, please call the American Legion at 695-9913.



# HCP SUMMER COMMUNITY EVENTS SCHEDULED

The Hollidaysburg Community Partnership announces the following Summer Community Events:

Beginning in June:

Downtown LIVE!

Thursdays on the Diamond, 6 to 9 PM

June 23

July 21

August 11

August 18

September 15

Sloppy Socks Race

Saturday, July 9, 8:30 AM at Legion Park

Farmer's Market Fridays

Fridays, July through September, Montgomery Street off the Diamond, 10 AM to 1 PM

Hollidaysburg Haul 5K Run & Kids Fun Run

Saturday, September 17, 9 AM on the Diamond

For more information, please contact Jamie Baser, Main Street Manager.

The Hollidaysburg Community Partnership Office is located at 401 Blair Street, second floor of the Municipal Building.

Call 696-0544 or you may email:

[partnership@hollidaysburg.org](mailto:partnership@hollidaysburg.org)



## THE ARTS COUNCIL ANNOUNCES SUMMERCAMPS

The Hollidaysburg Area Arts Council is pleased to announce Summer Art Camps for budding artists ages 6 -14. Artists will explore painting, drawing, and much more . Instructors are Alysia Watt and Barb Wertz-Leiden.

Each camp is a week long program from running 8:30 AM - Noon.

The fee for art camp is \$65 per student per week with scholarships available. Early registration is suggested.

Art Camp Schedule:

Camp 1 - June 13<sup>th</sup> - June 17<sup>th</sup> - students ages 6-8years - at the Hollidaysburg Senior High School.

Camp 2 - June 20<sup>th</sup> - June 24<sup>th</sup> - for students ages 9-11 years - at the Hollidaysburg Senior High School.

Camp 3 - June 20<sup>th</sup> - June 24<sup>th</sup> - for students ages 12 - 14 years - at the Hollidaysburg Junior High School.

Call Jill Bulman at 695-7718 or Jean Ofiesh at 695-6453 for forms.



LOOK FOR MORE INFORMATION FROM THE ARTS COUNCIL TO COME SOON FOR THE AUGUST CONCERT SERIES !



## LT. GENERAL E. SOYSTER AWARD

American Legion Post 516 and the Borough of Hollidaysburg will be honoring an outstanding veteran at the Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony at 10 AM on May 30, 2011.

The award, the Lt. General Harry E. Soyster Award, is in recognition of an outstanding veteran from Blair County.

This award is an annual event. Legion Posts and other organizations are requested to send names of individuals and a brief bio to:

Fort Fetter Post 516, 118 Allegheny Street, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648 or they may be sent to:

**Hollidaysburg Borough, 401 Blair Street, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648, c/o Mayor Joseph Dodson**

The Lt. Gen. Harry E. Soyster Award Committee is looking for veterans who have served their country and who also have distinguished themselves in the community. **Deadline for entries is April 30, 2011.**





# WATER LEAK DETECTION

As you can see from the chart on the right, it does not take much of a leak to use a lot of water.



## BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR LEAKS!

If you think that you may have a leak, please contact the Water Department at 696-0623.

**Water Loss vs. Pipe Leak Size**  
A relatively small leak can pass a surprisingly large amount of water over time.

Pipe Leak Size	Water Loss*			
	Per Day		Per Month	
	gal	(L)	gal	(L)
•	360	(1,360)	11,160	(42,241)
••	3,096	(11,720)	95,976	(363,270)
•••	8,424	(31,890)	261,144	(988,430)
••••	14,952	(56,593)	463,512	(1,755,392)

\*Based on approximatedly 60-psi (410-kPa) pressure.

## BOROUGH MEETING SCHEDULE



Borough Council 7 PM

May 12 June 9 July 14

HARB/HPC 4:30 PM

April 7, 21 May 5, 19 June 2, 16 July 7, 21

Planning Commission 4:30 PM

May 3 June 7 July 5

Sewer Authority 5:30 PM

May 2 June 6 July 11

Shade Tree Commission 3 PM

April 11 June 13

Water Authority 5:15 PM

April 26 May 24 June 28

Arts Council 2 PM

April 27 May 25 June 22

*All 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.*

## DATE SET FOR SLOPPY SOCKS RACE

Runners looking for an off road 5K this year will have a chance to get their feet wet, literally. The Hollidaysburg Community Partnership will sponsor the Sloppy Socks 5K at Legion Park on July 9<sup>th</sup>.

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

The race begins at **8:30 AM.**

For more information about the race, contact Jamie Baser, Main Street Manager, at 696-0544.

Race applications will be available on the Partnership's website: [www.hollidaysburg.org](http://www.hollidaysburg.org)



# **Support the Hollidaysburg Community Partnership - Become a 2011 Community Member!**

## **What does the Hollidaysburg Community Partnership do?**

- HCP serves the Hollidaysburg Community as the Main Street Program and local Economic Development Agency, overseeing marketing, promotions, business retention, new business attraction and expansion.
- HCP serves the community as the local tourism information center.
- HCP coordinates the special events held downtown such as the Pumpkin Festival, Hollidaysburg Haul 5K Race, Winterfest Parade, Light-Up Night and various other festivities.

## **Member Benefits:**

- The satisfaction of supporting the HCP and the planning and promoting events in the downtown, streetscapes improvement efforts and business retention
- Investment in your downtown's future!
- HCP e-newsletter keeping you informed on community events, member news and the HCP
- Recognition in the Borough's Town Crier Newsletter

**Learn more or join online at [www.hollidaysburg.org](http://www.hollidaysburg.org). Or complete & return this form:**

**Contact Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_  *list email address on website*

### **MEMBERSHIP/EVENT SPONSORSHIP**

*(call 696-0544 or visit [www.hollidaysburg.org](http://www.hollidaysburg.org) for more information)*

I would like to be a 2011 HCP Community Member \$ 35.00

Downtown LIVE! Sponsor 2011 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Hollidaysburg Haul 5K Sponsor 2011 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Pumpkin Festival Sponsor 2011 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Winterfest Sponsor 2011 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL CONTRIBUTION: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to **HCP** and mail along with this completed form to:

**Hollidaysburg Community Partnership**  
**401 Blair Street Hollidaysburg, PA 16648**





# Hollidaysburg Borough

A NEWSLETTER FOR  
HOLLIDAYSBURG BOROUGH  
RESIDENTS & FRIENDS

Hollidaysburg Borough  
401 Blair Street  
Hollidaysburg PA 16648

Phone: 695-7543

Fax: 696-0636

Borough Manager Mark G. Schroyer  
manager@hollidaysburgpa.org

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WE'RE ON THE WEB:  
HOLLIDAYSBURGPA.ORG

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## APRIL 2011



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Permit # 34  
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## CURRENT RESIDENT



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## GUIDE TO BOROUGH GOVERNMENT & OFFICES 2011

### Borough Council

**Ward 1** Joseph A. Pompa 207  
Hickory Street, 693-1819  
1/1/2012

**Ward 2** Harold D. Burket 401  
Spruce Street, 696-3467,  
1/1/2014

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

**Ward 4** John P. Stultz, Jr. 1015  
Walnut Street 695-2285  
1/1/2014

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

**Ward 6** Timothy M. Baranik 309  
Quince Ct., 693-6780  
1/1/2014

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

### Mayor

Joseph R. Dodson 522 Wayne Street  
695-4657 1/1/2014

### Tax Collector

Donna Carson, 223 Bedford St.,  
696-4684 1/1/2014

### Newsletter Editor Patti Duron

### Borough Staff 695-7543

Manager Mark G. Schroyer

Secretary Ann M. Andrews

Solicitor Nathan Karn

Police Chief Jeffrey J. Ketner

Asst. Chief David Gehret

Fire Marshal Robert E. Kerns

Finance Director 696-0623

Jim Gehret

Director of Community Develop-  
ment Ethan Imhoff

Director of Community Facilities  
David A. Zeek

Director of Water Department  
Rick Pope

Director of Wastewater Opera-  
tions Frank R. Cassisi

Pre-Treatment Coordinator &  
Asst. Dir. Wastewater Operations

Frank B. Hicks, Jr.

### Borough Authority

John A. Frank Richard A. Mingle  
Zenas Brehm Stuart W. Sibold James  
A. Faber Sarah Zeek (Rec. Secretary)

### Hollidaysburg Area Arts Council

Marie Little Pat Gildea  
Jean Ofiesh

### Sewer Authority

William C. Brill Yoga Rajakone  
Regis Nale Ralph T. Miller  
Harry B. Thompson Sarah Zeek  
(Recording Secretary)

### Zoning Hearing Board

Roy E. Cook, Jr. John C. Burger  
Joyce A. Lowe (Alternate)  
Larry Daugherty Robert P. Rea  
(Attorney) Jennifer Carr  
(Recording Secretary)

### Shade Tree Commission

Terry Wilt 695-3226  
Kasey Prokop 695-8937  
David A. Zeek 934-4031  
Joel Koss 695-0174  
Bill Dively 317-7595

### Civil Service Commission

Edward L. Plowman  
A. Paul Plummer James R. Huff, II

### Planning Commission

Pat Baechle Mark Shawley

Jane Sheffield Steve Martz A. Paul  
Plummer Patti Duron (Recording  
Secretary)

### Education

Ann Andrews Joseph Dodson  
James Shoemaker

### HARB

Dave Macharola Andrew Haines  
Ted Barnholdt Jeff Decker  
Ethan Imhoff Sam Findley  
Bill Dively Patti Duron (Recording  
Secretary)

### HPC

Ted Barnholdt Jeff Decker  
Bill Dively Joel Koss Ethan Imhoff  
Andrew Haines Sam Findley  
LeeAnn DeReus Astride McLanahan  
Jamie Baser Dave Macharola

### IRC (Borough Reps)

John Brenner Mark G. Schroyer

### Main Street Manager 696-0544

Jamie Baser

### IRC Executive Director 942-7472

John Frederick