



The Town Crier

A NEWSLETTER FOR HOLLIDAYSBURG BOROUGH'S RESIDENTS & FRIENDS

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- The HARC will sponsor a Hand Sewing Class beginning September 15 from 7 to 9 P.M. on Wednesdays. Fee is \$25 for participating municipalities. Call (814) 502-9505 to sign up.
- The HAWC will hold a Rummage Sale Sept. 20 from 8 A.M. to 1 P.M. at the YMCA old gymnasium.
- Chicken Barbecue & Open House, Oct. 5 11 A.M.-2 P.M. at the Phoenix Fire Station on Wayne Street.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS HOSTED BY THE HOLLIDAYSBURG COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP



3rd Thursdays will continue through November with several downtown businesses extending hours until 9 P.M. Live entertainment, refreshments and snacks will be provided. *meet, mingle, music & more!*

Pumpkin Festival is set for **Saturday, October 11th** from 10 A.M. – 4 P.M. on Allegheny Street. Bring your family and friends for some pumpkin food, fun and festivities. Live music, demonstrations and other entertainment will be provided all day on two stages! Non-profit civic, social and church groups looking for information on how to participate, contact the Hollidaysburg Community Partnership at 696-0544.

Be part of the committee and come to the next meeting on Wednesday, September 17th @ 5:15 P.M. in the Municipal Building, 2nd fl.



Pie throwing at the Pumpkin Festival!

Before we know it snow will be on the ground and Winterfest activities will begin. Mark your calendars for the Winterfest Parade on **November 23rd** and Light Up

Night on **November 28th**. Light Up Night will feature the lighting of the town tree and Chimney Rocks star along with live musical entertainment, the Soup Sampling Contest and Santa Land Activities for children. *Come join the next organizational meeting on Monday, September 29th @ 5:15 P.M. in the Municipal Building, 2nd fl.*

Remember: Family Day is **September 22nd**. This national day encourages all families to come together for dinner. Come and celebrate at the Second United Methodist Church, Altoona. A free dinner will be served from 5-7P.M. Contact Becky Mingle, 693-3112, for information or to make a reservation by September 16.

THANKS TO THE DISCOVERY GARDEN VOLUNTEERS

The Discovery Garden looks beautiful once again this year. Thank you to all the very dedicated volunteers who donate their time and efforts to the garden! Your time spent watering, weeding and tending so caringly to all the plants is very much appreciated by the entire community. Especially this

summer with the extremely dry weather! Anyone who may be interested in becoming a Discovery Garden Volunteer is asked to please contact the Borough Offices at 695-7543. Watch for notice of the **free** Spring Gardening Classes to

be offered next year in the February issue of *The Town Crier*. Take advantage of the nice fall weather and enjoy the garden today!

HALLOWEEN PARADE & TRICK OR TREAT NIGHT

The Phoenix Volunteer Fire Company has announced that their 69th annual Halloween Parade will be held on **Saturday, October 25.**

Parade formation will begin at 4:00 P.M., with the parade marching at 6:00 P.M. Line up starts at the Hollidaysburg Junior High School. The parade will move onto N. Montgomery Street, to Garber Street, to N. Juniata Street, to Allegheny Street, to Union

Street, finishing on Mulberry Street. The parade will disband at the Fire Station on Wayne Street.

Light refreshments will be served at the station after the parade. Prizes will be awarded for costumes in the funniest, ugliest, best appearing, next-best appearing, and scariest categories. One award will be made in the amount of \$25 in each category.

Floats will be judged as First Place, fire prevention, Second Place, any category, Third Place, club or merchants. Prizes are \$60, \$50, and \$40, respectively.

Trick or Treat Night is **Thursday, October 30, 6:00 to 8:00 PM.** Costumes should be light colored, comfortable clothing. Carry a flashlight and accompany little goblins as they go door to door. Be sure that all masks allow

adequate vision and check all treats before allowing children to partake.

As always, the Borough Police, Auxiliary Police, and the Phoenix Volunteer Fire Department will be out watching the streets.

Happy haunting!



Fall leaf pickup begins on Monday, October 6 and runs through Tuesday, December 2.

FALL LEAF PICKUP SCHEDULE

Leaf pickup will take place **each week on Mondays and Tuesdays** beginning Oct. 6 and 7 and run through Dec. 1 and 2.

Reminders are as follows:

Leaves **must be** bagged in biodegradable leaf bags and placed curbside by 7 A.M. 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.**

Leaf pickup to the **WEST** of Penn Street, Gaysport, and Holliday Hills, in the Borough

will be **on Tuesdays.**

There is no need to call to schedule pickup. 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.**



HOLLIDAYSBURG AREA ARTS COUNCIL SAYS THANKS

With the close of a successful summer season of Children's Art Camps and August Sunday Concerts, the Hollidaysburg Area Arts Council acknowledges its many contributions. Thanks to the First United Methodist Church for offering a rain location in August. Many thanks to the efforts of Canal Basin Park volunteer coordinator, Brian

Fleck and to audiences for their enthusiastic participation! Suggestions for music groups for 2009: call Marie at 696-0530.

The summer arts camps this year were sponsored by the Borough of Hollidaysburg, the Wolf-Kuhn Foundation, and the McLanahan Corporation. More kids went to

camps this year due to scholarships donated to the Arts Council. To be added to the children's art camp registration mailing list for 2009, call Cindy at 693-1054.

Look for HARC's children's art program at Pumpkin Fest on October 11. Check the Altoona Mirror this fall for our adult class listings.



Rick Hirsch's Liquid Jazz with Hollidaysburg alumnus Aaron Kimmel on the drums. August 24, 2008.

MAYOR DODSON REPORTS



Mayor Dodson, Chief Jeff Ketner, Rep. Jerry Stern, & Borough Manager John Little.

The Hollidaysburg Police Department recently received a grant through the office of Jerry Stern, State Representative. The grant money of \$6000.00 was used to purchase video cameras for the police cruisers.

Now that school is back in session, please obey all traffic rules and regulations. Our children are our most precious commodity.

Please continue to support all of our borough businesses, the volunteer fire department, the YMCA and the public library.

As always, please continue to pray for our armed forces.

Mayor says:

If in life you trip, make it part of the dance.



BOROUGH MEETING SCHEDULE

Borough Council 7:00 P.M.

Sept. 25 (if needed) Oct. 9
Oct. 23 (if needed) Nov. 13

HARB/HPC 4:30 P.M.

Sept. 18 Oct. 2 Oct. 16 Nov. 6

Planning Commission 5:15 PM

Oct. 7 Nov. 4

Borough Authority 5:15 P.M.

Sept. 16 Oct. 21 Nov. 18

Sewer Authority 5:30 P.M.

Oct. 6 Nov. 3

Shade Tree Commission

3:00 P.M.

Nov. 10

Meeting agendas are available on the Borough's webpage:

www.hollidaysburgpa.org

Chicken Barbecue & Open House

Come out to support the volunteer fire fighters!

October 5, 11 A.M.—2 P.M. at the Phoenix Volunteer Fire Station on Wayne Street.

Half a chicken, 2 sides and a roll for \$6.00.

Open House to kick off Fire Prevention Week.



All Borough meetings are held in Council Chambers and are open to the Public.

GATEWAY GARDEN NEEDS YOUR HELP

Fall is fast approaching and it is time once again for volunteers to help out with the Gateway Garden, located on old Route 22 near The Dream Restaurant.

At 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, October 4, 2008, volunteers will meet at the garden to prepare the ground for winter. All volunteers are welcomed.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Rick Pope at 934-4032, or be at the garden on October 4 at 9:00 A.M.

Volunteering to help out on this day would make a nice community project for any local group. Call today to sign your group up!

Thanks!

This Gateway Garden is located on old Rt. 22 is shown in full bloom!

Autumn Begins September 22



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GET THE BUTTS OUT!

In case you haven't heard, Hollidaysburg is going butt-free. Cigarette butts are the most littered item in America, representing 30% of waste collected in clean-up initiatives.

The Hollidaysburg Community Partnership recently received a grant to help reduce the number of littered cigarette butts. Volunteers will distribute **FREE** Pocket Ashtrays to adult smokers within the community and several ash receptacles will be placed throughout the borough.

Smokers are encouraged to dispose of their cigarette butts properly. This effort is part of a program

through Keep America Beautiful, Inc., a national nonprofit organization.

"By educating the public and providing simple alternatives like ash receptacles and pocket ashtrays, we can really make a difference," Sarah Piper, Main Street Manager said.

Please contact the Hollidaysburg Community Partnership at 696-0544 for additional information or for your pocket ashtray!



One of the ash receptacles to be placed throughout the Borough.