

THE SPRINGS

a newsletter from the town of holly springs, north carolina

merry Main Street

celebrating the holidays
at two events downtown

Join friends and neighbors along Main Street downtown for the Happy Holly Days Christmas Parade on Saturday, Dec. 8.

The parade begins at 11 a.m. It starts near the Food Lion, but isn't fully formed until reaching Holly Springs Road.

The Holly Springs Kiwanis Club is presenter of the parade with the Town as sponsor.

If you can't make it to Main Street this year, you'll still be able to watch the parade afterward. We'll have multiple post-parade airings on HSTV, our government access channel on Time Warner Cable channel 11. You can

also watch on www.hollyspringsnc.us.

The parade will proceed unless the weather is really bad. There is no rain date.

Main Street merriment begins on the eve of the parade with the Main Street Christmas celebration from 6-8 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 7.

Festivities are at Town Hall and Holly Springs Cultural Center. Enjoy visits with Santa, stories with Mrs. Claus, live entertainment, hayrides and refreshments. Santa leaves Town Hall at 7:30, so arrive early.

The celebration ends with the tree lighting outside the cultural center.

Call (919) 552-6221 with questions about the Happy Holly Days parade.



**Main
Street
Christmas
Friday,
Dec. 7
6-8 p.m.**

**Christmas
Parade
Saturday,
Dec. 8
11 a.m.**

December 2012

calendar

Tues., Dec. 4	Puppet Theatre, 11am, CC Town Council, 7pm, TH
Wed., Dec. 5	Senior Bingo, 1pm, BL
Fri., Dec. 7	Main Street Christmas 6pm, TH & CC
Sat., Dec. 8	Christmas Parade, 11am Lennon Tribute, 7:30pm, CC
Tues., Dec. 11	Board of Adjustment, 7pm, TH Photo Club, 7pm, BL
Wed., Dec. 12	Mix & Mingle, 11:30am, HC Hunt Center Dedication, 6pm Garden Club, 7pm, BL
Thurs., Dec. 13	Kid Creations, 10am, CC Employees Lunch (Offices Closed 11:30am-1pm) Recreation Board, 7pm, TH
Fri., Dec. 14	Route 55 Jazz, 7:30pm, CC
Sat., Dec. 15	Keith Henderson, 3&7:30p, CC
Tues., Dec. 18	Puppet Theatre, 11am, CC Town Council, 7pm, TH
Wed., Dec. 19	Senior Bingo, 1pm, BL
Thurs., Dec. 20	QDMA, 7pm, BL
Mon., Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Town Offices Closed
Tues., Dec. 25	Christmas Town Offices Closed
Wed., Dec. 26	Christmas Holiday Town Offices Closed
Thurs., Dec. 27	Utility Bills Due Bunco Night, 6:30pm, CC

Locations

Bass Lake (BL) Hunt Center (HC)
Town Hall (TH) Womble Park (WP)
Cultural Center (CC) Jones Park (JP)
Veterans Park (VP)

times we need to reach you

Sign up now for automated phone, text or e-mail messages alerting you to emergencies. www.ReadyWake.com and register there.

We've begun use of a free reverse 911 system made available by Wake County. Those who do not have an Internet connection or computer at home can visit the Holly Springs Library to use a public computer.

With this system, we can call residents within a geographic area about severe weather and other imminent threats to public health and safety. It will be used judiciously. If you don't not have an e-mail address, you can sign up at Town Hall.

Sign up for a free service that will alert you to various emergencies. ReadyWake.com is a resource for all aspects of preparing for an emergency.

To use this free service, you must sign up for it. There are several ways to register. If you have questions about the reverse 911 system, contact Niki Litts, Town communications specialist, at (919) 557-2936.

The preferred way to sign up is to visit

making a kid's Christmas

We'd like to enlist your help in brightening the holidays for kids from families in need. To do this, we're partnering with New Horizons Fellowship church in Apex again this holiday season.

Beginning Monday, Nov. 19 in the Town Hall lobby at 128 S. Main St., you can pick up Christmas tree tags with a child's age and gender.

Please return with gifts, unwrapped, by Dec. 6.

New Horizons Fellowship will collect the unwrapped gifts. Later, parents can go to the church, browse the collected gifts, and pick gifts for each child. Volunteers will wrap the presents and bag them.

Families with children under 16 are referred to the church's Christmas Store by

Western Wake Crisis Ministry, Christian Community in Action, the Fuquay-Varina Emergency Food Pantry, and Holly Springs Food Cupboard.

The Christmas gift effort for children from families in need wraps up Dec. 6.

Counselors from our local schools will also refer families whom they know to be in need during the holiday season.

Share the joy of Christmas with children who may not otherwise receive a gift during this season.

For more information please contact www.nhf.cc/christmas-store or call Human Resources at (919) 557-2922.

Call our Human Resources Department at (919) 557-2922 if you have any questions about the Town's participation in the holiday gift initiative.

leaving your leaves for us

We're heading into the busy season for leaf collection, so it's an appropriate time for a few friendly reminders.

First, the volume of leaves and other yard trimmings coupled with days off for holidays affect the timing of leaf pickup November through January. Our crews are working their way through town as quickly as they can. Please be patient with them.

Second, we vacuum leaves and any grass clippings. So it's important to keep tree branches, rocks and other large materials out of leaf piles so they don't damage

equipment and slow crews down.

Third, pile leaves away from storm drains and ditches, preferably at the edge of the yard and out of the street. Debris that clogs storm drains can cause streets to flood. Remember, what goes down storm drains flows to our water supplies.

Consider composting leaves for an excellent source of landscaping material.

To report dumping down a storm drain or to learn more about storm water issues, call (919) 567-4027 or send an e-mail to stormwater@hollyspringsnc.us.

Days for leaf collection on your street may vary during this busy time of year. We ask for your patience.

supporting the troops

Help stock the shelves of Holly Springs Food Cupboard by bringing non-perishable food donations to the Happy Holly Days Christmas Parade on Saturday, Dec. 8.

Girl Scout troops in Holly Springs, Apex and Cary will be towing wagons to collect non-perishable food while marching in the parade. It starts at 11 a.m. on Main Street.

Food donation bins also will be placed along the parade route.

Afterward, Girl Scout troops will deliver the food collection to the Holly Springs Food Cupboard to assist people in need.

For more on the food cupboard, call (919) 577-2210 or visit www.hsfoodcupboard.org.

holidays

Christmas

Monday, Dec. 24

Tuesday, Dec. 25

Wednesday, Dec. 26

- ◆ Town Hall Closed
- ◆ Hunt Center Closed
- ◆ Cultural Center Closed
- ◆ Bass Lake Park Office Closed

Garbage and recycling collected one day later than usual on Tuesday through Friday routes

eating our lunch

Town offices will close Thursday, Dec. 13 from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. so we can get together for our Christmas luncheon.

The 90-minute closing includes Town Hall, Hunt Community Center, Holly Springs Cultural Center and the Bass Lake Park office.



**W.E. Hunt
Recreation
Center
Dedication**

6 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 12
Facility Tours • Program Information



Watch HSTV-11

Bulletin Boards and Town Council air every day at

7 and 11

(a.m. and p.m.)

**Don't Have Cable? Don't Have Time?
Watch Us On Your Schedule!**

www.hstv11.us



List Your Community Event. Leave a Message Two Weeks Ahead at:

(919) 567-4711