

# Calendar

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| Tues., Dec. 6   | Toddler Exploration, 10am, Bass Lake<br>Town Council, 7pm, Town Hall  |
| Wed., Dec. 7    | Senior Bingo, 1pm, Bass Lake  |
| Thurs., Dec. 8  | Community Band, 7:30pm<br>Holly Springs Cultural Center   |
| Fri., Dec. 9    | Main Street Christmas, 6pm,<br>Town Hall & Cultural Center  |
| Sat., Dec. 10   | Christmas Parade, 11am, Main Street<br>Archery 101 & 202, Bass Lake<br>James Brown Band w/ Tony Wilson<br>Cultural Center, 7:30pm |
| Tues., Dec. 13  | Discovering Nature, 10am, Bass Lake   |
| Wed., Dec. 14   | Employee Holiday Lunch, 11:30am   |
| Thurs., Dec. 15 | Explore a Story, 10am, Bass Lake  |
| Fri., Dec. 16   | Family Bingo, 7pm, Bass Lake<br>Rt. 55 Jazz, 7:30pm, Cultural Center  |
| Sat., Dec. 17   | Christmas Make and Take   |
| Tues., Dec. 20  | Town Council, 7pm, Town Hall  |
| Wed., Dec. 21   | Senior Bingo, 1pm, Bass Lake<br>Planning Board, 7pm, Town Hall  |
| Fri., Dec. 23   | <b>Christmas Holiday</b><br>Town Offices Closed<br>No Change in Garbage & Recycling   |
| Mon., Dec. 26   | <b>Christmas Holiday</b><br>Town Offices Closed   |
| Tues., Dec. 27  | Utility Bills Due   |

## annual lunch break

Town offices will close from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 14 so that town employees can attend the annual holiday luncheon.

Essential operations including police and fire will continue uninterrupted during the Dec. 14 lunch closure. Offices closing for the luncheon will reopen at 1 p.m.

**WINTER farmers market**

HOLLY SPRINGS

*Cultural Center*  
november - april  
9:30 am - 12:00 pm  
third saturdays

*December 17*  
bring your holiday menu  
shopping list

www.HSFarmersMarket.com  
The Farmers Market is operated and managed by the Town of Holly Springs Department of Planning & Zoning

### Free Puppet-Themed Movies at Holly Springs Cultural Center

Coming Up  
**Emmet Otter's Jug Band Christmas**  
Tuesday, Dec. 6 at 11 a.m.

**It's a Very Merry Muppet Christmas Movie**  
Tuesday, Dec. 20 at 11 a.m.

## holiday schedule

**Town Employees Holiday Lunch**  
Wednesday, Dec. 14  
Non-Essential Offices Closed 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Christmas Holidays**  
Friday, Dec. 23 - Town Offices Closed  
Monday, Dec. 26 - Town Offices Closed  
(Fitness Center on Separate Schedule.)  
See back page for details.)  
No Change in Garbage & Recycling

## Cinder says

*Christmas trees are the source of numerous fires across the country each season.*

*Water live Christmas trees daily to help them stay fresh longer. Be sure to remove the tree if it becomes dry.*

Cinder and his teammates at Holly Springs Fire-Rescue want everyone to have a safe and happy holiday season. Here are some tips to lessen the risk of fire and to ensure your family gets an early warning if one does occur. Use flameless candles near Christmas trees and keep flammable objects away from away from heat sources.



**CINDER, AN AUSTRALIAN LABRADOODLE, HELPS SPREAD THE WORD ON FIRE SAFETY.**

Read packaging for the number of light strands that can be safely connected. Discard strands with worn or broken cords or bulb sockets. Don't overload outlets. Turn off all Christmas lights and blow out any candles before leaving the house or going to bed. Throw out the tree if it becomes dry.

Test your smoke alarms at least monthly by pressing the test button. Holly Springs Fire-Rescue will test your home's smoke alarms for free. If you need an alarm and would like firefighters to install it, they'll do that also for free. Call (919) 577-SAFE (7233) to arrange an inspection.

### THIS MONTH AT Holly Springs Cultural Center

**Holly Springs Community Band**  
Thursday, Dec. 8  
FREE ADMISSION

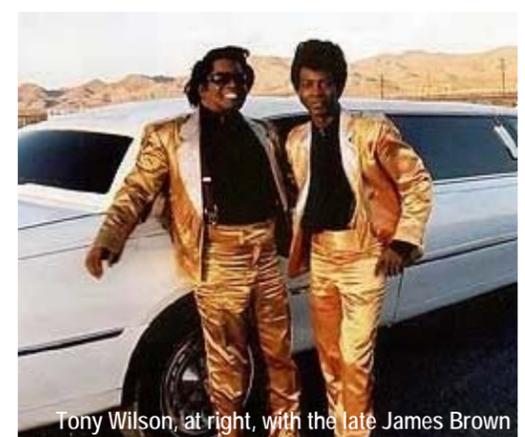
**The Young James Brown Band with Tony Wilson**  
Saturday, Dec. 10

**Route 55 Jazz Orchestra**  
Friday, Dec. 16

Show times 7:30 p.m.  
Tickets at [etix.com](http://etix.com).

### 10th Anniversary Celebration Saturday, Dec. 10, 2016

Chicago native **Tony Wilson** has electrified audiences with his showmanship, charisma and dance moves since he was a teenager. Tony was crowned Best Michael Jackson Entertainer and asked to be on the Oprah Winfrey Show. Soon afterward, major entertainers began calling on Tony for movie roles, to serve as a stand-in, or to back them with his band. They included the late James Brown, the legendary Godfather of Soul and founder of funk. Brown named Tony as the "Young James Brown." He was the only person to receive such an endorsement from Brown himself. The **Godfather of Soul Band** is comprised of musicians who backed James Brown's musical career from 1984 to 2006. Join Tony Wilson and his band for the Cultural Center's 10th anniversary celebration.



Tony Wilson, at right, with the late James Brown

Holly Springs Cultural Center is at 300 W. Ballentine St. For tickets, visit [etix.com](http://etix.com) or the cultural center box office.

Call (919) 567-4000 for more information or visit [hollyspringsnc.us](http://hollyspringsnc.us).

## odd numbers

If your utility bill seems unexpectedly low or high anytime over the next few months, it may be because your billing cycle has changed.

As we update our water meter system, the date each month that we read the meter is changing for some customers.

Call Finance customer service at **(919) 557-3925** if you have questions about your utility bill.

This means that when the switch occurs, you could get a bill with more or less than the usual four weeks.

Afterward, your bill will be back on a normal cycle with a new meter read date.

If you face hardship from an unusually high bill, our Finance Department has payment plans to help you avoid late fees and possible disconnection.

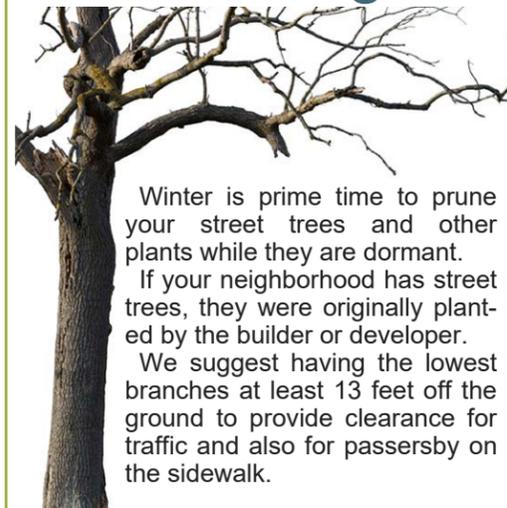
Call our customer service staff at **(919) 557-3925** if need assistance or can't resolve something odd about your bill.

Thank you for your patience as our Finance Department staff continues to upgrade resources and services they provide to you.



Don't allow your Christmas gifts to wind up as presents for thieves. Lock your car and don't leave gifts or other valuables in plain sight.

## the time to go out on a limb



Replacing a tree and unsure what to replant?

Call Planning and Zoning at **(919) 557-3908** or email [hsplanning@hollyspringsnc.us](mailto:hsplanning@hollyspringsnc.us).

### More Information

Check out our pruning guide, see a short video, and read the street tree policy.

Click the Residents Info tab in the Planning & Zoning Department section of [hollyspringsnc.us](http://hollyspringsnc.us).



## leaving your leaves for us

Yard waste pickup doesn't follow a set schedule during our annual leaf collection season, which begins each November.

Instead, our four leaf vacuuming trucks rotate continuously through town gathering leaves.

Public Works crews collect leaves every work day, traveling neighborhood by neighborhood in a set order. Once they've been through the entire town, they start over again.

Call Public Works at **(919) 552-5920** with leaf collection questions.

Although crews work as quickly as possible, collection can be delayed by heavy volume, bad weather and equipment breakdowns. That's why it's important not to mix sticks, rocks or other debris with leaves.

Curbside Christmas tree collection will begin the Tuesday after Christmas. Trees must be totally free of nails and decorations. Please remove the tree stand.



### Leaf Season Reminders

Rake leaves to the edge of the yard, but not in the street.

Keep rocks, sticks and other debris out of leaf piles since they could damage vacuuming equipment and delay service.

Plan for when collection will be in your neighborhood by visiting [www.hollyspringsnc.us/leaf](http://www.hollyspringsnc.us/leaf).

Also find daily updates on the Holly Springs town app under the Yard Waste button.

*Hunt Recreation Center will open with part-time staff during the upcoming town holidays, Dec. 23 and Dec. 26, to give fitness members more workout time.*

### Fitness Center Holiday Schedule

**Monday & Tuesday, Dec. 19-20**  
Hunt Center Closed for Cleaning

**Friday, Dec. 23**  
Hunt Center Open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 24-25**  
Hunt Center Closed

**Monday, Dec. 26**  
Hunt Center Open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**Friday, Dec. 30**  
Hunt Center Open 5 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
(Closing early for gym floor cleaning)

**Sunday, Jan. 1**  
Hunt Center Closed

**Monday, Jan. 2**  
Hunt Center Open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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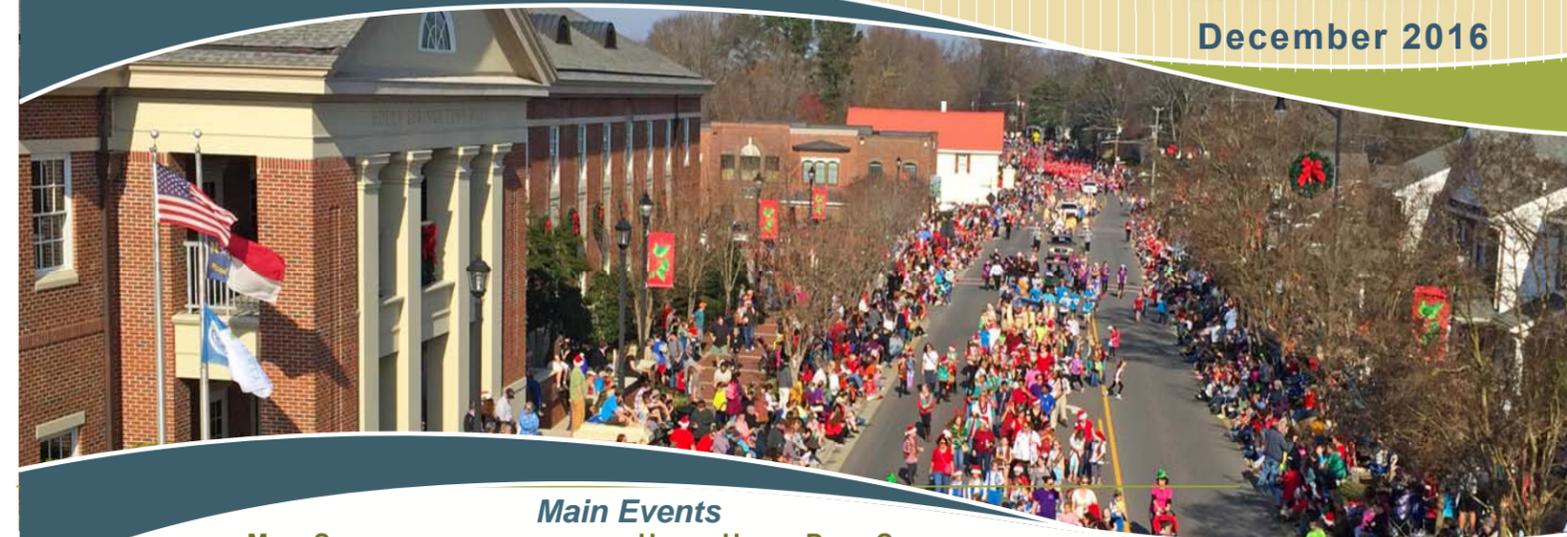
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December 2016



### Main Events

**MAIN STREET IS PACKED FOR THE HAPPY HOLLY DAYS CHRISTMAS PARADE THE MORNING AFTER THE ANNUAL MAIN STREET CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION.**

## a night and a day with Santa

Join friends and neighbors along Main Street downtown for the Happy Holly Days Christmas Parade on Saturday, Dec. 10.

The parade begins at 11 a.m. at Main Street and Holly Springs Road with approximately 100 entries. They include floats, bands, dancers, decorated vehicles, horses, marching groups, and Santa, of course.

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 on YouTube at [www.hstv11.us](http://www.hstv11.us). You can also watch HSTV on Time Warner Cable channel 11 with a digital adapter.

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

Some parking is available on the grassy easement running beside Avent Ferry Road between Elm and Ballentine streets. But please don't park along Avent Ferry Road.

Call Town Hall at **(919) 552-6221** with parade questions.

Main Street merriment begins on the

evening before the parade with Main Street Christmas from 6-8 p.m.

The Parks and Recreation Department sponsors this celebration.

Kids can visit with Santa until 7:15 p.m. in the lobby of Town Hall. The Holly Springs High School Concert Choir will perform at Town Hall.

*Main Street Christmas is Friday, Dec. 9 at Town Hall and at the Cultural Center. The Happy Holly Days Christmas Parade is Saturday, Dec. 10 at 11 a.m.*

Meanwhile, Mrs. Claus will be reading to kids at the Cultural Center. Kids also can enjoy crafts. The center will have music and free refreshments.

This year we will have two entertainment stages - outdoors at the Cultural Center and also on Main Street behind the Baptist church. Also new this year is an extended route for the free hayrides. They'll wrap up in time to fetch Santa for the tree lighting on the Cultural Center lawn at 8 p.m.

### Main Street Christmas

**Friday, Dec. 9  
6-8 p.m.**

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**Happy Holly Days Christmas Parade  
Saturday, Dec. 10  
11 a.m.**

