

# THE SPRINGS

a newsletter from the town of holly springs, north carolina

## smoking out fire risk

We know that smoke detectors save lives. That's why Fire Chief LeRoy O. Smith has initiated a program to ensure that all Holly Springs families are protected by them.

Request a smoke detector inspection by calling the Neighborhood Safety Hotline at (919) 577-SAFE (7233).

A Fire Department staffer will call you back to schedule a free smoke detector check when it's convenient for you.

This month, firefighters will begin going

door to door throughout Holly Springs to check for the presence of smoke alarms.

They will focus on the downtown area first. Firefighters will provide a new battery for homes that have an alarm, but need a fresh battery. They'll provide a new smoke alarm to any home that does not have at least one functioning fire alarm.

If no one is at home, firefighters will leave a door hanger that provides safety messages



and offers instructions on contacting them if a smoke detector is needed.

**Our firefighters are starting a new program to ensure that homes have working smoke detectors.**

In other news, firefighters are moving into the new Station 2 on Avent Ferry Road. It replaces the station that a tornado rendered

uninhabitable in April 2011. A ribbon-cutting for the new Station 2 is tentatively scheduled for 10 a.m. on Oct. 25.

## fall's feature presentation

Enjoy food, music, crafts, contests and more at HollyFest, a fall tradition in Holly Springs on Saturday, Oct. 27 in Womble Park.

The festival runs from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Admission is free.

There's a pumpkin carving contest open to all ages. Drop off your pumpkin at the registration table near the band shell, and we'll display it until the judging begins.

Other highlights include Robinson's Racing

Pigs, the annual Cornhole Cup, and food vendors for every taste.

The Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a business expo. Various nonprofit organizations will share their mission.

**HollyFest is Saturday, Oct. 27 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. in Womble Park.**

Instead of the HollyFest 5K on the morning of the festival, we're co-

sponsoring a new event, the Holly Springs 4 at 4 on Saturday, Oct. 6.

The 4-mile race starts at 4 p.m. Oct. 6. It will be held downtown.

## October 2012

### calendar

Tues., Oct. 2	Puppet Theatre, 11am, CC Town Council, 7pm, TH
Wed., Oct. 3	Senior Bingo, 1pm, BL
Fri., Oct. 5	Family Concert, 5:30pm, BL
Sat., Oct. 6	Farmers Market, 8:30 Bass Lake Day, 2pm, BL 4 at 4 Race, 4pm, Downtown
Tues., Oct. 9	Board of Adjustment, 7pm, TH Discovering Nature, 10am, BL Photo Club, 7pm, BL
Wed., Oct. 10	Garden Club, 7pm, BL
Thurs., Oct. 11	Recreation Board, 7pm, TH Free Concert, 7:30pm, CC
Fri., Oct. 12	Family Bingo, 7pm, BL Clean Comedy, 7:30pm, CC
Sat., Oct. 13	Farmers Market, 8:30am Four Seasons Tribute, 7:30pm, CC
Tues., Oct. 16	Puppet Theatre, 11am, CC Town Council, 7pm, TH
Wed., Oct. 17	Senior Bingo, 1pm, BL
Thurs., Oct. 18	QDMA, 7pm, BL
Fri., Oct. 19	Rt. 55 Jazz, 7:30pm, CC
Sat., Oct. 20	Dog Days, 10am - 2pm, WP
Tues., Oct. 23	Planning Board, 7pm, TH
Thurs., Oct. 25	Explore-a-Story, 10am, BL
Sat., Oct 27	HollyFest, 10am - 4pm, WP
Mon., Oct. 29	Applications Due for Planning Board, Board of Adjustment
Wed., Oct. 31	Halloween

#### Locations

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

# 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 begins Nov. 19.**

School 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](http://www.nhf.cc/christmas-store) or call Human Resources at (919) 557-2922.

## Bass Lake Day

**Saturday, Oct. 6**  
2-6 p.m.  
Free Admission

- Live music with Del Timms Bluegrass Band & Brooke Hatala
- Opportunities to learn about recycling, falconry, bow hunting, vermicomposting, fire safety, water quality and gardening
- Smokey Bear & Conservin' Irvin the Clean Water Mascot
- Games and crafts for kids
- Live animals

## answering the call for service

We're accepting applications until Oct. 29 for the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment, citizen panels that work with the Department of Planning and Zoning.

The three-year terms start in January.

The Town Council will appoint two residents to the Planning Board in December. The council will name three to the Board of Adjustment, including an alternate.

The Board of Adjustment meets on the second Tuesday of the month when needed. It rules on requests from citizens and developers for variances to zoning regulations and appeals to decisions by Town staff. The Board of Adjustment is a quasi-

judicial panel, acting separately from the Town Council.

The Planning Board meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month as needed. It makes recommendations to the council on zoning requests and other development matters.

For an application, visit the Planning and Zoning Department section of [www.hollyspringsnc.us](http://www.hollyspringsnc.us). You may also drop by Town Hall or Holly Springs Cultural Center, which is at 301 W. Ballentine St.

Contact Planning at (919) 557-3908 or [hsplanning@hollyspringsnc.us](mailto:hsplanning@hollyspringsnc.us) if you have questions.

## our night for fright

Halloween is always Oct. 31 in Holly Springs, no matter the day of the week.

Trick-or-treating ought to occur early in the evening. Residents who do not want to participate are asked to leave porch lights off.

Report suspicious activity to police.

Our Public Works Department recently completed a temporary sidewalk along Avert Ferry Road between South Park Village Shopping Center and the schools.

The 6-foot-wide asphalt sidewalk makes it safe and easy to walk or ride a bike there until the road is widened and permanent sidewalk is added in the future.

## Dog Day in the Park

**Saturday, Oct. 20**  
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Womble Park

- Pet Care Businesses
- Adoptable Dogs
- Food
- Entertainment
- Contests

Friendly dogs on a leash are invited to this free, family event. Call (919) 557-9602 with questions.



**GET FRESH - BUY LOCAL!**

**Saturdays**  
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Downtown  
Holly Springs  
across from  
Town Hall

**Start your Saturdays with us!**  
*Come fill your baskets each Saturday with farm-fresh produce and stay for family-friendly events!*

**October 6**  
Farm-to-Table Chef Series 10 a.m.

**October 13 3rd Annual Chili Cook-off**  
Sample amateur and professional chili

**Thank you for voting us the #1 favorite farmers market in NC!**

**Every Saturday-**  
Children's Activities 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and  
Live music from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Visit [www.HSFarmersMarket.com](http://www.HSFarmersMarket.com) for event info

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