



HOLLY SPRINGS

# Winter Farmers Market

3rd Saturdays

9:30am - 12:00pm

Holly Springs Cultural Center  
300 W. Ballentine Street

**February 20**

Show some love to your local vendors

**March 19**

March in to the market and stock up on local goodness!

[www.HSFarmersMarket.com](http://www.HSFarmersMarket.com)

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

## going to the source

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With town notifications, you'll get updates directly from us instead of from second-hand sources such as others' social media postings that may be incorrect or not up-to-date.

This is the best way to get the latest word, directly from us, on facility closings or schedule changes during bad weather.

You decide what else you want to know about.



## a blue ribbon-cutting

Tour the new headquarters of our men and women in blue as we cut the ribbon on Holly Springs' Law Enforcement Center March 31.

The tours will begin after a short ceremony at 2 p.m. with a few remarks and the ribbon-cutting. Drop by anytime between 2 and 6.

**Law Enforcement Center Open House**

Thursday, March 31 from 2-6 p.m.

750 Holly Springs Road

The open house is still being planned. As more details are finalized, you'll find them on the Holly Springs Police Department Facebook page and on [hollyspringsnc.us](http://hollyspringsnc.us).

The old station next to Town Hall will become co-working space.

## how can we help?

We invite you to use our e-Request service to contact us with questions, concerns or non-emergency requests.

It's easy. Just visit the **Report a Concern** link among the blue horizontal boxes on the home page of [hollyspringsnc.us](http://hollyspringsnc.us). Choose a category in the dropdown box. You'll be able to track the status of your request as well.

In case of a police, fire or medical emergency, dial 911 as always. The Report a Concern link lists other things it's best to call us directly about.

## Good Friday Holiday Friday, March 25

Town Hall Closed  
Hunt Center Closed  
Cultural Center Closed  
Bass Lake Park Open

Garbage & Recycling Schedule  
Unchanged During the Week

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March 2016



**SPRINGTIME SCRAMBLE: The 2016 Easter Egg hunt is Saturday, March 19, at Sugg Farm Park. Details inside.**

## charting a course for the future

During its weekend winter retreat meeting in February, the Town Council came home with a comprehensive work plan to enhance quality of life as the town continues a healthy sustained rate of growth over the next decade to a population of nearly 50,000 by 2025.

Consultants from the Freese & Nichols firm facilitated this year's retreat, providing an agenda of staff presentations followed by interactive exercises to draw out Town Council direction. Topics covered included growth projections; the most important needs arising from that growth, and how to pay for the most priority projects.

After staff presentations of data, historical growth trends and population projections for the next five, 10 and 15 years, staff and Council came up with the following top challenges and opportunities facing the town in the wake of this anticipated growth in Holly Springs and the region:

- the need for elected officials to be innovative leaders;
- keeping services and facilities ahead of the growth curve;
- balancing growth with maintaining a quality of life in Holly Springs; traffic – more specifically, rush hour / commuter traffic;
- maintaining public safety as the community grows;
- the need for the resources to operate and maintain expanded and new amenities for the community.

With these principles in mind, staff then updated the Council on how the Town infrastructure is handling current needs and what likely will be needed for the future.

The Town is in good shape for several decades as far as water and wastewater treatment is concerned with all future improvements to be covered by reserve funds that are funded by development.

Future needs that will need advanced funding strategies are: transportation; parks and recreation; a public works facility; more fire stations and police sub-stations.

### Priorities Established

In discussions, staff and Council came up with their top infrastructure and facility needs (not including projects already underway or that are fully funded for the future.)

The following top needs emerged:

- a new Public Works facility to house the department and its growing staff and fleet of service equipment;
- indoor basketball courts;
- acquisition of land for future parks, particularly in underserved areas of the town;
- Avent Ferry Road improvements from Cass Holt Road to Piney Grove-Wilbon Road;
- expansion of Town Hall space.

*Read more under Town News at [hollyspringsnc.us](http://hollyspringsnc.us).*

# Calendar

Tues., March 1	Puppet Theater, 11am, HSCC (Holly Springs Cultural Center) Town Council, 7pm, Town Hall
Wed., March 2	Senior Bingo, 1pm, Bass Lake
Thurs., March 3	Hand and Foot Game, 1pm, HSCC (Meets Weekly)
Fri., March 4	Family Fun Night, 6pm, Bass Lake
Mon., March 7	Movie (Every Monday), 10am, HSCC
Tues., March 8	Discovering Nature, 10am, Bass Lake Photo Club, 7pm, Bass Lake Board of Adjustment, 7pm, Town Hall
Wed., March 9	Garden Club, 7pm, Bass Lake
Thurs., March 10	Wildlife Club, 7pm, Bass Lake Recreation Board, 7pm, Town Hall
Fri., March 11	Discovery Series, All Day, HSCC Family Bingo, 7pm, Bass Lake
Sat., March 12	Hunter Education, 9am, Bass Lake Beach Party Boys, 7:30pm, HSCC
Sun., March 13	N.C. Animals, 3pm, Bass Lake
Tues., March 15	Puppet Theater, 11am, HSCC Town Council, 7pm, Town Hall
Wed., March 16	Senior Bingo, 1pm, Bass Lake
Sat., March 19	Spring Fling, 8am, Sugg Farm Egg Hunt, 12pm, Sugg Farm Catch N Cook, 9am, Bass Lake Winter Market, 9:30am, HSCC Archery 101, 3pm, Bass Lake
Sun., March 20	Toddler Exploration, 3pm, Bass Lake
Tues., March 22	Planning Board, 7pm, Town Hall
Thurs., March 24	Explore-a-Story, 10am, Bass Lake
Fri., March 25	Good Friday - Town Hall, Hunt Center & Cultural Center Closed Bass Lake Park Open
Mon., March 28	Utility Bills Due
Thurs., March 31	Police Open House, 2pm, PD

## your drinking water

Although your water is safe to drink, it might smell and taste more like chlorine during March. This is because treatment plants change how they disinfect water each March. State and federal rules prompt a balancing of treatment methods for safe drinking water. Water plants throughout the state do this month-long switchover each year. Kidney dialysis users should be aware that the water may contain chloramines, chlorine, or a mixture during March. Call our Public Works Department at (919) 552-5920 if you have questions or concerns. During April, the water treatment plant will return to chloramines for disinfection. Mixtures of chlorine and chloramines may be present during the early days of April. Aquarium owners should use neutralizers that work on chlorine as well as chloramines. The flushing of lines during this period may cause minor discoloration of the water. However, it remains safe to drink.

Our Fire Department offers free smoke detector inspection and replacement to ensure your home has an early warning system against fire. Call (919) 577-SAFE (7233) to schedule an inspection. Firefighters will provide free replacement of batteries or devices if needed. Special alarms that flash lights and shake the bed are available to those with impaired hearing.



### Youth Track and Field

Ages 8-14  
Residents' Registration Begins: Feb. 22  
Practice Begins: Mid-April  
Description: Introduction to the sport with local end of season meet.

#### More Information

See Athletics in the Parks and Recreation Department section of [hollyspringsnc.us](http://hollyspringsnc.us) for details on eligibility, how to register, and fees. Athletics program offices are at Hunt Recreation Center at 301 Stinson Ave.



## spring fling

Saturday, March 19  
Sugg Farm at Bass Lake

Community-Wide Yard Sale  
8 a.m. - Noon  
Purchase booth space by March 15 for \$5.  
Games for Kids, Inflatables, Music & Much More  
10 a.m. - Noon  
Egg Hunt  
Noon  
Ages 8 & Younger



For more details or booth space, call Julie Tew at (919) 557-9603.



**BULLISH ON SUGG FARM PARK:** A new metal sign that Parks Maintenance staff designed and crafted is installed over the entrance to Jefferson L. Sugg Farm at Bass Lake Park last month. Events include Spring Fling March 19, the July 5 celebration with fireworks, and HollyFest on the last Saturday of October.



## Beach Party Boys

A Tribute to the Beach Boys  
Saturday, March 12

Tickets at [etix.com](http://etix.com)  
or call (919) 567-4000

## the time to talk money

The pre-budget public hearing is set for March 15.

Do you have your own town budget priorities for the upcoming year? If so, the March 15 Town Council meeting will be a good time to say what's on your mind. The council will hold a pre-budget public hearing at its regular meeting that evening beginning at 7. The pre-budget public hearing is an ideal time to share your priorities while we're early in budget preparation. The required public hearing will be held in June. But by then, there is little time for major changes. If you cannot attend March 15 or prefer not to speak, you can e-mail your thoughts to the town clerk at [joni.powell@hollyspringsnc.us](mailto:joni.powell@hollyspringsnc.us).