

Our Town

City Administrator's Message

As this holiday season begins, it's important to remember that the holidays are all about family and friends. Many of us rely upon the traditions in our families, and many of those are tied into the events we have in our own neighborhoods. The **Light Parade** is being held on Sat, Dec 3, 2022 this year in Harrisburg. The Tri-County Chamber of Commerce operates the parade and the theme this year is The Polar Express. Held at 7:00 in the evening, the parade is always super fun for the kids, and for those of us who remain kids at heart. See the extra flyer with your utility bill for the parade route and other information. Join the City at the Picnic Pavilion, at Heritage Park Museum, 490 Smith St., following the parade end. Santa & Mrs. Claus, plus their helper city elves, will be there, serving up hot apple cider and apples from Detering Orchards, cookies, and goodie bags for all the little ones visiting Santa. Santa has to leave the reindeer at home, and it takes a bit of time to make it from the staging area to the museum. Thankfully, we have both heat and cookies!

During the day, you can visit the **Holiday Bazaar at the Harrisburg Senior Center**, from 10:00am to 4:00pm on the 3rd of December, @ 354 Smith St. They will have crafts, baked goods, coffee and hot apple cider, donuts, and water, plus books and gently used décor.

Don't forget about visiting the **Holiday Art Market at the Harrisburg Gallery** too! Join Shelley and Jim and the other artists on Dec 3rd and on Dec 17th, 12:00 to 4:00 at 294 Smith St. They always have fabulous art, that is reasonably priced as well as being beautiful & interesting!

Giving Thanks: Our Public Works Crew has done a great job hanging our Christmas lights, and putting out all of the City decorations. The gazebo is always breathtaking when it's fully lighted, and shows up in many people's cameras this time of year. We are thankful to them for the awesome job they do. We'd also like to thank Phil Peterson, for 8 years of hard work on behalf of Harrisburg. We will miss him, and wish him luck at his new job.

We hope that you had a good Thanksgiving, and are thankful for many things. We want to thank our local businesses for being here in our community! Please show them lots of support this season, by showing up at sales and events. Remember that almost all of our businesses are truly local, and are owned and managed by friends and families, who support our community, in good times and bad. More things to be thankful for include those people and businesses who are being honored at the Tri-County Chamber Annual Awards event this year:

Organization of the Year:	Harrisburg Library
Small Business of the Year:	Grocery Deals
Large Business of the Year:	Hayworth Farms/Seed Warehouse
Lifetime Achievement:	Jack McClure
Outstanding Service:	Charlotte Thomas
Youth (Jim Gilligan Service Award):	Shaiyenne Molthan
Educator of the Year:	Amy Traw

May the light and all the good in your world keep shining!

If You See Something—Say Something!

If you see something suspicious in your neighborhood, don't hesitate to call it in. You can reach LCSO dispatch for any non-emergency at 1-800-884-3911.

Residential Utility Rates

The utility bill is a combination of water, sewer and storm drain charges. Please contact City Hall for more information. Rates below are for 2022-2023.

WATER: Base Rate: \$21.73	Sewer: Minimum Charge: \$21.60
Per Unit: \$1.77 (per *EQU)	Sewer User Fee: \$7.83 (per *EQU)
Storm Drain: \$3.67	

*An EQU is equal to 748 gals of metered water

Harrisburg Public Library News

Drop by your Library to see what's New! We always have good things to offer at the Library. Drop by and check out digital books or sign up to learn a new language through our Rocket Languages service. All you need is a Library card!



New—Sewing Class! For teenagers (free!) December 5th and 19th @ 4pm at the Harrisburg Municipal Center.

New—Computer Class: Wednesdays from 6-7pm in the library. Call 541-995-6949 to get on wait list.

New—Karaoke Club: December 3rd at 1pm in the Harrisburg Municipal Center.

Game Night: December 1st from 6:30-7:30pm in the Municipal Center. December 15th from 6:30-7:30pm is teen night in the Municipal Center. We have plenty of games for every age. Board games, card games and video games. Bring your family and friends!

Book Club: December 21st in the Municipal Center. This month's book is Take My Hand by Dolen Perkins-Valdez. You can check out the book from the Library, from the digital program, or purchase your own!

Crafting Club: December 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th, @ 5pm at the Harrisburg Municipal Center. Open to everyone for any craft!

Dungeon & Dragons: December 5th and 19th @ 4pm at the Harrisburg Municipal Center.

Lego Club: Every Saturday at 11am — held in the Library.

HART Community Center Toys for Tots Program!

Co-sponsored by the Marine Corps, and bringing toys to kids who are disadvantaged in our community; it's a super-important program! Please help by donating NEW toys, arts/crafts supplies, sports supplies, blankets, etc., unwrapped to the HART Center—call 541-995-7700 to arrange to drop off. To register for your kids to benefit, you must have proof of residency in Linn County, proof that the child lives with you, and proof of the child's age. Documentation is required, call 541-995-7700 to find out what you need to turn in. **DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 9TH!**



Xpress Bill Pay—Utility Billing

Xpress Bill Pay is our online payment provider. You can pay your utility bill by e-check, Visa, Mastercard, Discover or Debit at no extra cost to you. Visit www.ci.harrisburg.or.us/utilitybilling for additional information.

Important December Dates

Dec 3, 2022:	Harrisburg Light Parade @ 7pm
Dec 7, 2022:	Municipal Court @ 2pm
Dec 13, 2022:	City Council Business Meeting @ 6:30pm
Dec 20, 2022:	Planning Commission @ 7:00pm
Dec 23-26, 2022:	Christmas Holiday—City Offices Closed

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