

# Lancaster Events this Month

Town of Lancaster

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## KEY



Helpful Information



Save the Date!



News!



Neighboring Towns

From All of Us at the Town of Lancaster,

Our best wishes to all of you for a joy-filled holiday Season as well as Health and Happiness in the New Year!

Town Hall will be **CLOSED** on Monday, December 25th and Monday, January 1st for holiday observances.

Please remember that the Recycling Center will also be **CLOSED** the next two weekends.



Remember, you can unsubscribe at any time by emailing "unsubscribe" to "townclerk@lancasterma.net"

## Coming Up in December at First Church of Christ Unitarian

*"Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself on life's journey, you are welcome here!"*

### Worship and Religious Education at 10am:

December 17: The third Sunday of Advent. "But I Don't Feel Merry!" A reflection on the struggles many of us feel in this pressured season leading up to Christmas.

December 24: *Christmas Eve.*

4:30pm. Lessons and carols for all ages, with special music provided by the New England Youth Ensemble.

11:00pm. A traditional service of lessons and carols, ending at the stroke of midnight as we welcome in Christmas. Join us for this town-wide tradition.

December 31: The first Sunday of Christmastide. A Christmas carol sing. The young children in our Religious Education program will start the new year hearing a quiet tale set "far back in time" in Muslim Egypt which conveys lessons of a foreign culture and its enduring religiosity. Our teens will review and share information about their fall visits to a Catholic Church, Jewish Temple, and the Humanist Hub

### Mindfulness Meditation Group, Tuesdays from 6:00-7:30pm in the First Church Parlor

Group meets Tuesday evenings from 6-7:00pm in the Church Parlor for 40 minutes of guided mindfulness practice followed by brief discussion.


December topics include: Lovingkindness (Dec. 5); Compassion (Dec. 12); Joy (Dec. 19). There will be no meditation group on December 26 or January 2. The group will resume on January 9. *Participants of all levels are welcome. A free will offering will be taken.*

# Christmas Candlelight Service

*The Evangelical  
Congregational Church,  
793 Main Street, Lancaster*

Christmas Eve  
Candlelight Service,  
December 24<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m.  
The Story of Christ's Birth,  
Through Scripture and Song.  
All are Invited!

[www.ecclancaster.org](http://www.ecclancaster.org)  
978-365-5782

The background of the lower half of the poster is a dark blue night sky with a bright star in the upper right corner, from which rays of light emanate. In the foreground, silhouetted against the sky, are three camels with riders on the left and a manger scene with several figures on the right.

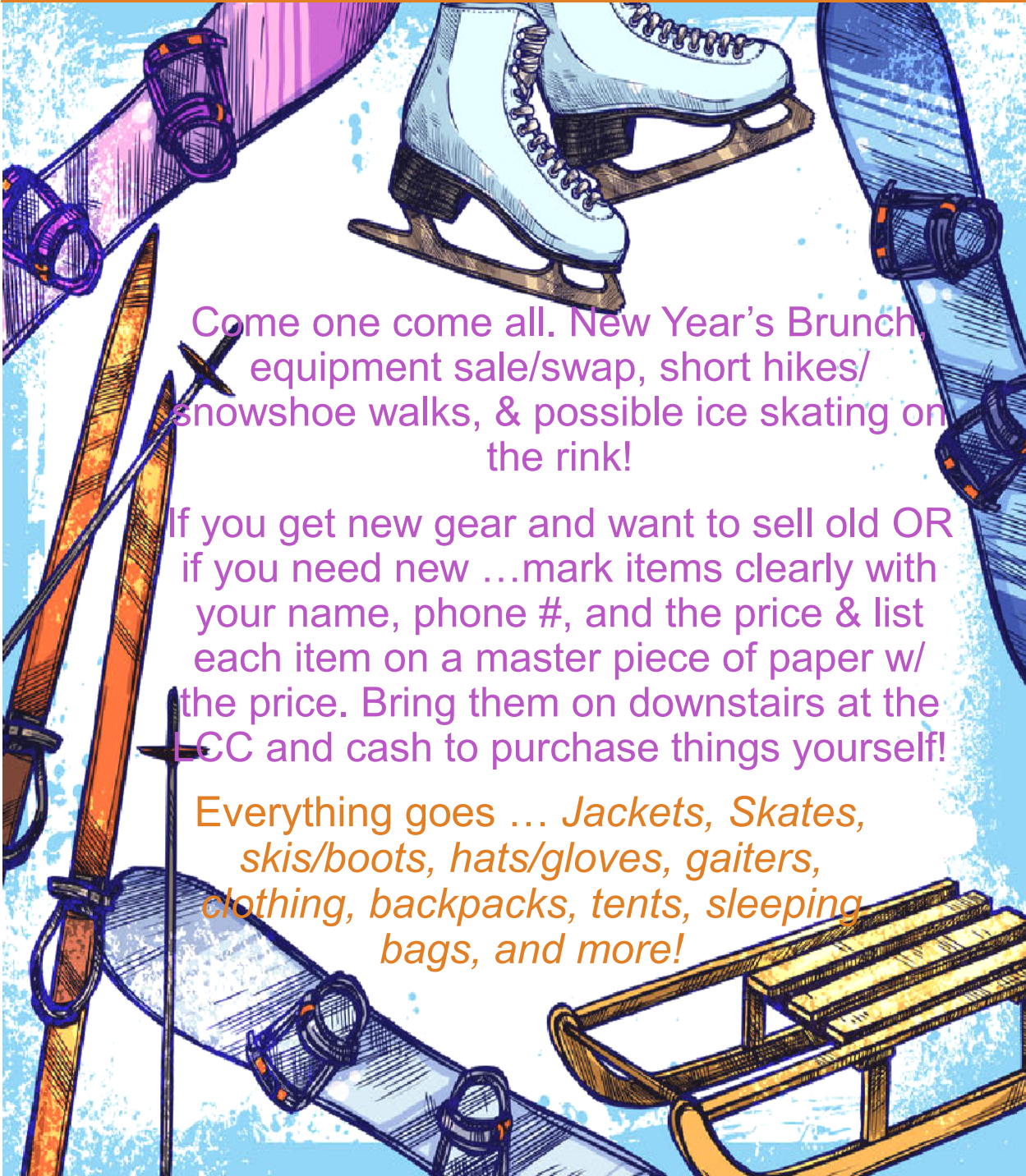
Quiet Your Heart in the Beauty of Candlelight  
Celebrate God's Gift in the Singing of Carols



1<sup>st</sup> Annual Community Equipment Sale/Swap!

Sunday December 31<sup>st</sup> from 11 am – 2 pm

at Lancaster Community Center



Come one come all. New Year's Brunch,  
equipment sale/swap, short hikes/  
snowshoe walks, & possible ice skating on  
the rink!

If you get new gear and want to sell old OR  
if you need new ...mark items clearly with  
your name, phone #, and the price & list  
each item on a master piece of paper w/  
the price. Bring them on downstairs at the  
LCC and cash to purchase things yourself!

Everything goes ... *Jackets, Skates,  
skis/boots, hats/gloves, gaiters,  
clothing, backpacks, tents, sleeping  
bags, and more!*

**Questions?** Contact Jeanne, [jablauner@comcast.net](mailto:jablauner@comcast.net),  
978-202-5606

Lancaster Community Center New Year's Eve  
Celebration Sunday December 31st

11:00 am

1<sup>st</sup> Annual Community Equipment Sale/Swap,  
Hikes, Skating and more!

11:30 am

Music, games, beverages, and more galore!

12:00 pm

New Years Eve Buffet & Yankee Swap\*

\*Prime Rib, Glazed Ham,  
Waffles, Fruit, Eggs,  
Pastries, Ice Cream, Tea,  
Coffee, Cider & more!

Limited Seating: \$12  
seniors & Kids 12 & under;  
\$15 adults. Kids < 4 free!  
Reserve: 978-733-4076 or

[mpelletier@lancasterma.net](mailto:mpelletier@lancasterma.net)





# *The Reason for the Season!*

International Nativity Exhibit • December 11 - December 26



Opening Night Monday, December 11th after the Christmas Tree Lighting - 4:30pm

Monday and Wednesdays 4:30pm-6:00pm

Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:30pm-8:00pm

Mabel R. Barlett Gallery @ Atlantic Union College

314 Main St. Lancaster MA 01523

## *Sounds of the Season*

*Holiday Music  
from the Balcony*



*Thayer Memorial Library*

717 Main Street  
Lancaster

Friday, December 22

12:30—4:30 p.m.

Take a break from holiday  
chores and shopping



Stop by the Library to relax and  
browse while listening to the  
holiday sounds of

Solo Guitarist & Song Writer

*Steve Rapson*

# A Center Village Garden/ Get Dirty Garden Class

## Free!

Thanks to our friends at the  
Harvard Community Health Foundation

*Eat like a Wild Thing for the Holidays.*

**Monday December 18<sup>th</sup> 3:30 p.m. -5:00 p.m.**

Learn about some of New England's Native Plants and how to use them in holiday meals. You may be surprised!

Free tastes and Free Rides for Lancaster Seniors to the class.

You will learn a lot and have fun at this tasty, interesting class.

*Please leave us a message if you can attend 978-733-4076.*



# Lancaster Firefighter's Association



## Christmas Tree Pick-Up & Removal Program

- ◆ Let Us Remove Your Tree For You
- ◆ Call **978-368-4003** or e-mail **sgranger@lancasterfd.net** Between **Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>** and **Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>** to Schedule a Pick-Up
- ◆ All Pick-Ups Will Be Made After Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>
- ◆ Pick-Up and Removal is **FREE** but Donations are Greatly Appreciated!
- ◆ Proceeds Will Benefit the Lancaster Firefighter's Association

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!**



# STERLING - LANCASTER COMMUNITY TV

## Comcast Channel 8

Broadcast Schedule December 16 - December 22, 2017

Broadcast Schedule Dec 23 - Dec 29 2017

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Genre</b>
12:00 AM Saturday Night at the Movies - Panic in the Streets	Entertainment
4:00 AM Saturday Night at the Movies - Panic in the Streets	Entertainment
6:30 AM Sound Off - Veterans Organizations	Interview
8:00 AM Village Church Service	Religion
10:00 AM College Church Service	Religion
12:00 PM Antique Truck Show	Local
1:00 PM Focus on Europe - Finnish and Arab Goods	Documentaries
2:00 PM Car Guy Channel - 76 Pontiac Transam	Hobby
3:00 PM Antique Truck Show	Local
4:00 PM Childrens Corner - Sleepy Creepy	Children
5:00 PM Symphonic Band - Musical Masquerade	Music
6:30 PM The Song - Pat Lamanna	Music
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7:30 AM Barbara and You	Interview
9:00 AM Tina Cooks - Three Fishes	Cooking
10:00 AM Yoga for Health and Joy - Yoga for Runners	Health
11:00 AM Car Guy Channel - Hot San Jose Nights	Hobby
12:00 PM Channel 8 Community Updates	News
12:30 PM Pawdoption	Animals
1:00 PM Conflict Zone - Britain and the EU	Documentaries
2:00 PM Church Services	Religion
4:00 PM Childrens Corner Happy Holidays part 1	Children
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11:00 AM Trinity Lutheran Church Service	Religion
12:00 PM Special Christmas Programming	Fun Stuff
<b>Monday - December 25</b>	
12:00 AM Special Christmas Programming	More Fun Stuff
<b>Tuesday - Friday</b>	
12:00 AM Saturday Night at the Movies - Gulliver's Travels	Entertainment
4:00 AM Saturday Night at the Movies - Gulliver's Travels	Entertainment
7:30 AM Barbara and You	Interview
9:00 AM Cathy Neptune's Kitchen - 5 Appetizers	Cooking
10:00 AM Physician Focus - Winter is Coming	Health
11:00 AM Car Guy Channel - Completed Projects	Hobby
12:00 PM Waterways - Florida Panthers	Documentaries
1:00 PM Global 3000 - Fighting Drought in the Andes	Documentaries
2:00 PM Church Services	Religion
4:00 PM Childrens Corner - Macaroni Madness	Children
5:00 PM Jeff Loeb Jazz Trio and Friends	Music
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