# Lancaster Events this Month

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Helpful Information



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Neighboring Towns

### 200th Anniversary of Bulfinch Meeting House



Designed by Charles Bulfinch in 1816 and dedicated January 1, 1817 Lancaster's Fifth Meeting House is considered "a masterpiece of American architecture" and is listed as a National Historic Landmark.



# CELEBRATE WITH US THE 200<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF LANCASTER'S BULFINCH MEETING HOUSE

Sunday, January 8, 2017 at 3pm

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Many of the Congregational and Unitarian churches in North Central Massachusetts, including those in Lancaster's "daughter towns" of Harvard, Bolton, Berlin, Leominster, Sterling, Boylston and Clinton, trace their history back to First Church of Christ in Lancaster, founded in 1653.

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Join us as we rededicate Lancaster's Fifth Meeting House for worship and service to the community.

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Ministers are invited to robe and process along with elected officials. Singers are invited to join with combined choirs; rehearsal begins at 2pm. Reception to follow immediately after the service.

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First Church of Christ Unitarian, 725 Main Street, Lancaster MA 01523



www.firstchurchlancasterma.org



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

#### 10am Worship and Religious Education:

January 1: A special Jazz Service to say goodbye to the old year and welcome the

New Year.

January 8: Guest speaker Rev. Richard Trudeau: "Mother of Us All: A New Look at

Eve and the Serpent"

January 15: A special Martin Luther King, Jr. Service, with guest speaker Sedie

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200th Anniversary Rededication of the Bulfinch Meeting House, 3pm on January 8th. A town-wide celebration of this magnificent architectural landmark built by the Town of Lancaster as a meeting place for both worship and town government.

See the front page of newsletter for more information.

#### Mindfulness Meditation

The weekly Mindfulness Meditation group continues to meet on Tuesday evening from 6-7:30pm in the church parlor (Chapel/Office entrance facing Main Street). Practitioners of all levels are welcome. A free-will offering will be taken.

Free information session on "Mindful Self-Compassion," on Thursday, January 12 at 7pm (Chapel/Office entrance facing Main Street). Come learn more about this eight week program which will run from March 16-April 4.

See flyer to the right or learn more at the Church's website:

(<a href="http://www.firstchurchlancasterma.org/adult-programs/">http://www.firstchurchlancasterma.org/adult-programs/</a> mindfulness-meditation)

# Mindful Self-Compassion

8-Week Program



Mindful Self-Compassion is an empiricallysupported, 8-week, training program designed to cultivate the skill of self-compassion. Based on the groundbreaking research of Kristin Neff and the clinical expertise of Christopher Germer, MSC teaches core principles and practices that enable participants to respond to difficult moments in their lives with kindness, care and understanding.



#### **Free Informational Session:**

January 12, at 7:00 PM

Time: Thursdays 6:15-8:30PM

Dates: March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 13,

20, 27, May 4

Optional Retreat: April 15

**Location**: First Church Lancaster 725 Main St, Lancaster, MA 01523

Chapel/Office Entrance facing Main Street.



Kathy Elkind

#### Registration and

**Information:** www.elkindnourishment.com/mindful-self-compassion/ or kathy@elkindnourishment.com

Lancaster Recreation Department is offering......

# YOUTH INDOOR Co-ED SOCCER



## SKILLS & SCRIMMAGE

Indoor Co-Ed Soccer skills and scrimmage is a 6-week program for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders to stay active, work on soccer skills and have a fun scrimmage. First half of the clinic will be stations of different skills. The second half will be a fun scrimmage.

Local varsity high school players will be instructing and overseeing the scrimmage. Open to 5th and 6th graders from Lancaster, Clinton and Bolton.

COST: \$50/PLAYER **TIME:** 6:30 – 8 PM

DATES: THURSDAYS, JANUARY 12TH THRU

FEBRUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2017

LOCATION: ATLANTIC UNION COLLEGE

WG Nelson Recreation Center

INDOOR FIELD HOUSE

300 GEORGE HILL ROAD, LANCASTER

- ~Visit Lancaster Recreation Department website: www.tinyurl.com/LancasterRecreation
- ~Click the link for Youth Indoor Co-ed Soccer, which will direct you to the online registration system.
- ~Participant Minimum: 15 (in order to run program). ~Participant Maximum: 28



#### **Questions?**

Lancaster Recreation's website

www.tinyurl.com/LancasterRecreation

Email Christa Duprey, Recreation Director

cduprey@Lancasterma.net

978.365.3326 X1108



# 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. 28<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!!!



Bella is taking a moment from belly rubs and enjoying her new status as Lancaster's #1 Dog for 2017 to ask all of the canine residents in Lancaster to remind their owners to renew their dog licenses.

She is very happy to report that licenses are now on sale at the Town Clerk's Office, or may be renewed online at:

http://ci.lancaster.ma.us/Pages/LancasterMA\_WebDocs/billpay

Licenses are due by March 31st.

She also invites you throw the ball. Often.

(with thanks to the Engelhardt Family!)

Sunday, January 15, 2017 at 7 PM at First Church Unitarian, 725 Main St, Lancaster, MA. Denis Wagner will present *The Art & Science of Pruning*, an informative program that will outline pruning techniques, timing and tools.

Denis Wagner is the owner of Denis Wagner Fine Gardening in Harvard, MA and is a MA Certified Horticulturist and Landscape Professional.

Come for our social hour from 6-7PM to visit with friends and discuss your pruning ups and downs! Program begins at 7pm.

Free for members, \$5 for non-members. Not a member? Consider a family membership for only \$20 per year that will give you access to fantastic programs and discounts to some local garden centers.

For additional details, visit our website at <a href="https://www.lancastergardenclub.net">www.lancastergardenclub.net</a>. Or, contact Meghan Whitcomb at 857-222-1855.



## Seeking Fleece

Caroline Ketchum and Friends are seeking donations of fleece material (<u>new or used</u> from old clothing or blankets) that can be transformed into hats and mittens like those pictured below from last year's Hat Project.

Please drop off your donations at:

Thayer Memorial Library
717 Main Street, Lancaster



The hats and mittens that are made will be distributed to folks who can use a little extra help staying warm this winter. Donations are much appreciated.

For more information, contact Karen Silverthorn at ksilverthorn@cwmars.org or phone 978-368-8928 ext. 4

#### **STERLING - LANCASTER COMMUNITY TV**

| Broadcast Schedule Dec. 31 to Jan   | 6, 2017                      | Broadcast Schedule December 24-30   | 0, 2016                      |
|---|------------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Saturday  | Genre                        | Saturday  | Genre                        |
|   |                              | 12:00 AM Retro Movie Theater - The Most Dangerous                               | Entertainment                |
| 12:00 AM Retro Movie Theater - The Second Woman                                   | Entertainment                | 4:00 AM Retro Movie Theater - The Most Dangerous                                | Entertainment                |
| 4:00 AM Retro Movie Theater - The Second Woman                                    | Entertainment                | 6:30 AM Barbara and You   | Interview                    |
| 6:30 AM Barbara and You   | Interview                    | 8:00 AM Village Church Service  | Religion                     |
| 8:00 AM Village Church Service  | Religion                     | 10:00 AM AUC College Service  | Religion                     |
| 10:00 AM AUC College Church Service   | Religion                     | 11:30 AM All Aboard - Pennsylvania Railroad                                     | Hobby                        |
| 12:00 AM Soil Safari H20 Series   | Documentaries                | 12:00 PM Wachusett Area Chamber of Commerce                                     | Documentaries                |
| 1:00 PM DW Conflict Zone - Somalia  | Documentaries                | 1:00 PM DW Tomorrow Today - Risk Factor   | Documentaries                |
| 2:00 PM Waterways - Invasive Exotics  | Documentaries                | 2:00 PM Wachusett Area Chamber of Commerce                                      | Documentaries                |
| 2:30 PM All Aboard - Railroad Video Magazine<br>3:00 PM Soil Safari H20 Series    | Hobby<br>Documentaries       | 3:00 PM All Aboard - Pennsylvania Railroad                                      | Hobby                        |
| 4:00 PM The Adventures of Donkey Ollie - The Great                                | Children                     | 4:00 PM The Adventures of Donkey Ollie - Road                                   | Children                     |
| 5:00 PM Atlantic Wind Symphony Orchestra  | Music                        | 5:00 PM Valley Homegrown - Goat Boy<br>6:00 PM Soul School - Jesse Johnson      | Music<br>Music               |
| 7:00 PM DW Conflict Zone - Somalia  | Documentaries                | 7:00 PM DW Tomorrow Today - Risk Factor   | Documentaries                |
| 8:00 AM Soil Safari H20 Series<br>9:00 PM Waterways - Invasive Exotics            | Documentaries  Documentaries | 8:00 PM Drugs Recovery Theater - War On Drugs                                   | Education                    |
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| 4:00 AM Game  | Entertainment                | 9:00 AM Recipes for Better Living - Butternut Squash                            | Cooking                      |
| 7:30 AM Barbara and You<br>9:00 AM Cathy Neptune's Kitchen - Burger Pie           | Interview<br>Cooking         | 10:00 AM Physician's Focus - Superbugs  | Health                       |
| 10:00 AM Body Sculpt with Elizabeth   | Health                       | 11:00 AM Big Animal Power in the Woods  | Local                        |
| 11:00 AM All Aboard - Pennsylvania Railroad                                       | Hobby                        | 11:30 PM All Aboard - Norfolk Southern  | Hobby                        |
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Please note this schedule is subject to change. Refer to www.slctv.us for any updates.