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Salem Celebrates the Holiday Season

December is full of Holiday spirit and the Town of Salem shares their spirit in many ways. Salem Community Television is happy to be part of the coverage of all these events. The Holiday Parade kicks off the December Event Calendar in a big way. This year the parade was hosted by State Representative Everett McBride and Susan McLoughlin from Salem Community Television.



The Parade Grand Marshalls were SHS Principal Tracy Collyer who was named Principal of the Year for the State of NH, and Karen Cox who was named Foreign Language Teacher of the Year for the State of NH. They were in the spirit of the theme and a highlight of the Parade.

The theme was Ugly Sweater Xmas Party and we saw a bunch of colorful sweaters and characters. Many bands entertained the community with their fine renditions of holiday classics.

We saw people from the Salem Police, Salem Fire and Department of Public Works.

There were clowns, jugglers, school floats and our own Snow Angel who held off the snow just long enough for the parade to conclude.



Carlene Nazarian Dancers high stepped their way through the two mile parade route to the delight of the crowd and Nancy Chippendale Dancers also kicked and twirled their way through the parade.



There was even some holiday magic when Chris Foden got out in front of the crowd, walked up to the float carrying Miss NH for America, Leah Smith, and with microphone in hand, proposed. Leah said "Yes!"



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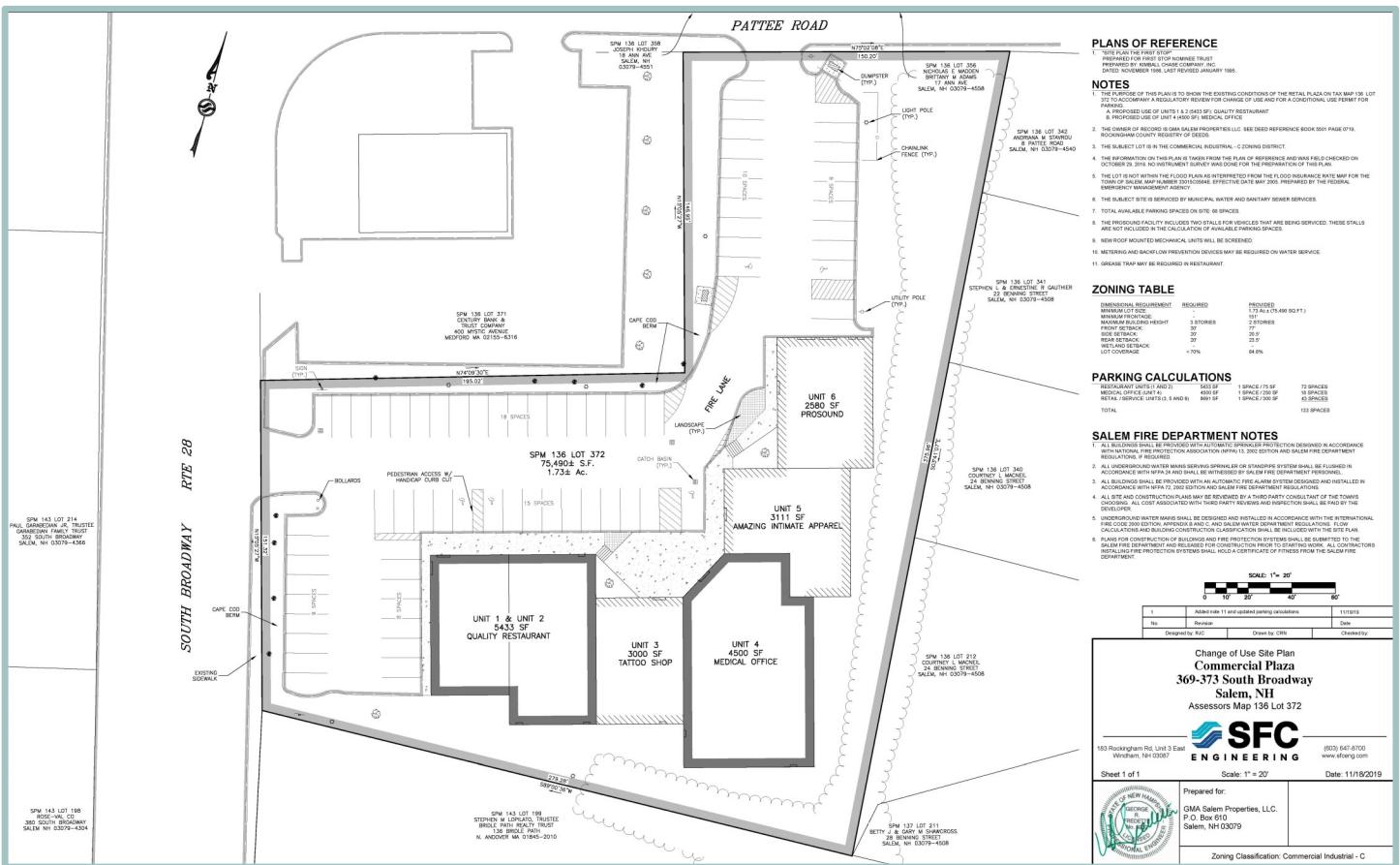
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Schedule of Meetings

- } December 3 Zoning Board of Adjustment, 7 PM
- } December 4 Conservation Commission, 7 PM
- } December 9— Board of Selectmen, 7 PM
- } December 10— Planning Board, 7 PM
- } December 11— Budget Committee, 7 PM
- } December 12— Budget Committee, 7 PM
- } December 16— Board of Selectmen, 7 PM



Planning Board



At their meeting on December 10, the Planning Board will review a site plan for a change-of-use from retail stores to a restaurant and medical office/treatment clinic in an existing building at 369 South Broadway.

Community Development

Salem Bike-Ped Corridor

A beautiful granite bench has been generously donated by the Ernest W. Young American Legion Post 63 and installed on the Salem Bike-Ped Corridor. Thank you for this wonderful addition to the trail!



Sustainability Club Clean-Up

A group of students from the Salem High School Sustainability Club helped clean up trash at Hedgehog Park. We appreciate their efforts to help keep Salem clean!



New Assistant Planner Jacob LaFontaine

Prior to coming to Salem Jacob worked with the Town of Tilton, NH as a research assistant and in the Land Use Department, after completing a Municipal Management of New Hampshire Fellowship with the Town. He is currently pursuing a Master's of Public Administration at UNH's Carsey School of Public Policy and previously received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Keene State College. Jacob is very excited to be starting in Salem!



Police Department



Coffee with a Cop

On November 22, the Salem Police Department was able to put on yet another Coffee With a Cop at Maryann's Diner! It was a great time and The New Guy even ran food and served coffee! How's that for service?



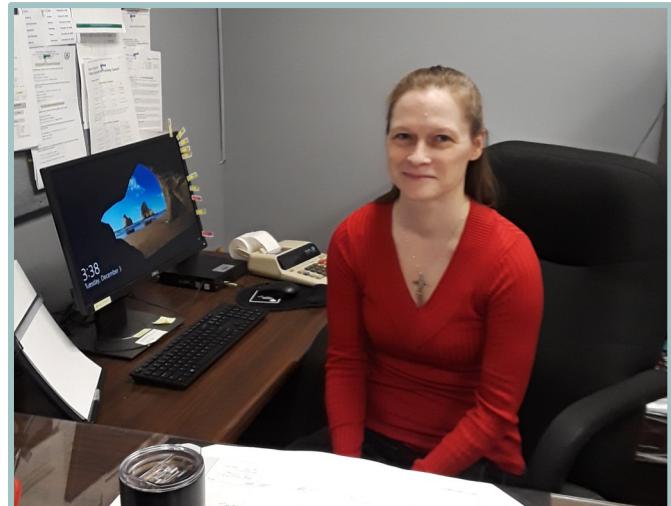
Citizen's Police Academy

The Salem Police Department also held its 10th annual Citizen's Police Academy graduation on November 19th! We are very proud of our graduates and had a great time teaching and getting to know them.

New Administrative Assistant to the Police Chief

The Town is delighted to announce the appointment of Mrs. Joy Stanton as the Administrative Assistant to the Police Chief.

Joy is a welcome addition to the Police Department with over 16 years of law enforcement agency experience including dispatch, administrative and executive support, patrol and emergency response, law enforcement payroll, and budget preparation. Her professional experience spans a variety of agencies including the NH Circuit Court, various Police Departments as well as the Merrimack County Department of Corrections. Joy is a valuable addition to our community and we welcome her enthusiastically.



Community Services



Ricky Nelson Tribute

On November 14th, two buses of our Seniors took a trip to Venus de Milo in Swansea, MA to see a Ricky Nelson Tribute show performed by his real life twin sons, Gunnar and Matthew Nelson.

They sang Ricky's chart topping songs, shared family stories about growing up as the grandsons of Ozzie and Harriet Nelson and sons of Ricky and showed video clips.

It was delicious food, an excellent show and a great day.



Thanksgiving Party

The Community Services Seniors Thanksgiving party at Harris' Pelham Inn is the largest of the holiday parties organized by Wendy Peters. Always a sellout, over 230 of Salem's seniors from the Ingram Senior Center filled Harris' for a delicious turkey dinner. Moholland Drive packed the dance floor from beginning to end with music spanning the decades. They danced away the tryptophan to everything from the Cupid Shuffle to the Last Waltz.



Fire Department



For more information on how to prevent winter fires, visit www.usfa.fema.gov/winter and www.nfpa.org/winter



It's fun to decorate for the winter holidays, but holiday decorations can increase your risk for a home fire. As you deck the halls this season, be fire smart.



More than half of the home decoration fires in December are started by candles.



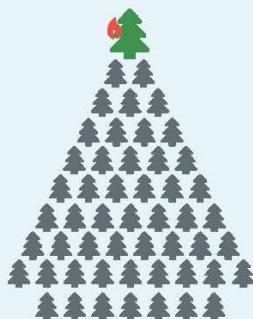
More than 1/3 of home decoration fires are started by candles.



The top 3 days for home candle fires are **Christmas Day, New Year's Day** and **New Year's Eve**.



Keep candles at least **12 inches** away from anything that burns.



Although Christmas tree fires are not common, when they do occur, they are dangerous.

On average, **1 of every 52** reported home Christmas tree fires resulted in death.



A heat source too close to the Christmas tree causes **1 in every 4** winter fires.



Read manufacturer's instructions for the number of light strands to connect.



Make sure your tree is **at least 3 feet away** from heat sources like fireplaces, radiators, space heaters, candles or heat vents. Also, make sure your tree does not block exits.



Get rid of your tree after Christmas or when it is dry.



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Additional Parade Photos

