GET YOURS BEFORE THEY ARE GONE!

Pick up your historical White Birch Center building replica today! The Henniker Historical Society's latest Cats Meow® replica offers a beautiful wooden cut-out with artistic and descriptive details of White Birch. The replica, available at White Birch Center and the Henniker Historical Society is available for $18 with proceeds going to the Historical Society. To purchase one at White Birch, please contact Beth Ann Paul, Director of Active Living at bethannp@whitebirchcc.org.

HOLIDAY CAROLING

Rotarians will continue their annual tradition of serenading Henniker seniors and others this season on December 9th. If you know of anyone who is ill, housebound or an elder who would appreciate a visit from the Rotary Holiday Carolers, please let them know.

HELGA WINN

Helga Winn was born and raised in Germany. She met her husband, Ryan, while he was stationed in Germany with the US Army. They have been married since 1985 and have four children.

Helga and her family moved to Henniker in 2000 and have lived here ever since. Besides travelling to Germany on a regular basis she would also like to continue visiting all 50 states. One of her favorite family trips was their move from California to New Hampshire, driving cross-country with 2 vans, 3 children, 2 dogs, and a cat. Her most precious time is spent with family and in her spare time she likes to research the family tree, read, go for walks, and be creative.

Helga has proudly served the Henniker community since February of 2001. First, from 2001 until the end of 2002 as the Assistant Director and from the beginning of 2003 until 2005 as the Director of the Tucker Free Library. That same year, she started working for the Town of Henniker as the Assistant Town Clerk/Tax Collector and since mid-2013 also as the Assessing Technician.

HENNIKER AMERICAN LEGION POST 78

The newly re-chartered Henniker American Legion Post 78 - Davis-Woodman-Durgin has embarked on its first fund raising project to assist in the development of children and youth programs in Henniker. The Post will be raffling off two Holiday Baskets of Cheer. Basket one is valued at $100 and basket two is valued at $50. The tickets will be selling for $1.00 each and a book of six for $5.00. Both baskets are beautifully put together by Post Finance Officer Maria Harding. The drawing will be held at the regular post meeting held at the Henniker Community Center on Tuesday, December 19th. The Post is planning to sell tickets at various venues around town including the Harvester Market and Edmunds Hardware.

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month at the Henniker Community Center at 7:00pm. For information contact: Dave Currier @ ALHennikerPost78@gmail.com

Post members Dave Currier, Gregg Champlin and John Coburn
STONEFALLS GARDENS HELPS RAISE FUNDS FOR HENNIKER ROTARY

Stonefalls Gardens will be open for the holiday season selling a selection of wreaths, garlands, holiday plants and ornaments including these beautiful bird seed wreaths with all proceeds from the wreaths going to Rotary.

At just $15.00, these beautifully packaged wreaths make a great gift for someone on your list and the winter birds in their yard. Supplies are limited, so pick up your wreath at Stonefalls during the following times: Thursday and Friday 12-5, Saturday 8-5 and Sunday 10-5. Proceeds from the bird seed wreath sales benefit local Rotary service projects.

$100 Rotary Monthly Raffle Tickets on Sale Now

Tickets for the 2018 Rotary monthly raffle will be on sale at the Congregational Church Holiday Fair, Saturday December 2nd.

$10 each
They are great stocking stuffers and give you 12 chances to win $100! Buy 5 raffle tickets for $40 and increase your chances to win to 60 over the course of the year.

The Henniker Community School is looking for paraeducators and substitutes. Interested? Click here for more information:

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE BILL KOCH SKI LEAGUE

The mission of the Bill Koch League is to introduce children to cross-country skiing in a supportive and fun environment. It is open to all children grades 1-8. Registration is required and equipment is not provided, although some loaner equipment is available.

Practices will be held Tuesday, and Friday afternoons at the Hopkinton Fairgrounds (behind the Odd Fellows Hall on Park Avenue) and Sunday afternoons at Pat’s Peak. Skiers need not attend all practices to be a part of the group. Dryland exercises and games will be held if conditions do not allow for skiing.

HENNIKER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LOCAL TOYS FOR LOCAL TOTS TOY DRIVE

The Henniker Chamber of Commerce continues a “Local Toys for Local Tots” Toy Drive for Henniker children. Since items put in the nationally known donation boxes at local retailers don’t stay local, the Henniker Chamber of Commerce teamed up with local businesses to collect toys for families in Henniker. Local Toy for Local Tot boxes will be put out the week of November 17th and are scheduled to be picked up December 10th. Boxes are set up for drop off locations including the Henniker Farm & Country Store, Henniker Pharmacy, Intervale Pancake House, Edmunds Ace Hardware, TD Bank, Trend Acupuncture, The Fiber Studio, Henniker Police Department and Henniker Town Hall.

Henniker Community School
Dec. 4: PTA Meeting, 6:30pm. The PTA hosts an SB2 Information Night with Superintendent Dr. Lorraine Tacconi-Moore in the school library. Regular PTA meeting to follow. Open to all. Childcare available.

Dec. 6: Henniker District School Board Meeting with Default Budget presentation, 6:15pm in the school library.

Dec. 7: School Theatre group to present Ghosts Chasers by Tim Kelly. Join the fun for a comic thriller in two acts, 7pm in the Café. Admission by donation.


John Stark Regional High School:
Dec. 12: Winter Concert at 6:30pm in the Café (if the weekend weather forecasts to be difficult driving for Tuesday, the concert will be held the evening before, Monday, Dec. 11). Suggested donation: $5.00 for adults and $3 for students/seniors and will benefit the Spring Band/Choral trip to NYC. The Tri-M Honor Society will provide refreshments.

Dec. 13: Principal’s Coffee, 7:30am, Principal’s Office. Informal conversations for parents and general public with Principal Corkery.
The first practice is December 8th and runs through February. Although generally not a competitive program, there are opportunities for some races and one race will be held at the end of the season. There will be an open house/question & answer hour at the Maple Street School library at 6:30 to 7:30pm on Tuesday, December 5th.

More Information and registration can be found at: [www.blackwaterx Nordic.org](http://www.blackwaterx Nordic.org)
or contact Juliana and Rob Dapice
Juliana.popper@gmail.com
rob_dapice@yahoo.com

White Birch Center and Banner Tours & Travel are happy to announce that we have planned the following trips for 2018. Please note that there are a limited number of seats for each trip and payment is required with registration.

For more information, call 428-3077 or stop by White Birch to pick up a registration form.

**White Birch Center Presents**

- **Washington, DC Tour & Cherry Blossom Parade**
  April 12 - 17, 2018
- **Daffodil Days at Blithewold Mansion**
  Bristol, RI
  Wednesday, April 25, 2018
- **Boston Duck Tour & Old North Church**
  Wednesday, June 23, 2018
- **Rhode Island Lighthouse Cruise**
  Wednesday, July 18, 2018
- **Norman Rockwell Museum**
  Stockbridge, MA
  Wednesday, May 23, 2018

[www.whitebirchcc.org](http://www.whitebirchcc.org)

**HENNIKER COMMUNITY CONCERTS COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES WINTER SERIES**

The Community Concerts Committee is pleased to announce the launching of the Only Henniker On Earth Acoustic Café, a series of 3-monthly coffee house and open mike sessions in partnership with New England College. The series will be held on the last Sunday of the month beginning on January 28th, in The Pub, Simon Center, New England College from 5:00-7:00pm.

Each Acoustic Café will feature a named performer. The first group to perform is *Pickle Hill* on Sunday, January 28th. Local acoustic musicians are also encouraged to sign up for an Open Mike session each of the three evenings. Performers will be able to do 2-3 songs during their Open Mike slot, or more.

Dec. 13: John Stark District School Board Meeting with Default Budget presentation, 6:30pm in the school library.

Dec. 20: National Honor Society Inductions, 7pm in the Café.

**TUCKER FREE LIBRARY**

- Story Time with Miss Erin! Join us for stories, songs & crafts. A new theme each week! Wednesdays at 10:30am
- December 6 - Winter Sparkles
- Winter Break and Story Time will return for January!
  - Closed Saturday, December 23
  - Closed Sunday, December 24
  - Closed Sunday, December 31

**THE LAMPS HAVE RETURNED!**

In 1982 the iron lampposts in front of the Tucker Free Library were removed due to damage. Lynn Piotrowicz procured a grant from the Mooseplate Program & New Hampshire State Council on the Arts. They were repaired by the Conant Metal & Light Co. in Burlington, VT. Now restored to their former glory, the lamps will be rewired by Marc Aucoin and mounted by Keith Demoura! Stay tuned for information about our lighting ceremony.

Welcome back!
CONCERT COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES THE 2018 PLAN

Committee chair Ruth Zax presented the Concert Committee’s budget request and plan for the 2018 Summer Series recently to the combined SelectBoard and Budget Advisory Committees.

The plan calls for a 12-concert series, beginning with the 3rd annual preview concert on Saturday, May 12th at Congregational Church, and once again featuring the Tall Granite Big Band.

The outdoor series begins Tuesday, June 19th and will continue through August 21st mostly on Tuesday evenings. There will be two special Thursday evening concerts: an Independence Day Celebration with the 35th Army Band on July 5th and a Club Soda concert on Thursday, August 2nd to

CONGRATULATIONS TO JEANNINE AUCOIN

Jeannine Aucoin, a program participant of the White Birch Center for Active Living, was recently recognized at the Spirit of New Hampshire Awards for her volunteer efforts in her community.

Aucoin received a Service Award for her efforts as a volunteer driver for Dial-A-Ride and as an exercise facilitator for a Bone Builders program. Dial-A-Ride is a unique service where volunteer drivers provide transportation to medical appointments for older adults. Bone Builders is a nationally-recognized program which emphasizes increasing muscular strength, balance and bone density to protect against fractures caused by osteoporosis. Both services are sponsored by The Friends RSVP program of Concord and then offered free of charge through hosting organizations such as White Birch.

As a senior who embraces wellness and community involvement, Aucoin enjoys maintaining her health and independence while helping others do the same. When asked to explain why she volunteers, Aucoin shares "I do what I do since I simply ask God each morning to help me do with a joyful heart anything and all He asks me to do that day. I simply try to be open to where I need to be". Additional programs offered by the White Birch Center for Active Living include educational workshops, cultural programs, dining experiences, leisure activities, games, outings, crafts, community service opportunities, and intergenerational activities.

The mission of White Birch Center is to be a community leader in providing exceptional programs and services that support learning and active living for children, adults, and families. For more information on these programs and White Birch Center, please visit http://www.whitebirchcc.org.

Pictured L to R: Marc McMurphy, Executive Director for White Birch Center; Bernadette Douzanis, Director of Development & Community Relations for White Birch Center, Jeannine Aucoin, Volunteer Award recipient, and Louise Cyr, White Birch Center Board President.

ALCHEMISTS' WORKSHOP

Calendar listings:
Will Ogmudson and Cast

Kindness & Cruelty: Willa Cather in Jaffrey opened in Henniker and Harrisville to standing ovations. The world premiere musical continues its tour through February.

For more information email dunn.t@comcast.net or visit www.alchemistsworkshop.org

Saturday, December 2nd
Kindness & Cruelty: Willa Cather in Jaffrey
new musical by Alchemists' Workshop
1:00pm at Scott-Farrar in Peterborough
3:00pm at Good Shepherd Home in Jaffrey
7:00pm at Keene Public Library

Sunday, December 3rd
Georgia O'Keeffe Paints Paradise
2:00pm at Ash Hill Center for the Performing Arts in Swanzey

Monday, December 4th
Kindness & Cruelty: Willa Cather in Jaffrey
2:00pm at Mt. Carmel in Manchester
7:00pm Manchester Public Library

Wednesday, December 6th
Kindness & Cruelty: Willa Cather in Jaffrey
3:00pm at St. Teresa's in Manchester

Friday, December 8th
Kindness & Cruelty: Willa Cather in Jaffrey
7:00pm Event Center at Holy Cross

December 27th to 30th
Holiday musical theatre camp at JSRHS
9:00 to 3:00 each day for young people ages 6 to 18

Help launch the official 250th Anniversary Celebration weekend. Both of the Thursday concerts will feature food vendors. The series concludes on Tuesday, August 21st with everyone’s favorite party band - Nick’s Other Band.

Other performers, based on your audience surveys and committee research, will be announced at the May 12th preview concert. For more information or to be considered as a performer for the 2018 series go to: hennikerconcerts@henniker.org

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