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## ADOPT-A-FAMILY

### Dear TPS Community:

It is that time of year again, and the Tyngsborough Public School's sponsored *Adopt-A-Family* program is continuing its annual efforts during the 2019 holiday season.

The *Adopt-A-Family* program has been in existence for over forty years and provides assistance to needy families within our community during the holidays. The continued goal of the program is to assist those in need within our community by providing a meal, as well as gifts for children and teens who might otherwise go without. Last year this *Adopt-A-Family* program was able to assist over 100 needy families and elderly with help from students in our schools, private citizens and a few community businesses. This year will be no different, times continue to be difficult for a growing number of families.

In order to continue to provide assistance, we are reaching out to community members and businesses in the greater community for support. At this time the program is in need of the following:

... Family and children sponsors, please email our Family Liaison Melissa Mallous at [Melissa.Mallous@tyngsboroughps.org](mailto:Melissa.Mallous@tyngsboroughps.org)

... Gift cards to local businesses (Walmart, Target, Market Basket, Old Navy, etc.)

... AAF Gift Basket Raffle - Purchase raffle tickets - AAF tickets can be purchased in the main office of TES, TMS and THS. The raffle will end on December 5, 2019 and the winners will be announced on December 6, 2019.

... Monetary donations (checks made out to Tyngsborough High School, memo: Adopt A Family Program) can be sent to Tyngsborough Public Schools, 50 Norris Road, Tyngsborough, MA 01879, ATTN: Sharon Fairbanks

If you are interested and able to make a donation, sponsoring a child/family yourself, or as a group, or offering support in another way, please contact one of the *Adopt-A-Family* committee members listed below. We look forward to establishing new partnerships within our community. Your contribution, along with the combined efforts and generosity of many, will ensure another successful season of giving for our neighbors in need.

Warm regards, **Sarah Lewenczuk**, 978-649-8914, Adopt-A-Family Secretary & Treasurer [Sarah.lewenczuk@tyngsboroughps.org](mailto:Sarah.lewenczuk@tyngsboroughps.org)  
**Melissa Mallous**, 978-649-3115, Family Liaison [Melissa.mallous@tyngsboroughps.org](mailto:Melissa.mallous@tyngsboroughps.org)

**Sharon Fairbanks**, 978-649-7488, Adopt-A-Family Community Liaison [Sharon.fairbanks@tyngsboroughps.org](mailto:Sharon.fairbanks@tyngsboroughps.org)

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## TYNGSBOROUGH TOWN CLERK NEWS

**2019 DOG LICENSES** are available at the Town Clerk's office or by mail. Male/female licenses are \$11.00 and spayed/neutered licenses are \$7.00. Current rabies vaccination is required. If renewing by mail, please enclose a stamped envelope for the license. Licenses are now overdue and will require an additional \$25.00 for the late fee!

Please contact the office at 978-649-2300 extension 129 or email to [jshifres@tyngsboroughma.gov](mailto:jshifres@tyngsboroughma.gov) with any questions.

## FRIENDS OF

### THE TYGSBORO ELDERLY, INC.

The Friends of the Tyngsboro Elderly, Inc. is a nonprofit group composed of a Board of Directors made up of senior citizens who have volunteered their time to make this a better place for seniors through fund raising.

Through their efforts, the seniors as well as the Senior Center have benefited greatly. Through their efforts they purchased tables, chairs, and draperies in the dining room and window shades and draperies throughout the center. Also through their efforts, there is now a full kitchen where there was once an empty room.

**The next event sponsored by the Friends is the Christmas Dinner, held on December 18th at the center. A nominal fee of \$5 is required per ticket.**

The GAS CARD RAFFLE is the fundraiser currently in progress. Tickets are 3 for \$1.00 and there are 4 prizes ranging from \$150 to \$50. Tickets will be sold at various events in town or contact President, Joe Jacoppi (978-649-9076) for ticket or information.

Become a member of the Friends for \$10 per year to help support our efforts. Applications are available at the senior center. And to those who are members of the Friends, thank you for your continued support.

## TYNGSBOROUGH BOARD OF HEALTH

After the holidays, **Christmas Trees** can be dropped off at the old Senior Center on Lakeview Ave., through the month of January.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Board of Health at 978-649-2300 x118.

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## TYNGSBOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY

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### Holiday schedule:

**December 24** Tuesday Christmas Eve Closing - 2PM  
**December 25** Wednesday Christmas Day CLOSED  
**January 1** Wednesday New Year's Day CLOSED

*The Staff, Trustees and Friends of the Library wish all our patrons very happy holidays! Many thanks to all who contributed to the success of the Friends of the Library Book & Bake Sale.*

*The timeline of the Library painting and carpeting project has been reset and will tentatively begin sometime in early 2020.*

• **Santa & Mrs. Claus Visit! Sat., Dec. 7, 10-11:30 a.m.** Stop by to meet Santa & Mrs. Claus – Bring your kids & your camera for a great photo. Write Santa a letter & do some holiday coloring! Free & open to the public.

• **Holiday Design Class: Snowflake Wreath, Tuesday, December 10, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.** Darlene Cambra from Blossoms demonstrates how to create a magical snowflake wreath using fresh greens and holiday picks. Materials will be provided. \$20 materials fee. Registration required by November 28.

• **Holiday Dance Performance- Sat., Dec. 21, 11-11:45 a.m.** Enjoy a special holiday dance performance by Tyngsborough's Centerstage Dance Academy. They will perform a section of the Nutcracker and other holiday favorites. Free & open to the public. **Will be held at Old Town Hall building located at 10 Kendall Rd.**

• **Digital SLR Photography Basics - January 8, 15 & 29, February 12 & 19,** March date TBD, Wednesdays, 6:30-8 p.m.+ 2 offsite photo shoots, dates TBD. With Nick DePasquale, geared for beginner and advanced beginner photographers. Registration required.

### CANCELLED: Philosophy Tyngsborough

- **Adopt-a-Family** project (Tyngsborough Public Schools) Drop off non-perishable food items through December 13. Food collection for the Council on Aging will resume at the end of this project.
- **Pokemon Club,** Wed., Jan. 22, 4-5:00 p.m. Ages 8-15. Drop in. Bring your cards or handheld device.
- **Tiny Tots Storytime:** Wed., Jan. 8 & 22, 11-11:30 a.m. Infants-3 yrs. Drop in.
- **Lego Club: Date Change:** Sat., Jan. 25, 10 -11:30 a.m. Grades K-6. Drop in.
- **Dads & Donuts Playgroup,** Sat., Feb. 15, 10-11 a.m. Infants-3 yrs. Drop in. No December or January date.
- **Family Music Time,** Thurs. Jan. 9, 10-11 a.m. Infants-5 yrs. Drop in.
- **SoundPlay Family Music program,** Sat. Feb. 1, 1-1:40 p.m. Infants-5 yrs. Drop in..
- **Storytimes for 3-5 year olds.** Thursdays at 1 p.m. Drop in.
- **Tech Advice by Appointment,** PCs, android tablets & phones, Excel, MS Word, e-books, etc. Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Wednesdays, 7-8 p.m. Registration required.
- **Adult Coloring Club,** 1st Wed. each month, 6:30-8 p.m. Drop in.
- **Writer's Group, Mondays, 6:30 p.m.** Feedback, publishing tips, all genres. Karen Johnson 978-649-7132
- **Board of Library Trustees Monthly 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs.** No meeting is held in August. Check TPL website for schedule changes.
- **Friends of the Library** – Join in the fun and support your library! Meetings are held 9 Mondays per year at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. See the TPL website for dates.

*Artists & collectors, contact the Library to discuss scheduling an exhibit in the gallery or display case.*

Like us on Facebook. Follow us on Instagram [tyngsboroughpubliclibrary](https://www.instagram.com/tyngsboroughpubliclibrary) and Twitter [@tyngsboroughlib](https://twitter.com/tyngsboroughlib)  
**Register for TPL programs by calling the Library or using the contact form on the website.**





## FRIENDS OF THE TYNGSBOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY

\*\*Thank you to all of you who attended the Fall Used Book and Bake Sale. Also thanks to those who donated books, baked goods, DVDs, CDs, jewelry, scarves, puzzles and Halloween costumes as well as those who volunteered their time to help sort, set up and clean up. It is very encouraging to see how generous Tyngsborough residents are who donate so much to the sale to support our community library.

\*\***Thank you!** After earning about \$3000 from the fall book sale, the Friends are donating \$600 to the Library to purchase children's books. We could not have done this without the volunteers who did so much. Thank you to: The **sorters** who volunteered their time to help with the book donations. The **bakers** were excellent this year with fresh goodies that many enjoyed. **Scout Troop 46** and their leader were invaluable with the cleanup on Saturday. **National Honor Society** students from THS and **Greater Lowell Tech** students. The **staff of Tyngsborough Public Library** which helps in many ways throughout the year. Other **adult volunteers** who helped with set up, sale and clean up.

\*\***December's Featured Passes:** See a show at the Merrimack Repertory Theater in Lowell for a show this season. The pass entitles holder to \$15 off up to six tickets for the selected performance. See the Library website for details.

\*\*Apply for **membership** at: <http://www.tynglib.org/index.php/friends-of-library>. Membership will give you the advantage of attending the spring and fall used book sales on Friday's preview night. Don't forget, your membership is with this nonprofit organization that benefits the Library and is not the same as having a Library card.

\*\***Meetings** are on Mondays at 6:30pm at the Library. The Friends helped sponsor the holiday reception on Monday, December 2 in lieu of the meeting.

**In early 2020, meetings will be on January 6,  
February 3, and March 2.**

\*\*If you are starting your **holiday shopping**, you can benefit the Friends while you are shopping on Amazon. Do your shopping at [smile.amazon.com/ch/22-2986749](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-2986749) and Amazon will donate a percentage of eligible Amazon Smile purchases to Friends of the Tyngsborough Public Library.

\*\*Like us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/FOTPL> or visit <http://www.tynglib.org/> - Click on the "Friends of Library".



## TYNGSBORO BOY SCOUT TROOP 46 CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL

Again this year, our troop will be assisting Tyngsboro residents with Christmas Tree disposal. **We will be picking up trees on Saturday, January 4th**, and bringing them to one of the drop-off locations in town. **If you would like us to pick up your tree, please email [tyngstroop46@gmail.com](mailto:tyngstroop46@gmail.com) prior to January 4th and specify your address.**

**Please have your tree on the curb by 9:00am on January 4th. Be sure to remove all ornaments, nails, tinsel, and stands.** A voluntary donation of \$10 per tree is suggested and appreciated! Thank you for your support!

## TYNGSBOROUGH VETERAN'S OFFICE

If you have questions or need help please contact Chris Dery at the Tyngsborough Town Hall at (978) 649-2300 ext 131 or email him at [veteransagent@tyngsboroughma.gov](mailto:veteransagent@tyngsboroughma.gov)

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• **WELLNESS CLINIC at ELDERLY HOUSING** Nancy Harding, RN,  
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Tuesday of each month from **8:30 - 9:30. Brinley Terrace Elderly  
Housing**, the fourth Tuesday of each month **8:30-10:00.**

• **Needed: COFFEE** (ground and k-cups), **Cups 8oz Styrofoam,**  
**and Napkins. Paper Plates, Bowls, Small and Large, Plastic  
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• **IF SCHOOL has CANCELLED**, the Senior Center will still be  
**OPEN.** If Town Hall office is closed due to a snow storm then the  
Tyngsborough COA will be closed. When in doubt just call and see  
if we're open. **BUS Transportation:** If there is no school in Tyngsbor-  
ough the elder bus **WILL NOT RUN.** If the schools have a 2-hour  
delay the bus will not start till 10:00am. If you have any morning ap-  
pointment before 10:00 you will have to cancel it. Cancellations will  
be announced on WCAP Radio 98.5 & TV News on 4, 5, 7.

• **COA Board Meeting Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> 3:30p.m.**

• **CARD MAKING with Colleen Gary, Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>,**  
**1:00pm** Come join the fun making crazy cards for friends, love  
ones, or family. Not hard at all, just lots of fun.

• **FIRE DEPARTMENT SAFETY PRESENTATION Friday,**  
**December 13<sup>th</sup>, 11:00** If you'd like a meal please order through  
the kitchen one week in advance. \$3.00pp

**CENTER CLOSED Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> and Monday,**  
**January 20<sup>th</sup>, Martin Luther King Day.**

• **This will be our 8th annual Holiday Cheer.** We hope to bring  
much needed holiday cheer to our Meals on Wheels clients. This  
will help bring some cheer to our seniors who live alone at home.  
We could use gifts of small items such as toiletries, nail care  
items, kitchen towels, wrapped candy, hats, gloves, shaving items,  
flashlights with batteries, pot holders, combs, lotions, body wash,  
deck of cards, puzzle books and pudding/fruit cups. The COA  
volunteers will fill sm gift bags and deliver to our seniors in the area.  
**Donations are being accepted until December 18th and will be  
distribute on Monday the 23rd.** We could use volunteers to help  
do up the bags. **Drop off box will be in the coatroom. We could  
use small holiday bags also.**

• **Christmas Celebration Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> 11:00a.m ~**  
**1:30p.m** Tickets \$5.00 Kathy Rodger—Sing a long Sponsored by  
the Tyngsborough of the Elderly **Seats cannot be reserved over  
the phone**

• **CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. 11:00AM**  
The Staff of the TCOA invites you to come in for coffee, tea and  
holiday pastries.

• **NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY Friday, December 27<sup>th</sup>, 10:00AM**  
Come join us for a special gathering. Bring your favorite appetizer to  
share. We will have a toast with sparkling soda! Entertainment

• **BOOK CLUB (Monthly) Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 12:00**  
The 3rd Thursday of each month the group gets together to  
discuss the book of the month. "Inside the O'Brien's" by Lisa  
Genova.

• **PIZZA PARTY / BIRTHDAY FOR ALL! Wednesday, January**  
**8th, 11:30** Come celebrate National Pizza Week and everyone's  
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**11<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival of Trees**  
**Thursday December 5th - Sunday December 8th**  
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The Tyngsborough Festival of Trees is a community celebration featuring a spectacular display of uniquely decorated holiday trees and seasonal displays set in Tyngsborough's historic "Old Town Hall" built in 1834! Tour the newly renovated *Parish Meeting House*. Open free to the public, you will delight in the live holiday entertainment, workshops and events. Raffle tickets will be available to purchase your chance to win any one of these beautiful trees plus over 100 other raffle items generously donated by local businesses and families. Tyngsborough's Festival of Trees is a benefit event which provides funding for the many youth programs supported by the Tyngsborough Recreation Committee.

**Volunteers needed during the Festival of Trees!** Every good event has many enthusiastic people who chip in to help make everything happen. Please consider helping with set-up, general running during the Festival hours, activities and breakdown. email at [HolidyFestivalofTrees@gmail.com](mailto:HolidyFestivalofTrees@gmail.com) or message us on Face Book. Join us and get into the holiday spirit!

**Community Service Hours Available for Students** Do you need community service hours? Contact us, we have many opportunities. Festival of Trees, Shamrock Ball and more-

**SOFTBALL- Girls Indoor Winter Softball Clinic 2020** 8 week all new, recharged clinic is offered to girls ages 4 to 14 years old, by the directors of Tyngsboro Youth Softball. This is a fun, friendly and highly instructional clinic for girls of all skill levels. Coaches and players from Lesley University will be helping out with the clinic this year!! The clinic concentrates on fundamental softball instruction including throwing, fielding and batting. Each player receives a clinic T-Shirt. Please note: players are required to have their own glove, fielding face mask (not required for t-ball), and batting helmet. **Sundays, January 26 - March 23, 2020** (except Feb. 16th) Two 1-hour sessions. Ages 4-8 2:30-3:30pm and Ages 9-14 3:30-4:30pm \$60/ player (\$100 family cap) Ages 4-14. 2-week free trail for new players only. Try it. If she likes it, pay on week #3

**TYNGSBORO - MEN'S PICK-UP BASKETBALL LEAGUE:** Calling all frequent and casual basketball players. Several 7pt games are played on the "short court" of the high school and teams vary each week depending on attendance. Currently scheduled for Tuesday nights starting on September 24, 2019 through the end of winter, 2020 at THS from 8-10pm. Note: Due to gym availability, the date may change on occasion. Age: 30+ Great exercise. Lots of fun. Slightly competitive. No commitment. Cost: \$10/night pay-at-court or \$80 in advance for 1/2 season ([www.TyngsboroughRec.com](http://www.TyngsboroughRec.com) click programs) Questions? Click the message tab below. How to join? JUST SHOW UP on game nights.

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**December 10<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for the January issue.**

Please contact me if you need more time to submit your articles or your ad.

**More articles and events posted on the website.**

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**Need details about advertising your business?**

Contact [anne@NeighborToNeighborNewsletter.com](mailto:anne@NeighborToNeighborNewsletter.com) or Neighbor to Neighbor, 64 Hardy St., Dunstable, MA 01827.

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- Winter Sports began **December 2nd**
- Winter Team Picture day will be **Friday, December 13th**
- Big Red Wrestling tournament will be held **Saturday, December 21st**.

**ALL SPORTS SCHEDULES** [WWW.MWLMA.ORG](http://WWW.MWLMA.ORG)

**PARENTS/GUARDIANS:** If you would like to receive scheduling text alerts during your son/daughters sports season, please go to: <http://www.tyngsboroughps.org/pages/tyngsborough/departments/athletics> and CLICK on Schedule Alerts for Parents.

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The Tyngsborough Scholarship Trust would like to thank all who attended, donated to and volunteered at our annual **Holiday Marketplace** on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Also a special thank you to the Girl Scouts, Troop #62696 for all their help with the games and crafts, Brick House Pizza, MaryEllen Riley and the Theatre Students for entertaining us with their Christmas Carols.

Mark your calendar for Tyngsborough Scholarship Trust's popular **Trivia Night, which will take place on Friday, February 7th at the Tyngsborough Sportsmen's Club**. Registration begins at 7:00 p.m. and the Trivia contest begins at 7:30 p.m. Teams of four compete to correctly answer the sometimes obscure, often hilarious, and frequently curious trivia questions. Cash bar and free snacks are available, and pizza can be pre-ordered so you can have your dinner when you get there!. Donation is \$25 per player. **Student teams are encouraged and welcome at \$10 per player**. Unique and amusing team names are encouraged! Test your wit against last year's winning teams, "My Drinking Team has a Trivia Problem", "Lost out of our Minds" and "In Dog Years I've Had One". The top three teams will win a set of embroidered polo shirts, which were donated by the Tyngsborough High School, and can be worn with pride. To reserve your space today, email Rose Mitchell at [mitchell6260@msn.com](mailto:mitchell6260@msn.com), or visit [www.TyngsboroughScholarshipTrust.org](http://www.TyngsboroughScholarshipTrust.org) and download a registration form and mail in to P.O. Box 547, Tyngsborough MA 01879.

All profits from the 2018-2019 fundraising events will go directly towards scholarships for the Class of 2019. *A reminder to the 2018 scholarship recipients, please be sure to submit proof of school enrollment to the TST at P.O. Box 547, Tyngsborough MA 01879 so you can receive your first or second payment.* Please contact Bonnie McGrath, Treasurer, at [thebend2@comcast.net](mailto:thebend2@comcast.net) with any questions regarding payment.

The TST meets on the second Wednesday of the month at the Tyngsborough Town Hall at 7 p.m. For 55 years volunteers from the community have been coordinating fundraising and awarding scholarships to high school students from Tyngsborough. We welcome and need your help to continue this town tradition. Please join us at our monthly meetings the second Wednesday of the month at the Tyngsborough Town Hall. Please contact [info@TyngsboroughScholarshipTrust.org](mailto:info@TyngsboroughScholarshipTrust.org) with any questions.

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## TYNGSBORO GARDEN CLUB



• In October we participated at the Tyngsborough Public Library fall book fair. Thank you to everyone who volunteered for and visited this event. The raffle winners were Donna Wood( Rose of Sharon), Liz Antanavica (Gourmet Basket, Bulb basket), Hollis Holsten( cold remedy basket), Bernie Mercier( Burtons gift card), and Marie Lambert( mum in Pumpkin holder).

• At our November meeting we had a member give a very **informative presentation on recycling**. Some tips presented were to rinse and put lids/ caps back on bottles/containers. Recycle cardboard- there are 2 town dumpsters at the middle school and the highway department. **Do not put children's toys, shredded paper, envelopes lined with plastic bubble wrap, and milk cartons in your recycling.**

• On Monday Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> we gathered at the Evangelical Tyngsborough Congregational Church to assemble the holiday greens to be placed around town. Please look for these seasonal arrangements as you run errands and visit friends.

• In Dec. we will have a potluck meeting at a member's house. We hope everyone has a very safe and merry holiday season.

••• There is no meeting in January. Stay warm and safe! •••

• **Our next regular, scheduled meeting will be Feb 4, 2020 with a presentation on ornamental grasses by Jack Wagner.**

As always, new member are always welcome. If you love gardening, want to learn about gardening, get a head start on spring planting ideas, or just want to join a great group of people please stop in at one of our meetings. For more information visit our web-site at: [tyngsborogardenclub.tripod.com](http://tyngsborogardenclub.tripod.com) or find us on Facebook at Tyngsborough Garden Club or call Debbie at 978-649-6362.

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For more information, please call Jean Jacoppi (Coordinator) at 978-649-9076.

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### WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?

*By Nathan Combs*

There are many words in our Bibles that aren't like the words we use every day, words that seem like part of a special spiritual vocabulary. Gospel is one of those words. It's a word that describes the message that Jesus taught and the early Christians believed. It's a word that's used as the title of the first four books of the New Testament (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John). It has a simple meaning in the original language, "good news," but that leads us to another question: what is this news and why is it good?

This gospel is a message about many things, but this is the core truth: Jesus of Nazareth is the king over all. Consider what Jesus himself said as He began to travel around Israel preaching and collecting disciples: "Repent, for the *kingdom* of heaven is at hand" (Matthew 4.17). Throughout the rest of Jesus' story, we see a very different king than the average human ruler. Jesus spent His time healing people's bodies of all their diseases and casting out their demons. Most importantly, He healed people's souls by teaching them the way of heaven and forgiving their sins. On His road to becoming king, Jesus rolled back the power of Satan and the destruction, death, and sin he brought into God's good world. In short, Jesus brought heaven to earth.

This came to a climax when Jesus freely laid down His life. Usually, when someone becomes a king, that person is put on a throne and crowned in front of adoring crowds. When Jesus became king, He was enthroned, but it was on a Roman cross. A crown was put on His head, but it was a crown of thorns. Instead of cheering supporters, He faced a mob of mockers and died beneath a sign that read: "This is Jesus, *the king of the Jews*." Even though this looked like Jesus' moment of defeat, His death and resurrection three days later made Him the glorious king He now is! Now, "all authority in heaven and on earth" belongs to Jesus (Matthew 28.15) and His people have gone everywhere preaching this message for two thousand years.

Why is it good news for us that Jesus is king? Because you and I face chaos that we can't rule over. We were born into a sinful, broken world and we've all contributed to its brokenness. We've hurt other people and we've been hurt ourselves. We live in bodies that eventually fall apart. We experience pain in many forms and we've all come under the power of Satan. But if we submit to Jesus as our king, He will free us and count us as righteous. He will give us a new life purpose: spreading the way of heaven to earth. One day, He will raise our bodies from the grave and give us new ones, so we can live and work with Him in a renewed world. The king has come! Will we repent and join the kingdom of heaven?

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## TIPS FOR A MORE SUSTAINABLE HOLIDAY

By Sustainable Tyngsborough

Another season of gifting and celebrating is upon us. Here are some ways to bring more sustainable practices to your holiday.

**Holiday Lights** – As you are decorating your house or tree you might find strings of lights beyond repair, or want to upgrade to LED lights for energy savings. Please don't throw your old light strings in the garbage! The Sustainability Committee will be setting up collection bins for your unwanted light strings to ensure they are recycled. Please visit our page on the town website or our "Sustainable Tyngsboro" Facebook page for drop off locations and other holiday sustainability information.

**Wrapping paper** – Traditional wrapping paper, with a shiny (laminated) finish, is not recyclable. Consider buying unlaminated, paper-based or pre-recycled wrapping paper, re-using traditional wrapping paper, or using cloth to wrap gifts. You could also save the brown paper that comes in packaging or paper bags and wrap and decorate your packages with your kids. Some even wrap their gifts with the comic section of newspapers to create fun-to-peruse wrapped gifts. Another idea is to use gift bags and save them to reuse next year.

**Live Christmas Trees** – If you have enough yard space, let your tree compost in your yard (be sure it is at least 30 feet from any wetlands) to provide a natural habitat for birds. If yard space is limited, the town offers drop-off sites at the Highway Department and the Community Center. For a \$10 donation, the Boy Scouts will pick up your tree.

**Electronics** – If it's still working but you no longer need it, place your electronics in a Simple Recycling bag (pink bags). Goodwill may also accept it. If it is not working, recycling is best. Earth911 has a directory of local businesses that will take your electronics (and other materials) for recycling (<https://search.earth911.com>)

**Packaging** – Cardboard gift boxes, shipping boxes, and other packaging material can be added to your recycling along with other paper recyclables. If the gift box is still in usable condition, save it and reuse again next year. Packaging materials like styrofoam peanuts are not recyclable but can be taken to the Postal Center on Middlesex Road (near AMC Theater), where they can be reused.

*Sustainable Tyngsborough is a subcommittee of the Board of Selectmen. We meet the third Tuesday of every month, beginning at 6:30pm, in Meeting Room #1. You are always welcome to join us and share your sustainability ideas and concerns.*



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• **Nashua-Hollis Christmas Bird Count-Preparation**

Tuesday, December 10 7:00 – 9:00pm

Large Meeting Room downstairs at the Nashua Public Library, 2 Court St, Nashua **The background of Audubon's Christmas Bird Count by David Deifik** This informative talk provides us

with background data as we prepare for the annual Audubon sponsored citizen science project. The Nashua-Hollis Christmas Bird Count (CBC) has been a regular annual tradition for about 50 years. If you are not familiar with the CBC, come discover what it's all about, and learn how you can participate, either in the field or from the comfort of your home and backyard. We'll be coordinating final preparations for this year's count and tally. Free. Audubon Christmas Bird Count--Join in!

• **Saturday, December 28 All or part day** Your backyard feeders or a scenic location in the Nashua-Hollis area. The Nashua Chapter will be participating in the 119th annual Audubon Christmas Bird Count (CBC). We will be counting birds by night and day then tallying our sightings over dinner at 5 pm at Beaver Brook in Hollis (\$5 donation for dinner). If you are familiar with bird identification and would like to participate, either as a feeder counter at home or in the field, contact Richard Bielawski [rbielawski@mac.com](mailto:rbielawski@mac.com) or 603-429-2537. Groups will be assigned specific areas within our 15 mile diameter count circle centered near the Nashua-Hollis border, then working those areas on their own. Co-sponsored by Beaver Brook Nature Center.

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**Exhibit Title: Annual Members' Exhibition 2019**

**Exhibition: Nov 9 to Dec 22, 2019**

**Reception: Sat, Dec 7, 2:00 to 4:00 PM**

Lowell, MA -- Artist members of The Brush Art Gallery & Studios  
and the New England Sculptors Association were eligible for this  
exhibition. This year we had an open call with no required theme,  
although, small works were encouraged because they make great  
gifts.

**Notice the end date of the exhibit. Purchases can be taken  
home for Holiday gifts on December 22. Members also enjoy a  
10% discount on purchases from the main gallery.**

**Artists included this year are:** Louise Abbott, Judi Babcock,  
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Linda Crossland, Michael delaVega, Esther Donlon, Cassie Doyon,  
Claire Gagnon, Alfred Glover, Zvi Goldman, David Jones, Peggy  
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The Brush Art Gallery and Studios is located in the Lowell Na-  
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This dynamic and captivating place was originally founded by the  
Lowell Historic Preservation Commission, U.S. Department of  
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tions, educational programs, and has collaborated with many other  
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I remember going to get Gwen from a farm in St. Michael, Minnesota on a September day in 1992. She was the last of the litter and cute as a button. I remember when she was too small to jump on or off the couch; she didn't do stairs till she was 5 months old. I remember when she ate \$17 cash off the coffee table. I remember the first time we tried to leave her out of her crate. She was 6 months old and we were only gone for an hour. You would have thought a tornado hit the kitchen, and she ate the lapel off the suit Jay had just bought 2 weeks before. I remember the countless hours of throwing the tennis ball. I remember the time she touched an electric fence at a friend's farm.

Sadly, last month my husband and I decided to put Gwen to sleep. She was 14 years old, she had a great life, and it was time. We knew it was coming for a while. She had a bad back and she had some trouble getting around. She was also getting a little forgetful. We agonized over the decision. Everyone, myself included, always hopes their animals will die peacefully in their sleep after a long happy life. Unfortunately that does not often happen, and it didn't for us. We were thankful, however, that we did not have to watch her suffer.

Being a veterinarian is a great career, but because dog and cat life spans are relatively short, death is, unfortunately, something I deal with on a regular basis. My personal experience has given me an even more empathetic view to the tough decisions my clients face every day. There are many things that come into play when making this decision. From the quality of life of the pet, to the people at home, to the diagnosis and prognosis of the illness, to financial considerations.

Quality of life can be difficult to assess. Some clinical signs that your pet is nearing the end are not eating, not drinking, not greeting you when you come home, not sleeping, shining, panting, having trouble getting into a comfortable position, not moving much, or anything that stops your pet from doing the things he/she loves. One of the things I tell many clients is if you wake up every day hoping your pet has died in the night, it may be time to let them go. If your pet has had a slow, gradual decline it becomes difficult to actually set a time (i.e. what makes today different than yesterday?) Sometimes it's helpful to think back to a time when your pet was at his/her happiest; what things did they love to do? Can they still do those things, or do they even want to? Are they happier for more hours than sad in their daily life?

The other side of the coin is that you cannot go back to change your mind. The decision is final, therefore it is important that every in the house is in agreement. Some clients ask me to make the decision for them. While I can help with information, the actual decision is much too personal. Every situation is unique and has to be addressed individually.

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## DUNSTABLE TYNGSBOUGH LIONS CLUB



**"We Serve"** The Lions Club is a non-profit organization of men and women dedicated to serving communities locally and globally giving hope and impacting lives through humanitarian service projects and raising donations to support areas of need. We are currently looking for community minded members to join, please contact membership chair Joe Ward his contact information is below.

### Officers for the 2019-2020 Lions Year

President: Mark Alexander, 1st Vice President/Membership Chair: Joe Ward, Treasurer: Bob Reich, Secretary/Club Service Chair: Laura Ward

**Anyone interested in joining the lions** is asked to contact Joe Ward at 978-930-1153 or Mark Alexander at 978-649-9124. **Our Regular Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month starting at 6:30 pm** at Princeton Station 147 Princeton St., in N. Chelmsford, MA.

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All are welcome to our Sunday School classes and worship! We will be exploring Advent in our Sunday School classes.

Come to our services to share in the joy and anticipation of the season! Our choir will perform a cantata on the Sunday before Christmas.

**We will have a full schedule of Christmas Eve services.** The early service is our family service, with singing and handbell ringing by our children's and youth choirs. The later services feature special music. **Please check the website for the specific times.**

We hope to see you soon! We are on 242 Main Street in North Chelmsford, right on the Westford/Chelmsford line. From Route 3, take the Route 40 exit to Chelmsford, take a sharp right onto Main Street Chelmsford right after the variety store and follow Main Street until you see the church on the left.

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Pastor Bobby Ross [pastorbobby@dunstablechurch.org](mailto:pastorbobby@dunstablechurch.org)

DECC is a welcoming church at the heart of the Dunstable community. "We gather to glorify God, to grow in Christ and to live the gospel in the world."

Sunday worship time begins at **10:30 am** and Christian Education/ Sunday School for children and adults at **9 am-10:15 am**.

**WORSHIP:** Pastor Bobby Ross leads our worship services which feature a variety of music, scripture readings, corporate prayer, and spoken messages, with Communion (the Lord's Supper) served on the first Sunday of the month.

**EDUCATION:** Adult and children Sunday School classes meet at 9:00 am on Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall and Room #4 respectively. During the Adult class, the "CASKET EMPTY" program, a Summary of the Bible, we'll cover the Old and New Testaments in a historical progression, showing how they work together to create the biggest, best story that has ever been told. The Adult class also meets at 7:00 pm Tuesday evenings at the parsonage covering the same material as on Sunday.

**Children's Sunday school** is at 9:00 am every Sunday (K-6th grade, nursery available for 0-5 yrs). During the sermon, we'll invite children (K-4th grade) to join us downstairs for **Children's Church**. Children are also welcomed to stay with their parents. We have a Youth Worksheet available to help engage them during the service. Ask the ushers if you would like one.

**CHILDCARE:** Childcare for infants through kindergarten is available both during Sunday School hour and the worship service.

**FELLOWSHIP:** Everyone is welcome to an informal time of fellowship with coffee, tea, and refreshments after the service.

**DECC YOUTH GROUP:** All area youth in grades 6-12 are welcome! Regular meetings will be held on Sundays 4-6 pm at the Dunstable Evangelical Congregational Church, unless otherwise noted. Some coming events planned are fundraisers, community service, participating in the Living Nativity and a Christmas Party! Contact Leader Jon Hughes with any questions at 978-303-7708 or [Jon.hughes480@gmail.com](mailto:Jon.hughes480@gmail.com).

## ANNUAL LIVE NATIVITY Saturday, December 7

Walks between 5:30PM and 7:30 PM next to the Dunstable Church, **Bad Weather Date is December 14.**

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Come anytime between 5:30 and 7:30, each walk is about 20 minutes. After the walk, join us for refreshments. Sponsored by the Dunstable Evangelical Congregational Church.

Donations of personal care items for women and children will be accepted at the Living Nativity and throughout December and given to My Father's House in N. Chelmsford. Cash donations will be donated to Kwatekeh Africa in Liberia for the work in the orphanage, medical center and other needs there.

**Our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on Tuesday, Dec 24<sup>th</sup>,** will begin at 7:00 pm, preceded at 6:45 pm by a Carol Sing. Come early to sing some familiar Christmas carols. **There will also be a contemplative service on Christmas Day at 10:00 am. On Sunday, Dec 29<sup>th</sup>, the 10:30 am service will be of Lessons and Carols.**

Come visit your community's church. We will be happy to greet you! For more information, please visit our new website at [dunstablechurch.org](http://dunstablechurch.org), contact the church office at 978-649-6251, or contact us by email [info@dunstablechurch.org](mailto:info@dunstablechurch.org).