

# CONOVER NEIGHBOR



December  
2016

## 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas in the Park

On December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016, at 6:30 p.m., the City of Conover will hold its twenty-seventh annual “Christmas in the Park” in the Downtown Park Gazebo. This year’s community event will feature choruses from local schools, hayrides by Foothills Antique Power Association and the Annual Tree Lighting.



The Conover Fire Department will provide hot chocolate, coffee, cider, and cookies. As always, we expect Santa to stop by sometime around 7:00!

Come join us in the Downtown Park located behind the Post Office on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE for this annual Conover tradition.

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## Santa Cops



This Christmas the Conover Police Department will be accepting donations of new toys and clothing for boys and girls up to age 14. The collection points will be at Conover Police Department, Conover City Hall, Conover Hardware, 3M, Newton-Conover Middle School, CVS, Salon Centric (both locations), Lee Industries and Walgreens in Conover. Donations will be accepted through December 12, 2016. Families of students in the Newton-Conover School System are eligible to apply. Rock Barn Golf & Spa recently held their 7<sup>th</sup> annual golf tournament in which participants donated toys to the Santa Cops program. Thank you Rock Barn and all participants! If you have any questions please call the Conover Police Department at 828-464-4698 or visit [www.conovernc.gov/santacops](http://www.conovernc.gov/santacops)

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### Planning Ahead:

**City Council:** Meets the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at Conover City Hall  
**Planning Board:** Meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Conover City Hall  
**City Hall Will Be Closed:**  
**Friday, Monday and Tuesday, December 23-27, 2016 for Christmas and Monday, January 2, 2017 for New Year’s**

## **In Case of Freezing Temperatures.....**

During winter months water system failures can occur due to freezing temperatures.



Frozen service lines can cause service disruptions or high usage due to a break in the line. We advise that service lines underneath homes in unheated areas and outside faucets be insulated to protect against freezing.

Please remember to turn off and drain hoses after each use to prevent the hose from becoming cracked during cold weather.



## **Winter Fire Safety Tips For the Home**

The high cost of utilities has caused many Americans to search for alternate sources of home heating. The use of wood burning stoves is growing and space heaters are selling rapidly, or coming out of storage.

All of these methods of heating may be acceptable. They are however, a major contributing factor in residential fires. Many of these fires can be prevented. The following fire safety tips can help you maintain a fire safe home this winter.

### **Heating**

- Establish a three-foot "kid-free" zone around open fires and space heaters.
- Never use an oven to heat your home.
- Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.
- Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Ensure that a working smoke alarm is installed inside every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement. Smoke alarms give everyone in the home an early warning and an opportunity to escape a fire quickly.

Contact the Conover Fire Department at 828-464-1295 if you have a question or need any assistance on making your home fire safe.

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