



# Seasons Greetings



(Top) Gallatin breaks ground on Section 3 of the Town Creek Greenway. Section 3 will connect Downtown to Triple Creek Park.  
(Bottom) The lights on the new SR 109 Gateway Bridge have been turned on and create a lovely picture above and below.



## Support Your Neighbors

Small Business Saturday this year is Nov. 29—the weekend after Thanksgiving. Put it on your calendar. Fill your day going around Gallatin to the boutiques and bakeries, the department and hardware stores, and the art and antique shops. Our businesses have a lot to offer!

Our City may be getting international attention from business and industry, but it is Gallatin's unique character that appeals to many of those businesses and industries.

It is the local flavor that helps define a community. Our City is abundant in rich history and personal flair. I encourage you to show your appreciation to the local businesses that have invested in Gallatin.



Keep your tax dollars here. Observe Small Business Saturday. Shop Local!

## Tuba Christmas: Tuesday, December 2 @ 7:00 p.m.

One of Gallatin's favorite annual holiday events that packs the concert hall is in its 6th year.

Tuba Christmas entertains all ages with holiday classics played solely on various sizes of tubas from the big sousaphone to the euphonium.

For the third year in a row, the Tennessee Tech Tuba Ensemble will join other tuba players

from across Sumner County and middle Tennessee for one of the most unique musical events of the season.

First United Methodist Church hosts Tuba Christmas which is organized by the Mayor's Office. If you have any questions, call 615-451-5961.



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## Two Shopping Events in November—Get An Early Start

Businesses in Gallatin started this annual tradition more than 40 years ago—hosting a holiday open house early in November to kick off the shopping season.

Participating businesses across the City invite you in for two special days—November 8 & 9 this year—to get a jump start on sales before Black Friday. For more information, contact the Gallatin Chamber @ 615-452-4000.



But save some of your shopping for Saturday, November 15 and head to the Gallatin Civic Center. That is where you will find the annual **Christmas Harvest Craft Show** from 9am-5pm. Pick up unique and one-of-a-kind gifts or holiday decorations. For more information on the craft show, call the Civic Center @ 615-451-5911.

### Christmas Parade: A Winter Wonderland December 13 @ Noon

The parade launches at Steam Plant Road and Harts-ville Pike, then marches down Main Street to Nashville Pike ending at Gallatin High School. Gallatin’s own Danny McCorkle will perform holiday music from the balcony of the Gallatin Public Library. For more information about the parade, contact the Gallatin Chamber @ 615-452-4000.



### Gallatin Invites You to Honor Veterans December 13 @ 10 a.m.– City Cemetery

The City of Gallatin has joined other communities nationwide to remember and honor veterans by placing wreaths on veterans’ graves at the City Cemetery.

“There are at least 600 veterans buried in the City Cemetery dating back to the Civil War,” said Mayor Jo Ann Graves. “This is one way the community can honor these soldiers who protected our freedoms.”

Wreaths Across America began more than 20 years ago. Participation is very simple: You may either donate \$15 for the cost of the live wreaths that are delivered by volunteers, attend the ceremony on December 13, or do both. You may purchase a wreath in memory or honor of a loved one. Please make checks payable to **Wreaths Across America** and send them to: Mayor’s Office, 132 West Main Street, Gallatin, TN 37066. The City will place wreaths on as many tombstones as donations allow. **For more information on the program, visit: [www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org](http://www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org) or call the Mayor’s Office @ 615-451-5961.**

## City Christmas Tree Lighting—Friday, December 5

The annual lighting of our Christmas Tree on the downtown square has become a much anticipated event.

There is live music by children’s choirs. The Santa House opens for Kris Kringle to take requests from children. Families take their holiday picture in front of the tree. Restaurants are open for a cup of hot chocolate, coffee, or dinner.

Greater Gallatin will play a holiday movie at the Historic Palace Theater. The Gallatin Library features a story hour for children.

But the highlight of the night is when the Mayor flips the switch turning on hundreds of lights on the tree. For the past eight years, the tree has been donated by a local resident.

“We appreciate everyone’s offer of a tree this year,” Mayor Graves said. “It’s great to have citizens who want to be a part of the tradition by giving us a tree.”

For more information about these events, call the Mayor’s Office @ 615-451-5961.

