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Winter Carnival promises fun for all

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GREENFIELD — If you're craving chili, cookies or Breakfast with Olaf, have an urge to play in the snow, or simply want to get out and catch up with neighbors you haven't seen all winter, head to the town's Winter Carnival this weekend.

The theme for Greenfield's 93rd annual Winter Carnival is "FROZEN Over" for Disney's hit movie, "Frozen."

The carnival will kick off with its first-ever Parade of Lights — vehicles decorated with lights — Friday at 6 p.m. The parade will begin at Newton School on the Mohawk Trail and travel along Main and Federal streets as it makes its way to Beacon Field. There, participants will be judged and prizes awarded in multiple categories.

Just before 6 p.m., Main, Federal and Beacon streets will be closed to traffic and stay closed for the duration of the parade.

Throughout the day on Friday sculptors will be downtown creating a variety of ice sculptures.

Beginning at 5, there will be a bonfire on Beacon Field, which will be followed by fireworks at 7 p.m.

Throughout the weekend there will be public ice skating, both inside and outside, as well as games and activities for adults and children.

Sven's Reindeer Run, a 4-mile will begin on Hope Street on Saturday at 10 a.m.

As always, the David M. Petrin Memorial Alumni Hockey Game will be held at the skating rink on Saturday evening.

The day begins on Sunday with Breakfast with Olaf at the 99 Restaurant and continues with a snow sculpture contest, marshmallow toasting by another bonfire, sledding, the popular cardboard sled race, a cookie bake-off and chili cook-off, the K-9 Keg Pull, ice bowling, snowshoeing, pony rides and horse-drawn hay rides, and the community will build the Arendelle Snowman Village.

For more details about the weekend and its activities, visit:

www.greenfieldrecreation.com/wintercarnival.

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Hayden Girard of Bernardston, peeks through a window in the Poets Seat ice sculpture on the Town Common in Greenfield on Feb. 1, 2014. Recorder file/Trish Crapo