



THE MILTON GAZETTE

December 2012

News from the Town of Milton, New Hampshire

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VFW - Toys for Kids Christmas Party
 Sunday, December 9, 2012 @ 2:00 pm
 Emma Ramsey Community Center
 Families are asked to please bring an unwrapped toy for a boy or a girl as their donation

Please join the VFW Post #8393 for their 21st Annual Toys for Kids Fundraiser.

The annual Christmas Party is the conclusion of their fundraising efforts to help bring toys to families that are in need this holiday season. The public is encouraged to attend the party and to bring an unwrapped toy for a boy or a girl. Santa Clause will be stopping by to say hello and to thank all the youngsters and families who are reaching out to help an area family in need this holiday. There will be a live auction of assorted gift certificates and donated items, along with some cookies, treats, hot chocolate & coffee to add to the enjoyment of the afternoon activities.



3rd Annual Gingerbread House Competition
 Houses will be on display at the VFW Toys for Kids Party on 12-9-2012
 Prizes will be awarded at that time

Are you creative? Do you love the holidays and love to decorate? Try your hand at decorating a gingerbread house. This can be a wonderful family activity and definitely will get you in the spirit of the holidays. The Milton Free Public Library and Milton Recreation Department have joined forces to sponsor this competition. The houses will be on display and will be voted on at the VFW Toys for Kids Party. Houses can be dropped off at the Emma Ramsey Community Center anytime after 12-5-2012 up until 2:00 pm on 12-9-2012. Prizes will be awarded in three categories (1.) Best Children's entry (2.) Best Family Entry (3.) Best in Show (Most Creative Entry) We hope to see some real competition at this year's party, so get your creative juices flowing and we will see you at the party!



The Milton Woman's Club & Milton Parks and Recreation would like to thank all the families who joined them for their annual Tree & Crèche Lighting Ceremony at Veterans Park on Sunday, December 2nd. Although the weather was dreary and wet, several residents sang along to Christmas Carols and enjoyed Pastor, Betsy Webber's welcome into the holiday season. This event was followed up with an invite back to the Emma Ramsey Community Center for some hot chocolate, coffee, homemade cookies & cupcakes and to make a small craft for their Christmas trees. Santa was on hand for pictures and to hear all the wishes of the boys and girls who had come to meet him, and who are not on the "naughty list" this year!

2012 Gift of Giving Program

The Milton Recreation Department will be the host site for the Holiday Assistance to Families in Need for Milton and Milton Mills Residents. Applications for assistance are outside the recreation office and on the counter in front of the welfare office. Requests for toys for children should be turned in on or before Friday, December 14th @ 4:00 pm.

If your Milton/Milton Mills family is struggling to provide toys to your children this holiday season, please stop by and fill out an application. We will try and assist as many families as we can with the donations we receive.

This program is totally funded by donations. Organizations who are already committed to this program are the Milton VFW post # 8393, The Milton Moose Lodge #1298, & the Marine Corps Toys for Tots Program. Private donations will also be gratefully accepted and can be dropped off anytime before December 19th.

Toys will be distributed on Friday, December 21st from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm at the Emma Ramsey Community Center. If you would like more information please contact the Milton Recreation Department at 652-4501 ext. 8/603-834-0279.



TOWN of MILTON
Assessing Department
Milton NH 03851

The Town of Milton will be starting the 4th year of the cycled inspection program, October 22, 2012. Each year 20% of the properties are physically measured and attempts are made to view the interior to ensure accuracy in the data and equity for assessments.

If you are not at home at the time of the 1st visit, a letter will be sent requesting an interior inspection. This process will be on going throughout the late fall.

The areas to be inspected include portions of White Mt. Hwy, Industrial Way, Northeast Pond Rd, Bolan Rd., Salt Box Rd., Kingsbury Drive, Mason Rd., Teneriffe Rd., Silver St., Sam Plummer Rd., Ford Farm Rd., Ledgewood Ave., Grandview Dr., Bourdeau Dr., Ridgeview Dr., Lydia Way, and Tierra Dr.

If you have any question, do not hesitate to contact the Assessing Department at 603-652-4501x6.

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Administrator's Report

The Board of Selectmen and the Budget committee are working to get a final budget put together for the 2013 town meeting. The tax rate was set at \$ 24.70 which reflects a \$.68 per thousand increase, and the tax bills have been sent out.

The entire administration is working diligently on bringing in all department budgets with as little increase as possible while still being able to maintain the level of service to all our Milton/Milton Mills families that they rely on. The Selectman & our Interim Town Administrator, Joe Ryan would like to wish all our residents a safe & happy holiday season and they look forward to serving our families in 2013.

**21st Annual
 Milton Winter Carnival
 February 15th & 16th, 2013**



Plans will be underway the first week of January to plan the 21st annual Milton Winter Carnival. Hopefully Mother Nature will cooperate this year and give us some snow to play in!

If you have helped with winter carnival before, we would love to have you back on the planning committee. If you have never been involved but you would like to help plan out this year's event, than we would love to have you join in the fun.

If your group/organization would like to take part in this year's event, please contact the Milton Recreation Dept. @ 652-4501 ext. 8 / 834-0279.



Public Notice
 There will be a parking ban in affect from Sunday, December 1st through Monday, April 15th

A \$10.00 fine will be issued for any vehicle that is found parked on the street, and is subject to be towed at the owners expense.

During snow plowing operations, a vehicle that constitutes a hazard may be removed upon request by the town Highway Department, and towing will be at the owners expense.



Milton Fire and Rescue

Keep Your Holidays From Going Up in Flames! Milton Fire-Rescue Offers Fire Prevention Tips for a Safe and Festive Holiday Season

For most of us, the holiday season represents a time for family festivities and good cheer. What few of us consider is that the holiday season is a time when there is an increased risk of home fires. Many households engage in holiday activities that serve as some of the leading causes of U.S. home fires, including cooking. Christmas trees, candle usage and holiday decorations also significantly contribute to the seasonal causes of home fires. Add to that the hectic nature of the holidays, when people are trying to accomplish multiple tasks at one time, and the chance for home fires grows even further.

Fortunately, with a little added awareness and some minor adjustments to holiday cooking and decorating, the season can remain festive and safe for everybody. By taking some preventative steps and following simple rules of thumb, most home fires are preventable.

With unattended cooking as the leading cause of U.S. home fires and home fire injuries, someone should stay in the kitchen while frying, grilling or broiling food. Most cooking fires involve the stovetop, so keep anything that can catch fire away from it, and turn off the stove when you leave the kitchen, even if it's for a short period of time. If you're simmering, boiling, baking or roasting food, check it regularly and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking. It is also recommended to create a "kid-free zone" of at least three feet around the stove and areas where hot food and drinks are prepared or carried.

Candles are widely used in homes throughout the holidays, and December is the peak month for home candle fires. The nonprofit National Fire Protection Association's (NFPA) statistics show that more than half of all candle fires start because the candles have been too close to things that could catch fire. Milton Fire-Rescue encourages residents to consider using flameless candles, which look and smell like real candles. However, if you do use traditional candles, keep them at least 12" away from anything that can burn, and remember to blow them out when you leave the room or go to bed. Use candle holders that are sturdy, won't tip over and are placed on uncluttered surfaces. Avoid using candles in the bedroom where two of five candle fires begin or other areas where people may fall asleep. Lastly, never leave a child alone in a room with a burning candle.

According to NFPA, U.S. fire departments annually respond to an average of 250 structure fires caused by Christmas trees. Nearly half of them are caused by electrical problems, and one in four resulted from a heat source that's too close to the tree. The following list is good advice for picking, placing and lighting the tree:

- If you have an artificial tree, be sure it's labeled, certified or identified by the manufacturer as fire-retardant.
- If you choose a fresh tree, make sure the green needles don't fall off when touched; before placing it in the stand, cut 1-2" from the base of the trunk. Add water to the tree stand, and be sure to water it daily.
- Make sure the tree is not blocking an exit, and is at least three feet away from any heat source, like fireplaces, space heaters, radiators, candles and heat vents or lights.
- Use lights that have the label of an independent testing laboratory, and make sure you know whether they are designed for indoor or outdoor use.

- Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords, or loose bulb connections. Connect no more than three strands of mini-string sets and a maximum of 50 bulbs for screw-in bulbs.
- Never use lit candles to decorate the tree.
- Always turn off Christmas tree lights before leaving the home or going to bed.
- After Christmas, get rid of the tree. Dried-out trees are a fire hazard and should not be left in the home or garage, or placed outside the home. Bring outdoor electrical lights inside after the holidays to prevent hazards and make them last longer.

By following these fire prevention tips and measure, you will greatly reduce the risk of fire in your home,. The holidays can quickly turn from joyful to tragic when a fire occurs. By taking simple precautions, people can avoid potential fire hazards, and make this time of year a healthy and happy one. Milton Fire-Rescue wishes everyone a wonderful season and we look forward to serving you in 2013.

Contact Information

Emergency Dial: 911

Station 1 : (603) 652-4201

Station 2: (603) 473-2157

Email: info@miltonfirerescue.com

Meetings at Town Hall

Selectmen: 3rd & 17th (6:00 pm)

Planning Board: 4th (6:30 pm)

Conservation Commission: 10th (6:30 pm)

Budget Committee: 20th (5:30 pm)

Zoning Board: 27th (6:00 pm)

Townhouse Restoration: TBA (5:30 pm)

Fire Department: 5th (5:30 pm)

Recreation Commission: 12th (5:30 pm)

Water District: TBA (5:00 pm) (Emma Ramsey Ctr)

Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Hours

Monday	8:30 - 4:00
Tuesday	8:30 - 4:00
Wednesday	8:30 - 4:00
Thursday	8:30 - 6:30
Friday	8:30 - 4:00
Last Sat. of Month	8:00 - 12:00

**The Milton Town office will be closed on
December 25th in observance of Christmas.**



Milton Free Public Library

Winter Hours

Sunday and Monday closed

Tuesday 3:30-7:30

Wednesday 12:00 -7:30

Thursday 10:00 - 1:00 & 3:30 - 7:30

Friday 1:00-7:30

Saturday 10:00 - 1:00

Milton Free Public Library will be hosting the "Fun Fan Fiction Contest" again this year,

The Friends of Milton Free Public Library host the "Fun Fan Fiction" contest every year to showcase the creativity of the Milton youth. High School students change a story to add a character, change the ending, clear up something the author missed. The key is to write in the style of the original author.

The past several years the Friends of MFPL have been amazed by the amount of talent in Milton. One 1st place winner will receive \$100 and will have the submission published on the Milton Free Public Library website (<http://www.miltonfreepubliclibrary.org/>).

The 2nd place winner will receive \$75 and 3rd place \$50. Winners will be announced during "Nute Week" celebrations. More information about rules and dates will follow in January's newsletter.

Holiday Hours for Milton Free Public Library (MFPL):

Tuesday December 25 : Closed

Wednesday December 26 : 12-4

Thursday December 27 : 3:30-7:30

Friday December 28 : 1PM-7:30

Saturday December 29: 10AM-1PM

Sunday December 30: Closed

Monday December 31 :Closed

Tuesday January 1: Closed

Wednesday January 2: Noon to 7:30

Thursday, January 3: 10AM-Noon AND 3:30-7:30

Friday, January 4: 1PM-7:30

Saturday January 5: 10AM-1PM

Story Time: Due to popular demand, we now have a weekly Story Time at Milton Free Public Library! Join us every Thursday morning at 10:30 a.m.. Your child will enjoy a story, songs, and interaction with others. Start them on the right track to a lifetime love of books!

Call Betsy Baker, Library Director, at 473-8535 if you have any questions. We'll see you Soon!!

Yoga with Betsy Baker continues Saturday 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

Yoga practitioners of every level are welcome to join Saturday morning classes at 8:30. These classes are \$10 /class or \$40/5 classes. (Student and senior discounts are available). Call 473-2401 for more information.

For more information please visit us on the web at:
<http://miltonfreepubliclibrary.org/index.html>



Nute Library - Winter Hours

Monday 9:00 - 5:00

Tuesday 9:00 - 5:00

Wednesday 9:00 - 7:00

Thursday 9:00 - 5:00

Friday 9:00 - 2:00

Saturday 9:00 - 12:00

Sunday - Closed

New Website: Nute Library has a new website. Please check it out at

<https://sites.google.com/site/nutelibrary/>

Nute Library Book Sale: The library will host a giant book sale during the MLC Annual Penny Sale. If you are at the penny sale and have some spare time on your hands, please visit the ladies in the library for some wonderful winter reads, or if you are in need of a great holiday gift at a really great price!

Ladies Craft Group

Our open craft group meets every Monday in the Nute Community room from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. New members are always welcome!

Quilting/Craft Group: Local quilt master Carole Sullivan will lend her sewing skills to this group on Saturday mornings from 9:00 until noon. Carole has many years of experience to help you get your project started, worked on, or finished. New members are always welcome.

Christmas Story Time: Families are welcomed to join Miss Jody for another morning of stories and fun on Saturday, December 15th, from 9:30-10:15. Pre-registration is not required, but would be appreciated.

Donations of current books & dvds : If you are looking for a good home for that newly read bestseller, fiction or non-fiction book, or maybe have watched a new dvd and would like to share it, please keep us in mind. By donating it to you local library, you can share you love of the arts and literature with many people in the community who might not be able to afford to purchase items on their own. Your donations help keep the library's collections new and exciting and goes a long way in helping others enjoy the love of reading!

For more information on current library offerings please call the library @ 652-7829.

Milton Community News

Share The Help

Milton Community Services

New Location - Milton Town Office
Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:00 - 3:30 pm
Welfare applications.

If you are in need of assistance please call to schedule an appointment to see if you meet the program requirements @ 652-4501 ext. 9

Milton Food Pantry

The food pantry is now located in the Headstart Building in the Milton Industrial Park. Food pantry is available for families who are struggling to meet their families food needs. Tuesdays: 12:00 - 4:00 pm

The welfare office is in need of non-food items to help supplement clients in their daily living needs. Products such as diapers, shampoo, deodorant etc...are always needed and can be dropped off at the welfare office.



Susan Geier
Community Services and Outreach Director
Community Action Partnership of Strafford County
P.O. Box 160, Dover, NH
03821-0160
Office: 603-516-8138
Cell: 603-969-9681



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Support Your Community

For each test drive taken, Ford will donate \$20 to the Community Action Partnership of Strafford County

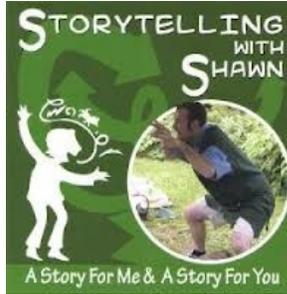
When: Thursday, December 6th
9am - 8pm

Where: Bill Dube Ford Dealership
40 Dover Point Rd Dover, NH

Goal: Raise \$6,000 & Food Donations

Ford Donates \$20 per test drive. 300 test drives permitted.
We are accepting non perishable food donations for the Community Action Partnership of Strafford County

For more details call the Internet Department @ 603-749-5500



Milton PTA to host
An Evening of Storytelling
with Shawn Middleton
Tuesday, December 11th
@ 6:00 pm
children are encouraged to come
in their PJ's to this free
family event!

The Milton Parent/Teachers Association warmly invite our area families to a fun evening of storytelling with Shawn. Shawn Middleton has been mesmerizing his audiences from New England to California with his unique style of storytelling and his enthusiasm for his art. He brings stories to life with finger puppets, sound effects, voice dramatization, pauses, rhythm, sign language, mime and hip hop dance. Audiences don't just listen. They sing, clap, dance, chant and roar with laughter. Refreshments of cookies & hot chocolate will be served after the program.

Donations Requested for the MES's Annual Children's Craft Fair

December 19th Milton Elementary School will host their Annual Children's Craft Fair for Milton Elementary School Children. Children get to shop for gifts for their families and have them wrapped at the school so they have something to surprise their family with. This event has been going on for about 30 years. The school relies on donated craft items for this day. Anyone who would like to donate items should contact PTA president Brenda Forcier at Brenda.Forcier@sau64.org or contact the elementary school office at 652-4539.

MES is participating in End 68 Hours of Hunger. This is a non-profit organization that was created to meet the needs of local school children who confront approximately 68 hours of hunger between the free lunch they receive in school on Friday afternoon and the free breakfast they receive in school on Monday morning. If you are interested in participating or donating food our contact person is:
James Ricker end68hoursofhunger@gmail.com



MLC Thank You!

The Parents and Staff of the Milton Learning Center would like to thank all the businesses and families who donated their time, baked goods & auction items to this year's penny sale. This is the center's biggest fundraiser of the year and it enables MLC to keep their tuition costs down so that more of our families can take advantage of their early educational opportunities for their children. MLC also provides much needed day-care services for our families who need after school care.

More Milton Community News



Milton Woman's Club Monthly Meeting
December 13th @ 7:00 pm
Community Church Of
Milton New Members Welcome!

The Women's Club December meeting will be at 7 p.m. for a fun and exciting Christmas Party. All members are asked to bring a wrapped gift valued at \$10.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Judy Kimball, President



Parents Night Out
Hosted by the class of 2014
Nute High Cafeteria
December 15th 5:00 - 9:00 pm
\$10.00 per child

Pizza, Movie, popcorn, crafts, coloring, games, stories.

Drop you kids off and enjoy a night out

Sponsored by the Class of 2014

Any questions contact:

Angela Locke 603-973-9826 or
email angelalocke91@yahoo.com



6 Washington Street
Dover NH 03820
Phone: (603) 742-2002
Fax: (603) 834-6275
Email:
questions@childrens-museum.org

Gift Making Workshops

Beginning the week after Thanksgiving, join us for weekly drop-in gift making workshops. We'll have a new theme each week, and for the low cost of \$5 per project, these gifts come from the heart and not the wallet.

Gift making workshops are for all ages (with an adult helper for those under 5). Museum admission is a separate fee.

Gift making workshops will happen every Wednesday morning at 10:30 am, Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 pm, Saturdays at 11 am and Sundays at 2 pm:

December 5, 8 and 9: Create crafty ornaments

December 12, 15 and 16: Concoct scented bath salts and bath

December 19, 22, and 23: Chocolate Treats



NH Farm Museum
Rte. 125, White Mountain
Highway, Milton NH 03851
(603) 652-7840
info@farmmuseum.org

New Hampshire Farm Museum Country Store

Open Saturdays in December for Holiday shopping. All store sales support the educational mission of the New Hampshire Farm Museum.

We Sell:

fresh produce: whatever is in season from the Museum's gardens

fresh eggs from our very own free-range chickens
New Hampshire products such as maple syrup,
honey, cheese, soaps, and jams

woven linens, knitted goods, and wooden items
made by New Hampshire crafters

fun and educational games, toys, and activities
unique children's books

books, some by New Hampshire authors, about all
manner of farm topics, including hog-raising,

growing tomatoes, stonewalls, making soap,
country cooking, tractors and farm buildings

household items like candles, scatter rugs, and
crockery

old-fashioned candies that kids love and make adults
nostalgic

cards and photographs

Don't forget, you can come to just shop without being a member or paying admission to the museum—but NH Farm Museum members receive a 10% discount in the store!

You can also shop by special appointment - just call us.

Contact Us

1305 White Mountain Highway
Route 125

PO Box 644 Milton, NH 03851

603-652-7840

info@farmmuseum.org

Milton Historical Society

The Milton Historical Society will be hosting their last meeting of the year on Tuesday, December 11th @ 7:00 pm at the Main Street Building in Milton Mills.

The public is invited and are asked if they would like to join in the fun to please bring along a wrapped gift for the exchange and a dessert to share with others.

December Recreational Happenings



Kids Night Out
 Friday, December 21st - 6:00 pm
 Elf Man (not rated)
 Movie, Supper & Craft
 \$6.00 per child
 Register @ 652-4501 ext. 8

Milton Recreation invites children to come and watch this fun holiday movie. Supper and craft are included in the evenings activities. Children are invited to bring along a pillow and blanket and dress in comfortable clothing.

If your child is **not interested** in watching the movies, please do not send them! It makes it really difficult for those children who do wish to enjoy a night out watching movies & hanging out with their friends. Participation is limited to the first 20 children who sign up. Registration for the program is on a first come basis.

Program registration is closed after 12-14-12.

If you would like to make a reservation for your child please call the recreation phone @ 652-4501 ext. 8.



Milton Recreation Youth Basketball
 Begins: December 8th @ both gyms
 This will be the last day to register your child for this year's program - Times are listed below

Milton Elementary School
K-2nd grade program @ 10:00 am

Multi-purpose room - All children registered to this program will meet at the same time. They will also either have a Monday or Thursday night practice, which will assigned by their coach.

The 3rd - 8th grade Program times are as follows:

Nute High School Gym

8:00 - 10:00: 7/8th grade (boys & girls)

10:00 - 12:00: 3/4 & 5/6th (girls)

12:00 - 2:00: 3/4 & 5/6th (boys)

There will also be Sunday practice times available until we set the game schedule. Depending on coach availability, the 3rd-8th grade teams may have gym time available to practice on Sundays for those kids who are able to make it.



Half Moon School of Martial Arts Martial Arts for Ages 7 to 107

Tuesday & Thursday night
7:00 pm — 8:30 pm
Emma Ramsey Center

Combining Kung Fu, Jiu-Jitsu and Karate, Shaolin Kempo is a complete self defense system offering challenges, both physical and mental, that teach respect, discipline and that the ultimate goal of Martial Arts training is not to have to use it

Arrive 15 minutes early to warm up

One night a week : \$10.00 per class or \$30.00 a month or \$50.00 for two. Two nights per week: \$10.00 per class or \$45.00 a month or \$80.00 for two months.

For more information contact AI @ 603-781-5230



Modern Survival Studios
 Sifu - Aaron Hutto
 Certified Black-Belt Instructor
 Emma Ramsey Center

Mon. & Wed.
 Ages 4/5 - noon
 Ages 6/10 - 12:45
 11/+ - 2:00

Adult Class: TBA

"If you can imagine it,
 you can achieve it. If
 you dream it, you can
 become it."

Offering a modern approach to traditional martial arts. Classes in Chinese Chuan Fa & Japanese Danzan Ryu Jujitsu Weapons & Pressure Point Classes available for advanced students.

AaronMHutto@msn.com
 603-988-5473



Zumba fitness classes are currently being offered on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm at the Emma Ramsey Community Center.

Certified Zumba Instructor, Nancy Michaud will help you get in shape while you have a great time. If you have never tried Zumba and would like to give it a try, this is the class for you!

Cost for the class is \$6.00 per class for drop ins, or \$50.00 for 10 sessions. For further information or to sign up, please contact Nancy Michaud @ 682-3821.

Milton Homeschoolers

Milton Homeschoolers, we have a web site called "**Milton Homeschoolers**" to share homeschool events, news and pictures with homeschool friends and families. If you homeschool in Milton or in area towns and would like to find out more about our activities, learning events and field trips, please contact: NHkidsInfo@yahoo.com

Homeschool Kids Club

Kids Club meets Friday, December 7th from 1-3pm at the Emma Ramsey Center. Through a themed based unit, children of all ages rotate in segments where they learn, complete a craft, play games, and share in snack. This is a great time of learning and fun. All parents must participate in assisting in areas. December's theme is "Disability Awareness". We will have guests share their disabilities to our children and learn more about the challenges they face each day. We are also organizing a "Hop-a-Thon" through MDS Foundation where the children will raise funds for MDS and complete the "Hop-A-Thon" during our games portion. The children will also be making a Christmas ornament to be donated to "Betty's Dream" in Portsmouth. To learn how you can join us and reserve your child, please email: NHkidsInfo@yahoo.com

Homeschool Jump Rope

Join us for our fall session of Jump Rope. We meet twice a month on Fridays from 3:30-4:30pm at the Milton Elementary School. This is a free event coached by Steve Hyzer. All ages are welcomed. Check for dates on our Milton Homeschool web-site calendar section or email: NHkidsInfo@yahoo.com.

Be sure to have your child wear sneakers, comfortable clothing and bring a water bottle. Jump ropes are available, but your child can bring one from home as well.

Homeschool Ballet

Homeschool Ballet classes are available on Tuesday's and Thursday's at the Emma Ramsey Center. Classes are taught by Deborah Grammatic, a current professional dancer for the Portland Ballet Company. For more information, please email Claudine at NHkidsInfo@yahoo.com.

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Homeschool Martial Arts

We have classes available on Mondays and Wednesdays for morning to early afternoon. Learn from Aaron Utto family based martial arts program. To learn more email: aaronmhutto@msn.com

Homeschool Fieldtrips

We are planning to visit "Betty's Dream" in Portsmouth & NH Farm Museum. Date is TBA. To find out more, please contact: NHkidsInfo@yahoo.com.



Awana Clubs™



For Ages 3-11

Friendship, Faith-building & Unforgettable Fun!!



Youth Group Grades 7th-9th

Fellowship, Worship, Service & Faithfulness!

Both Clubs meet from 6:30pm-8pm, every Friday (beginning 9/16/11)
At Nute Ridge Bible Chapel
100 Nutes Road, Milton, NH
For more information, call
Doug Gregory at 603-652-9287
Or Mike Walsh at 603-652-9911



Music & Movement Tot Program



The recreation department would like to offer a Kinder-tot program to run on Friday mornings @ 10:00 from January 4th - February 8th, 2013. This program would be for children 18 months - 5 yrs of age. The cost would be \$35.00 for all 6 weeks. If interested in signing up call 652-4501 ext. 8.



FAQ 2012 Holiday Program

The mission of Community Action Partnership of Strafford County is to educate, advocate and assist people in Strafford County to help meet their basic needs and promote self-sufficiency.

Our 2012 holiday program is to help provide Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets to individuals and families as well as children's books (new and gently used) and winter hats, gloves and socks for children for ages 0-12. Our program is dependent upon community donations.

Question: In the past, I have gotten toys through Community Action. Where can I get them this year?

Answer: Please contact Toys for Tots in Londonderry at londonderryt4t@gmail.com. The warehouse number is (603) 432-3778. The website is:

<http://londonderry-nh.toysfortots.org/localcoordinator-sites/lco-sites/default.aspx>.

Question: What donations are needed?

Answer: We are seeking donations of:

- Grocery store gift cards and monetary donations.
- Non-perishable food items for Thanksgiving and Christmas meals (canned fruit, vegetables, gravy, pie/cookie mixes, stuffing mix, pie filling, etc.)
- Additionally, we are seeking new or gently used children's books (ages 0-12) as well as durable winter hats, gloves and socks for boys and girls for ages 0-12.

Donations for Christmas are being accepted until December 14, 2012

Question: Where can donations be dropped off?

Answer: We have two centralized drop off locations for our countywide program this year:

- Rochester Head Start Center, 150 Wakefield Street (Rochester Community Center)
- Farmington Outreach Office, 527 Main Street, Farmington

Monetary donation can be made online at www.traffordcap.org/donate or mail to: Community Action Partnership of Strafford County, PO Box 160, Dover, NH 03821

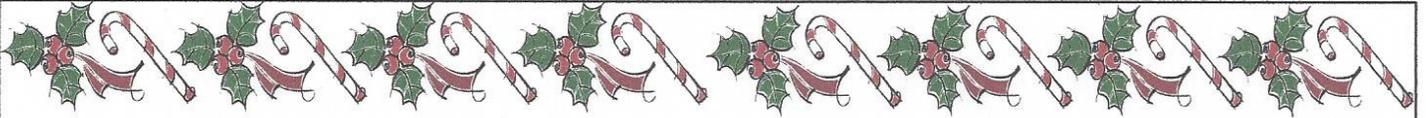
Question: Where can baskets be picked up?

Answer: On your application, you can choose from on of these locations:

- Milton Head Start Center, 155 Industrial Way, Milton
- Rochester Head Start Center, 150 Wakefield Street (Rochester Community Center)
- Seymour Osman Community Center, 40 Hampshire Circle, Dover

Christmas Pick Up Date: Thursday, December 20, 2012 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

For additional information or questions, please contact Janette Plaisted, community projects coordinator at (603) 516-8146.



Milton Free Public Library & Milton Recreation's 3rd Annual Gingerbread House Competition

To be judged at the VFW's Toys for Kids Party
On December 9th @ 2:00 pm.

This party is a public event, and everyone is invited to attend. Donations are gratefully accepted. If you can donate, please bring an unwrapped toy for a boy or a girl or you may drop off auction items by 1:00 pm on the day of the event. All gingerbread creations should be dropped off by 1:00 pm the day of the event.

- Construction Information

Each Gingerbread House entry must be created on a base no larger than 3ft by 2 ft. long. Smaller is fine. Please make base suitable for size of the house. There is a 6 inch maximum border allowance around the Gingerbread House. Each house must be made entirely of edible products with the exception of the base. No artificial display lighting should be used in the construction of the house.

- Who Can Enter

The completion is open to everyone who wishes to participate with a complete entry form. The entries will be judged in three categories (1) Best Children's Entry (12 & under must be done entirely by the child) (2) Best Family Entry (3) Best of Show (Most Creative Gingerbread House)

- How they will be judged

The criteria for judging will include 1.) Structural design (how well does your house stay together) 2.) Creative use of materials 3.) Detailing (how detailed is the overall entry & 4.) Overall excellence.

- Who will Judge

The entries will be judged by members of the VFW who are present at the party, the Milton Free Public Library Director and the Recreation Director. All decisions of the group are final. Judging will take place at 1:30 prior to the party.

- Prizes

There will be a trophy awarded in each category along with a Stonewall Kitchen gift certificate.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____ Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Category: _____ Entry Title: _____

By signing below I hereby agree that the gingerbread house I have entered into this contest was created by me/my family/my organization and I have followed all the rules of this contest. I also hereby hold harmless all VFW members and volunteer, the Milton Free Public Library Staff & the Milton Recreation Department from any and all liability should my entry be damaged or destroyed during the duration of the contest.

Entrant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

If Minor (Parents Signature): _____ Date: _____