

Winterfest 2011



SATURDAY FEB. 19 – SUNDAY FEBRUARY 27, 2011
OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES - The Chase Building
1045 Elm Street, Suite 204
Manchester, New Hampshire, 03101
(603) 624-6470 : www.manchesternh.gov/youth

WHEN PASSES ARE REQUIRED, THEY ARE AVAILABLE ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS, at the Office of Youth Services, 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. BEGINNING THE DAY BEFORE THE SCHEDULED EVENT. (Pick up passes for Monday, Feb. 21 on Friday, Feb. 18.)

WEEK LONG EVENTS

Mon Feb 21 - Sun Feb 27 Traditional Horse-drawn Sleigh Rides, Charmingfare Farm, Candia See wolves, mountain lions, otters, wolverines, reindeer, and more playing in the snow. Continues past winter pastures into the woods. 90 minutes with 30 minute campfire stop. Bring your own refreshments. Reserved seats required. Call 483-5623 or go to www.visitthefarm.com for reservations and information. Use promotional code winterfest11 to receive \$5 discount per General Boarding ticket, any ride, any day 2/21 to 2/27/10.

Currier Museum of Art, 150 Ash St. Mon, Feb 21 thru Fri, Feb 25 (closed Tues Feb 22) Free Admission to all. Special activities for children and families. Open Sat 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sun, Mon, Wed - Fri 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Massabesic Audubon Center February Fun Vacation Camp - 26 Audubon Way, Auburn Mon, Feb 21 thru Fri, Feb 25 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Pre-registration required by mail or in person at Concord Audubon, Silk Road. Pick up registration packet at Massabesic Audubon Center or call 224-9909 ext. 333 for registration package. Whole week, some days or single day session \$40 Mbr/\$50 Non-Mbr per day with 8:30 a.m. drop-off and after-hours option (extra fee) until 5:30. Ages 6 to 10. All campers bring snacks and lunch, outdoor clothing required. Daily themes with music, outdoor excursions, animals, and more! Details of daily activities at www.nhaudubon.org.

Free Swimming at Southern NH University 2500 North River Road: Mon, Feb 21 thru Fri, Feb 25, 9:15 - 10:45 a.m. An adult must accompany children. Pick up passes and pool rules at Office of Youth Services (OYS) only the day before, 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., starting Friday Feb 19 for Monday Feb 21. Limit 75 passes per day.

Currier Art Center 180 Pearl St. Mon, Feb 21 thru Fri, Feb 25, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Vacation Art Camp: Ages 5 to 13 "Winter Wonderland" create art featuring winter in New Hampshire. - Campers bring their own lunches and snacks. Cost: \$260 for full day, \$150 for half-day (half days for 5 to 6 year-olds). Teen Intensives, ages 14 - 18, \$250, for students interested in creating a portfolio. Students will be challenged to create "big" drawings. Art materials provided, but students bring their own lunch. Call 669-6144 ext.122 or go to www.currier.org for more info and to register for Art Camp or Teen Intensives. Scholarships available for both programs - Contact Currier Art Center.

SEE Science Center 200 Bedford St: Mon, Feb 21 thru Fri, Feb 25 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Pick up "\$2 off regular price" passes to SEE Science Center at Office of Youth Services (OYS) the day before you visit (Friday 2/18 for Monday 2/21). Discounted price per person, \$6. Information: www.see-sciencecenter.org or 669-0400.

Vertical Dreams Climbing Gym, Sat, Feb 20 thru Sun Feb 27, Waumbec Mill, 5th floor, 250 Commercial St., Vacation Hours: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Waiver forms required for climbers under 18, MUST BE SIGNED BY A PARENT. Available online at www.verticaldreams.com. More information available at website or 603-625-6919. Mention Winterfest 11 to receive \$5 off a beginner lesson.

Bowling, Spare Time Manchester (formerly Stadium Ten Pin), 216 Maple St, Mon, Feb 21 thru Fri Feb 25, 12 to 5 p.m. Children bowl two games, with shoes, and hot dog and soda. Only \$10 total! Phone 625-9656.

Skiing & Boarding at McIntyre Ski Area: Mon, Feb 21 thru Fri, Feb 25, 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. only! Limit 100. Get passes at Office of Youth Services (OYS) the day before (Fri 2/18 for Mon 2/21). Lift tickets \$10 per person with pass.

Public Ice Skating at JFK Coliseum: Mon, Feb 21 thru Fri, Feb 25, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Adults: \$5.00, Children: \$3.00. Bring your own skates, very limited rentals.

Mon, Feb 21 thru Fri, Feb 25, 11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Open Teen Center, YMCA, 30 Mechanic St, Manchester: Must be 11 to 16 years old. All participants MUST stop at the Welcome Center, present picture or school ID and complete guest pass before participating. Parents must sign waiver for non-member youth ages 11 to 13. Free

Amoskeag Fishways Winter Vacation Series, Fletcher St. Tue, Feb 22 thru Thu Feb 24. Attend one (\$8) or all three programs (\$20). Must pre-register & pre-pay. Visit www.amoskeagfishways.org or call 626-FISH (3474) City Critters Series for grades K - 2, 10 a.m. to noon. Tue, "Mammals in our Neighborhood" Wed, "Birds in our Backyard" Thu, "City Critter Search" (needs adult transportation). Wildlife Detective For grades 3 - 6, 1 to 3 p.m. Tue, "Discovering Mammal Clues" Wed, "Discovering Bird Clues" Thu, "Tracking Wildlife in Winter" (needs adult transportation).

City Year Winter Camp, Tue, Feb 22 thru Fri, Feb 25 "Exploring Earth" grades K - 5 students, Gossler Park Elementary or Wilson School \$90, campsships available. Safe, structured, nurturing environment for fun, educational, action-packed program that promotes diversity, cooperation, and community pride. To register or for more information, Jill Trieff at 603-218-5083 or 205-6163 or jtrieff@cityyear.org - as soon as possible!

DAY-BY-DAY EVENTS

Mon Feb 21, Libraries are closed for President's Day. Winterfest activities below, story times continue on usual schedule

Mon Feb 21, Storytime in the Gallery, 11:30 a.m. Currier Museum of Art, 150 Ash St., ages 3 - 5, Listen to a live reading of "Josie and the Snow" and look at the painting *Freeman Farm* by Maxfield Parrish. Free

Mon Feb 21, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m., Family Open Gym Night, YWCA, 72 Concord St., Open gym and more! Children under age 16 must be accompanied by an adult (unless YWCA member or enrolled in YWCA Program). Free - Call Megan at 625-5785 for further information.

Tue, Feb 22, Wed, Feb 23, Thu, Feb 24, 9:30 to 12 noon. 3 on 3 Invitational Basketball Tournament at Beech Street School, sponsored by OYS & Parks and Recreation: 5th, 6th, 7th, & 8th graders only. Free. Register Feb 22 & Feb 23 only, 9:30 a.m. at the School. There must be at least three and no more than four members on every team. Team members, please wear shirts of the same color!

Tue Feb 22, Wed, Feb 23, Thu, Feb 24, Tubing at McIntyre Ski Area 10 a.m. to Noon Get passes at Office of Youth Services (OYS) the day before, 2/21, 22, 23. No adult tubing. Children must be at least 5 years old and at least 44 inches tall to participate. Limit: **4 passes per family**, given to adults only. Limit: 100 per day. Free

Tue, Feb 22, YMCA Allard Center, Open Gymnastics, 116 Goffstown Back Rd, Goffstown 1:15 to 3:15 p.m. All participants **MUST stop at the Welcome Center**, present ID, complete guest pass first. Children ages 8 & under must be supervised by a parent or guardian. Parents must sign waiver for non-member youth up to age 12. 20 participants! Free

Tue Feb 22, Musician/Storyteller Steve Blunt, 2 p.m. all ages, Free - Auditorium, City Library, 405 Pine St. 624-6550

Tue Feb 22, LEGOS Club, 2 p.m. all ages, Free - West Library, 76 North Main St., Registration preferred, call 624-6560.

Tue, Feb 22 & Thu, Feb 24 Open Swim at YMCA Allard Center, 116 Goffstown Back Rd, Goffstown: 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Free. All participants **MUST stop at the Welcome Center**, present ID, complete guest pass first. Children ages 8 & under must be supervised by a parent or guardian. Parents must sign waiver for non-member youth up to age 13. 20 participants!

Tue Feb 22, Travel Club, 4 p.m., grades K-5, Winchell Room, City Library, 405 Pine St., Free, registration required, 624-6560 x 328.

Tue, Feb 22 & Thu, Feb 24 Open Swim at YMCA Allard Center, 20 participants! 116 Goffstown Back Rd, Goffstown: 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Also, OPEN GYM: Tue, 2/22, Wed, 2/23, Fri, 2/25, 1:15 - 3:15, no participant limit. All participants **MUST stop at the Welcome Center**, present ID, complete guest pass first. Children ages 8 & under must be supervised by a parent or guardian. Parents must sign waiver for non-member youth up to age 13.

Tue, Feb 22 & Thu Feb 24, Open Gym & Open Swim, 4 to 4:45 p.m. YMCA, 30 Mechanic St, Manchester. All participants **MUST stop at the Welcome Center**, present ID, complete guest pass first. Children ages 8 & under must be supervised by a parent or guardian. Parents must sign waiver for non-member youth up to age 13. Swim limited to 20 participants! Free

Tue Feb 22, Teen Movie Series, *The Last Airbender* Free, 4 p.m. grades 6 - 12 welcome, Auditorium, City Library, 405 Pine St. -- Popcorn provided. Call Kate at 624-6550 x 342

Wed Feb 23, Drop-in Art Making, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Currier Museum of Art, 150 Ash St, families create art -- Free

Wed Feb 23, Nintendo Wii Competition, 1 p.m. West Library, 76 North Main St., ages 6 -12, Free Registration at 624-6560

Wed Feb 23, Teen Cooking 4 p.m., City Library, 405 Pine St, Free ages 11 - 18. Call Kate at 624-6550 x 342

Wed Feb 23, Basketball, Southern NH U v Merrimack College. FREE tickets at the Athletic Complex Fieldhouse Saturday only, starting 5:00 p.m., when you mention Winterfest. Women's Game, 5:30 p.m., Men's 7:30 p.m. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Thu, Feb. 24, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Family Drawing in the Galleries, Currier Museum of Art, 150 Ash St., Free

Thu, Feb. 24, *Critters & Creatures* 2 p.m. West Library, Live animal show with bearded dragons, hedgehogs and many more! Event will take place at the Senior Center, 76 North Main St., Free, all ages, 624-6560

Thu Feb 24, Anime Club, 2:30 p.m., grades 6 - 12. Winchell Room, City Library 405 Pine St Free. Kate at 624-6550 x 342

Thu, Feb 24, "Guitar Hero" Tournament, 4 p.m., grades 6 - 12. City Library 405 Pine St. Free - Registration required! Call Kate 624-6550 ext 342

Fri, Feb 25, 10 to 12 noon, Basketball Foul Shooting Contest, Beech Street School: for boys & girls grades 3 thru 8. No fee or passes necessary. Sign up same day at Beech Street School.

Fri, Feb 25, Life Size Trivia Pursuit 2 p.m. Manchester City Library, Winchell Room, 405 Pine St, all ages - test your knowledge! Contact Karyn at 624-6550 x 335

Fri, Feb 25, Family Movie Afternoon, 3 p.m., West Library, 76 North Main St. Free - All ages welcome - 624-6560 for details

Fri, Feb 25, Special Gallery tours, 11:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Currier Museum of Art, 150 Ash St. Family tour in the morning, Focus on Portraits in the Afternoon. Free

Sat, Feb 26, Family Game Day, 2 p.m., West Library, 76 North Main St. All ages welcome. Free Play Junior Pictionary for prizes, sponsored by the *Friends of the West Manchester Library*. 624-6560 for details.