

NANTUCKET community events DECEMBER 26 ~ JANUARY 2 calendar

NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATIONS

29 Fair Bistro

Two seatings New Year's Eve: 6 and 8:30 pm with special prix fixe menu. Four courses with champagne toast. 228-7800.

Cambridge Street

Tasty vittles, midnight champagne toast, live music from the Undergraduates, and open bar all for one admission price. 228-7109.

Chicken Box

DJ Bri Guy and his video dance party. Champagne toast at midnight. No cover charge.

Fifty-Six Union

The theme for New Year's Eve is "Feather Fun". 4 course dinner. Second seating will include dancing at around 10:30 or 11 pm. Anyone is welcome to come dance. Open until 2 am. 228-6135.

LoLa 41

DJ's Devlin and Billy Desmond. No cover. 15 South Beach Street. 325-4001.

Rose & Crown

2nd annual "Vegas Baby" New Year's Eve party from 10 to 1. No cover, DJ Mikee, free champagne toast at midnight. Prizes for the best Elvis costumes; costumes not required. 23 South Water Street. 228-2595.

Starlight

New Year's Eve at Times Square on the big screen. N. Union Street. 228-4479.

Water Street

Prix fixe menu for the New Year's Eve masquerade dinner. Two seatings: 6:30 or 7 pm, and 8:30 or 9 pm for those who want to stay after dinner for the party. Masks, favors and goodies, or bring your own. 228-7080. 21 South Water Street.

Restaurants (Sit Down) Open for New Year's Eve

Other than above: Arno's, Bamboo Pub, Centre Street Bistro, Cinco, Faregrounds, Le Languedoc, SeaGrille, Sushi by Yoshi.

Restaurants (Sit Down) Open for New Year's Day

Bamboo Pub (lunch and dinner), Cinco (half price menu 4 - 7 pm), Downeyflake (7 am - 1 pm), Even Keel Cafe (brunch), Fog Island Cafe (breakfast and lunch), Languedoc (dinner), LoLa 41 (dinner), SeaGrille (dinner), Starlight (lunch and dinner), Sushi by Yoshi (lunch and dinner), 29 Fair Bistro (a la carte dinner).

CHILDREN & FAMILY

Crafts in the Afternoon: Clara Barton and the Red Cross

The story of Clara Barton and the founding of the Red Cross. Make simple first aid kits as a craft. For ages 4 - 10 years. Free. Attendance is limited. Nantucket Atheneum Gallery, **Saturday** (29th), 2 to 2:45 pm.

Early New Years Skate Party

For children and families. Favors, fun, festivities. 508-228-2516. Nantucket Ice. **Monday** (31st), noon to 2 pm.

COMMUNITY

2nd Annual One Book One Island

One Book One Island announces its 2008 book selection and upcoming events. All welcome. Angler's Club, 1 New Whale St. **Thursday** (3rd), 3 pm.

English Literacy Classes

For those seeking to improve their English skills. Open to all, conducted in English; no pre-registration is required. Free. 508-228-8710 or 228-1382. Lower Gallery, Nantucket Atheneum, 1 India St. **Thursdays**: Both beginners and intermediate/advanced begin at 6 pm.

COMMUNITY - HEALTH

Shambhala Meditation Group

Yoga Room. 49 Fairgrounds Rd, **Tuesdays** at 7:45 pm. Beginners welcome. Call Elisabeth at 508-228-5121 if you would like to learn to meditate, but can't make it on Tuesdays.

Kundalini Yoga

Instructor Logan Korpita. Suitable for all levels. \$15 for adults, \$10 for students. 508-332-0056. Sherburne Hall, upstairs at 11 Centre Street. **Wednesdays** at 6 pm.

Free HIV and Hepatitis Counseling and Testing

508-228-3955, www.nantucketaids.org. Nantucket AIDS Network, 35 Old South Rd. Every **Tuesday** and **Thursday**, 8:30 am to 3:00 pm.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Meetings most days at 7 am, noon, 5:30 pm and 8 pm. Call 228-2334 for help, meeting times, days and locations.

COMMUNITY - SPORTS

Adult Skating Class

All levels (beginner to intermediate). Call 228-2516 for more information. Nantucket Ice Rink, 1 Backus Lane. **Sundays** at 5 pm.

MARIA MITCHELL ASSOCIATION

Open Nights at Loines Observatory

Sample the sights of the distant heavens with MMA astronomers, weather permitting. No reservations required. 508-228-9198. \$5 for adults, \$3 per child (members); \$10 per adult, \$5 per child (non-members). Loines Observatory, 59 Milk St. Extension, across from the cemetery. **Friday** (28th) at 8 pm.

Seal Cruise with MMA and Shearwater Excursions

Witness the birth of seal pups only yards away aboard the Shearwater. Journey to Muskeget and view wildlife with experts. Hot chocolate provided. Space limited, reservations 508-228-7037. **Wednesday** (26th) and **Thursday** (27th): 10 am - 12:30 pm. **Friday** (28th): 10 am - 12:30 pm and 1 - 3:30 pm. **Saturday** (29th) and **Sunday** (30th): 10:30 am - 1 pm, and 1 - 3:30 pm. **Monday** (31st): 10:30 am - 1 pm.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Brazilian Assembly of God in Nantucket Revival Church

Service times: Saturday and Sunday at 7:30 pm. Come be blessed by God. 11 Orange Street. Pr. Nilson Lara. 508-228-5605.

Brazilian Foursquare Gospel Church

Tuesday Bible Study at 8 pm; Saturday Spirit-filled worship at 7:30 pm with Pastor Mario Vieira. 508-367-7313. In Portuguese, translator present. All welcome. Downstairs at the Methodist Church. Entrance on Rose Lane.

Congregation Shirat HaYam

Reopening May, 2008. 508-228-6588 or www.shirathayamnantucket.org.

First Congregational Church

62 Centre St. Rev. Joy A. Baumgartner, Sr. Minister. Sunday service and church school at 10 am. www.nantucketfcc.org. 508-228-0950.

Interfaith Devotional Gatherings by the Bahá'ís

Mediations will center on a quote from the Bahá'í scriptures, "So powerful is the light of unity that it can illuminate the whole earth." Any prayers or scriptures are welcome. 508-325-4325. Activities Room of the Unitarian Church. **Tuesdays**, 7:30 pm.

St. Mary - Our Lady of The Isle

3 Federal Street. 508-228-0100. Reverend Paul E. Canuel, Pastor. Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Every Saturday at 4 pm. Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil at 5 pm; Sunday at 8 and 11 am; Spanish Mass: Sunday at 6 pm. Weekday Liturgy: Monday - Friday at 7:30 am. *Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph: Saturday (29th) at 5 pm; Sunday (30th) at 8 and 11 am; 6 pm Spanish. Monday (31st): no 7:30 am Mass; Holy Day of Obligation, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God: 5 pm Vigil Mass. Tuesday (1st): 9 am Mass; Blessing of Calendars and time pieces.*

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

20 Fair St., 228-0916. The Rev. William Eddy, Interim Priest. Sunday Holy Eucharist: 8 and 10 am; Wednesday Mid Week Eucharist: 8:30 am; Church School: Sunday at 10 am. *Sunday December 23rd, Church Christmas Pageant during 10am service.*

Stillwaters Community Worship

Sundays, 10:30 am and Sunday School, 9 - 10 am for ages 3 and up at 9 East Creek Road. **Tuesdays**, 10:45 am at Our Island Home. 508-325-4547. Rev. Georgia Anne Snell.

Summer Street Church

Evangelical Fellowship, 1 Summer St. Sunday School: all ages at 9 am. Morning Worship: **Sundays** at 10:15 am. Women's Bible Study: 4 Trotters Lane, **Tuesdays** at 7 pm. Men's Bible Study: 4 Trotters Lane, **Wednesdays** at 7:30 pm.

United Methodist Church

Thursday Bible Study: **Thursdays** at 6 pm. Come for any session you can. Beginning and ending with prayer - with study, lively discussion and fellowship in between. All are welcome. Downstairs at the Methodist Church, 2 Centre St. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 10 am; handicapped accessible.

Unitarian Universalist Church

11 Orange St. 508-228-5466. Rev. Jennifer Brooks, Minister. Sunday service, Sunday School ages 5-12, and nursery care for infants and toddlers: 10:45 am.

SALTMARSH SENIOR CENTER

Clip and save for the month of January. Closed New Years Day (1st), and Martin Luther King Day (21st).

- Blood Pressure Clinic: **Thursdays** 2 to 3
- Book Discussion, One Book, One Island, led by Fifi Greenberg: **Thursday** (31st) at 1:30 pm
- Bridge (Beginner's): **Mondays** at 1:30
- Bridge (Duplicate): **Tuesdays** at 1:30
- Bridge (PM): **Mondays** and **Fridays** at 12:30
- Congregate Lunch: **Daily** 12 noon
- Cribbage: **Fridays** at 1:30
- Exercise Class. Mon, Wed and Fri with Nancy Swain: 8:45 am; with Joe: Mon, Wed and Fri at 10 am

- Exercise (Armchair): **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** at 10:15 am
- Hearing Care: **Monday** (7th) at 1:30 pm
- Internet instructions with Tom McGlinn: **Tuesdays** 10 am to noon
- Judy's Writing Class: **Wednesdays**, 1:30 pm
- Knitting: **Mondays** at 1:30 pm
- Laughing Club: **Wednesday** (2nd) at 1 pm
- Legal Services: **Thursday** (3rd) at 1:30 pm
- Mah Jongg: **Wednesdays** 1:30 pm
- Movies: **Tuesdays** 1:15 pm
- MMA Great Point Tour: **Thursday** (10th), 1 to 4 pm
- MMA Comet Lecture with Dr. Strelitski: **Thursday** (24th) at 1 pm.
- MSPCA Pet Talk: **Thursday** (3rd), 12:45 pm
- Organizational Gems with Wendy Watts: **Thursday** (24th) at 1:30 pm
- Quilting: **Tuesdays** 9:30 am
- Rx for Your Health: **Wednesday** (2nd), 11:15 am to 12:15 pm
- Sherburne Commons Info with Philip: **Thursday** (17th) at 1:30 pm.
- Social Security, **Wednesday** (23rd), 10 to 12 and 1 to 2:30
- Star Stuffers: **Tuesday** (22nd & 29th), 9 am
- Strength Training: **Tuesdays** at 8 am
- Tai Chi with Doug Baier: **Thursdays** 9 am
- Veteran's Services: **Thursdays** 9 to noon
- Yoga with Barbara: **Tuesdays** 9 am, also **Thursday** (3rd) at 8 am

TOURS

Explore Nantucket Conservation Foundation Property

90 minute walk with Middle Moors Ranger Allen Reinhard - cultural history, geology, flora and fauna. Reserve your space at 508-228-2884. Free. Field Station, Polpis Road: **Sunday** (30th), 1 - 2:30 pm.

African Meeting House

The African Meeting House on Nantucket is now open for tours and special events by appointment only. Regular hours will begin July 1, 2008. Call 508-228-9833 for appointments and inquiries. African Meeting House, 29 York Street.

TOWN GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

This is neither a comprehensive nor legal posting of meetings, but for informational purposes only. Meetings are subject to change of time, venue and date. Please check the meeting board for official postings at the Town Building, 16 Broad Street.

BEACH MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Land Bank Conference Room. Every **Thursday** at 4 pm. *No meeting this week.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: Court Room. **Wednesdays** at 6 pm. *No meeting this week.* (Televised on Comcast PlumTV Channel 22 beginning at 7 pm same night.)

MADAKET ADVISORY BOARD: 37 Washington Street, Conference Room. **Wednesday** (2nd) at 2 pm.

Please e-mail your event listings to: events@nantucketindependent.com or fax to 508-228-1079 by Friday at 5 pm for the 8 days beginning on the following Wednesday.

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