



REAL QUICK

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING! Here's how to keep yours fresh and local. See page 2.

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2ND SATURDAY FUN! Shops and galleries stay open late for Second Saturday festivities Nov. 14. See below.

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HOLIDAY SEASON: Mark these great holiday events on your calendar. See page 6.

SHOP



2nd Saturday Nov. 14 in Cambridge!

On Nov. 14, don't miss the amazing sales, raffles, giveaways, more—until 9pm!



Come downtown and catch up with friends old and new this Second Saturday, Nov. 14!

SHOP! Get 20, 30, 50% off in select stores! Stop by the free receptions. Take advantage of great give-aways. See the full listing of specials.

ARTS! Galleries are open late with free receptions to celebrate new shows. Plus a sneak peek at Cambridge's newest gallery! See the complete rundown of gallery shows on page 3.

DINE! Stop by for lunch, a cocktail, a snack, dinner, or dessert at one of the restaurants that's part of Cambridge's growing dining scene. Try Bella Luna (Italian), Bistro Poplar (French), Canvasback (Irish pub and restaurant), Jimmie & Sook's Raw Bar & Grill, Portside, Scoop Station, and Snapper's.

BOOK IT! Holiday-themed books at the Library's Second Saturday Book Sale, 9am-2pm.

PARENTS NIGHT OUT! See if you qualify for Second Saturday babysitting at the YMCA—only \$10 per child for Friends of Cambridge Main Street and \$5 for YMCA members. 5-10:30pm for children ages 4-10. Parents are raving about it! Reserve by noon, Nov. 12, at 410.221.0505. (See story on page 4 for details on how to become a Friend of Main Street.)

MUSIC! After Second Saturday winds down, head to Jimmie & Sook's for a great rockabilly show by the Bullets out of Wilmington. J&S is holding this fundraiser to benefit Cambridge Main Street. \$5 cover. 10pm. Thanks, J&S!



SUNNYSIDE SHOP: UbU Clothing Co. Trunk Show. Trade in an old winter coat for women in need and get 20% off a new UbU jacket! Enter raffle to win a UbU jacket—no purchase necessary. 500 Poplar St.

DRAGONFLY BOUTIQUE: 20% off apparel and shoes all day. Wine/cheese reception starts at 5pm. 406 Race St.

JOIE DE VIVRE GALLERY: Opening reception honors Cambridge's own folk artist, John Root Hopkins, 5-7:30pm. 410 Race St.

DANNY DOUGHTY GALLERY: Sneak preview of Cambridge's newest gallery (See page 3). 410 Race St.

PEAR TREE SOUTH: Free gift with purchase! Giveaways! New: bamboo wear, including items for men and babies! 412 Race St.

A FEW OF MY FAVORITE THINGS: All Christmas merchandise 20% off! 414 Race St.

LUNACHICK: An amazing 20% off Sacred Threads and Freak Street Clothing! 430 Race St.

TRUMPETER SWAN ANTIQUES: Go treasure hunting for antiques, crocks, decoys, vintage advertising, and more! 437 Race St.

CHESAPEAKE CLASSICS: Great prices on all manner of great

decoys and other waterfowling memorabilia. New Ward Brothers decoys just arrived! Reception starts 5pm. 317 High St.

DORCHESTER CENTER FOR THE ARTS: Reception (6-8pm), exhibit, and sale featuring popular annual photography contest! 321 High St.

CRABCATCHER'S SCAVENGER SHOP/FIBRE CAFÉ: Platters, dishes, bakeware, more—new merchandise always arriving. Sale on mohair yarn! 533 Poplar St.

LEDNUM'S JEWELERS: Sat. only, 20% off jewelry! Open til 7 pm. 525 Poplar St.

SUGAR MAGNOLIA CONSIGNMENT BOUTIQUE: Enjoy a glass of wine while browsing consigned designer clothes at great prices. All Sat. receipts entered in drawing for \$100 gift certificate! 519 Poplar St.

AVÉ SALONSPA: Buy raffle tix to win great prizes! Proceeds go to help the Ryan family with health-care expenses. Winners drawn at December's Second Saturday! 501 Poplar St.

MAIN STREET GALLERY: The art of fashion with fiber pieces and women's accessories by renowned Ibhana Creations! Plus painted furniture by Robert Murphy. Reception for new exhibit, "Art-cessories!" 5-8pm. 413 Muir St.



ABOUT CAMBRIDGE MAIN STREET

Cambridge Main Street is a volunteer-driven nonprofit dedicated to revitalizing our historic downtown. Contact Executive Director Jim Duffy at office@cambridgemainstreet.com or 410.228.0020.

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Community input moves Cambridge Lives! forward

The Cambridge Lives! project took a major step forward on Nov. 6-7, when more than 50 community residents, stakeholders, and leaders gathered over two days to discuss ways to spark a revitalization process along Pine and nearby streets.

Held at historic Bethel AME Church on Pine Street, the event featured training sessions led by Donya Maria Twyman and Cynthia Salvo of Virtual Office Associates (VOA), a community-planning consulting firm based in Annapolis. VOA's goal is to help establish and empower an independent volunteer steering committee to help identify community priorities and then work with various potential funders and other partners to make projects become a reality.

A number of city, county, and state departments participated in the weekend, as did nonprofits like Cambridge Main Street, Habitat for Humanity Choptank, and Delmarva Community Services.

"It's been a great process, rolling up the sleeves along with so many other groups in an effort to seek community input and then identify and then pursue the right programs," said Jim Duffy, Main Street's executive director. "I think everyone present recognizes that the rich history of the Pine Street community is a priceless asset for our city."

Anyone interested in participating in this process or attending a steering committee meeting should call 410.228.0020.

Think fresh and local this Thanksgiving

Keep your Thanksgiving fresh and local. Head to Simmons Center Market for your fresh turkey (order in advance at 410.228.4313), holiday party trays, produce, and more. Give your dinner that special touch at A Few of My Favorite Things with a special cheese as an appetizer, or try Stilton with cranberries in your salad. You can also pick up a nice wine (riesling goes great with turkey, shop owner Carol Levy advises). Heading to someone else's home? Bring them some of Carol's delectable chocolates. If you're looking to add an international flair, stop in Latino markets Mi Tierra or El Sol. Or share your good wishes for this day of thanks with a fruit or specialty gift basket from Simmons. Happy Thanksgiving!



Volunteers spruce up the town with trees, plantings

Dedicated volunteers on Main Street's Clean, Safe & Green committee braved rain and soggy conditions in mid-October to plant 22 trees downtown. The trees will provide more shade and complement the existing street trees. Thanks to the Chesapeake Bay Trust for grant funds to get this project done. Trees were planted on Race, Poplar, High, and Gay Streets. Volunteers were also out in early November cleaning up planting beds around downtown. Thanks also to volunteers (and experienced gardeners) Ben and Grace Reed, who, after donating their time to do much of the mosaic on the Cannery Way mural, also added plantings there.

Shelly Roche supervises while Nik Robinson, Dan Brandewie, and Cathy Gaddy plant a tree in front of ReMax Realtor Julie Fox's office on High Street.

Cambridge Main Street office is moving!

The Cambridge Main Street office will be moving in the coming weeks to 505 Poplar St. Phone is still 410.228.0020; email office@cambridgemainstreet.com.

Bike racks installed: In case you missed it, five handsome bike racks have been installed downtown near Bella Luna, Avé Salon Studio, A Few of My Favorite Things, Jimmie & Sook's, and 450 Race Street. Thanks to an anonymous donor who gave to the Choptank Heritage Trail group to make it happen!



EVENTS

2nd SAT.

NOV. 14, 5-9pm
Second Saturday
Galleries and shops stay open late. See story on page 1.

NOV. 14, 10pm
Fundraiser for Main Street
Catch the Bullets at Jimmie & Sook's and help Main Street. 10pm. \$5 cover.

NOV. 19, 7pm
Ravioli-Making at Bella Luna
Learn from the experts. Wine included. \$35. Reserve at 410.221.0010.

NOV. 20, 4pm
Grandtastic Jamboree with David Ball
Grammy Award-winner David Ball, Bird Dog Wheeler and the Road Kings; all-you-can-eat. Governor's Hall at Sailwinds Park. Ticket info: www.grandnationalwaterfowl.com.

NOV. 27
Black Friday in Downtown Cambridge
Kick off the holiday season with great sales and extended shop hours downtown!

DEC. 5, 5pm
Cambridge-Dorchester Christmas Parade
Parade route begins on High Street. See page 6.

2nd SAT.

DEC. 12, 5-9pm
Old-Fashioned Christmas
Santa's Workshop, carriage rides, caroling, and more. See page 6.

See holiday roundup on page 6, plus more at cambridgemainstreet.com

the Arts in Cambridge

Get a sneak peek at city's 325 sculpture

Get a sneak peek at the major public sculpture to mark Cambridge's 325th birthday. Through photography by David Harp of the public sculpture, you can glimpse the work during a reception Second Saturday, Nov. 14, 5-8pm at the Main Street Gallery, 413 Muir St.



'The Wave of the Future' under construction. [Photo by Dave Harp]

The sculpture, "Wave of the Future," was designed by artist Martin Hughes, a key member of the volunteer team running the Main Street Gallery. It is being fabricated by a team of employees at Cambridge International, the world's largest manufacturer of metal belt and wire cloth. The employees are donating their time to the project.

A final location for the piece has yet to be determined. The sculpture may be unveiled during a city 325th birthday bash at Sailwinds Park on Dec. 11. Watch future issues of this newsletter and www.cambridgemainstreet.com for details.



Raffle for painting to benefit Humane Society

Folk artist Danny Doughty, who's opening a new gallery in the space behind Joie de Vivre, has donated this painting, *Cat of Many Colors*, for a raffle to benefit the Dorchester Humane Society. Stop by at 410 Race St. to buy raffle tickets—one for \$5, three for \$10. The winner will be announced at 7pm, Second Saturday, Dec. 12 at Joie de Vivre.

IN THE GALLERIES

New Danny Doughty Gallery opening on Race Street

Danny Doughty, a folk artist whose work was recently on display at Joie de Vivre, has decided to set some roots in Cambridge. He has taken over the back space at Joie de Vivre (where Dazzle Your Domaine used to be) and is offering a sneak preview of the new Danny Doughty Gallery on Second Saturday, Nov. 14.

Doughty lives in the same house where he was born and raised in the small village of Willis Wharf on the Virginia Eastern Shore.



DETAIL OF BUCK DOUGHTY WORK

He says this isolated area, slow to change with the rest of the world, has been the catalyst for his distinctive "naive" style of painting.

The gallery also includes the work of Albert "Buck" Doughty, Danny's cousin, a fine metal artist from Cape Charles, Virginia. Buck Doughty creates metal sculptures, welded, pounded and ground to shape from raw steel materials. His creations, ranging from a small object (such as a clam) to a full-size depiction of a pine branch, are inspired by his native area's rural settings.



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IBHANA CREATIONS

Main Street Gallery: Now featuring "Art-cessories," a special installation of wearable and functional artworks. The work of more than 20 regional artists and crafts people will be exhibited, as well as a special fiber and accessory display created by Meena

Tharmaratnam, the internationally known founder of Ibhana Creations, which has an exclusive line of women's dresses, jackets, scarves, hats, and jewelry. This is your last chance to acquire a piece of the St. Michaels-based artist Robert Murphy's distinctively whimsical painted furniture (pictured here) before he moves to Colorado. Come to the reception Second Saturday, Nov. 14, 5-8pm. Open Friday and Saturday, 11am-4pm; until 8pm Second Saturday, Nov. 14. Sunday hours are 1-4pm. 413 Muir Street

Danny Doughty

Gallery: Come to the sneak preview Second Saturday, Nov. 14. Featuring the work of folk artist Danny Doughty and metal artist Buck Doughty. In the back of Joie de Vivre Gallery. 410 Race St.

DANNY DOUGHTY



your favorite. Free reception Second Saturday, Nov. 14, 6-8pm, with live music by Gordon Bugby and light refreshments. Show runs November 5-28. 321 High Street

Joie de Vivre Gallery:

Featuring the work of Cambridge folk artist John Root Hopkins. Come to the artist reception, 5-7:30pm, Second Saturday, Nov. 14. The gallery also features textiles, jewelry, and more created by artists and artisans. 410 Race St.



JOHN ROOT HOPKINS

Maris Elaine Gallery: Photo essay, "100 African-American Women We Admire." Also wide-ranging work from local, national, and international artists. Open weekends. 520 Race Street

447 Studios & Gallery: The gallery is closed while undergoing renovations. 447 Race Street

Also, don't miss **Wright's Art & Framing**. George Wright's work hangs in Cooperstown's Baseball Hall of Fame and the Maryland Senate. Plus, see the work of waterfowl artists at **Chesapeake Classics**.

For the latest, go to cambridgemainstreet.com and click on "The Arts in Cambridge."



GLENDASINGER
STUKEY



Joyce Fritz Ritz leads line dancing classes at the Main Street Gallery. Besides being an accomplished line dancer, she's also an artist and chair of Main Street's Arts & Entertainment Committee.

Line dancing at the Main Street Gallery:

We're guessing that if you do line dancing, you've never danced surrounded by beautiful works of art. Now you can. The Main Street Gallery, 413 Muir Street, is the site for Phoenix Line Dance, new line dancing classes for experienced dancers. Word has it that the floor is amazing to dance on. Tuesday, 4-6pm, is an intermediate/advanced class; \$10 per class. Thursday, 4-5pm, is an intermediate class; \$5 per class. For details, contact Joyce Fritz Ritz, phoenixlinedance@gmail.com or 443.205.9259.

MUSIC

Jimmie & Sook's:

Live music
Wednesday through
Saturdays. Every
Wednesday is Anna
Burgess, 8-11pm;
every Thursday is
acoustic jam, 9pm-
12am. Upcoming
shows:

Nov. 13: Blues
DeVille.

Nov. 14: The Bullets
of Wilmington, DE.
To benefit
Cambridge Main
Street.

Nov. 20 : Madman Doug.

Nov. 21: Rockabilly Hall of Fame inductee
Billy Hancock. To benefit the Mural.

Nov. 28: All Together Spent.

Dec. 4: Patty Reese

Dec. 12: Justin Ryan.

For the latest, check the calendar at
www.jimmieandsooks.com. 421 Race Street

Scoop Station: Live music every week.

Nov. 14: Bobby Reed and company.

Nov. 21: Candy Rabbit and musicians for
Christmas Cheer. Special Toys for Tots bene-
fit show.

For the latest, check the calendar at
www.thescoopstation.com. 400 Muir Street

Canvasback Restaurant & Pub: Call for
information on live music, 410.221.7888.

Point Break Beach Bar: Call for upcoming
shows, 410.221.7850.



The Bullets bring their rockabilly music to Jimmie & Sook's Nov. 14, as a fundraiser for Main Street.

NEWS

Master gardeners offer plant clinic at library

Strange pests on the crepe myrtle? Not sure when to prune? Head to the Cambridge Library between 3-6pm on Thursdays with all your gardening questions during the "Ask a Master Gardener" plant clinic. On the lower level of the library. Great idea!

Celebrating waterfowling in Cambridge

As Easton holds its Waterfowl Festival Nov. 13-15, Cambridge's own Chesapeake Classics (317 High St.) welcomes visitors to browse their collection of decoys and waterfowling art. Stop by the free reception starting 5pm, Second Saturday, Nov. 14.



Also, on Nov. 13, head to a talk on "Early Waterfowl Market Hunting in Dorchester," featuring curator Melvin Hickman. The artifacts and stories are incredible. At the Dorchester County Historical Society, 903 LaGrange Ave. 5-7pm. Open to the public. Cash bar available.

In conjunction with the Grand National Waterfowl Association Hunt Week Nov. 19-21 is the annual Grandtastic Jamboree at 4pm, Nov. 20, featuring country star David Ball. See story below. More details at www.grandnationalwaterfowl.com.



David Ball at Sailwinds: Grammy Award-winner David Ball performs at the Grandtastic Jamboree Nov. 20, along with Bird Dog Wheeler and the Road Kings. Plus all-you-can-eat oyster fritters, pit beef, soft-shell crab sandwiches, crab soup, and more. Governor's Hall at Sailwinds Park. Tickets \$35 in advance; \$40 at door. Info: www.grandnationalwaterfowl.com or 410.228.0111.



Mike Hines & The Look Thanksgiving

Eve Party. Presented by Mark Carels and Chuckie Hayward. Nov. 25, 8:30pm-1:30am. Governor's Hall at Sailwinds Park. \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. Partial proceeds go to the National Kidney Foundation. 21 and over. Info: Mark, 410.310.9376 or Chuckie, 443.521.0630.

How you can help downtown Cambridge

The work we do at Cambridge Main Street is all about making our community a more vibrant, fun place to live and a more successful place to do business. Ever wonder how you can help? Here are three ways:

Become a Member.

Join the many other businesses, individuals, and families who help our downtown by becoming full members in Cambridge Main Street. Membership gifts begin at the \$100 Stakeholder level; learn more at www.cambridgemainstreet.com

Become a Friend.

The brand new Friends of Cambridge Main Street program is designed to boost connections between Main Street and the families and individuals who love our downtown events and are loyal to our downtown shops. Learn about the benefits of donating \$50 and becoming a Friend at www.cambridgemainstreet.com.

Volunteer.

Cambridge Main Street has just one employee, so much of the work we do depends on the efforts of volunteers. There are countless ways you can contribute. Send an e-mail to office@cambridgemainstreet.com or call 410.228.0020 for more information.

NEWS

Jimmie & Sook's featured in *Maryland Life* magazine

Maryland Life magazine featured Jimmie & Sook's Raw Bar and Grill in the November issue in a story called, "Food Among Friends." The story traces the story of Jimmie & Sook's, which opened in February 2008, with a lot of community investors and others stepping up to help Amanda Bramble launch her restaurant. "If there's anyplace where it takes a village to open a restaurant, it has to be Cambridge, where a cadre of true believers is busily restoring the city's once-bustling downtown business district—often, it seems, one brick at a time," the article begins. Read the full story at marylandlife.com and click on "Dining."



It takes a village at Jimmie & Sook's. Photo by Melissa Grimes-Guy, for *Maryland Life*.

Bargains galore at Fall Yard Sale at Sailwinds Nov. 14

Find bargains at the big Fall Yard Sale at Governor's Hall at Sailwinds Park, 7am-1pm, Saturday, Nov. 14. More than 80 vendors. Rain or shine. \$1 admission. 200 Byrn St. 410.228.7245.

LOVE TO SHOP? Cambridge Main Street is looking for some shop-happy volunteers who have a great feel for what makes a shop special. We'd like you to help our downtown! Interested? Contact Jim Duffy at office@cambridgemainstreet.com or 410.228.0020.

NEWS from SHOPS & RESTAURANTS



Learn to make ravioli! Here's a fun and different way to enjoy a meal out: Try the ravioli-making demonstration at Bella Luna. You'll not only learn to make ravioli (from pasta to filling), you'll also enjoy a ravioli dinner. Wine included. 7pm, Thursday, Nov. 19. Dress casually. \$35 per person. Reservations required, call 410.221.0110. 305 High Street. bellalunarestaurant.net

BISTRO POPLAR: Ask about our weekend specials. Or warm yourself with lunch, including onion soup gratinee, 7 oz. burger with gruyere, or crab stuffed in a buckwheat crepe with a green salad.

BISTRO POPLAR WINE DINNER SOLD OUT: The Beaujolais Wine Dinner at Bistro Poplar Nov. 20 is completely sold out. Stay tuned for the next special Bistro event!

FAMILY DINNER AT BELLA LUNA: Family-style dinner special, Mon-Wed, 5-8pm. Come with your family (3 or more) and dine family-style. Adults \$15, kids under 12, \$8. One entree choice per table—baked ziti, chicken cacciatore, meatballs marinara. Includes soft drink and bread. Also, if you're not doing the family special, don't miss the fall menu, including the popular oyster stew.

CHESAPEAKE CLASSICS: Now open Tuesday–Sunday, 10am–5pm. Welcome to new manager Russ Hudson.

HIDALGO MART: Now open on Poplar Street! Offering affordable clothing and footwear for men and women, as well as everything from cleaning supplies to Latino music CDs. The store is owned by Wilson Hidalgo, a published poet from Cuba.



HUBBARD'S CUSTOM BLINDS & FRAMING: Just celebrated the grand re-opening of their new Hunter Douglas Gallery. Stop in for special savings and rebates.

MARIS ELAINE GALLERY: Trollbead sale: Buy a clasp and two beads and get a free bracelet. Open on the weekends through Christmas. Sat. 11-4pm, Sun. 11-3pm.

PEAR TREE SOUTH: Give the gift of horticultural art form with Gardenia Bonsai Trees. Everything needed packaged in a galvanized tin box. While supplies last.

RAVENS AT PORTSIDE: Ravens game-day specials: 50-cent wings and \$5 buckets.

RUG & ANTIQUE GALLERY: Store closing, retirement sale. Everything up to 75% off. This is your last chance to find a bargain on a rug—the store's last day is Nov. 15!

SPECIALS AT CANVASBACK: Three-course weekend dinner specials, only \$18.99. Chef's choice includes appetizer, entree, and dessert. Also, stop in for live music.

HOLIDAY COOKIE DEMONSTRATION: At Bistro Poplar with Pastry Chef Emily Salisbury. Impress your family and friends with special holiday cookies. Tastings served with a warm holiday punch, coffee or tea. \$25 per person, all inclusive. Reserve by Dec. 1 at 410.228.4884 or bistropoplar@gmail.com.

NEWS BITS

1 Happy Birthday this month to **Joie de Vivre Gallery**, which turns nine; **Sunnyside**, which turns five; and to **Ceanie's Apparel**, which celebrates its first anniversary. **2** With some help from Main Street's Facade Improvement Program grant, new lighting is being put into four storefronts and the entrance to the building owned by the Masonic Lodge at 435-443 Race St. **3** Cambridge Kitchen & Bath announces the winner of its Ugly Bathroom Contest Nov. 27 at 12pm, 714 Meadow Avenue. Details at cambridgekitchenandbath.com

Celebrate the holiday season downtown

Capture the magic of the season with Christmas happenings, concerts, more

OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS:

Experience classic holiday charm on Second Saturday, 5-9pm, Dec. 12. Look for Santa's Workshop, carriage rides, caroling, and much more! Shops will be open late. Galleries will be opening new shows and holding receptions. Watch for details at cambridgemainstreet.com.



CREATE YOUR OWN HOLIDAY EVENT!

Downtown offers several striking buildings for rental for holiday parties and other special events. Venues include Bella Luna, Bistro Poplar, Canvasback, Dorchester Center for the Arts, Jimmie & Sook's, J.M. Clayton Company, Main Street Gallery, and the Richardson Maritime Museum. Details at cambridgemainstreet.com—click on "Plan Your Special Event Downtown."

CHRISTMAS GARDEN OF TRAINS:

Holiday-themed train garden presented by the Cambridge Fire Rescue Company. Dec. 1-31. Open nightly at the old firehouse at 307 Gay St., with more hours on weekends. 410.228.1670

HOLIDAY CANDLELIGHT TOUR: 4-7pm, Dec. 13. Tour six beautiful Cambridge homes decorated for the holidays, plus stops at the Dorchester Historical Society, the Dorchester Center for the Arts, and the Cambridge Woman's Club. Tickets cost \$10. 410.221.7868

SIMMONS CENTER MARKET CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE:

10am-4pm, Saturday, Dec. 5. Or start the season earlier—fresh cut and live Christmas trees, along with poinsettias, arrive the week of Nov. 23. Simmons' Christmas Shop includes a range of artificial trees, decorations, and ornaments.



HOLIDAY COOKIE DEMONSTRATION:

1pm, Dec. 6. Bistro Poplar Pastry Chef Emily Salisbury will help you impress family and friends with special cookies for the season. Tastings served with a warm holiday punch, coffee, or tea. \$25 per person, all inclusive. RSVP by Dec. 1. 410.228.4884 or bistropoplar@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS CONCERT AT DCA: The Chorus of Dorchester performs at the Dorchester Center for the Arts on Dec. 15. Details at 410.228.7782.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: 4pm, Dec. 20 with Tidewater Chamber Singers (for-

merly known as Bach to the Future), Christ Episcopal Church, Church and High Streets. Admission \$10; students free. Reception follows.

SILVER BELLS HOLIDAY BAZAAR:

5-7pm, Nov. 13 and 8am-3pm, Nov. 14. Zion Church, 612 Locust St. 410.228.4910.

HOLIDAY MARKET AT THE LIBRARY: At the Cambridge Library (along with the Second Saturday Book Sale), Saturday, Dec. 12. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. (Donations being accepted now; call 410.228.7331).

CHRISTMAS SHOWCASE AT ROBIN HOOD:

Begins 9am-4pm, Nov. 17 and continues through Dec. 20. Featured merchandise includes Christmas decorations, toys, gifts, and clothing. 416 High St. 410.228.6339.

CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY CRAFTS:

Children's Ceramic Ornaments Class at Dorchester Center for the Arts, 10am-noon, Dec. 5 and 12. For children ages 5 and up. Children will make Christmas ornaments they can give as gifts. \$25 members, \$65 non-members. Register at 410.228.7782.

CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY CRAFTS: Make a winter wonder bear. For ages 3-8. 10:30-11:30am, Dec. 19 at the Cambridge Library. Free, but call to register at 410.228.7331.

FOR THE LATEST on holiday happenings and shopping promotions in downtown Cambridge, go to www.cambridgemainstreet.com. The next Cambridge Main Street e-newsletter, coming out the first week of December, will include a full listing with merchant promotions, seasonal art exhibits, and more. For more holiday events and programs happening throughout Dorchester County, go to www.TourDorchester.org.



CHRISTMAS PARADE: The community—businesses, organizations, individuals—stepped up with donations to make sure the 62nd annual Cambridge-Dorchester Christmas Parade would happen this year. Don't miss it, starting at 5pm, Saturday, Dec. 5. High schools from all over the Eastern Shore come to the parade to compete for the title of Best Band in front of accredited judges. The parade route begins on High Street and continues on Poplar Street, then Race Street, ending at Race and Washington Streets. This year's theme: "325 Years of Christmas in the City of Cambridge." christmasparade.org.