CAMBRIDGE Main Street NEWS from DOWNTOWN



CALENDAR

December 2, 5 p.m. Christmas Parade

Starts on High Street in Cambridge; judges' stand on Race Street.

December 7, 6–9 p.m. Free babysitting downtown

Drop the kids off and do your shopping! Must show at least \$25 in receipts from Main Street retail merchants. Chesapeake College, 416 Race Street.

December 9, 5–9 p.m. Old-Fashioned Christmas

Do your holiday shopping downtown while mingling with your friends and neighbors. Poplar and Race Streets. Stores will be open late.

December 11, 5:30–7 p.m. Main Street Board of Directors Meeting

Open to the public. Chamber of Commerce.

December 14, 6–9 p.m. Free babysitting downtown

See December 7 entry for details.

Happy Holidays from Main Street!

DECEMBER 2006

Get into the spirit with Second Saturday Dec. 9

Looking to get into the holiday spirit– and knock some items off your gift list? Head downtown December 9 for an oldfashioned Christmas. Santa and his elves will be at Never on Tuesday Bookstore from 6:30–9 p.m. at 527 Poplar Street. The Richardson Museum will offer hot cider, cookies, and crafts. Simmons Center Market will host a free wine tasting, along with carriage rides. Stop by the firehouse to look at the train garden. The stores, open until 9 p.m., will offer great gift ideas and special surprises.

In addition, Cambridge's own Wednesday Morning Artists group will have a Holiday Art Show featuring the work of eight local artists, 6–8 p.m. at the Dorchester Arts Center, 120 High Street. And 447 Studios and Gallery on Race Street will be open until 8 p.m.

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good reasons to shop downtown Cambridge for the holidays

Free babysitting! Thursdays, December 7 and 14, 6–9 p.m. (see calendar for details)

You don't have to fight parking vultures in mall parking lots

Friendly shopkeepers offer amazing customer service

Find unusual and fun gifts, from antiques to clothes to jewelry

You could win \$250 in Main Street dollars! (show you spent the most money in December at Main Street merchants or show that you bought all your holiday gifts downtown)

NEWS BITS: Peggy's Creations, with antiques, jewelry, flowers, crafts, and collectibles, is now open at 430 Race Street. . . . **Leather artist Bob Belitski** has set up shop (and is accepting commissions) in **Wm. G. Willikers Antiques**, 448 Race Street. . . . Art director and graphic designer **Barbara Bose** of BoseArts (www.bosearts.com) has moved downtown to 541 Poplar Street. . . . The **Outback Rib Shack**, in Point Break Beach Bar (in the back of Canvasback Restaurant) is now open for lunch and dinner . . . Check out **Joie de Vivre**'s new website at www.joiedevivregallery.com.