

THE MANSFIELD MINUTE

DECEMBER 2012

- *Town Offices will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 25th.*
- *Slippery roads can cause travel delays — do you have your [emergency car kit](#) ready?*
- *Winter Parking Ban— don't park overnight on the street or in a municipal lot when it's snowing—you'll be towed!*

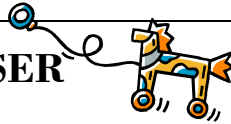


SUPERMARKET COMING TO STORRS CENTER

The Planning & Zoning Commission amended its regulations to pave the way for a grocery store to be built at Storrs Center. Price Chopper is planning a neighborhood market that will cater to local needs.



STUFF A CRUISER

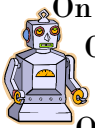


Everyday Connecticut State Troopers encounter children in need. Many of these children would not wake up Christmas morning with a smile if it were not for the generosity of others. Off Duty Troopers from the Mansfield Resident Trooper's Office will be collecting toys to help families in need during this holiday season.

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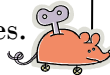
STUFF A CRUISER HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE.

On December 3-7th there will be a State Police



Cruiser parked in front of the Community Center to collect **new, unwrapped toys.**

On Saturday, December 8th, from 10 AM to 8 PM, Off Duty Troopers will be collecting toys at the East Brook Mall. Toys are distributed to Windham Hospital, Mansfield Sponsor A Family Program, and other local charities.



FARMERS MARKET

The [Storrs Winter Farmers Market](#) offers Mansfield and its neighbors access to fresh, locally-grown foods all through the winter.

The Winter Market will be open in December on Saturday 12/8, 12/15, & 12/22 from 3-5 PM in the Buchanan Auditorium at the Mansfield Public Library. January through April, the market will be open on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month.

LIVE MUSIC AT STORRS CENTER

Local Musicians Play Every Saturday, 2-4 PM

Live music has arrived in Storrs Center!



Dec. 1 - [Curtis Brand](#)

Dec. 8 - [The Conn-Men](#) (2-3)

Spencer Hamlin (3-4)

Dec. 15 - The Recliners

Dec. 22 - [Full Gael](#)

Dec. 29 - [Mike Casey Jazz Quartet](#)

For more information about the music series, visit the [Storrs Center Facebook](#) page.

Donors Needed to Sustain Mansfield Holiday Programs

Every year the Human Services Department coordinates a program matching families needing holiday help with food & gifts with individuals and community groups who have agreed to be donors.

Also, the **Mansfield Holiday Fund** provides checks which mean food, clothing, and toys for those who might have to go without over the holidays.

At this time the number of families requesting assistance exceeds the number of donors.

YOU CAN HELP!

If you would like to help a local family for this holiday season please contact Kathy Ann Easley in the Dept. of Human Services at 860 429-3316 to learn what you can do. You can also send a check to the Town of Mansfield/Holiday Fund, 4 S. Eagleville Road, Storrs, CT 06268.

MANSFIELD HAPPENINGS

December 2012



Nov. 24—Dec. 9 **SCAVENGER HUNT: LOCAL FIRST MANSFIELD**



Follow the clues to local businesses and qualify for a prize drawing. Clues will be available on the [Local First Mansfield Blog](#).

Dec. 6 — 7 PM **TECHability: Choosing the Right Computer AT THE LIBRARY**

Thinking about buying a computer for yourself or as a gift? Basic considerations such as how the computer will be used, how much memory is enough, laptop vs. desktop vs. tablet, etc. will be covered in this workshop.

Dec. 8 — 8AM-5PM **Holiday Craft Show and Pet Adoption AT E.O. SMITH HIGH SCHOOL**
Sponsored by the AgEd Boosters and the FFA Alumni Group.

Dec. 8 — 9AM-1PM **Holiday Bazaar AT THE SENIOR CENTER**
Toys, books, food, crafts, holiday items!

Dec. 9 — 12PM-4PM **One Stop Shop AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER**



Local businesses gathered in one place to sell products and gift certificates, making your holiday shopping a breeze!

Dec. 12 — 6:30 PM **Winter Band Concert AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Dec. 13 — 4 PM **Sparkle UP! Make Some Fun Holiday Crafts AT THE LIBRARY**
For children of all ages, no registration required.

Dec. 14 — 7 PM **Messiah Sing Concert AT E.O. SMITH HIGH SCHOOL**

Dec. 15 — 10AM-2PM **Parent's Morning Out AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER**
Holiday Edition: Activities and pizza for children in grades K-5.

Dec. 16 — 12PM-4PM **Give & Receive Gift Wrapping AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER**
Bring your unwrapped gifts and have them wrapped in exchange for a donation (cash, toy, personal care item) to benefit a Mansfield family in need.



Dec. 17 — 7 PM **Band Concert AT E.O. SMITH HIGH SCHOOL**

Dec. 19 — 6:30 PM **Winter Orchestra and Choral Concerts AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL**



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