



President: Jim Dannhauser

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This is the last issue of our newsletter for the year. As we approach the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons, we are grateful that a gradual return to normalcy seems to be continuing. Let us all hope that continues to be the case.

We are very excited to announce that the *Christmas in Cotuit* events on Saturday, December 4th are returning. There will be some differences – no horse drawn carriage rides – but we have a full slate of activities as outlined in the schedule below. We are grateful to all of the participating organizations to help make this a special occasion. Please recognize there is a great deal of pedestrian traffic for these events awaiting Santa’s arrival and again once he heads up to the Park. So, exercise caution – it is only one day of the year and we would hate to see something happen that spoils all the fun.

Last year we were so overwhelmed with the support for our food drive that we are doing it again. Your donations benefit folks whose need is great and the outpouring of donations last year was so very much appreciated by the organizations that received them. This year we are asking everyone to please bring your donations for the *Faith, Family and Kitchen* program and *Angel House*, both of which serve families in need, to the **Cotuit Fire Station or Freedom Hall** on December 1st or 2nd between 4:00 – 7:00. For additional information and the list of requested donation items please see the <http://www.cotuitcivicassociation.org/> website.

We wish everyone a happy and healthy holiday season. *Jim Dannhauser, President CCA*

- 9:00 – 3:30 *Greenfest 2021* – A holiday centerpiece workshop fundraiser for *Cotuit Center for the Arts*. \$30 per person/24 participants per session (9, 10:30, 12:30, 2, 3:30)
- 10:00 – 4:00 *Christmas in Cotuit’s 21st Annual Holiday Arts & Crafts Festival* at Freedom Hall: Creations of Cotuit’s own artists: Paintings, pottery, photographs, prints, drawings, jewelry, ornaments, marlin spike art and Christmas Wreaths
- 10:00 - 4:30 At the Cotuit Library: *“Gingerbread Library” DIY Family Photo Booth &*
- 10:00 – 2:00 *CFC's Cotuit Women's Fellowship Gift Baskets Sale* in Bruce Hall
- 10:00 – 3:00 At Cotuit Federated Church: Don't miss the *19th Annual Small Works Art Show & Sale* in Bruce Hall, featuring original works by local artists - perfect for holiday gift-giving!
- 10:00 – 3:00 *The Cotuit Kettleers Store* at Lowell Park will be open! Last chance to purchase great holiday gifts for family & friends
- 10:00 – 12:00 *Historical Society* – Bring the children to paint a wooden ornament for your tree and enjoy some cookies and cider. Come early as this is a popular event. Seating is limited.
- 10:00 - 5:00 *Historical Society* – Visit the Gift Shop for holiday shopping! We have new and unique items for the holidays as well as our great selection of “Cotuit-wear”
- 11:00 – 5:00 *Cotuit Fresh Market* Main Street Tastings
- 12:00 – 2:00 Cotuit Fire Station Open House (No Chili this year)
- 12:30 - 2:00 At the Cotuit Library: *Gingerbread cookie decorating for all ages*
- 2:00 – 4:00 *Free admission all day!* Cahoon Museum: create snowflakes and color Cahoon holiday pages
- 2:45 – 3:30 At the Cotuit Library: *Malik the Magician Show* Pre-registration required. Seating is limited.
- 3:30 – 3:45 At the Town Dock - DJ Lisa Z and Pizza by Zoe Pizza of Mashpee
- 3:45 Santa’s Arrival by Boat at the Town Dock followed by *Tree Lighting and Caroling* on the Cotuit Village Green: Invocation by Pastor Angela

Villagers can bring their ornaments to place on the tree beginning the day after Thanksgiving, November 26th. All ornaments should be removed by Saturday, January 8th
- 3:00 – 5:00 *Hot Chocolate at the Village Green* by Cotuit Fresh Market on the Village Green followed by cookies and refreshments at Bruce Hall from 4:00-5:00

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Cotuit Federated Church Worship has returned to the sanctuary at 10:00 and we are wearing masks during worship. *Christmas Eve* service will be in-person at 4:30 and 8:00 PM. Construction will be underway in the coming weeks and we look forward to serving the community in our new expanded space.

The Cahoon Museum of American Arts invites you to create a new holiday tradition and join us at our *Winter Wonders Holiday Event* on Friday, December 10 from 5:00-7:00. Experience holiday cheer as you enjoy seasonal refreshments, hands-on art activities, prizes, and a silent auction of small art works by regional artists. Enjoy our current exhibitions, *Brenda Kingery: Weaving Messages* and *Interwoven: Contemporary Basketry*, and to visit the Museum Shop. Attend our free *Winter Open House* on Sunday, December 5 from 10:00-4:00.

The Historical Society Book Club is meeting on Thursday, December 2 to discuss *The Day the World Came to Tow: 9/11 in Gander, Newfoundland* by Jim DeFede at *Cotuit Library* at 6:00. Participation in the book club is open to the public and new members are welcome!

Bring the kids and get into the holiday spirit at the **Historical Society of Santuit & Cotuit** Saturday, December 4th from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. See the *Christmas in Cotuit event pages* for details.

HSSC is also hosting a *Boxwood Tree Workshop* at Freedom Hall on Thursday, December 9 at 6:00. Create a beautiful arrangement for your home that will make a perfect holiday centerpiece. Participants go home with a decorated tabletop tree. Registration is limited, call 508-428-0461 to reserve a spot. The workshop fee is \$50 members/\$60 non-members and includes all materials.

Cotuit Kettleers The Cotuit Kettleers Store at Lowell Park will be open on these two final dates in 2021 – Please remember **Black Friday** November 26, 2021 from 11:00 - 1:00 and Christmas in Cotuit. This will be your last chance in 2021 to purchase those great Holiday gifts for your family, friends, co-workers, etc. at Lowell Park.

Cotuit Nursery School is accepting registrations for new students for the 2022 year. Please call 508-428-1470 or email cotuitnurseryschool@yahoo.com for more information.

Cotuit Center for the Arts is proud to present **Elf** as their family-friendly holiday musical, opening November 23rd on the Main Stage and running thru December. Based on the beloved holiday film, this hilarious fish-out-of-water comedy follows Buddy the *Elf* in his quest to find his true identity. This modern-day classic is sure to make everyone embrace their inner *elf*. After all, the best way to spread Christmas Cheer is singing loud for all to hear.

The Friends of the Cotuit Library Thank You all, members and the community for supporting the **Spectacular Fall Raffle** fundraiser! Join us in congratulating the three winners: 1st place B. Hagerty of Cotuit; 2nd place E. Young of Cotuit, and 3rd place B. Arnaud of Chelmsford.

Reservations are required for Wednesday, November 17th educational program entitled *Cyanobacteria Monitoring in Cape Cod Ponds* at 1:00 at the Cotuit Library featuring Kevin Johnson, ecologist with APCC. He'll discuss the causes and effects of blooms and what we can do to prevent the harmful results. Seating is limited to 30 so reserve by calling Kathy's cell 631-905-9925 or emailing kotzkathy@yahoo.com There is no admission fee for this event.

Friendship Soup in gift bags for the holiday will remain available in the foyer of the Cotuit Library and will be on sale December 4th at *Christmas in Cotuit* at the Friends' table in Freedom Hall as well as at the Friends' table during Christ the King's seasonal *Greens and Bake Sale*.

Cape Cod Academy will host Merit Scholarship Exams and Info Session Saturday, December 4th 9:00 a.m. - 10:30, at the campus in Osterville. The Merit Scholarship exams are open to all prospective students entering grades 6–12 in the 2022-23 school year. Merit Scholarships are awarded to eligible applicants based on exam performance.

The information session will cover school admissions process and its Personal Tuition Program; an introduction to faculty and administrators; and a tour of the expansive 46-acre campus. Registration required by calling 508.428.5400 or via email at admissions@capecodacademy.org.

For additional timing and exam information visit www.capecodacademy.org.

Cotuit Library invites knitters, crafters and mystery lovers to join us for a weekly meeting of the *12 O'Clock Knitting and Mystery Club*! Every Tuesday at noon gather for coffee, tea, comfy chairs, and new friends! Thursday November 18th, view the fall holiday classic *A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving* and on November 20th, drop in for our *Multicultural Day* with crafts and games from cultures around the world.

On the evening of November 23rd, we are offering our popular *Artist Studio*. We provide the supplies and you provide the creative vibes! On December 2nd join us for the first in our new series- *One Mason Jar- Four Seasons* to create festive winter flair for your table, mantle or windowsill. See *Christmas in Cotuit* for the **Gingerbread Library!**

Special THANK YOU to Gerry, Michael and staff at Lujean Printing of Cotuit, for their outstanding efforts on our behalf during this last year. Kudos to all!

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