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Walk for Kids on Saturday May 21st

The Boys & Girls Club of Souhegan Valley is hosting a “Walk for Kids” on Saturday May 21st.

Help raise money to make sure every child has a fun, positive place to go after school or during vacation times regardless of ability to pay. Your support will help make sure every child in our community who needs a mentor, a friend, a positive role model, a community that accepts them whoever they are has a place to be great today and develop into productive, caring, responsible citizens tomorrow! The “Walk for Kids” follows a 3 mile course through Milford and encourages health and wellness all while having fun – the same philosophy the Club uses for its after school programs. Walk as a team or as an individual and collect pledges of support through our online fundraising pages (hosted by Firstgiving) or with pledge sheets. Participants who raise or donate a minimum of \$25 receives a Walk for Kids t-shirt and Boys & Girls Club of Souhegan Valley bag.

Join us on the 21st! Registration opens at 9:30 a.m. with a “fun run” at 10:15 a.m. and walk at 10:30 a.m. Complete details about the event, including registration forms and a link to our online fundraising page are available on the Club’s website at www.svbgc.org.

For more information or to sponsor this event, call Denise King at 672-1002 x12 or email dking@svb-gc.org.

A nonprofit organization, the Boys & Girls Club of Souhegan Valley strives to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to be great today and reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens tomorrow. Our programs and services promote and enhance the development of boys and girls by instilling a sense of competence, usefulness, belonging and influence. Visit www.svbgc.org for more information.



Tickets On Sale Now For The 2nd Annual A Taste Of Milford!

Milford – Milford is the place to be for sampling great food on Friday, June 3 during the 2nd Annual A Taste Of Milford! This year’s Taste is bigger and better, featuring 20 Milford restaurants and eateries. Stroll the Oval and sample specialties from these restaurants: Amigos Mexican Cantina, Artisans Café, Café on the Oval, Chapangas Grill, Foodees Gourmet Pizza, Giorgios Ristorante, Jade Dragon Chinese & Japanese, Papa Joe’s Humble Pie, The Pasta Loft, The Red Arrow Diner & Catering, The Riverhouse Café, The Rustic Leaf Bistro, The Stocked Fridge, Tiebreakers at

Hampshire Hills, the Union Street Grill, Windows on West at Milford High School and The Yankee Chef! Browse downtown’s unique shops, view a preview of the Keyes Art Festival art show, and enter to win raffles and door prizes.

Tickets are limited and on sale now at www.milforddoit.org or by telephoning 672-4567. Tickets are \$20 per person and proceeds benefit the community revitalization efforts of the Milford Downtown Ongoing Improvement Team. Early reservations encouraged – this event sold out last year.

Library to Announce Nashua Reads Title on June 1

The Nashua Public Library will announce the title of the 2011 Nashua Reads: One City, One Book selection on Wednesday, June 1.

Beginning that day, library cardholders can check out copies of the book, including large print, audio on CD, and downloadable audiobook editions. A book club kit containing multiple copies will also be available for checkout.

The goal of the One City, One Book program is to get as many Nashuans as possible to read the same book and talk about it with friends, co-workers, and neighbors. Thanks to funding from the Friends of the Nashua Public Library, the book’s author will make an appearance in Nashua on Sunday, October 16.

To be sure you are one of the first to hear what the title is, subscribe to This Week @ your library, the library’s e-newsletter, at www.tinyurl.com/nplnewsletter. Those who can’t make it to the library June 1 can reserve a copy of the book using the online catalog at www.nashualibrary.org.

Visit the library’s table at Hampshire First Bank during the Taste of Downtown Nashua, also taking place on June 1. There you’ll be able to get more information about the One City, One Book program and buy tickets to see the author in October.

For more information call Carol at 589-4610.

Merrimack Concert Association Variety Show, May 14

On May 14th, Merrimack Concert Association presents another unique concert performance, its annual Variety Show, an evening of diversified entertainment which finds its roots in vaudeville. The evening’s musical revue will be enhanced by a dessert buffet and beverages.

Members of the Merrimack Chorus and Concert Band perform as soloists, duets, quartets, and ensembles, presenting well-known hits from film, jazz standards, pops, love songs, and unexpected musical feats with a generous dose of hilarity.

In addition to conducting the chorus and band, Choral Director Jamie Saucier and Band Director Lelia Dutton will perform as soloists joined by Choral Accompanist Molly Wood.

Expect a diverse program which includes film music about groups of marauders from The Magnificent Seven and Pirates of the Caribbean, a nod to the somber 150th anniversary of the start of the Civil War in a well-loved modern composition Ashokan Farewell, and a collection of jazz favorites Swings the Thing,

Cute, and Route 66. A woodwind ensemble celebrates Stephen Foster while Billy Joel’s presence is felt in And So It Goes and New York State of Mind, followed by a delicious pianistic escapade á la Victor Borge. Love songs abound in a choral tribute to everyone’s favorite baseball team, a tune about a man curiously enchanted with a woman ironing laundry, and an especially poignant romance between peanut butter and jelly. For the rest of us...Isn’t It Romantic.

Last year’s performance sold out so make your table reservations early for this rare evening of musical entertainment and fine desserts at Merrimack High School. The performance starts at 7:30 P.M. All seating is reserved and available for both singles and large groups. Tickets, \$16 for adults and \$14 for seniors (65) and students, may be ordered before May 12th by calling Executive Director Laurie Ludvigsen at 424-0558, or emailing info@merrimackconcert.org, or writing to Merrimack Concert Association, P.O. Box 461, Merrimack, NH 03054.

An Evening of Old Hollywood Glamour

This year, St. Joseph Community Services, Inc. (SJCS), the provider of Meals On Wheels and Community Dining throughout Hillsborough County will hold An Evening of Old Hollywood Glamour themed fundraiser. The Fitz, Vogt & Associates, LTD 17th Annual Ballroom Gala to benefit Meals On Wheels will be on Saturday, May 21 at the Radisson Hotel Manchester from 6:00 - 11:00 p.m.

Hundreds of fashionably attired guests will dance the night away to live music by Rico Barr and the Jumpn’ Jive Review, enjoy hors d’oeuvres and an elegant three course dinner, bid on auctions and enjoy a star-studded performance by local ballroom dancers. Master of Ceremonies, Mike Morin of the WZID (95.7 radio) Morning Show says, “I’ve hosted the Ballroom Gala around 8 times or so and every year they throw in something new. I love the energy, live music and ballroom dancers who attend every year. Then amid all the fun, I remember we’re

helping fund Meals On Wheels! I hope to see you there this year!”

The proceeds from this Gala, SJCS’s biggest fundraiser of the year, help in their struggle to continue to deliver food, friendship and a daily safety check to their clients throughout Hillsborough County. Without fundraisers like the Gala, SJCS would be faced with starting a waiting list for food for elderly and disabled people. Many Meals On Wheels agencies across the country currently have waiting lists. SJCS provides food - one of life’s basic needs.

Tickets may be purchased at the discounted rate of \$55 per person until April 27. After that tickets will be \$60 per person. Tickets may be purchased online at www.mealsonwheelsnh.org or by calling St. Joseph Community Services 424-9967. If you are unable to attend, but would like to make a difference in an elder or disabled neighbor’s life, please consider a donation.

2nd Annual Battle of the Bands Competition

Granite State Blues Society announces our 2nd annual Battle of the Bands Competition. The winner of each category will represent the Granite State Blues Society at the annual International Blues Challenge Competition held in Memphis, Tennessee in January 2012. The competition has two categories. The band category includes bands consisting of three or more members. The solo/duo category for individual and duo acts. Semi-Finals will be held Thursdays, June 2nd and 9th at The Village Trestle,

Goffstown NH. Finals will be held Saturday, June 18th at Tupelo Music Hall, Londonderry NH. Bands or Solo/Duo acts looking to compete do not have to be from NH. Winners also get a slot at the Barnful of Blues Festival on August 6th in New Boston. The Barnful of Blues Festival is produced to raise money for The Webster House for teens in Manchester. For more information on rules, regulations, and application process see www.granitestateblues.org

Gateways Community Services Appoints Tom McCartney New Board Member

Gateways Community Services has just appointed Tom McCartney from Amherst, as a new member to its Board of Directors. Mr. McCartney was the founding president, in 1971, of T.J. McCartney Drywall which now operates as T.J. McCartney, Inc., a WBE Corporation, located at 3 Capital Street, in Nashua. McCartney, now retired from the company which is currently owned and managed by his daughter Mary McCartney, has served as a Board

member for Rivier College, Boys & Girls Club of Nashua, and Home, Health & Hospice Care. He has been a hospice care volunteer for twenty three years and served as President of the International Association of Wall and Ceiling Contractors, an organization to which he has belonged for over thirty years. He has also served as President and Board Member for the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation Nashua Region.

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VICKI STIEFEL
Tue., May 16, 7 p.m.
Crafters Unite! Vicki joins us to chat and sign her new book, “10 SECRETS OF THE LAIDBACK KNITTERS”.

JIM BEARD
Sat., May 21, 11-1 p.m.
Signs his memoir, “WHITE MOCS ON THE RED ROAD”.

DAVID KELLY
Sat., May 21, 2-4 p.m.
David signs his new series book for young readers, “THE BALLPARK MYSTERIES”.

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