

# MONDAY, DECEMBER 9

## 10 AM - 7 PM: HOLIDAY BOOK SALE

Adult & children books to read or holiday giving. Sponsored by & held at the Raymond Library.

**5:30 PM: LIGHTING OF THE TREE OF LIGHTS** on the “Pocket Park” at Main St. and Connecticut Boulevard. Sponsored by the East Hartford Woman’s Club to benefit E.H. Human Needs Fund. Purchase a light in honor or in memory of a friend or loved one - \$5.00. Contact: 860-568-3539.

## 7:00 PM: MUSICAL FEST

A musical celebration by United Pratt Chorus and members of the East Hartford community and local churches. Sponsored and held at Riverside Health Care Center, 745 Main St.

Help us help others! Please bring a non-perishable food item to each event.  
All proceeds will be donated to the East Hartford Food Bank.

### EAST HARTFORD HOLIDAY FEST 2019 PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY

#### East Hartford Beautification Commission

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| All Saint's Episcopal Church        | EH Woman’s Club             | Parks &. Recreation Dept.    |
| Boy Scouts - Troop 1                | Faith Lutheran Church       | Police Dept.                 |
| Commission on Culture and Fine Arts | Fire Department             | Public Library               |
| CT Valley Chamber of Commerce       | First Congregational Church | Public Schools               |
| Democratic Women’s Club             | The Gazette                 | Public Works Dept.           |
| EH Lion’s Club                      | Goodwin College             | Riverside Health Care Center |
| EH Community TV                     | Hillstown Grange            | Robert Pasek                 |
| EH Summer Youth Festival            | Historical Society of EH    | Santa Claus                  |
|                                     | Mike Alan of WTIC AM        | Service Press                |
|                                     |                             | South Congregational Church  |

## HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE

Social Services is sponsoring a Holiday Toy Drive to benefit the youth of East Hartford. Donations of new, unwrapped toys for ages 0-10 (especially for 7-10 year old girls) as well as new hats, scarves, mittens and gloves for all ages are needed.

**Please drop off all donations by December 2<sup>nd</sup> to:**

**Social Services Department**  
(lower level of Town Hall)  
**740 Main Street, East Hartford**  
**Monday -Friday, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM**

## SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Cookie Collection and Packaging event on Sunday, December 8th at South Congregational Church, 1301 Forbes Street. Homemade or store bought cookies will be collected from Noon to 1pm with packing completed by 3pm. Volunteers are needed to pack and sort cookies, which will be sent to soldiers stationed around the world. Monetary donations for shipping costs are needed. Sponsored by Support Our Soldiers-Connecticut

For more info, call Frank Forrest 860-690-2845.

# EAST HARTFORD HOLIDAY FEST 2019



**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6 THRU  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 9  
FOUR DAYS OF SPECIAL EVENTS  
PRESENTED BY THE BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION**

# 2019 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Help us, help others! Please bring a non-perishable food item for the Food Bank to each event.

Events listed as **EHCCC**, will be held at the East Hartford Community Cultural Center at 50 Chapman Place, East Hartford, CT 06108

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

### 10 AM - 3 PM: CRAFT FAIR

Riverside Health craft fair. Visit craft vendors for your holiday shopping needs. 745 Main Street.

### 10 AM - 4 PM: HOLIDAY BOOK SALE

Adult & children books to read or holiday giving. Sponsored by and held at the Raymond Library, 840 Main Street.

### 6:30 PM: TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY AND SING-A-LONG ON THE TOWN GREEN

sponsored by the Beautification Commission and Parks & Recreation Department. The EH High & Middle School Chorus will be on hand. Featuring the traditional visits from Frosty, Rudolph and, of course, Santa Claus. Guest emcee will be Mike Alan, Traffic Reporter from WTIC AM.

**6:30 - 8:30 PM: UNDERWATER PHOTOS WITH SANTA** Get out of the cold and take a dip in the East Hartford High School pool from 6:30-8:30 PM. Open to families and includes an underwater photo with 'Scuba Santa'. Admission is a new unwrapped toy. Sponsored by the Parks & Recreation Dept.

**MONDAY, DEC. 9<sup>TH</sup>  
EVENTS ON BACK**

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

**8 - 10:30 AM: PANCAKE BREAKFAST & VISIT WITH SANTA.** Cost is \$5.00 and \$3.00 for a picture with Santa. Held at First Congregational Church, 837 Main St. Proceeds to benefit East Hartford families at Christmas. No reservations needed.

**8 - 10:30 AM & 4:30-6:30 PM: CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE** Hand crafted ornaments, wreaths, wall decor, gift baskets, candy & kitchen knives. Sponsored and held at First Congregational Church, 837 Main St.

### 9 AM - 12 NOON: COOKIE WALK

Dozens of different varieties of holiday cookies to choose from. \$8.00 per pound. Held at South Congregational Church, 1301 Forbes St.

### 9 AM - 2 PM: CHRISTMAS FAIR

"Fantastic Waffles", Chili & Soup, baked goods, cookie walk, gifts in a jar, and raffle. Held at All Saints Episcopal Church, 444 Hills St.

**9 AM - 4:30 PM: SNOWFLAKE SCAVENGER HUNT/DROP-IN CRAFT** Find all the snowflakes hidden in the Raymond Library Children's Department and receive a prize. Drop in any time to make a craft to take home. For all ages. Sponsored by and held at the Raymond Library.

### 10 AM - 1 PM: GOODWIN TROLLEY TOUR

Ride the 'Main Street Local' with guide Robert Pasek as he takes you on a guided tour of historical Main Street. Trolley leaves Town Hall parking lot at 10am, 11am, 12noon and 1pm. Sponsored by Goodwin College and candy canes generously provided by the CT Valley Chamber of Commerce.

### 10 AM - 2 PM: POINSETTIA SALE

Purchase beautiful holiday plants. Sponsored by EH Lions Club held at Raymond Library.

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### 11 AM - 12 NOON: READ TO THE DOGS

Children can meet Healers with Halos therapy dogs to read their favorite tales. Bring a book or pick one out at the library. Sponsored by Bolton Veterinary Hospital and held at the Children's Department, Raymond Library.

### 11 AM - 2 PM: BOOK SIGNING AT RAYMOND LIBRARY

East Hartford author Kim Sirois Pita will sign her new book "SPLIT ENDZ: A Tale of 2 Crazy Sisters", a memoir about getting to the other side of loss, understanding the affects of mental illness on families, life transformation and growing up in East Hartford. Books available for purchase. Find out more at [splittendztale.com](http://splittendztale.com).

### 1 - 4 PM: MEET THE MAKERSPACE

Celebrate creativity and innovation at the library! Check out our 3D printers, other Make technology, explore LEGO robotics and take a look at the Makerspace Paper Theatre, which will be on exhibit all afternoon. All ages welcome, sponsored by/held at the Raymond Library.

### 2 PM: HENRY HAMMOND AHL BIRTHDAY PARTY

Celebrate the artist's 150th birthday! View Ahl's landscape art with birthday cards made by children. Free posters and cake while supplies last. Sponsored and held at the Raymond Library.

### 2 - 4 PM: "CHRISTMAS IN CONNECTICUT"

A holiday piano concert presented by East Hartford's Paul Bisaccia, celebrated world renowned pianist and featuring New York vocalist David Giardina. Sponsored by EH Commission on Culture and Fine Arts and held at First Congregational Church, 837 Main St.

### 4:00 PM: CAROL SING

Gather in the chapel for a carol sing. Held at First Congregational Church, 837 Main St.

### 4:30 - 6:30 PM: SPAGHETTI SUPPER

Continuous serving. Sponsored by Boy Scout Troop 1. \$10 per person, \$8 seniors, \$5 children 5-13. Children under 5 free. Proceeds benefit E.H.I.M. Held at First Congregational Church, 837 Main St.

### 7:00 PM: "THE COMMUNITY POT"

A play that follows two youth that have lost their home. Through their travels they encounter heartbreak, wisdom and warmth on their journey to find a bite to eat and their "somewhere". Based on the folktale "Stone Soup" in an original modern re-imagining presented by EH Summer Youth Festival at EHCCC.

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

### 8:30 - 11 AM: HOLIDAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST & BOOK SALE

Come enjoy pancakes featuring plain, chocolate and a variety of holiday inspired pancakes and sauces including sausage, coffee, tea and juice. \$5 and \$3 for kids under 14. Book sale upstairs in newly renovated library. Held at the historic 131 year old Hillstown Grange at 617 Hills St.

### 11 AM - 3 PM: CHRISTMAS AT THE 1830 BREWER HOUSE

You are cordially invited to enjoy Victorian Christmas decorations, the restored lithograph of Hartford and a special prepared exhibit. Refreshments will be served. Sponsored by the Historical Society of East Hartford and held at the Brewer House, 167 Main St.

### 11:30 AM: HOLIDAY BRUNCH

\$26.50 per person. Advance Purchase Only. Call for reservations: 860-568-0065 by December 1<sup>st</sup>. Sponsored by the East Hartford Democratic Women's Club held at One Wood Pub, 130 Long Hill Street.

### 1 - 3:30 PM: SANTA'S VISIT

Visit with Santa, arts & crafts, games, inflatables, snacks, holiday activities & more. Sponsored by Parks and Recreation Department. Held at the EHCCC, 50 Chapman Place.

### 1 - 3:30 PM: HORSE DRAWN WAGON RIDES

Enjoy a ride after visiting Santa at the Center. Held at the Town Green and sponsored by Beautification Commission and Parks & Recreation Department.

### 1 - 2:30 PM: LIVE ICE SCULPTURE DEMONSTRATION

Enjoy a professional ice carving demonstration outside the Community Cultural Center. Sponsored by the Parks & Recreation Dept.

### 4:30 PM: A CONCERT OF CHRISTMAS AND CLASSICAL MUSIC

performed by the Manchester High School Orchestra at Faith Lutheran Church, 1120 Silver Lane. Reception and refreshments after concert.

