

Holiday Events and Other Resources

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Breakfast with Santa & other Holiday Events

Sunday, December 7 - Holidays at Boerner Botanical Gardens

10am-2pm. Visit Santa and enjoy children's crafts.

Saturday, December 13 - Breakfast with Santa

8:30am-11:30am at South Division High School, 1515 W. Lapham Blvd. UMOS, in cooperation with McDonald's, will serve a warm breakfast to all attending. The first 1,500 kids (thru age 12) may talk with Santa and receive a gift from Santa. No registration -1st come, 1st served. More information: Carmen Lerma at 389-6002. **Free.**

Saturday, December 13 - Breakfast with Santa at Kosciuszko Community Center

9:30am-12pm at 2201 S. 7th St.

\$2 per person (tickets required for adults & children of any age. All kids must be with an adult).

Breakfast includes sausage, all-you-care-to-eat pancakes, and a beverage. Arts & crafts, and photos with Santa. It's suggested to get tickets ahead: 645-4626. The first 250 children through the door on December 13, ages 12 and under, will receive a gift bag with candy and small toys. (Even if you purchase tickets in advance, children still must be in first group of 250 at door to get items.)

Saturday, December 13 - Second Saturday

11am-1pm at All Saints Church cafeteria, 4050 N. 26th St., north of Capitol.

It will be the usual fun gathering of mothers and children with lunch, free books, and children's activities. Sponsored by the Christ Child Society, with HOPE Network as a community partner. Enter on south side between 25 & 26 Sts. Bus Lines 26/62. Bus tickets provided as needed.

Free bus pick-up to go to the gathering at 16th St. Community Health Center, 1032 S. Cesar Chavez Dr., at 10:35am. Returns to the Center at 1:30pm. Look for the yellow school bus.

Thursday, December 18 - Family Fun Night at Neighborhood House

4:30pm-6pm at 2819 W. Richardson Place, off 27th St., one block south of W. State.

Holiday fun for all ages. Must register for program: 933-6161. Free to everyone. Includes dinner. 5th Annual Holiday Pageant with Christmas carols and songs performed by Neighborhood House children at 5pm. Art activities & games. Donate 2 canned food items to receive a raffle ticket. Cookie Exchange (bake 2 dozen cookies and bring to exchange for other types).

Saturday, December 20 - Winter Wonderland at Journey House

1pm, doors open at noon at 2110 W. Scott St.

Register: 647-0548. Registration may close December 12, or sooner (whenever 600 registrations have been reached). Free; open to all. Entertainment by the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra includes a sing-along. Description from last year - *not confirmed for 2014*: Toys were given to all registered participants age 12 & under. Books were given to all registered participants 13-17 years old. Also: crafts, snacks, and visit with Santa (bring your own camera to take photos).

Thursday, December 25 - Christmas Family Feast at Wisconsin Center

11am-2:30pm at 400 W. Wisconsin Ave.

Dinner & live entertainment. Their website states: Santa will be bearing gifts for the kids while they last.

Sponsor: Salvation Army. Free.

Winter Wonderland at the YMCA, call first to verify.

Bring the whole family to meet Santa and share holiday wishes with him. Also, holiday crafts. Free and open to all.

Northside Y, 2-4pm December 13, 1350 W. North Ave. 265-9622

Rite-Hite Y, 9-11am Wednesday, December 17. Santa, games, cookie-decorating, crafts. 9250 N. Green Bay Rd.

Register: 354-9622

West Suburban Y, 6-7:30pm December 12. Visit with Santa (bring your camera), bounce house, crafts. Register: 302-9622.

Pancakes with Santa, call first to verify.

Tri-County Y, Menomonee Falls, December 7, seating at 8:30, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 am. 262-255-9622. \$5 per person.

South Shore Y, 5:30-7:30pm December 12, 3244 E. College Ave. Cudahy, 571-9622. \$5 per person.

Southwest Y, Dec. 6. Seatings at 9, 10:15, or 11:30am. Register: 546-9622. 11311 W. Howard Ave. \$5

Fun things to do

Free days

Milwaukee Art Museum: free to all on the 1st Thursday of the month. 10am-8pm **December 4**. Kids can create art in the Open Studio until 7pm. Watch the wings close at 8pm (weather permitting).

Domes at Mitchell Park: free on Mondays, 9am-noon to Milwaukee County residents with photo ID.

Milwaukee Public Museum: Free on 1st Thursday of the month (**December 4**) 10am-8pm to Milwaukee County residents w/ID.

Free admission at Betty Brinn Children's Museum 5-8pm on Thursday, December 18.

Free Day at the Zoo: Saturday December 6. (Must pay \$12 parking, or walk in.)

Free classical pops concerts by Festival City Symphony, Holiday Storytime. Wednesday, December 10. Geared to children K4–Grade 5 and their families, featuring songs related to the season. Pajamas, blankets, teddy bears welcome. Marcus Center, 123 E. State St. doors. 365-8861.

Free immunizations at Milwaukee Health Centers

Free immunizations for children on BadgerCare or Medicaid, or for children without insurance. (Take along your child's immunization record when you go to the clinic.) Some immunizations are also available to adults without insurance (if you want a flu shot, call 286-8620 on the day you're going to check if the clinic you're going to has an adequate supply). Individuals with private insurance must go to their health care provider for immunizations.

Keenan Health Center, 3200 N. 36 St. - Every Friday from 8am-11am.

Northwest Health Center, 7630 W. Mill Rd. - Every Wednesday from 3pm-6pm
Special Saturday Clinic: December 13 from 10am-2pm

Southside Health Center, 1639 S. 23 St. - Every Monday from 3pm-6pm and every Tuesday from 1pm-4pm
Special Saturday Clinic: Dec. 13 10am-2pm