



TRADE WINDS

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Holiday Luncheon Alert!

The *Holiday Luncheon* will take place on **Thursday, December 15, 2011**, in the living room area at the *Coco Key Hotel & Water Resort*, with the traditional collection of gifts and entertainment by the students of the Howe-Manning Elementary School!

Donate your Office....

The *Friends of the Flint Library* are still raising much needed funds through a program that collects your **empty ink/toner cartridges** year round, accumulating constant income for the Friends' efforts. You may drop items off at the Flint Library circulation desks or just hand them to **Melissa Gaspar** at one of our meetings!

Middleton History Sale

The Middleton Historical Society once again is selling, in bulk or singles, its 2012 Calender featuring historical pictures of Middleton. The calenders are very suitable for your holiday mailing or gift giving, with space to print the name of your business.

Each is attractively priced at \$6.00. The proceeds support the good work of the Society. Look for supplies at the **Northshore Bank, Art of Framing, Middleton Electric, Flint Library**, Town Hall, the Senior Center and many other locations about Town. To order in bulk, you may call the Town Clerk.

Tax Class Alert!

The Middleton Board of Selectmen will hold its annual public hearing later this month or early next to determine the percentage of the tax levy to be borne by each class of property for Fiscal Year 2012. *Look for the alert for the date & time in your email inbox in the near future!*

Amendment Alert!

The citizen's petition to amend the Middleton zoning bylaws to allow drive-through service at food establishments upon approval of a permit by the Zoning Board of Appeals, is on the warrant for approval by the Special Town Meeting scheduled for **Tuesday, November 29th** at the *Howe Manning School*.

The Middleton Board of Trade has endorsed the proposed amendment. All interested members are urged to appear in support of the measure at Town Meeting.

Shop Middleton Book!

The newest *Shop Middleton Book* is available in bulk quantities for display at your business. The books are also available at all Town offices. If you need a supply for your business, let the committee know soon by contacting **Warren Kelly, Baert Marine, or Danielle Panneton Zenga, Sol Bean Café**.

Celebrate the Joy of Giving

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You are invited to the Flint Public Library Donor Appreciation Reception and Holiday Open House on Thursday, December 1, 2011 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. There will be formal remarks and dedication of the donor plaques at 7:00, elegant refreshments and music. For more information you may call 978.774.8132.

Member News ...

The Middleton Pumpkin Festival Committee, *Barbara Masse-Zagami*, *Amy Ogden-Benoit*, of *DiMauro Dentistry*, **Paul Richardson**, *Richardson Green*, and **Warren Kelly**, *Baert Marine*, all send along their thanks to the MBOT for a fabulous 27th Pumpkin Festival!

Sad to report the recent passing of the father of member **Sheila Girard**, *lia sophia jewelry*.

Be sure to congratulate **Carol Carr**, *Mack Realty Group*, on becoming a grandmother (and she's damn proud of it)! Ryan Douglas Cox arrived on November 5, 2011 at 7-14 and 20".

The Holidays with Chief Will..

The Chief Will Committee is again holding a *Winter Festival* in Middleton Square in the late afternoon of Saturday, December 3, 2011.

They're also looking for volunteers to set up, breakdown, staff the event tables, as well as some elves to help Santa! To participate or for more information, call Chief Will at 978-774-3797.

Here's the line-up:

4:00pm – The Grinch original cartoon movie shown at the *Flint Library*

4:40pm – Jingle Bells Parade with Santa and Fire Engine will leave Flint Library and head to Middleton Green

At Middleton Green:

Free coffee, hot chocolate, hot dogs, popcorn, hot cider



Gingerbread cookie decorating



Bonfire



DJ playing Christmas music



Pictures w/Santa (bring your camera!)



Special Surprises



Donations to Middleton Food Bank

5:40pm – Howe Manning Singers lead us in songs around the Christmas Tree

6:00pm – *Christmas Tree Lighting*