



OPEN TABLE

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News from around the table

Holiday Meal Time!

Let's be honest, holidays are really about sharing food with family and friends. And Open Table is hosting TWO holiday dinners (and one holiday lunch for seniors), in Maynard and in Concord. Here are the details:



Tuesday, December 18, at 33 Main St. in Maynard. Doors open at 5:30, dinner is served from 6-7 pm. The Sudbury United Methodist Church carolers perform; dinner features pot roast, mashed potatoes, broccoli and sweet corn pudding.

Also on Tuesday, seniors who come for lunch at 12:30 will be treated to a holiday brunch of eggnog pancakes and strata with the Maynard Madrigals visiting to sing carols.

Thursday, December 20, at First Parish in Concord, 20 Lexington Rd. Doors

open at 4:45, dinner is served at 5:30. Concord Academy student Nate Badger will sing and play guitar; dinner is standing rib roast, green beans, potatoes, Yorkshire pudding and pie. They will also have a personalized ornament giveaway (one per guest, supplies are limited) and a raffle for gifts. RSVP to let them know you're coming at concorddinner@opentable.org or 978-369-2275.

Both are free, all are welcome, and we hope to see you there!



Holiday Closures/New Hours

It's the holidays, and Open Table is taking some down-time. From Christmas Eve, December 24 until January 2nd, the pantry will be closed and there will be no community dinners. The pantry reopens on Thursday, January 3rd. To help support families during that time, Open Table will be providing additional foods next week. To all our volunteers and staff - we wish you a restful and happy holiday season!

We're also making some changes to our days and hours. Starting in January, our pantry days will be Tuesdays and Thursdays, and our dinners will be Monday in Maynard and Thursday in Concord. This will allow us to use Mondays for collecting and organizing our food, to be better prepared for our pantry days, and make better use of our volunteer team.

Here's the schedule for 2019:

- **Mondays** – dinner in Maynard. Doors open at 5:30, dinner served 6-7 pm.
 - **Tuesdays** – pantry from 12:45-3 pm for senior citizens; 3-6 pm for all
 - **Thursdays** – pantry from 3-6 pm for all. Dinner in Concord; doors open 4:45, dinner served at 5:30 pm.
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Sip and Stroll a HUGE Success!

Open Table was a popular spot for the hoards of people out for the seventh annual Sip and Stroll in downtown Maynard. Hundreds of strollers, families and friends crowded into the food pantry's home at 33 Main Street to cast their vote for their favorite store window decoration and enjoy some lively entertainment.



The Maynard High School music ensemble was on hand to entertain the crowd with holiday tunes, while local art organization Tortoise Brain kept the younger set busy with hands-on art projects. And for those looking to do some holiday shopping, there was Ron Kay's locally made Maynard Maple syrup and Open Table's homemade granola.

Overall, it was a great night to kick off the holiday season in Maynard, and Open Table was proud to be a part of it.

Welcome to our newest B500 Partners

We are thrilled to welcome these local companies to our Business 500 Foundation -- they are making a commitment to help us end food insecurity in the communities where they do business.





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No matter what you celebrate, we at Open Table wish you a wonderful holiday season!



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