

News from Around the Table



chance to donate yet, now is an excellent time.

shop for and prepare it. Supplying families with fresh produce, protein and dairy, as well as prepared meals, is one more way we are #FeedingPeopleWhereTheyAre. And when you give today, your donation will go twice as far with our \$50k match from the Gilson Family Foundation - but only through December 31st, so if you haven't had a

Match My Gift!

with your participation, we'll start the new year able to get greater quantities of food to

The Gilson family understands the importance of feeding people where they are, and

**SERVING PEOPLE in WEEKLY FOOD for** UP TO 1428



where it's needed most.





## closed starting Friday, December 23rd, reopening Tuesday, January 3rd.

During that first week of January, pre-packed bags only will be available; there won't be any online orders. Online and phone orders will start again on January 5th for the following week. Volunteer shifts are cancelled 12/24-12/31 unless otherwise notified. Please contact us at <a href="mailto:info@opentable.org">info@opentable.org</a> with any questions. And Happy Holidays! Welcome, Jonathan! Open Table welcomes our newest board member, Jonathan Magasanik.



## Technically, it's not a welcome, as Jonathan has been volunteering at Open Table for over three years now,

filling bags for clients on Thursday mornings and helping out at the Ride for Food and our signature fundraising event, Chopped for Charity. It's these last two jobs that

bring him onto our fundraising committee, co-chairing the 2023 Chopped event alongside Norma Frye. Says Jonathan, "Over the past three years, I've seen just how much of a difference Open Table can make in people's lives. Now it's my turn to make a difference to Open Table so that the organization can continue to fight food insecurity in our local community." Read more of Jonathan's impressive resume and those of our other illustrious Board members on the **Meet the Team** page on our website.

**Holiday Cheer** 

### selling granola at the Saint Matthew's Festival of Sharing

communities:

• collecting food donations at the Maynard Holiday Parade, and • taking photos with Rudolph and playing Reindeer games at the Concord Tree Lighting.

Our volunteers have been busy bees, popping up here

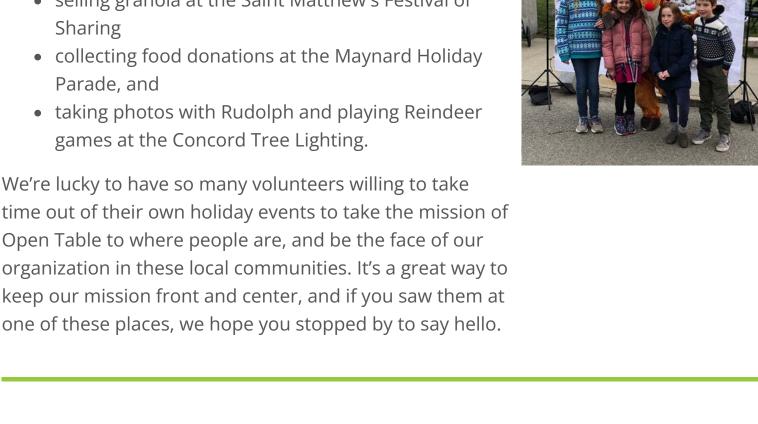
helping runners at the Concord Turkey Trot

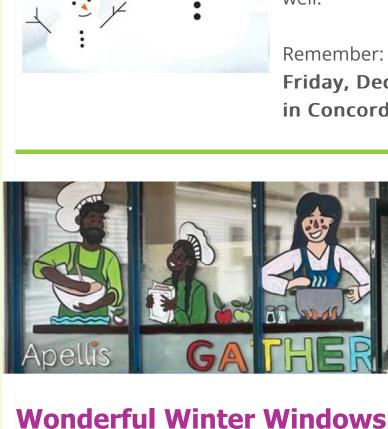
and there at the various holiday happenings in our local

We're lucky to have so many volunteers willing to take time out of their own holiday events to take the mission of Open Table to where people are, and be the face of our organization in these local communities. It's a great way to keep our mission front and center, and if you saw them at

**Making the Holidays Meaningful** We are overwhelmed with gratitude! Over 300 individuals and families have registered to provide holiday gift bags for local seniors or families. We hope that this program makes the holidays more meaningful not only for the families who rely on Open Table, but for those giving as

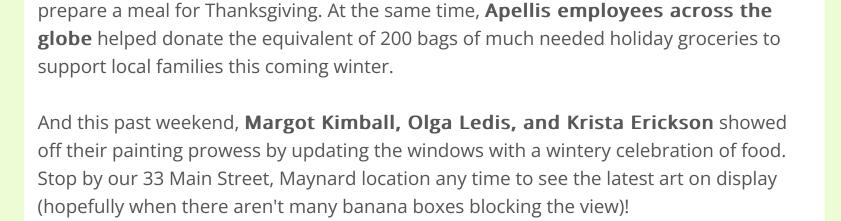
well.





# Friday, December 16, 2-6pm and at Crosby's Market in Concord on Saturday, December 17, 10am-1pm.

Remember: Gift bags will be collected in Maynard on



We have been so fortunate to have such talented artists update our windows recently.

First, a team from Apellis Pharmaceuticals crafted a group of chefs gathering together to



**A World of Thanks** 

Even with the busyness of the holiday season, so many

wonderful partners, scout groups, businesses, and





Blossom Station Child Care Center

AlphaGraphics, Concord

**Apellis Pharmaceuticals** 

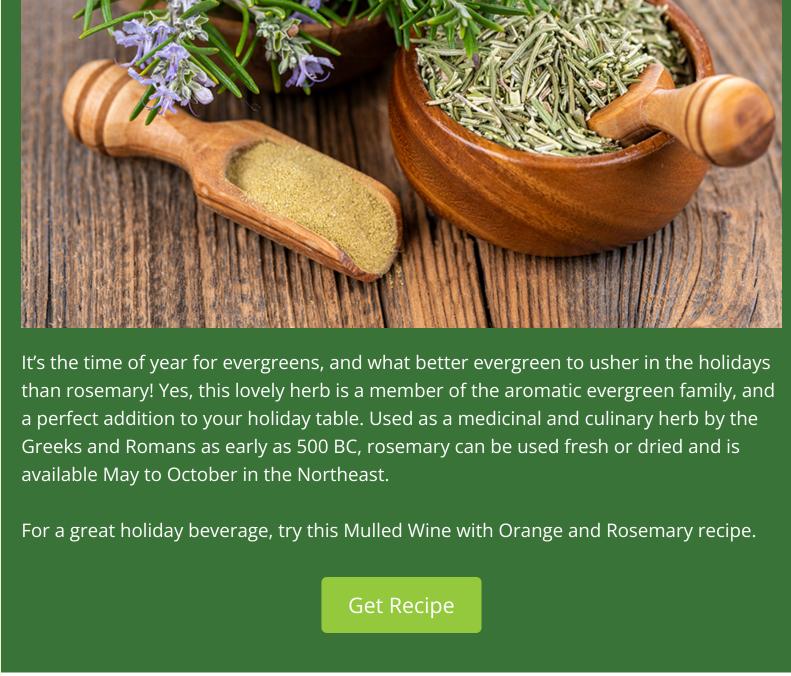
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<u>Foundation</u>

- **CCHS Student Government** Church Concord Court House Susan Crafts Cumberland Farms, Maynard **Emerson Hospital** First Parish in Concord Thoreau Elementary School Kate Isaacs Troop 67540 **Discovery Museum** Welch's Willard Elementary School **Marshall Farms** Marx Funning and Fitness Winstanley Enterprises, LLC
  - Middlesex Savings Charitable Fun Food Facts: Rosemary









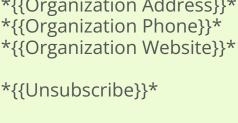
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**Donate Now** 





Many of our clients are busy families, often juggling more than one job as well as childcare. It's not just hard for them to afford healthy food, but they are short on time to





