

November News and Events

EVENTS

November 14, 2011, Monday, 7:00 - Danvers Bi-Peds Regular Monthly Meeting - will be held in the Carriage House at Endicott Park, 57 Forest St., Danvers. Bring your ideas and expertise. Be a part of planning monthly walks, activities and efforts to make Danvers a safer place to bike and walk for all ages. All are welcome. Trail access construction is on the agenda. Hope to see you there.

November 17, 2011, Thursday - Danvers Rail Trail Advisory Committee - 6:00P.M.. Monthly meeting in the Toomey Room at Danvers Town Hall. Contact Kate Day, 978-777-0001 ext. 3029 or kday@mail.danvers-ma.org for more information.

November 19, 2011, Saturday, 1:30 p.m. - Thanks to All Stroll - Meet at the Hobart Street parking lot to CELEBRATE all the people and organizations that have worked on Danvers newest recreation area, the Danvers Rail Trail. Hike the cleared rail bed and enjoy seasonal refreshments and a raffle of a \$25 McKinnon's Market gift card great for the Thanksgiving dinner. Contact Laura Cilley at laura.cilley@post.harvard.edu or call (978) 777-4661 for more information.

December 1,2, and 3, 2011, 10:00 to 5:00 p.m. - Third Annual Parade of Trees - Last year the Bi-Peds were the beneficiary of the money raised by the Parade of Trees. This years the funds raised will go to the DEEP Technology's Campaign but the Bi-Peds will donate one of the trees. If you have items such as gift certificates or biking or walking related items that can be used to help decorate our tree, please contact Ingrid Barry at ibarry@danversbipeds.org or 978-774-8159. Ingrid will be donating the artificial Christmas tree with lights. The trees are raffled off and the winner takes all, tree and all. The event is held at Tapley Hall on Page St. The Danvers Historical Society helps to coordinate the event. They are looking for volunteers to help sell raffle tickets during the event. If you can help, please notify Ingrid or Cathy Gareri at dhs@danvershistory.org. The money raised by last years Parade of Trees is helping the Bi-Peds pay for the mile markers on the rail trail.

NEWS

Mile Markers Have Been Ordered - If anyone is interested in helping to install 50 mile markers, a work crew will be out on November 19th or November 20th if the weather is bad. Another way to help is if you have a connection with a restaurant or store which would like to donate food and beverages toward lunch and snacks for the workers, that would be a great help. Please contact Kate Day, 978-777-0001 ext. 3029 or kday@mail.danvers-ma.org if you wish to help.

Rail Trail Web Site Soon To Have Sponsorship Program Up And

Running - Thanks to the work of Mead Web Design, one will soon be able to look at the location of each 1/10th mile marker on a google map just by clicking. Check the www.danversrailtrail.org site to find it. Folks (families, individuals, organization, and businesses) can pick the location they wish to sponsor and pay on line. The sponsorships are \$150 per year for 1/10th markers and \$500 per year for on the mile markers. The 1/10th mile markers will be brown with blue and white labels for trail and sponsorship information. The mile markers will be green with blue and white labels for trail and sponsorship information. The sponsorship labels on the mile markers will be twice as big. It should be a great way to show support for the trail and all the funds raised will go toward the trail upkeep and improvements.

MORE REMINDERS

Membership - Are you a Bi-Peds member? Go to www.danversbipeds.org/ to join or print out a membership form and send it in. Check with your company to see if they match funds as GE does. Almost all the money taken in by the Bi-Peds goes toward the rail trail and other concerns leading to safer biking and walking in Danvers and you get a 15% discount at the Western Cycle bike shop on everything except bikes.

BEYOND DANVERS

NuRide is available to anyone who lives or works in Massachusetts. This free online program allows you to get points when you travel by public transportation, biking, walking, carpooling, or even by telecommuting. Participants can redeem points for rewards such as restaurant coupons or discounts at local and national retailers. NuRide will also track your financial and environmental savings! To enroll, go to www.mass.gov/massdot/nuride. **3 Easy Steps to Getting Started:**

1. Join NuRide - Sign up at www.mass.gov/massdot/nuride today. NuRide is available throughout Massachusetts and is always free to join and free to use. New Registrants: Use promo code MASSRIDES at sign-up and receive 1,000 points automatically!
2. Take a trip - Bike to a friend's house, telecommute from home, carpool with colleagues, or hop on a bus.
3. Enjoy rewards - Once you've signed up, confirm your trips and get points that you can redeem for restaurant coupons, retailer discounts, and tickets to shows and attractionS

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