

MANCHESTER

Main Street Hosts Holiday Festivities

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MANCHESTER — People headed downtown on Thursday night for the Christmas Tree lighting may also enjoy First Thursday events presented by Imagine Main Street.

The tree lighting and arrival of Santa are scheduled for 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on the lawn of St. James Church.

First Thursday highlights include:

- ▶ 968 Main St. — Enter to win a basket of beauty products at Salon Petite.
- ▶ 575 Main St. — Sample food from Panda King.
- ▶ 31 Bissell St. — Holiday shopping and a complimentary Christmas ornament at J.A. White Class Co.
- ▶ 681 Main St. — Enjoy music by Jazzmen

Music and Gallery at Frame Dimensions.

- ▶ 713 Main St. — Wine tasting at Sean's Fine Jewelry.
- ▶ 793 Main St. — Complimentary Green Mountain coffee at Coventry Farms/Market on Main.
- ▶ Purnell Place — Young @ Art Artisan Sale and Fundraiser. Photos with Santa's Elves and fun backdrops by Garaventa Photography for \$5.
- ▶ 845 Main St. — Holiday shopping, refreshments and door prizes at Silk City Antiques.
- ▶ 857 Main St. — Display of Christmas corsages at Designed to Order.
- ▶ 881 Main St. — Holiday shopping, hot cider and music by Auburn Mode and the Tree Lighting Sax Orchestra at Beller's Music.
- ▶ 903 Main St. — Information session at 5

p.m. for the Runner's ART Project, Quest Arts Performance, MCC Gallery Exhibit at MCC on Main.

- ▶ 923 Main St. — Mitten Tree — Bring donation of mittens to decorate the tree. Open until 6 p.m. at First Niagara.
- ▶ 975 Main St. — Wine tasting and holiday gift basket sale at Anne Miller Real Estate.
- ▶ 981 Main St. — Sweet potato fritters with maple syrup and hot chocolate in front of Mulberry Street.
- ▶ 1065 Main St. — Vanilla Cinnamon Bailey's and Bailey's Irish Cream tasting from 5 to 8 p.m. at Forest Package Store.
- ▶ 1071 Main St. — Original art, fine crafts by Connecticut artisans at E.M. Dougan Art & Framing.
- ▶ 1095 Main St. — Complimentary hot chocolate, hot cider and treats at Sunnyside Up.