Calling All Gingerbread Bakers & Builders!!



Registration is now OPEN for the *first* **Port Gingerbread Festival Contest & Exhibition!** All ages and skill levels are welcome. Please visit <u>www.portgingerbreadfestival.org</u>. Click on "Create!" to reserve a space for your contest entry and see rules, recipes & resources. Deadline to register: December 3. Deliver your creation December 7 or 8.

Dare we call this the <u>1st Annual</u> Port Gingerbread Festival? All signs say yes! The response from the Greater Newburyport communities has been wonderful. Already 45 people have said they will submit a contest entry. We have space for about 60, so please take a minute now to register and make your entry official. Your early sign-up greatly helps our planning, and it will put you on our list to receive an occasional update or reminder.

GOOD NEWS for GINGERBREAD BUILDERS First problem solved!



Do you need a good sturdy board to build your creation on? Yes, you do! Scout Troop 251 of Newburyport is at your service. The Scouts will build you a 15" x 15" plywood platform, the maximum size allowed in the contest. Each board will be nicely sanded with rounded corners and have "feet" that raise it about an inch above the table, making it easy to lift and set down. You'll be able to use it year after year.



With this project, the Scouts are helping gingerbread makers, supporting the Festival, and also raising money for their troop activities. The price for each board is \$15. Reserve yours while supply lasts: please send your name, phone, and the number of boards you need to: <u>info@portgingerbread.org</u>. Pickup at Gordon Rug, 149 State Street (near the traffic circle) in Newburyport. (*A limited number of boards may be available on a walk-in basis.*) Payment by cash or check payable to Salvation Army Troop 251.

Please follow and share Port Gingerbread Festival on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>. You'll be helping to promote the Festival and bring in plenty of visitors to admire your work! Thanks!

Greater Newburyport