

If you have any information that you would like to add regarding kids programming, please call the Youth Commission at 656-7326 so we may include your listing.

- DEC. 5** **DARIEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY- SILHOUTTES BY DEBORAH O'CONNOR-** Heirloom quality silhouette portraits cut freehand from paper in only a few minutes time! All ages are welcome. Extra copies can be cut along with the originals and make wonderful holiday gifts. To schedule a sitting call 655-9233.
- DEC. 5** **DARIEN YOUTH COMMISSION- 7th & 8th GRADE TOPS - "MISTLETOE MAGIC DANCE" -** 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Town Hall Gymnasium. \$10.00 per person for pay per event members. (There is no charge for those TOPS members who are advance paid members.) **ATTIRE** - Girls: party dresses; Boys - dress pants, dress shirt and tie. **NO BLUE JEANS. REMINDER: THIS AND ALL TOPS EVENTS ARE FOR TOPS MEMBERS ONLY. GUESTS ARE NOT PERMITTED.** Additional information - Darien Youth Commission - 656-7326.
- DEC. 5** **DARIEN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (DCA)- ANNIE FROM "THE NATURAL WONDER BAND" -** Let's go on a musical safari with Annie! She writes songs, performs shows about the natural world, and is very happy to be singing and exploring its wonders with all of us. Life is a safari! Moms Morning In meets at 10:00 a.m. Members without a season pass \$10/child. For more information call 655-9050.
- DEC. 6** **DARIEN YMCA- HOLIDAY HELPERS-** Ages 3-10 (must be fully potty trained). The Darien YMCA staff will organize crafts, games in the gym, snacks, movies and more to entertain your children while you get your holiday shopping, baking etc. done. **Also available on Dec. 13th and 20th,** 9:00 am- 3:00 pm each day (you may sign up for any block of time). For information regarding registration and fees please call 203-655-8228 x331 or contact Suzanne Richards by email: srichards@darien-ymca.org.
- DEC. 12** **DARIEN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (DCA) - HOLIDAY PARTY WITH A VISIT FROM SANTA AND SING-ALONG-** HO! HO! HO! It's time to get into the holiday spirit! We'll visit with Santa and enjoy some holiday favorites as we sing along together and enjoy some holiday cheer! Moms Morning In meets at 10:00 a.m. Members without a season pass \$6/child. For more information call 655-9050.
- DEC. 15-18** **DARIEN NATURE CENTER- SNOWBIRDS VACATION CAMP -** Children ages 3 and up. Monday-Thursday from 9:30-1:30. Children bring lunch! For more information and to register call 655-7459.
- DEC. 29** **DARIEN PARKS & RECREATION- HOTSHOT BASKETBALL CONTEST-** Town Hall, **Ages 9 & 10*:** 11:30 AM-1:30 PM, **Ages 11 & 12*:** 1:30-3 PM, **Ages 13-15*:** 3-4:30 PM. Boys and girls can take part in this opportunity to demonstrate their dribbling, ball handling, and shooting skills. Contest is FREE to Darien residents. Registration takes place online at www.darienct.gov/parkrec, in the Parks and Recreation office located in Town Hall, or through the mail. Winners will move onto the regional contest with an opportunity to advance to a state competition. Please call 656-7325 with any questions. (**Age as of December 31st 2008.*) Snow date is December 30th. Registration deadline is December 23rd.

DEC. 29, 30 DARIEN YMCA- HOLIDAY VACATION CAMP- Vacation camp is available for 3 year olds through 5th graders. Activities include: swimming, arts & crafts, gym, outside play, movies and more! Also, Monday, Dec. 29th includes a field trip to Stamford Twin Rinks for K-5th. For complete information regarding hours, fees and activities visit www.darienymca.org.

**What's Up For Kids and other activities and programs occurring in Darien can be found at
(<http://www.calendar.darien.org>)**