



# Tilton Main Street Program

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## July & August 2006 Newsletter

### **Summer Fair, August 12<sup>th</sup>:**

Lots of new activities, good food & fun, space still available for vendors, street will be closed to vehicular traffic from 8:30AM to 4:30 PM.

### **Rubber Turtle Race Tickets Available:**

Tickets are now on sale for \$5 each or a bale of turtles (6) for \$25. They are available at Tilton Main Street Program Office, 261 Main St, Town Office, Northway Bank, Arvidson Chiropractic, Video Vendor, and Bryant & Lawrence Hardware.

### **Tilton Main Street Program Website is up & running: [www.tiltonmainstreet.org](http://www.tiltonmainstreet.org)**

Thanks to the creative talents & generosity of two local businessmen, our new website is something to see. It is still a work in progress, with lots more to add, but worth the look. The intention is to eventually connect every business within our TMSP geographic boundaries to the site.

### **Summer Fair Activities:**

New activities and vendors keep coming each week.

**Lowe's** will be hosting their How to Woodworking Clinic for Kids at Summer Fair. Not sure what the kit choices will be, but they usually include, a toolbox, race car, or wheelbarrow. Included with the kit for each child will be safety goggles and a Lowe's vest.

**Phil Cane** of Northfield will be setting up a bee farming exhibit, selling his honey products, and visitors can make their own beeswax candles for a small fee.

**Teasha's Tasty Treats** will have a variety of fruits & confections for customers to dip in chocolate and then roll in different toppings....like frozen bananas dipped in chocolate and rolled in nuts, coconut, more chocolate, or other toppings of choice.

**Plant swap:** get your garden tools out & pot up some of your extra perennials, or maybe some of that invasive, but delicious mint & other herbs. Label the pots & bring them to the swap booth at Summer Fair.

**Blueberry Pie Eating Contest:** Sink your face into a delicious blueberry pie and be the first to empty the pie plate for a cash prize. Sign up at the Tilton Main Street Program booth for this event....or call the office ahead at 286-8668 to register.

**Cake Decorating Contest: Sponsored by Bryant & Lawrence Hardware & TMSP**

The theme for this competition is children's birthday cake; we have all made one. Put on your creative caps, rev up the mixer, and bring your favorite kid cake design to Summer Fair. The cakes will be on display in the lower part of the Congregational Church on Main St for viewing and voting by the visiting customers during the day. The judging is based on design not taste. Every entrant will receive a prize with the grand prize of baking equipment. Please call TMSP Office to register, 286-8668....so we know how many cakes & prizes to provide. We have four cakes registered already.

**Tilton Farmer's Market: Saturdays, 9:00AM to Noon**

The market got off to a slow start, but has picked up in one week. We have farm produce, NH Made chocolate products, a local honeybee farm, selling honey, honey& beeswax soap, candles, lip balm & more; plants, plants for sale and swap, and an Avon rep. All did well with the many shoppers who stopped by. As the weather warms up & gives us a bit less rain, the variety of local produce will increase. On July 22<sup>nd</sup> there will be a demonstration on how to make sponge balls, with some for sale....or you can roll a beeswax candle. There is still plenty of room for more vendors. We are looking for bakers, eggs, produce, jams & jellies...or whatever. Please call Kelley Lang at 286-4007 for info or Tilton Main Street Program Office at 286-8668.

**Rent a Piece of Tilton Downtown History:**

Looking to expand your business or start a new one. There are several storefronts available on Main Street, Downtown Tilton. There are five spaces available sized in square feet 400, 750, 800, 1000 and 1800. Call 286-8668 for more info.

**ADD COLOR TO MAIN STREET:** Widdershins owner, Michael Folsum, in an effort to attract attention and customers to stop & shop on Main St, has suggested that business & property owners on the street hang colorful flags from each storefront. He has found a source for some very colorful & attractive flags/banners that would look great moving in the breeze. He has offered to give the wholesale price to anyone wishing to participate...and the cost for flag & bracket is about \$40. This would be a "moving" and colorful addition to Main St and would surely attract more attention than the red-white-blue Open banners. Call him at 286-2300.

**Support Downtown Revitalization & Purchase Your Rubber Turtle Race Tickets Today !**



