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"CHRISTMAS TREASURES" SHINE BRIGHT

Annual Holiday Tour Offers a Reflective Look at Christmas Traditions

Discover your "Christmas Treasures" on an Old Home Holiday Tour at the Wood County Historical Center & Museum, December 8th - 18th. The Museum is located at 13660 County Home Road in Bowling Green. The annual holiday tour offers a reflective look at Christmastime traditions through self-guided tours, live music, and a variety of new and favored programs.

Take time from the hustle and bustle of the holidays and admire the elegant and whimsical Christmas decorations throughout the Museum. Local groups and individuals have pooled their creativity to present this treasure to the public. Highlights include a winter wonderland of over 100 mechanical villages, a slurry of snow globes, and an assortment of Christmas traditions and military memories. A holiday gift shop provides unique handmade and historical gifts from local artisans and authors.

The newest feature of the Christmas season is the "Living Christmas Card" display where four exhibit rooms come to life with interactive interpreters: Rock around the Christmas tree at the 1950s soda fountain, help a 1920s-era family decorate their tree, join a one-room school pageant, and make a gingerbread cookie for a Civil War soldier. Family crafts included. "Living Christmas Cards" come to life on December 15 & 16 from 6-8 pm and December 18 from 1-4 pm.

Other Holiday events throughout the tour include holiday teas, a Gala Fundraiser, Family Gingerbread House workshop, visit from Santa, working "Polar Express" railroad display, live music, Christmas wreath raffle, gingerbread man scavenger hunt, and much more - all detailed at www.woodcountyhistory.org.

The Holiday Tour runs from December 8th through 18th and admission is \$5/adult, \$1/child. Special events such as teas, Gala, and workshops have registration fees, which include museum admission. Tour times are 1-4 PM on weekends, 10am-8pm December 14-16, and 10am-5pm December 8,9,12, & 13.

The Wood Country Historical Center and Museum is located at 13660 County Home Road, Bowling Green. From I-75, take exit 179, go east on Route 6, then turn right at County Home Road. The mission of the Wood County Historical Society is to collect, preserve, and interpret the history of Wood County - at Christmas and throughout the year.

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