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The Hometown Holly Days Christmas Market will be held at Harlan Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Local artisans and vendors will help you check off everything on your holiday shopping list! Whether you're looking for baked goods, nut butters, candles, jewelry, crafts, wreaths,

ornaments, Christmas decorations or knitted and crocheted items, they've got something for everyone.

Shop handmade soaps, lip balms, boutique clothing for ladies and children, concrete yard ornaments, skin care products, homemade laundry soaps, and home cleaning sprays. Don't miss out on hot cocoa and coffee bombs, kettle corn and fresh evergreen wreaths and lots more!




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St. Mary's Annual Cookie Walk

Don't miss St. Mary's Annual Cookie Walk from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall during Hometown Holly Days! This delicious tradition offers a variety of homemade cookies, baked with love by local volunteers.

It's the perfect opportunity to pick up sweet treats for your holiday gatherings or to enjoy a little indulgence for yourself. Come early to get your favorites before they're gone!

Wishing you joy & peace this Christmas and success in the coming year!

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Lighted Christmas Parade

December 7.
The whole family will enjoy the beautiful lighted floats created by local churches and businesses.

Due to safety concerns, no candy will be thrown by those participating in the



The Christmas Parade of Lights will begin at 6 p.m. on parade.

New at Holly Days: An ice skating rink!

The Ice Skating Rink will be tentatively open from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the parking lot across from Harlan Hall. Glide across the ice and enjoy the winter magic!

The rink will also be tentatively open on Friday, December 6 from 4:00 to 9:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 8 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.

Whether you're a seasoned skater or trying it for the first time, it's the perfect winter activity to enjoy with friends and family. Skates will be available for rent.

According to the Chamber staff, the ice surface is artificial, so skating can be enjoyed regardless of the temperature.

Photo opportunities with *Frozen* characters

From 12:00 to 5:00 p.m., don't miss your chance to capture the magic of the season with photo opportunities featuring some of your favorite characters at Hometown Holly Days!

Meet and greet with the *Frozen* characters, Mickey and Minnie Mouse, and more beloved friends for a fun, festive photo op. Whether you're posing with Elsa and Anna or snapping a picture with Mickey and Minnie, it's the perfect

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Merry Christmas!

Santa Walk/Run

Start your day off with holiday cheer by joining for the Hometown Holly Days Santa Walk & Run.

This festive community event is perfect for all ages, inviting everyone to dress in their best holiday attire and walk or run through town alongside Santa himself.

The event kicks off at 8:00 a.m. with registration open from 7:30 to 8:00 a.m. at the



First Christian Church, located at 902 N 6th Street. For added convenience, pre-registration is available on the Hometown Holly Days Facebook page.



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All Aboard the Polar Express at Marshall Library

Plan to take a ride on the Marshall Public Library's Polar Express, a magical holiday experience for the whole family! From 12:00 pm to 4:00 p.m., the train will be stationed

in front of the Marshall Public Library, offering a festive journey filled with Christmas cheer. As you ride through the winter wonderland, enjoy the sights and sounds of the season, complete with holiday music, twinkling lights, and special surprises along the way.

Hot drinks at Gypsy Queen

The Gypsy Queen Coffeep will be kicking off the Holly Days with traditional lattes and hot chocolate and a fun new menu with original wintery recipes full of Christmas

spirit!

And for a little extra magic, miniature tabletop fire pits will be available for roasting marshmallows and creating delicious s'mores!




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Bethlehem Experience

The Bethlehem Experience will return to Holly Days this year from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.

Experience the heartwarming tradition of the eleven live nativity scenes on courthouse square. This beloved annual event features live reenactments of the Christmas story, presented by local churches, with each scene offering a

unique and moving portrayal of the season.

The scenes will be brought to life by volunteers from New Rivers Church, Saint Mary's Catholic Church, Trinity United Methodist Church, the Church of Christ, The Grace Project, Marshall Church of the Nazarene, Clarksville Baptist Church, First Congregational Church, Armstrong Methodist

Church, First United Methodist Church, Emmanuel and Zion United Methodist Churches, The Pentecostals of Marshall, Marshall Baptist Church and First Christian Church.

In addition to the live scenes, enjoy beautiful music from a combined choir representing all participating churches. New scenes have been added this year, making this year's event an even

more special celebration of Christmas spirit, faith, community, and the

Santa Breakfast

Breakfast with Santa will be held from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the First Methodist Church, located at 702 Plum Street. Sponsored by the Optimist Club, this family-friendly event offers a wonderful opportunity for children to meet

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Photo opportunities at the log cabin

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Bounce house fun

There will be the Castle Bounce House, offering a royal good

time. Plus, the Alpine Snow Tubing will bring a taste of winter adventure, where little ones (and adults!) can slide down the snowy hill for some thrilling winter fun.

From 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m., Hometown Holly Days will be packed with fun activities for all ages! Kids can enjoy the festive Santa Bounce House, where they can jump and play to their heart's content.



Julie's Elf Workshop

Bring your kids to Julie's Elf Workshop from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on December 7 at Fried Green Tomatoes (116 N. 6th Street).

Kids will have the chance to create their very own 5"

freestanding Christmas tree for just a \$5 fee. No appointment is necessary - just stop by and let the holiday fun begin!

It's a great way to get into the festive spirit and take home a special, handmade keepsake.

Bingo at the Legion

At 7:00 p.m. on December 7th, head over to the American Legion for a fun-filled night of Bingo during Hometown Holly Days!

Gather with friends and family for a chance to win exciting prizes while enjoying the lively atmosphere of this

classic game. Whether you're a seasoned Bingo pro or a first-timer, it's a great way to relax and have some fun after

a day of holiday festivities.

Come for the game, stay for the camaraderie, and make it a memorable evening of friendly competition and holiday cheer!

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Window Decoration Contest

Hometown Holly Days is sponsoring a Business Window Decorating Contest! Local businesses are invited to spread the holiday spirit by decorating their windows for

the Holly Days community celebration on December 7th.

To participate, simply pick up a registration form from the Chamber of Commerce at 708 Archer Ave. Be sure to

have your windows decorated by noon on December 6th, as judging will take place that afternoon.

This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase your cre-

ativity, bring festive cheer to our town, and engage with the community during the holiday season!

Christmas tree lighting

The Christmas Tree Lighting will be held in front of the courthouse on Saturday evening prior to the parade. This will mark the official start of the holiday season.

together to celebrate the season.

This festive tradition is filled with excitement and joy as the beautifully decorated tree is illuminated in a sparkling display of lights. The event will be filled with excitement and joy, as the community comes

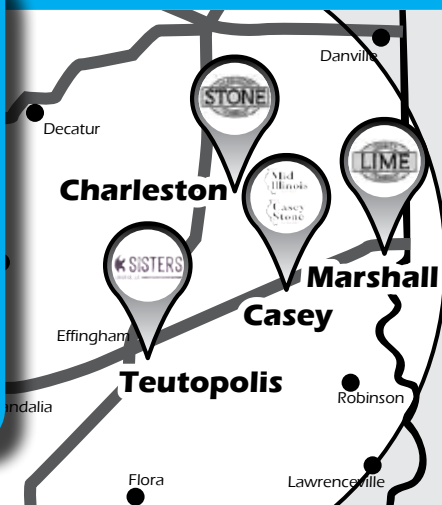


Polar Express

From 4:00 to 5:30 p.m., enjoy a magical screening of *The Polar Express*. Gather with family and friends for this beloved holiday classic, where the enchanting story of a young boy's Christmas adventure comes to life on the big screen.

With its heartwarming themes of wonder and belief, it's the perfect way to cozy up and get into the holiday spirit. Don't forget to bring your hot cocoa and enjoy the movie magic!

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