

Light Up the Night Tour

Winter Wonderland

Sertoma presents Winter Wonderland at the Northland Arboretum! To highlight the beauty of the season and to offer a special treat for the citizens and visitors to our area, Brainerd Area Sertoma Clubs and BL Broadcasting are working with a number of businesses and organizations in town to create a major community event. They will be lighting the Northland Arboretum with over 50 professional holiday light displays that will celebrate a wonderful time of the year. A Holiday Village, where the children's contest entries will be displayed, will be housed in the Arboretum Welcome Center. Concessions, including hot chocolate, flavored coffee and fresh baked chocolate chip cookies, will be offered. Children may have their photograph taken with Santa Claus as well.

*Winter Wonderland will be open Wednesday through Sunday from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. through 12/31/08 (New Years Eve).
Admission is \$10 per vehicle, with proceeds going to area charities.*

*Northland Arboretum
14250 Conservation Drive, Brainerd, MN
www.sertomawinterwonderland.com*

Annual Festival of Lights

From the comfort of your car you'll enjoy 40 traditional Christmas scenes & music, animated pioneer villagers with elves, a large collection of nutcrackers and dolls, historic village stores, train depot, church, old time school house and much more all decorated with beautiful Christmas lights.

*Every Friday-Sunday in December 6:00p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Admission is \$5 per vehicle
Paul Bunyan Land at This Old Farm Pioneer Village
17553 State Highway 18, Brainerd, MN
www.thisoldfarm.net*

Christmas at the Mansions

Christmas at the Mansions is a fundraiser for Linden Hill Historical Event Center. The theme is "Follow the Yellow Brick Road." Little Falls yellow bricks will be incorporated into the various themed areas. Guests may tour all four levels of the historic Musser and Weyerhaeuser mansions and "follow the yellow brick road" to different themed areas. Some of the themes are white Christmas, old-fashioned Christmas, gold Christmas, modern Christmas, fallen soldier Christmas, purple Christmas and more. Many volunteers and local merchants will sponsor the various areas. Hot apple cider and cookies will be served. All proceeds for the event will be used for the preservation of Linden Hill.

*1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Friday November 28-Sunday December 7, 2008
\$10.00 per person
\$8.00 per person with a food shelf donation
608 Highland Avenue, Little Falls, MN*

Lighting of Trees Ceremony

Jenkins will host its first Lighting of the Trees Ceremony at the trees by the Jenkins city sign. The event will include lighting bonfires, hot dogs, bars, hot chocolate, cider, carolers and hayrides.

*Friday, December 5th from 5:30pm - 7:00pm
Free Community Event
By Jenkins City Sign in Jenkins, MN*

Downtown Brainerd Holli-Days

Enjoy the uniqueness of Brainerd's Central Business District this holiday season. On Thursday, December 11 women of all ages are encouraged to take some time for themselves during the Holli-walk and browse the participating businesses to shop and to vote for the best decorated. On Friday, December 12 it's all about seniors - participating businesses will be offering something special for seniors this day. Saturday, December 13 will bring fun for the whole family with Santa arriving on a fire truck at 10:45 for pictures with kids at Studio Montage. Families can take the free, horse-drawn trolley sponsored by the Brainerd Dispatch from the heart of downtown to Santa's Workshop at the Franklin Arts Center. The trolley will be available 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

December 11, 2008 - December 13, 2008