



Tourism *Tidbits*

December 2006

Jody Rogers

World AIDS Day

December 1st

For more information,
contact Bonnie Lee at 634-8446 ext. 223.



Evangelistic Ministries

Civic Center
December 19th
7:00 pm



For more information call (972)287-7738.



PINEYWOODS
CULTURAL ASSOCIATION

presents

In the Spirit: A Festival of the Arts

featuring The Timbretones

First Street Arts Center

December 16, 2006

1:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m.

For more information, call (936) 634-6644.



Santa's Arrival

November 18

Santa Claus is coming to town! Festivities begin around 4:45 p.m. with the Community Band. Santa arrives at the Lufkin Mall around 5 p.m. and invites you to have milk and cookies. He and Rudolph are anxiously waiting to hear your Christmas wish list, and you can even take your picture with Santa! Call (936) 639-1249 for more details.

Rudolph the Red Nosed Pumping Unit

November 18

Rudolph is an annual tradition in Lufkin, and this year he'll begin lighting up our spirits November 18 at dusk. Bring the whole family the celebration and enjoy the arrival of Santa Claus. For details, call (936) 639-1249.

Visits with Santa

November 18—December 24

Children of all ages are invited to join Santa at his Winter Wonderland located in the J.C. Penney court area at the Lufkin Mall. Children will be able to sit on Santa's knee and discuss their wish list. Contact Lufkin Mall's Customer Service Center at (936) 639-1249 for Santa's hours.

"Early Bird" Shopping

November 24

The first 300 shoppers to stop by Lufkin Mall tables in front of Bealls will receive a FREE holiday shopping bag filled with special store offers, door buster prizes, or mall gift cards. Call (936) 639-1249 for more information.

Christmas Card Recycling

December 1st—January 15th

For details call AB/C at
(936) 631-3829



Museum Guild "Festival of Trees"

November 24 – 1st week of January

The Museum Guild's annual event highlights large arrays of lighted Christmas trees decorated with interesting and unique themes. Cameras are welcome, as this is a wonderful display that will surely get you in the holiday spirit! Free admission. For details about this event, call (936) 639-4434.

Annual Main Street Christmas Parade

November 28

Traditionally planned on the evening in conjunction with the Courthouse Lighting Ceremony and other downtown holiday activities, the Annual Christmas Parade helps usher in the festive season. Over 200 entries parade through the downtown area. Prizes are awarded for the best commercial and non-commercial floats.

Story time with Santa

December 1 – 23

Join Santa at his Winter Wonderland set, located in the J.C. Penney court for storytime each Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m. For details, please call (936) 639-1249.

Santa Claus Express

December 2

The Texas Forestry Museum invites you to Santa Claus Express from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. All Texas Forestry Museum Kids Club Members will receive a free ticket to breakfast if they RSVP before the event. All others who wish to attend will need to purchase tickets in advance for \$3.00 each. NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR. Call (936) 632-9535 for details.



Pet Photos with Santa
December 3

For ONE NIGHT ONLY, bring your pets to the Lufkin Mall Sunday, December 3rd from 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. Owners & pets must enter and exit through the mall doors located next to Chili's. For specific pet request, please contact the mall office prior to event night. All animals must be kept on a leash or in carriers, and are not allowed beyond the Santa set. Pet owners must clean up after pets. For more information, call (936) 639-1249.

CASA Tour of Homes
December 7

Tour five beautiful homes magnificently decorated in holiday cheer. Houses are open from 2:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10 each and proceeds benefit CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates). For more information, please call (936) 634-6725.

Maureen McGovern
“Home for the Holidays”
December 9

The Temple Theater kicks off the Christmas season by celebrating Broadway star, two-time Grammy nominee Maureen McGovern. Tickets go on sale November 9 and can be purchased for \$27, \$30, or \$35 by contacting the Angelina Arts Alliance at (936) 633-5234.

Progressive Dinner Downtown (Gala)
December 30

Annual Gala Night on the Town is a special evening of fine dining, dancing and fun sponsored by the Main Street Lufkin and hosted by downtown businesses.

Trail of Lights
December 2 -December 26

The handicapped – accessible portion of the Urban Wildscape Trail, and the museum's logging locomotive will be transformed into a winter wonderland with lights and holiday scenes. The trail will be open to the public, free of charge, for viewing nightly from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. December 2nd through December 26th. Please call the Forestry Museum at (936) 632-9535 for more information.

Living Nativity Scene
December 13 & 14

Come enjoy the traditional scenes of Christmas each night from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at Lufkin's First Christian Church. This annual drive-thru Nativity is a sight for all ages. Free admission. For more information, please call (936) 634-8341.

Evening in Old Bethlehem
December 8 & 9

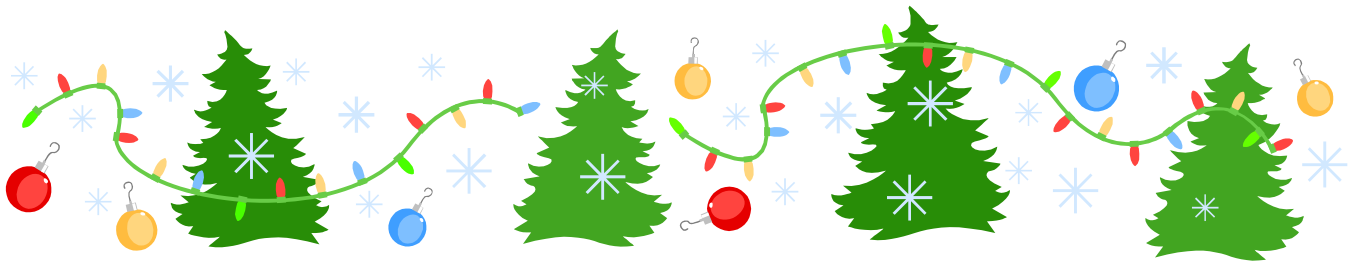
The Angelina County Exposition Center is transformed into the streets of Bethlehem. You'll be able to walk back in time and talk with the townspeople about the news of the newborn King from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. For more information, call (936) 639-3141.

Christmas Tree Recycling

Beginning December 26th

For details call AB/C at
(936) 631-3829





Administering Exchange Server 2003 Workshop

Hosted by Skill Path Seminars

December 20th - 21st

For more information go to www.skillpath.com



Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass

December 10th

11:30am - 2:30pm

For more information, contact St. Patrick's Catholic Church at 634-6833.

The Living Christmas Tree

The combined choirs of Calvary Baptist Church and Southside Baptist Church invite you to a special presentation of

"The Glory of Christmas"

Friday, December 15, 2006, 7:00 PM
 Saturday, December 16, 2006, 7:00 PM
 Sunday, December 17, 2006, 6:00 PM

At 516 Montrose, Lufkin, TX 75901
 No Admission fee.

For more information, call (936) 634-6674 or go to www.calvarylufkin.org

Please call ahead if you are bringing a large group.

Tourism Tidbits is published monthly by the Lufkin Convention & Visitors Bureau. It is mailed to business, Civic, those in the travel industry and those interested in tourism around Lufkin.

If you would like to receive a free copy, or would like to make any changes to your mailing address label, please contact us by e-mail at aburrow@lufkintexas.org or by phone at 631-3826.

Submissions to post an event in Tourism Tidbits is due the 3rd Friday of every month. Event information can be sent up to two months in advance via fax, telephone, or e-mail. If a logo or flyer is included, PDF or Word documents are preferred.



Lufkin Convention & Visitors Bureau
 PO Box 1606 • Lufkin, Texas 75901 • (936) 634-6305