

# 28th Annual Winsted Winter Festival

Friday & Saturday • Dec. 2 & 3, 2016



## Prize Drawings

Buy a button for \$2 for a chance to win \$100, \$75, or \$50 in Winsted Bucks. McLeod County Emergency Food Shelf will receive 50¢ for each button sold. Buttons can be purchased at Security Bank & Trust, Glenn's SuperValu, JoEllens New Image Salon, Keaveny Drug, Pantry Café, Blue Note, Winsted Public Library, and from members of the Winsted Royalty.

## Residential Lighting Contest, Wed., Nov. 30

The Winsted outdoor lighting contest will be judged by residents of St. Mary's Care Center, along with members of the Winsted Chamber. To participate, turn on the lights to your holiday display Wednesday evening by 5:30 p.m. First place wins \$100; second place, \$75; and third place, \$50.

## Winsted Arts Council Kids OnStage presents:

'Twas the Night Before Christmas Saturday, Dec. 3, 3:00 p.m., River Of Life Church, 170 Main Ave W, downtown Winsted (next to the Library)

\$5/Family Suggested Admission

Come enjoy this holiday classic, performed by area K-3rd grade students Directed by Amy Ohlemacher-Lonetti

## Annual Open Houses, Fri., Dec. 2

Security bank & Trust 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Hussong's Liquor will host a wine & beer tasting from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at their location.

## Christmas Concert, Fri., Dec. 2

St. John's Lutheran Church, Winsted, will be hosting a Christmas Concert Friday, Dec. 2 at 7 p.m. featuring the Litchfield Area Mens Choir followed by Allen and Matt Carlson Duo. Social prior to concert 6 to 7 p.m. Free will donation.

## Giving Tree

Flagship Insurance Services will provide a beautiful giving tree this holiday season. The tree will be decorated with Giving Tree ornaments labeled with a child's name and their Christmas wish from McLeod County. Flagship Insurance is located at 131- 6th Street N. Hours are 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

## Silent Auction at Library, Fri., Dec. 2 & Sat., Dec. 3

The Winsted Library will host its 18th Annual Silent Auction Friday, Dec. 2, 2 to 5 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 3, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Bids will be accepted Dec. 2, beginning at 2 p.m. New and gently used items are being accepted. A portion of the proceeds raised will be divided among the Holy Trinity School, Winsted Elementary, and the Lester Prairie Schools to benefit their libraries and accelerated reading programs. Matching funds generously provided by Thrivent Financial.



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## Santa, Hay Wagon Rides, Food, and Much More, Sat., Dec. 3, 11am - 2pm

Santa Claus will be available to greet children at the Blue Note Ballroom from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Ruben Duran will be available to take photos. Face painting, sand candy and hair feathers will be available from What's Next Art Studio. Hay wagon rides, sponsored by Fleischacker Landscaping and Carlson Apple Orchard will leave from the Blue Note Ballroom from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Winsted Royalty will serve food at the Blue Note Ballroom from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Barbecue, chips and pickles; or hotdog, will be available.

A coloring contest is provided by the Winsted Chamber and the Winsted Arts Council will have a make and take project. Register for a model train set and kids bicycles at the event. A reception will take place from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. for Cassandra Scherping past Winsted Ambassador and current Aquatennial Princess.

## Dessert Social, craft Sale, Christmas Bake Sale, Sat., Dec. 3

Holy Trinity CCW will offer a Dessert Social, Craft and Bake Sale from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Blue Note Ballroom. Eat in or take-out; treats, desserts and coffee will be available. Come take a chance at our \$1 Santa's Stocking Stuffer game for all ages.

## Vintage Snowmobile Show & Swap Meet, Sat., Dec. 3

Area vintage snowmobile owners show off their collection at the Blue Note from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, contact Rick Menden (320) 485-4269, menden6@tds.net, or Greg Davidson (320) 485-2326, finnlandergreg@hotmail.com. Sponsored by AWI Manufacturing, Ricks Car Cleaning, CentraSota Vintage SledHeads, Midwest Vintage Snowmobile Shows, Cities Edge Mini Storage and the Blue Note.

## Chili Cook-Off Sat., Dec. 3

Second Annual Chili Cook-Off at Winsted City Hall, Vollmer Room, 2 to 4 pm. Compete with the best chili you have to win cash prizes & respect! \$10 entry fee and a minimum of 2 gallons of chili to share. To participate (taste and vote), \$2.00 per person. The proceeds for this event, to be donated to the Winsted Lions. For information, contact JoLynn Cafferty at 612-760-3403

## Legion Club Dinner, Sat., Dec. 3

Ribs & chicken dinner which includes vegetable, baked beans, potato salad, and tossed salad, for \$12. Serving from 4:30 p.m. until gone, at the newly-renovated Winsted Legion Club at 161 N 1st Street.

## Lighted Christmas tree and Caroling, Sat., Dec. 3

The fifth annual lighting of the Winsted Christmas tree and singing of Christmas Carols will take place before the lighted parade at 5:30 p.m. Join the visiting royalty for caroling at Mill Reserve Park.

## Warm up after the parade at Crazi Coffee, Sat. Dec. 3

Crazi Coffee & Flowers will have extended hours until 8 p.m. with live music during the parade from 6 - 8 p.m.

## Lighted Christmas Parade, Sat. Dec. 3

Through downtown Winsted, starting at 6:30 p.m. with Grand Marshal K- Way Express Inc. Royalty and businesses from the surrounding area are encouraged to participate, no pre-registration required. Participants should line up near the Blue Note. Lakes and Prairie Girls Scouts will be collecting food for the food drive.

## NEW! MEDALLION HUNT!

The 1st Annual Winsted Winter Festival Medallion Hunt will start Monday, Nov. 28 with the first clue to be found in the Herald Journal Newspaper & Blog/Website (Herald-Journal.com). Clues will be publicly posted at the Winsted Library, City Hall and Herald Journal office each day by 9:00 a.m. until the Medallion is found. All rules can be found at www.WinstedChamber.com. Sponsored by Herald Journal and TDS Telecom.