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# News Release

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### Holiday Celebrations Begin in Calvert County

**PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – November 27, 2007** – With a light parade, festive decorations, a visit by Santa, music, merriment, cozy restaurants and quaint shops offering plentiful gift-giving treasures, Calvert County is *the* place to celebrate the holidays.

#### **December 1 (11:00 am – 4:00 pm)**

##### **Holiday Open House**

*Main Street Gallery, Prince Frederick – A celebration of fine contemporary arts & crafts on display in a festive holiday setting. 410-535-3334*

#### **December 1 (11:00 am – 6:00 pm)**

##### **Winter Festival**

*Trinity United Methodist Church, 90 Church Street, Prince Frederick – Ham and oyster dinner, crafts, white elephant room, Santa's Secret Shoppe. [www.trinityumchurch.org](http://www.trinityumchurch.org) or 410-535-1782*

#### **December 1 (12:30 pm – 3:00 pm)**

##### **Designs for the Holidays by the Chesapeake Garden Club**

*All Saints Church, Rt. 2/4, Sunderland – Holiday designs will be demonstrated which will be available for purchase. There will be decorating supplies, fresh greens, and original hand painted ornaments by local artist Deborah Watson, You can place a bid on fabulous silent auction items. [www.chesapeakegardenclub.org](http://www.chesapeakegardenclub.org) or 301-855-7595*

#### **December 1-2 (10:00 am – 5:00 pm)**

##### **Antique Christmas Festival Open House**

*Countywide – Visit various antique centers in the county for a unique Christmas festival featuring antiques, unique gifts & refreshments. 410-867-3277 or 410-257-3153*

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**December 2 (1:00 pm – 3:00 pm)**

**Christmas on the Beach**

*5<sup>th</sup> Street and Bay Avenue at the Pavilion, North Beach – Children write wishlist to give Santa while they wait in line to sit on his lap. Then, they enjoy hot apple cider and roast marshmallows around a roaring fire. [www.nbeachmd.com](http://www.nbeachmd.com) or 301-855-6681*

**December 2 (2:00 pm)**

**33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Christmas Parade**

*Fox Run Shopping Center, Prince Frederick – Featuring local school bands, floats, custom and antique cars/trucks and Santa Claus. 410-535-0026*

**December 4 (7:00 pm)**

**PHS Jazz and Percussion Ensembles Concert**

*Patuxent High School Auditorium, Lusby – The Patuxent High School presents the Jazz and Percussion Ensembles Concert. This event is free and open to the public. [www.patuxentband.org](http://www.patuxentband.org) or 410-535-7806*

**December 5 (7:00 pm – 8:30 pm)**

**Huntingtown High School's Financial Aid Night**

*Huntingtown High School Auditorium, Huntingtown – Financial aid night for parents of all students at Huntingtown High School. Sonia K. Wagner, Executive Director of SoMD CAN/College Access Network will lead the presentation. Discussion will include FAFSA completion, federal, state and local aid sources. [www.somdcan.org](http://www.somdcan.org) or 410-474-4144*

**December 7 (5:00 pm – 8:00 pm)**

**Celebrating a Vintage Christmas**

*Southern Maryland Antique Center, Huntingtown – Santa comes early at the Southern Maryland Antique Center. Join the dealers at their annual holiday party. Special holiday merchandise will be unveiled and generous discounts will apply. Good food. Good fun for all. 410-257-1677*

**December 7 – 8 (6:00 pm – 9:00 pm)**

**Solomons Christmas Walk**

*Various Solomons locations – Solomons sparkles as thousands of luminaria lead the way to holiday fun. Tree lighting ceremony, Santa's arrival, puppet show, make an ornament, breakfast with Santa, live nativity scene, boat light parade, and open house at local shops. [www.solomonsmaryland.com](http://www.solomonsmaryland.com) or 410-326-1950*

**December 7 – January 1, 2008 (6:00 pm – 9:00 pm nightly, weather permitting)**

**Garden in Lights**

*Annmarie Garden, 13480 Dowell Road, Solomons – A whimsical drive-through holiday light display filled with light sculptures custom-created by the staff. Closed December 24. [www.annmariegarden.org](http://www.annmariegarden.org) or 410-326-4640*

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### **December 8 (6:00 pm – 9:00 pm)**

#### **Dinner Dance with Friends**

*Calvert County Office on Aging, 450 West Dares Beach Road, Prince Frederick – Bring friends and family members for a night out with good food. Relax, enjoy a tasty meal and dance to wonderful music. Cost TBD. 410-535-4606*

### **December 8 (Dusk)**

#### **Solomons Light Parade**

*Calvert Marine Museum, Solomons Island-Patuxent River – All boaters are invited to decorate their boats with lights and join in on the fun. Join us for the holiday spirit in Solomons Island. Prizes for all. [www.calvertmarinemuseum.com](http://www.calvertmarinemuseum.com) or 410-326-2042 ext. 41 to register*

### **December 8 (1:00 pm – 3:00 pm)**

#### **Holiday Wreath Workshop**

*Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum, 10515 Mackall Road, St. Leonard – Join JPPM staff and members of the Master Gardeners and make a wreath for the holidays utilizing the beautiful Point Farm garden plant materials – magnolia, boxwood, holly and pines. Bows and other ornamentation are included. Reservations required. [www.jefpat.org](http://www.jefpat.org) or 410-586-8501*

### **December 11 (6:00 pm – 7:00 pm)**

#### **Family Bingo Night**

*Calvert County Parks & Recreation – South, 20 Appeal Lane, Lusby – A bingo night created just for families. Great prizes and fun for all. 410-586-1101*

### **December 14 (11:00 am – 2:00 pm)**

#### **Holiday Party**

*Calvert County Senior Centers, 450 West Dares Beach Road, 90 Appeal Lane, and 9010 Chesapeake Avenue – Enjoy the holiday season with other seniors. All three senior centers will hold their Annual Holiday Party. 410-535-4606*

### **December 15 (7:00 am – 7:00 pm)**

#### **NYC Holiday Shopping Spree**

*Calvert County Parks & Recreation – South, 20 Appeal Lane, Lusby – Shopping trip to New York City. Fee. 410-586-1101*

### **December 31**

#### **New Year's Eve Celebration**

*Isaac's Restaurant, Holiday Inn, Solomons – Bring in the new year with the best people. Packages and entertainment available. Call for reservations. Fee. [www.isaacsrestaurant.com](http://www.isaacsrestaurant.com) or 410-326-6311*

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