



Monday Minute News and information to start your week Week beginning Dec. 7, 2015

Good Morning, everyone!

It's another busy week here in beautiful Pike County. One has only to look at the Community Calendar on the Chamber's website to see all of the many things planned for this week, this month, and beyond!

Don't see your event listed? Please get it to us. I'd be happy to add it and there is never a cost for doing so.

Over the weekend we had several calls asking where Santa would be greeting children. We try to keep track, but he is a busy guy. We got the word out on Facebook, but the calendar is your best bet.

Santa is making several appearances this week- starting with the Pittsfield Youth Library tonight. He will be in his little Santa House on the west side of the Square in Pittsfield from 1 PM until 4 PM on Saturday and then again on the 19th.

Santa will be joining the good folks in Barry on Saturday for their annual **ChristmasTime in Barry**, taking place in historic downtown Barry. Enjoy lunch at the Apple Quarters Office (725 Bainbridge). Santa arrives at 1 PM and will visit with kids at the Barry Fire department until 3 PM. Free horse drawn buggy rides and kids crafts at the Barry Public Library. Make an ornament with the Western YMCA at the fire house. #ShopSmall at many downtown businesses. Download the whole flyer from the calendar listing.

Santa will make an appearance in Perry too, on December 19th. Details in the Calendar listing.

Again, you can find these events in the Community Calendar on the front page of the Chamber's website. Visit www.pikeil.org then click on the Calendar tab to the left.

Some listed events:

Annual Christmas Tea in Pleasant Hill on Saturday from 2 PM until 4 PM

Take time out of the hustle and bustle to remember the reason for the season. Join the women of the Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church for their annual Christmas Tea- a program of music and fellowship. This year the program will include music by the Pleasant Hill UMC Hand bell Choir, members of the Pleasant Hill High School chorus, as well as inspirational readings for the holiday season.

Following the program, homemade refreshments will be served in the lower level of the church. In past years they have had women attending from various churches in the Twin Pike counties, as well as from Calhoun and Adams counties. All ladies are invited!

"The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" will be performed at the Crossroads Center dining room (125 Jefferson Street) in Pittsfield on December 12th and 13th at 6:30 PM. Plan to attend and laugh at the chaos as well as be touched by a group of children who are just learning about Jesus and His birth.

The East Pike Lending Library in Detroit, IL will be holding a **Christmas Open House** on Saturday, December 19 from 10 AM -2 PM. Come over and enjoy Christmas cookies and coffee and see what our free lending library has to offer. Remember: no library card fee, no late fee, no residency restrictions....no excuses! All are welcome to visit "the best lil' library on the east side of the county"!

These events, plus meetings, blood drives and other community events can be found on the Chamber's Community Calendar. Send us YOUR events!

As always, feel free to call...

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