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# Lewiston Christmas Walk rings in holiday season Dec. 1-2

Tour of Homes takes place in historic properties

The Niagara River Region Chamber of Commerce is preparing for a successful Lewiston Christmas Walk and Tour of Homes on Dec. 1 and 2. The busy, two-day weekend features boutique shopping, a North Pole mailbox, carriage rides, a petting zoo and a home tour (ticketed event).

The highlight of the weekend is Santa's arrival, made possible by Rainbow Air, Deal Realty and J&J Strassburg Trucking.

"We are fortunate to have the cooperation of these key businesses to help us bring Santa to Lewiston in a way children will always remember. It is really a group effort to make it happen each year, and the chamber is appreciative of all of those who help each year," President Jennifer Pauly said. "The Lewiston Police Department, Explorers and Lewiston Fire Co. No. 1 all give their time to help us land Santa safely from the North Pole."

Santa will arrive by helicopter at 11:30 a.m. at Academy Park (weather-permitting). After a quick meet-and-greet, he will continue on his promenade down Center Street to the International Peace Garden. There, he will greet children throughout the weekend.

The Christmas Walk has plenty of outdoor activities, including the Lewiston Family Ice Rink. Many of the businesses offer open house promotions and refreshments both Saturday and Sunday. Attendees are encouraged to dress for the weather, as the events are rain, snow or shine.

A full listing of activities is available online at [www.NiagaraRiverRegion.com](http://www.NiagaraRiverRegion.com), social media and



The Chamber of Commerce will kick off the Christmas Walk weekend with its annual Christmas dinner on Thursday, Nov. 29, at Gallo Coal Fire Kitchen. The event is open to all, with a fun night of fellowship starting at 6 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 and include dinner, dessert, a cash bar and raffles. That night, canned and nonperishable food items will be collected, to be donated to Care-n-Share Food Pantry.

Reservations can be made by calling the chamber at 754-9500.

Pictured above at Gallo, from left, front row, chamber members Fred Blue, Margy Toohey, Gloria Baker and Matt Villnave toast the season with restaurant owner Michael Hibbard (second row). Hibbard also is shown with Caitlin Fager, chamber membership and events manager.



also in today's Sentinel.

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14th Annual The Historical Association of Lewiston

## Lewiston Tour of Homes

Dec 1st & 2nd 2018 • 10 - 5 PM



**The Studio**



**The Hotchkiss House Revisited**



**The Gingerbread House**



**The Painted Lady**



**The Mountain View Retreat**

**Day of Ticket Purchases can be made at Village Hall (145 N. Fourth St).**

*Five of Lewiston's unique & historic homes will be dressed in their holiday finest! Enjoy a dessert sampling reception, Poinsettia cocktail and Holiday Gift Market at Niagara Crossing Hotel & Spa. Historic Bonus Locations Included: Visit the Lewiston Museum, adorned for the season, First Presbyterian Church – Old Stone Church open for tours, Lewiston Stone House for a mulled wine sample and Niagara River Region Chamber of Commerce for a listing of Christmas Walk activities!*

**\$25 pre-sale/\$30 day of tour**  
Wegmans - ALL WNY Locations  
DiCamillo Bakery - 535 Center Street, Lewiston  
Niagara River Region Chamber - 895 Center St, Lewiston  
The Orange Cat Coffee Company - 703 Center Street, Lewiston  
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