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Downtown Xenia Now Presents Hometown Christmas 2015

Xenia, Ohio (November 25, 2015) Downtown Xenia Now in collaboration with the City of Xenia's Board for Recreation, Arts and Cultural Activities (BRACA) will present Hometown Christmas 2015 Saturday, December 12, 2015 from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. at venues throughout Downtown Xenia.

This year's events will include many of the events from prior years, highlighted by the anticipated arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Santa presented by BRACA at the grand Toward Independence Offices located at 81 East Main Street, Xenia. Mr. and Mrs. Claus will receive children throughout the evening and will hand out candies donated by Woodforest Bank. Harworth Tire and Auto will give out 50 soccer balls to families that visit Santa. Parents may take photos of Santa on their own.

In addition, there will be downtown carriage rides, a downtown business window decorating contest, a Hometown Christmas silent auction with incredible gifts and accessories from Downtown Xenia businesses and the all-time favorite Christmas music in front of the Greene County Courthouse the entirety of the event. The business decorating contest will give shoppers the opportunity to vote on the top three holiday storefront windows and result in monetary prizes donated by Xenia Glass and Lock Company for the winning window decorating businesses.

According to Downtown Xenia Now Vice Chair Ronda Houston, "Downtown Xenia Now's Hometown Christmas Now 2015 will not only showcase what a great holiday spirit lives and thrives in Downtown Xenia, but will also showcase just how great Xenia's Downtown is from a business and retail perspective. We have a charming and historic Downtown that is not only very welcoming to visitors from all around, but is also conducive to profits for retailers, restaurant and service business owners at Christmas and all year long. Hometown Christmas is just another great way we celebrate the season while celebrating holiday shoppers and retailers alike."

Other Hometown Christmas 2015 activities and events include:

- Back to Bethlehem presented by Xenia Grace Chapel at S. Detroit and W. Second Street lot
- Candyland Bazaar at the Xenia YMCA (135 E. Church Street)
- Cookie decorating and hot cider bar at Sweets Boutique (28 E. Second Street)
- PEACH Home School Craft and bake sale at Narrow Path Plumbing (113 S. Detroit Street)
- Greene County Historical Society Holiday Open House from 12-5 pm(74 W. Church Street)
- Christmas Carol Sing from 7-8 pm at Cornerstone Bible Church (N. Detroit and W. Church Streets). Xenia Christian School Music Director Bob Colaner will be leading the carol sing and there will also be a performance by Xenia Elementary Schools

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As usual, many Downtown restaurants, service and retail businesses will be open the entire evening. They will be featuring a variety of food options and holiday shopping offers for the patrons during the festivities.

Additional sponsors of the Downtown Xenia Now's Hometown Christmas 2015 include:

Collett Propane
Legacy Village
Montgomery Insurance and Investments
Narrow Path Plumbing
Xenia Glass and Lock
Harworth Tire and Auto Service

Please note Downtown businesses will be open most of the day and many activities will be occurring throughout the day. For a full list of activities, volunteer opportunities or more information on Downtown Xenia's Hometown Christmas 2015 visit Downtown Xenia Now at www.xenianow.org, or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/xeniadowntown.

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