Weekend Events

Friday, December 6th at 7:00pm

Kiwanis Annual Christmas Parade

The Kiwanis Club of Irvine will again sponsor the annual Christmas Parade! An evening parade with the theme, "Hillbilly Christmas" will be sure to delight young to old and allow the community to come together.

It will be held Friday, December 6 with the parade line-up from 6 to 7 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Park in Ravenna.

At 7 p.m. the parade will proceed on River Drive to Main Street in Irvine and end at Estill Springs School allowing parade-watchers plenty of viewing opportunities.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be riding in their sleigh. All groups, churches, schools, fire departments, businesses, and organizations are invited to participate by entering a float, band, antique car, or other related parade unit (no walkers).

For safety reasons, no animals, bicycles or unlicensed motorized vehicles will be entered. Parade participants will not be allowed to toss candy or other objects to the crowd in the interest of safety of the community.

Prizes from the Kiwanis Club of Irvine-Ravenna will be awarded for the floats in the amount of \$125, \$100, and \$75 for first, second and third place respectively for the most attractive floats. Floats will be judged on creativity, originality, and beauty (use of lights).

To register entries in the parade contact Larry Stewart at 723-4002 or Richard Snowden at 723-2135, or email thb@irvineonline.net. There is not an entry fee.

Saturday, December 7th at 10:00am

Elizabeth Witt Christmas Party

Santa Claus is coming to town for the 39th annual Elizabeth Witt Christmas Party. It will be held on Saturday, December 7 at the Irvine First Christian Church, 270 Main Street. The free party will start at 10 a.m. and gifts will be given until early afternoon

The Elizabeth Witt party committee hope to make this a special day for Estill County children, age 12 and under. All are invited to attend the party. Children will receive a Christmas necklace, kettle corn, candy, chocolate milk, apple, banana, orange, age appropriate toys, and book. Children may visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus and get their pictures made.

Elizabeth Witt started the Christmas Party at her home for the children of Estill County in 1980 and wanted every gift to be wrapped with a ribbon. Upon her passing in 1990 a group of local citizens formed a committee to keep the tradition alive and with the generosity of the community it has continued.

Festive activities outside will include the Hillbilly Flywheelers with their antique gas engines and tractors and greetings from a special visitor.

Contributions from the community are necessary for the party to continue. Donations can be made to the "Elizabeth Witt Christmas Party" at Citizens Guaranty Bank.

Saturday, December 7th - 10am-4pm

Christmas Arts & Crafts Show

Find the perfect handmade gift at the Estill Arts Council's Christmas Arts & Crafts Show. It will be Saturday, December 7 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., at the Central Office Gymnasium, 253 Main Street in Irvine. Only original artwork, handmade crafts, and baked goods by local artisans will allow shoppers to take advantage of one stop shopping.

Other features of the show include a silent auction of arts and crafts items, food concessions, and 50/50 pot. The silent auction will include items donated by artists and craftsmen from the show. River City Players/Save the Mack will sponsor the concession stand. They will have hot dogs/chili dogs, chips, cold pop, hot spiced apple cider, and coffee for sale. Make plans to eat lunch while you shop all the great craft items available.

Donations of \$1 for adults or a can of food for the Food Bank will be accepted at the door. Proceeds from the 16th annual event will be used to support the activities and programs of the Estill Arts Council.

Saturday, December 7th - 10am-4pm "Save the Mack" Silent Auction

River City Players members will be busy with the "Save the Mack" Silent Auction of Christmas Trees and Wreaths which will be held at Estill Arts Council's Yuletide Arts and Crafts Show on Saturday, December 7, 2019, 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. And, we will be manning the concession stand to sell hot dogs/chili dogs, chips, cold pop, warm, spiced-apple cider, and coffee.

All proceeds go to the Save the Mack fund.

Estill Arts Council's Christmas Arts & Crafts Show

Unique, handmade items featuring a variety of work by local based artists will be available to purchase at the 16th annual "Christmas Arts & Crafts Show". It is sponsored by the Estill Arts Council and will be Saturday, December 7, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Central Office gymnasium, 253 Main Street, Irvine. Other features of the event will include a silent auction of arts and crafts items, snowman photo booth, 50/50 pot and live music by local musicians. The music line–up will be announced later. Booths will feature a wide range of quality crafted items.

The following will participate:

- Liz Amborski Handmade seasonal and assorted jewelry
- **Melinda Barnett** Christmas ornaments, non-perishable baked goods
- **Becky Blevins** Jewelry, ornaments, baked goods, Christmas crafts, accessories
- Carla Bottorff Home décor (holiday centerpieces, wreaths)
- Kristin Brake Aprons, purses, and ags
- Alicia Brown Handmade jewelry (seed bead, chainmail, leather), etched glass, Lichtenberg wood art
- **Rebecca Bryant** Spoon rings, spoon jewelry, resin jewelry, soap, scarves, dog bow ties
- Richelle Cox/Shane Issacs Items made from recycled materials: bicycle wheel wreaths, red trucks/trailers, tobacco stick ornaments, gnomes, horseshoe items, Hillbilly jams, jellies, and soaps
- **Ángela Crow** Books, original note
- **Deborah Davis** Handcrafted doll clothing for American Girl Doll and similar dolls
- Phyllis Dennis, Bluegrass Baked Goods – Homemade baked goods ... sweet and salty! Cake slices, cookies, flavored crackers
 - Estill Arts Council Silent auction
- Angela Flynn, Estill County Special
 Olympics Christmas ornaments, birdhouses, crafts
- **Gail Henry** Glass work, painting, crafts, jewelry, candles
- Jessica Holton & Makenna Powman Custom ornaments, mugs, t–shirts, handmade ornaments, key chains, wooden door hangers
- Whitney Horn Baked goods, hand painted barn wood, ornaments and other hand crafted items

- Margaret Mazurek Wrapped rings, comic book jewelry, snowman wreathes
- Lori McAlister Jewelry, accessories, Christmas Ornaments, fairy gardens, potted plants
- Charles/Wathena McKinney Jewelry, art prints, note cards
- Susan McQueen Handcrafted etched glass and laser cut jewelry
- Aubrey/Connie Miller Wood bowls,
- vases, ornaments, bracelets, and dulcimers
 Betsy Neal Moreland Laser engraved cut boards, signs, key chains, earrings, also takes custom orders
- Ruth Pasley Quilter and fabric craft items
- Lou Ellis Patrick Quilts, towels, sewn items
- John/Kendra Powell KY agate jewelry
 River City Players Pre-decorated
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- Robert Ruffner Wood bowls and vessels
- Ellen Shearer Pillows, baby quilts, paper crafts
- Larry Smith Wood carvings, agate belt buckles
- Francie Snowden Stamped recycled silverplate ornaments, spreaders, pendants, needle felted Santa's, ornaments, signs made with Estill County rocks
- Freda Stamper Doll clothes, potholders, towels, aprons, and wood crafts
- **Keith Tuggle** Salt dough ornaments, handcrafted bracelets, holiday art, holiday décor crafted from vintage items
- Luann Vermillion Antique paper with a transferred ink image created by using a classic botanical bookplate and painted with a resist technique using colored wax and watercolors
- **Suzanne Waite** Handmade greeting cards: rubber stamping, embossing, handmade Christmas ornaments and decorations
- **Heather Watson** Handmade jewelry, other items
- **Linda Wiseman** Fried apple pies, pumpkin rolls, candy

A silent auction will include items donated by artists and craftsmen and a 50/50 pot winner will win half of the proceeds.

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Come celebrate and spend the day! Enjoy the sights, sounds and tastes of the holidays.

