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There's No Place Like "Home for the Holidays" in Calvert County

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – Nov. 15, 2024 – Calvert County invites the community to celebrate the holiday season with two weekends of festive, family-friendly events as part of the annual "Home for the Holidays" celebration. These free events promise holiday cheer, shopping, live music and seasonal activities, making downtown Prince Frederick a holiday destination for family and friends.

The event series is organized by Calvert County Parks & Recreation, the Department of Economic Development, Calvert County Chamber of Commerce, Calvert County Historical Society, The Optimist Club of Calvert County, the Calvert County Fair Board and the Arts Council of Calvert County.

Calvert County welcomes everyone to bring their loved ones, support local businesses and celebrate the joy of the season:

Friday, Dec. 6 – Holiday Market and Tree Lighting

4-8 p.m. at the Circuit Courthouse (175 Main St.) in Prince Frederick

The festivities begin with a Holiday Market, where attendees can shop from local vendors, enjoy food trucks and listen to live music performances. At 6 p.m., the annual tree lighting ceremony will take place on the courthouse lawn, creating a magical holiday atmosphere for the community, with greenery and decorations created by the Calvert Garden Club. Continue shopping with holiday market vendors until 8 p.m., and follow the luminaries along Duke Street to the CalvART Gallery for a [Gallery After Hours](#) social and art show from 5-7 p.m., hosted by the Arts Council of Calvert County.

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Saturday, Dec. 7 – Old-fashioned Christmas at Linden House

11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 70 Church St. in Prince Frederick

The Calvert County Chamber of Commerce and the Calvert County Historical Society will host an [Old-fashioned Christmas](#) at the historic Linden House. This event offers a step back in time, celebrating the season in a nostalgic setting with activities for all ages, food trucks, vendors, a visit and reading with Santa and a tree lighting at Linden.

Saturday, Dec. 14 – Home for the Holidays Parade & Celebration

- **Parade:** *10 a.m. to noon in downtown Prince Frederick*

Join in the annual Home for the Holidays parade, hosted by the Calvert County Fair Board and the Optimist Club of Calvert County. Experience the festive atmosphere as the parade starts near the intersection of Church and Main Street, continues along Main Street, onto Duke Street, through the Prince Frederick Shopping Center and along Church Street. The [parade route and parking map are available online](#).

Free public parking is available in several locations:

- Calvert County District Courthouse lot (200 Duke St.)
- Calvert County Circuit Courthouse, lower lot (175 Main St.)
- Courthouse Square lot (205 Main St.)
- Calvert County Sheriff's Office lots (30 Church St.)
- Prince Frederick Ford (15 Duke St.)
- Accessible Parking – St. Paul's Episcopal Church (25 Church St.)

Organizations and community groups interested in joining the parade can register by downloading the [2024 Holiday Parade Registration Form](#). Completed forms should be submitted to calvertoptimists@gmail.com by Nov. 29.

- **Celebration:** *Noon to 3 p.m. at King Memorial Park (65 Church St.)*

Following the parade, a Home for the Holidays Celebration will take place at King Memorial Park, featuring children's games, activities and holiday fun for the whole family – including photos with Santa – hosted by Calvert County Parks & Recreation. The celebration is sponsored by Entertainment Avenue.

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For a full schedule, parade and parking map and more information on Home for the Holidays, visit www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/SpecialEvents or call 410-535-1600, ext. 2649.

Discover other seasonal events and activities in Calvert County at www.VisitCalvert.com/WinterFun.

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