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Dickens Village Festival renamed Dickens Christmas Festival

BY TYSON MATTHEWS

The longtime Dickens Village Festival will now be known as the Dickens Christmas Festival, a change organizers say reflects the event's growing identity while preserving the traditions that have made it a community favorite for years.

Festival organizers said discussions about a name change have been underway for nearly two years, alongside conversations about shortening the event from three weekends to two weekends and four festival days. With printed materials already being updated to reflect the schedule change, organizers said the timing was right to introduce the new name.

The change is intended to strengthen the festival's connection to Garrison's identity as the "Christmas Capital of North Dakota" and make it clear to first-time visitors that the event is centered on the holiday season.

Organizers emphasized that the new name does not signal major changes to the festival itself. Longstanding attractions and traditions, including live performances, Queen Elizabus, horse-drawn carriage rides, Piccadilly Square, London Telegrams, the lighted parade and some Victorian-era characters, will remain key parts of the event.

While organizers plan to continue adding new entertainment and attractions, they said the festival's Dickens-inspired atmosphere will remain intact.

The festival committee also hopes the name change and shorter schedule will renew community excitement and make it easier for volunteers, businesses and organizations to participate. Organizers said Victorian attire will continue to be encouraged but want all residents and visitors to feel welcome celebrating the season in their own festive ways.

"We're not replacing Dickens with Christmas," CVB Director Rachael Brown said. "We're bringing even more Christmas to Dickens."

Organizers said their goal is for the Dickens Christmas Festival to remain a source of community pride, attract new visitors and continue creating holiday memories for generations to come.



About the Gazette

The Dickens Gazette is your guide to the annual Dickens Christmas Festival.

It's a top to bottom look at what to do while you're at the festival. It's a souvenir. It's a program to share with family and friends when you return home.

It's a reason to return to Garrison during the coming year, we're open year-around.

Enjoy your time here. Come visit us again.

If you'd like to be included in next year's Gazette, contact Sarah at the McLean County Independent, 463-2201, or 1-800-658-3485.

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Top hat decorating

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Noon-4 p.m.

Top Hat decorating is a popular event for youngsters visiting the festival. Grab your decorating kits and start crafting your masterpiece.

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Big name entertainment coming to Dickens

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Aboard the Queen Elizabus Daily

1:00pm Fort Stevenson Trip • 2:30pm, 3:30pm & 4:00pm Garrison
5:00pm Trip in Lighted Parade • 6:30pm Christmas Lights/KOTA Theater Drop-off

First Weekend

Friday, November 27th

10am-4pm
Decorate a Gingerbread House
$6 supply fee • Fort Stevenson State Park
Noon-4:00pm
Top Hat Decorating
NDFM
Noon-7:00pm
Ticket Center & Dickens Store Open
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Piccadilly Square Open
City Auditorium
Noon-5:30pm
Facepainting
Piccadilly Square
1:00-2:00pm
Live Ice Sculptor Demo
Garrison City Park
1:00-4:00pm
Guardhouse Tours
Fort Stevenson State Park
Visit with Santa
Piccadilly Square/Wandering Festival
1:00-5:00pm
Carriage Rides
Loading on E. Central Ave.
3:00pm
Afternoon Entertainment: *Midwest Murder Podcast*
$30/person • Reserved Seating • KOTA Theater
3:00-4:00pm
Live Ice Sculptor Demo
Garrison City Park
4:00pm-Gone
Street Food Vendors
Main Street
4:00-6:00pm
Wally Trolley Rides
Loading on E. Central Ave.
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Lighted Parade
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7:00pm
Live Play Performance: *"A Cratchit Christmas"*
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Main Street
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Wally Trolley Rides
Loading on E. Central Ave.
5:00-6:00pm
Live Ice Sculptor Demo
Garrison City Park
5:30pm
Lighted Parade
Main Street
7:00pm
Evening Entertainment: *The Modern Gentlemen*
$45/person •Reserved Seating • KOTA Theater

Daily Free Live Entertainment in Piccadilly Square

1:00-2:00pm • 3:00-5:00pm • 6:00-7:00pm
Full schedule available on page 4

Second Weekend

Friday, December 4th

10am-4pm
Decorate a Gingerbread House
$6 supply fee • Fort Stevenson State Park
Noon-7:00pm
Ticket Center & Dickens Store Open
NDFM
Piccadilly Square Open
City Auditorium
Noon-3:00pm
Blue Smoke Vintage Snowmobile Show
Garrison City Park
Noon-4:00pm
Top Hat Decorating
NDFM
1:00-4:00pm
Guardhouse Tours
Fort Stevenson State Park
1:00-5:00pm
Carriage Rides
Loading on E. Central Ave.
3:00pm
Afternoon Entertainment: *Guys on Ice Musical*
$35/person • Reserved Seating • KOTA Theater
4:00pm-Gone
Street Food Vendors
Main Street
4:00-6:00pm
Wally Trolley Rides
Loading on E. Central Ave.
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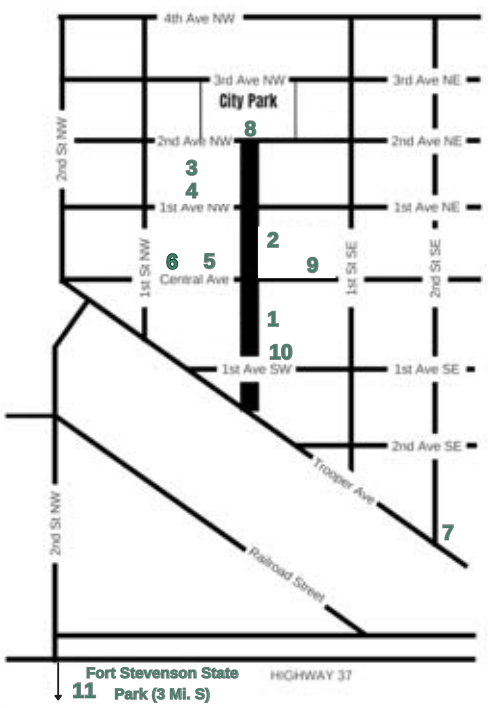
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Guardhouse Tours
Fort Stevenson State Park
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Carriage Rides
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A Very Christmas Crisis Escape Room
Garrison Community Center
2:00pm
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Lighted Parade
Main Street
7:00pm
Evening Entertainment: *Don't Look Back - Boston Experience*
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Find your way around the festival!

MAP OF GARRISON



1. City Auditorium
- Piccadilly Square
- Queen Elizabus Loading
- Cratchit's Café
- Public Restrooms
- Dickens Story Time
- Live Entertainment

2. ND Firefighter's Museum/CVB
- Ticket Center & Information
- Dickens Store
- Warming House
- Public Restrooms
- Top Hat Decorating

3. KOTA Theater
- Entertainment
- Play "A Cratchit's Christmas"

4. Builders Church
- Warming House

5. Dickens Queen Bus Barn

6. SACA Lodge
- Cookies With Santa

7. Community Center
- A Very Christmas Crisis Escape Room (Dec. 5)

8. Garrison City Park
- Tree Lighting (Every day at 5:00pm)
- Ice Sculptor
  - Demos Nov. 27&28
  - Displayed Dec. 4&5
- Blue Smoke Vintage Snowmobile Show (Dec. 4)

9. Carriage & Wally Trolley Rides

10. 1st Ave SE & Main
- Fruit Cake Toss (Dec. 5)

11. Ft. Stevenson State Park
- Historical Tour at Guardhouse
- Geocaching
- Create a Gingerbread House



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There's a new Santa in town

BY TYSON MATTHEWS



For more than 15 years, Nicholas Sevart has spent the Christmas season bringing joy to families as a professional real-bearded Santa Claus.

"My real name is Nicholas and my birthday is on Christmas," Sevart said. "You don't get more real than that."

A graduate of Santa University, Sevart has dedicated himself to creating authentic and memorable experiences for children and families. While many know him for his red suit and white beard, he says the true reward comes from the connections he makes along the way.

"My summer residence is in North Dakota. We come down for the warm climate," Sevart joked.

Beyond the holiday festivities, Sevart said one of the most meaningful parts of portraying Santa is building relationships with families and helping create lasting Christmas memories.

"I particularly enjoy interacting with families and creating friendships and Christmas memories through the Santa experience," he said.

Whether visiting with children, posing for photos or listening to Christmas wishes, Sevart said he strives to make each encounter special, carrying on the spirit of the season one family at a time. He will be visiting Piccadilly Sqaure the first weekend.



Decorate a Gingerbread House at FSSP

Daily • 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Fort Stevenson State Park, a few miles south of Garrison, is offering a "Make-it- and-Take-it" class during the Dickens Christmas Festival this year. The Gingerbread House decorating class will be at FSSP Visitors Center and the entrance of the park. Space is limited and available while supplies last. The class is offered every day of the festival for youth ages four and up. **Supplies fee:** $6



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Ice sculptor to bring holiday creations to life at Dickens Christmas Festival

BY TYSON MATTHEWS

Festivalgoers will have the opportunity to watch blocks of ice transformed into holiday-themed works of art during live ice sculpting demonstrations at this year's Dickens Christmas Festival.

West Fargo sculptor Jay Ray, who divides his time between home remodeling and professional sculpting, will carve five separate holiday-themed ice sculptures during demonstrations Friday and Saturday. Each carving is expected to take about 45 minutes from start to finish, giving spectators a chance to witness the entire creative process.

"I enjoy sculpting ice because of its unique characteristics and the swiftness with which it can be carved," Ray said. "It allows me to finish a piece relatively quickly so that spectators can see the whole process without boredom setting in, hopefully."

The demonstrations are scheduled for 1-2 p.m. and 3-4 p.m. on Friday, November 27. 1-2 p.m., 3-4 p.m. and 5-6 p.m. on Saturday, November 28. Completed sculptures will be displayed throughout the festival grounds until they eventually melt.

The artist carved his first ice block seven years ago but has worked as a sculptor for more than 17 years. He began with chainsaw carving and has since expanded into steel, concrete, Styrofoam, fiberglass, epoxy, snow and ice. He is also a member of Team North Dakota Snow Sculpting, a competitive team that has participated in national and international events for the past six years.

The sculptures will be carved from 300-pound blocks of specialty "sculpture ice" produced in the Twin Cities. The ice is created using machines that continually circulate water as it freezes, eliminating air bubbles and producing exceptional clarity.

Each block measures approximately 40 inches long, 20 inches wide and 10 inches thick.

The carving process begins with a sketch, followed by transferring key design points onto the ice block. Chainsaws, die grinders, sanders and a propane torch are then used to shape and finish the sculpture. The final torching process melts the surface slightly, creating a crystal-clear finish.

"I hope to show festivalgoers the ephemeral beauty of ice," Ray said. "I want to share with them the joy of the creation process as much as the final piece because a few hours of warm sun and they may be gone forever."

In addition to the Dickens Christmas Festival in Garrison demonstrations, the artist and Team North Dakota Snow Sculpting are preparing to compete in the first West Fargo Speed Snow Sculpting Challenge in January.





Festivalgoers can make headlines with photo op

BY TYSON MATTHEWS

Visitors to this year's Dickens Christmas Festival will have the chance to become front-page news, at least for a photo.

NorDak North, located at 71 N. Main St., is offering a new family-friendly photo opportunity during the festival. Guests can step into a specially designed photo display that places them on the front page of the Dickens Gazette, creating a unique keepsake from their visit.

The interactive display is designed to give festivalgoers a fun way to capture memories while exploring the holiday festivities downtown.

The photo station will be available each day of the festival, allowing individuals, families and groups to stop in, strike a pose and take home a memorable snapshot of their Dickens experience.

Organizers hope the feature will provide another festive attraction for visitors while encouraging them to preserve a lasting reminder of their time in Garrison.







Each day of the Festival

Noon - 7:00 p.m.

Ticket Center

(All Tickets Sold Here) at the CVB/ ND Firefighter's Museum - Open for tickets to: doubledecker rides, entertainment, and play tickets, also serves as a warming house upstairs during the festival.

Welcome Center at the City Auditorium

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Live Entertainment - Piccadilly Square

(1-2 p.m., 3-5 p.m. & 6-7 p.m.), Each day of the festival enjoy hometown talent. This event is Free thanks to RTC Networks.

Christmas Escape Room debuts at Dickens Festival

BY TYSON MATTHEWS

Festivalgoers will have an opportunity to test their problem-solving skills during an escape room experience scheduled from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Garrison Community Center.

The activity will be hosted by Escape Point ND, with games beginning every 20 minutes. Participants can stop by to get in line or sign up for a designated time slot on the day of the event.

Organizers encourage attendees to make the escape room one of their first stops to reserve a preferred time.

Teams can include up to six participants, although larger families can be accommodated, if needed.

To make the most of the available time slots and allow everyone an opportunity to participate, individuals or smaller groups may be paired with other participants.

The game that Escape Point ND will be bringing is "A Very Christmas Crisis."

A Very Christmas Crisis

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2-6 players
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Holiday spirit high in Garrison for annual Dickens Christmas Festival

By: Ethyn Williams-Calvert

The sights, sounds, and flavors of a Victorian Christmas will once again fill the streets of Garrison as the community welcomes back its beloved Dickens Christmas Festival.

The annual celebration, inspired by Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol, transforms downtown Garrison into a cheerful 19th-century holiday Christmas, complete with costumed carolers, live entertainment, and a variety of festive foods.

For locals and visitors alike, the event has become a signature kickoff to the holiday season in central North Dakota.

Denise and Lynn Billadeau, generous donors to the local event annually, say the magic of Dickens Festival lies in its ability to bring the town together.

"It's a great way to see neighbors," they shared. "We really like the food on the street and enjoy the shows, some of them feel straight out of Las Vegas."

Visitors can stroll through the twinkling lights and festive storefronts while taking in live performances, parades, and holiday shopping.

Each weekend of the festival promises fun entertainment, unique crafts, and the warmth of community spirit that has made the event a family tradition.

"Come check it out and you will enjoy the Dickens Christmas Festival!" the Billadeaus added. "Good food, good friends, and great entertainment!"

With its cozy charm and holiday nostalgia, Garrison's Dickens Christmas Festival continues to deliver Christmas cheer straight from the heart of the prairie.





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Dickens productions return with new twists, community talent

BY TYSON MATTHEWS

Two productions inspired by the classic works of Charles Dickens will return to the Dickens Village Festival this year, featuring both a youth cast and an adult community production.

Children's one-act offers a humorous take on classic tale

The Dickens Children's One-Act will return this year with a new approach to the familiar Christmas story.

The production, titled 'A Chaotic Christmas Carol', features a cast of 23 young actors ranging in age from 4 to 18. Written by Richard Coleman, the one-act play offers a humorous adaptation of the classic tale in a prose format.

According to organizers, the change was made after feedback from last year's festival indicated that having two productions with similar storylines presented back-to-back could be challenging for audience members and performers alike.

Most of the cast members are returning actors, although two families are participating in the production for the first time.

Director Lisa Maki said the play has provided a unique experience for the cast as they learn to perform the script's distinctive cadence and storytelling style.

The production will be presented at 4 p.m. on the Sunday of the festival's first weekend at the KOTA Theatre. Admission will be offered on a free-will donation basis, with seating available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Rehearsals continue four days each week as the cast prepares to bring the family-friendly comedy to the stage.

Long-running Dickens play highlights local talent

The adult Dickens production remains one of the festival's longest-running traditions and is credited as the original attraction that eventually grew into the Dickens Christmas Festival.

This year's production, 'A Cratchit Christmas', was written by local playwright Michael Youngs and is directed by Allyson Youngs.

The play follows Ebenezer Scrooge and the Cratchit family in Dickens-era London, with the familiar trio of Christmas ghosts helping Scrooge discover the true meaning of Christmas.

An all-volunteer cast and crew have been rehearsing since September to prepare for the performance. Organizers said the production includes both longtime cast members and several newcomers from Turtle Lake and Max.

The show also highlights local creativity, as it was written, produced and staged entirely within the Garrison community.

Festival organizers say audiences can expect familiar characters, memorable lines and a fresh interpretation of a holiday favorite that has entertained generations of festival visitors.

Both productions will be featured as part of this year's Dickens Christmas Festival celebration.

Show Times

"A Cratchit Christmas"
Friday, Nov. 27 - 7 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 28 - 2 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 4 - 7 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 5 - 2 p.m.

Dickens Children's One-Act
Sunday, Nov. 29 - 4 p.m.

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Adult Dickens Cast:

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Fred-Scrooge's nephew - Aiden Schmidt
Marley-Scrooge's deceased partner - Mike Youngs
Ghost of Christmas Past - Gavin Schmidt
Richard-a gentleman - Larry Zieman
Charlotte-a lady - Connie Bennett
Mr. Fezziwig-Scrooge's former employer - Gerard Schwan
Mrs. Fezziwig - Donna Blanchard
Dick Wilkins-Scrooge's former Coworker- Robbie Maki
Ghost of Christmas Present - Robbin Piesuk
Ghost of Christmas Future - Cassidee Sayler
Sarah-a Cratchit daughter- Elizabeth Britton
Grace-a Cratchit daughter - Alexa Schmidt
Victoria-a Cratchit daughter - Freya Mattheis
Mrs. Cratchit - Becca Britton
Olivia-turkey girl - Mason Hanson
Child 1 - Eli Maki
Child 2 - Athena Collom
Child 3 - Peyton Collom
Street Family - Trautman Children
Director- Allyson Youngs, Mike Youngs
Sound/Lights- Lisa L. Maki
Stage Assistants - Cassidee Sayler
Green Room Attendants- Lexi Maki, Emily Pete
Set Construction & Design - Shawn & Sonja Diffley, Kayla Macheledt, TJ Osterbauer, Dylan & Bree Stumvoll

Dickens Children's One-Act Cast

Ebenezer Scrooge - Aiden Schmidt
Bob Cratchit - Beckett Heinzen
Narrator - Austin Thelen
Gentleman 1 - Lukas Leppell
Gentleman 2 - Freya Mattheis
Ghost of Jacob Marley - Robbie Maki
Ghost of Christmas Past - Mason Hanson
Ghost of Christmas Present - Nora Klemisch
Ghost of Christmas Future - Sophia Heinzen
Tiny Tim - Andrew Schmidt
Young Scrooge (Qtip) Eli Ferguson
Father - Issac Trautman
Mother - Rae Maki
Brother 1 - Alexa Schmidt
Brother 2 - Lauren Trautman
Brother 3 - Athena Collom
Sister 1 - Hailey Trautman
Sister 2 - Claire Trautman
Mrs. Cratchit Sophie Paulsen
Future Scrooge - Gavin Schmidt
Banker 1 - Peyton Collom
Banker 2 - Desmond Jungling
Boy - Eli Maki
Director - Lisa L. Maki
Sound/Lights - Mike Maki
Green Room Attendants - Lexi Maki, Emily Pete





(From McLean County Independent's archives)

Vintage snowmobile show debuts at festival

BY TYSON MATTHEWS

Vintage snowmobiles will take center stage at this year's Dickens Christmas Festival as Blue Smoke Vintage Snowmobiles hosts its first-ever snowmobile show during the holiday event.

Blue Smoke Vintage Snowmobiles, based in Benedict, is operated by father-and-daughter team Torrey and Alyssa Seidler.

The organization was invited to bring a display of historic sleds to the annual Christmas celebration, offering visitors a chance to step back in time and explore the history of snowmobiling.

"We are so excited to have been asked to host a vintage snowmobile show at Dickens this year," said Alyssa.

The show is scheduled for noon to 3 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, at the top of Main Street in front of Wally the Walleye and is free of charge. Organizers have invited a select group of participants from previous Blue Smoke Vintage Snowmobile events to display machines from their collections alongside several snowmobiles owned by the Seidler's.

"We are hoping to showcase roughly 20 unique vintage snowmobiles, all older than 1980," Alyssa said.

The display will feature a variety of makes and models, giving visitors an opportunity to see snowmobiles that helped shape winter recreation in North Dakota and beyond.

"We are excited to show the community a variety of vintage snowmobiles and hope that visitors will have stories of their own to share," she said.

While the Dickens Christmas Festival show marks Blue Smoke Vintage Snowmobiles' debut at the event, Alyssa noted that the organization's annual vintage snowmobile show will return in February at Totten Trail. The event traditionally includes judging competitions and a trail ride for participants.

The Dickens Christmas snowmobile display is expected to add another unique attraction to the holiday celebration, combining local history, nostalgia and seasonal festivities.

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Dickens Photo Contest

Dickens Christmas Festival is looking at updating the images of their website and advertising. Send your favorite photos during the festival by capturing the magic of the festival with your own personal touch.

All photos must be received by December 22nd to be eligible. All photos submitted are subject to be used for publications and promotional materials and will become property of the Dickens Christmas Festival Committee.

Submit 5 photos by emailing them to dickens@dickensfestival.com or mailing them to Dickens Christmas Festival, PO Box 521, Garrison, ND 58540

Photo Opportunities: Get your friends together and snap a picture at all these locations:

- London Telephone Booth
- Mistletoe Memories Bench, located by GARC
- Dickens cut-out located at Piccadilly Square
- Queen Elizabus
- Wally the Walleye (He is dressed for the occasion)
- Any Characters you might see like the street urchins, or the English Bobby.
- Nordak North Photo



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Story Time at the Library

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Join us at the Garrison Public Library (located in the Garrison Auditorium) on Nov. 27, 28 & Dec. 5 at 2:30 p.m. for a children's Christmas story.

One lucky winner will win a copy of the book of the day!

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Great Dickens Dash adds interactive fun to festival

BY TYSON MATTHEWS

The Great Dickens Dash will give festival goers another way to experience the Dickens Christmas Festival while competing for Garrison Bucks.

Participants can choose from more than 40 missions, completing as many as they wish to earn points. Most missions will be completed by submitting a photo through the event app or website.

The missions are designed to take participants through various aspects of the festival, encouraging them to explore activities, attractions, and experiences throughout the event.

Winners will be determined after the festival based on the total points earned. First place will receive $100 in Garrison Bucks, second place will receive $50 and third place will receive $25.

The Great Dickens Dash offers a fun way for festival goers to get involved, explore the festivities and compete for prizes along the way.



Dickens Christmas Festival boosts business, and raises funds

BY TYSON MATTHEWS

The Dickens Christmas Festival brings the entire community of Garrison together with shared goals that make the event a success.

For more than 30 years, Garrison has worked collectively to put on the most important festival of the year.

"I know for the past 25-plus years it's had a huge impact on all businesses in Garrison," Cenex Farmers Union Manager Paul Schlichting said. "We don't necessarily see the people walking around on Main Street, but when you're up there selling stuff or just walking around, you do see those people stopping here to get gas, pop and coffee for the trip home."

Many groups and organizations volunteer their time throughout the three weekends.

Churches have become important parts of the festival, allowing them to showcase their fare while raising funds to further their missions.

Nonprofit groups have raised large amounts of money through vending activities.

Our baseball group sold baked potatoes smothered in butter to fund improvements that make the Titans' field one of the nicest in the region.

These groups provide year-round benefits to our community.

Young children have learned that being a "street urchin" helps provide food for the needy through the Gifts from the Heart fundraiser.

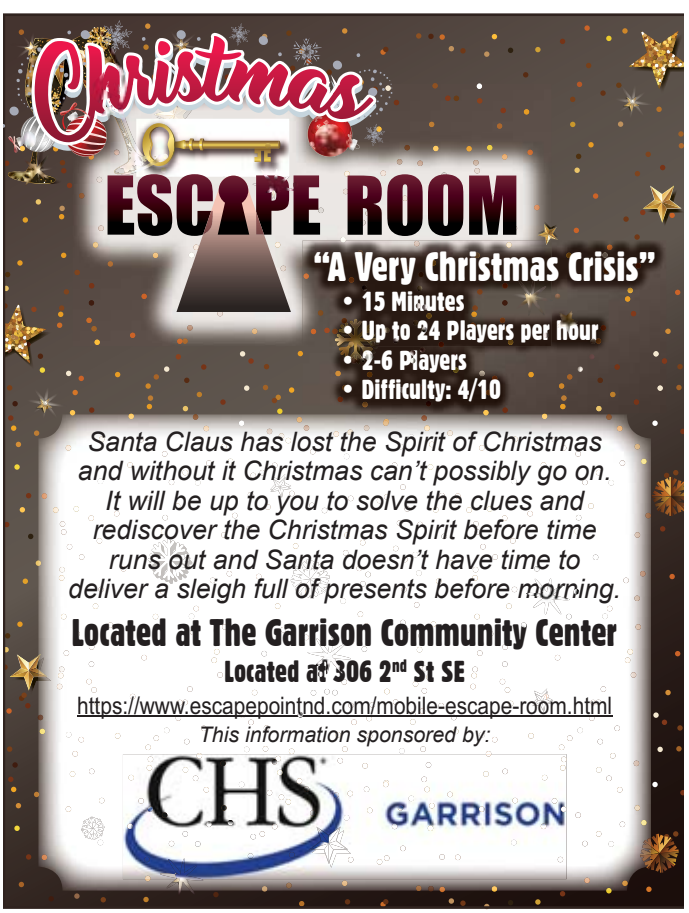
The KOTA Theater has updated every component of the building with funds generated by the festival's play, so it can continue to provide first-run movies to our area.

"The number of Tiny Tims produced over 30 years is astounding," community leader Mike Matteson said. "The majority of the young children in the play would never have been afforded the opportunity to become actors in a production. Families have been highlighted in the cast collectively, with some even becoming directors and playwrights."

Visiting guests experience firsthand the community's efforts to bring a quality Christmas event that is simple and rewarding to attend.

The impression of Garrison is one that brings them back. Some have even relocated to be part of the community.





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See page 32 for the vendor listings.

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What are Street Urchins?

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You may see children dressed in street beggars garb strolling up and down Main Street. In exchange for a few "coppers" they'll sing you a tune.

Street urchins are community groups, sports teams, and church youth groups that are collecting donations for the Gifts from the Heart fundraiser.

Street urchins have been part of the Dickens Christmas Festival since the beginning in 1994 and was started by the Sakakawea Area Council for the Arts Children's Committee.

The group was taken over by Sue Hendrickson for a time, before being turned over to Pastor Janis Sloka in 2010.

"It's a fun way for our children to participate and receive donations for a good cause," Sloka said.

All proceeds from the collection will go to Gifts from the Heart.

They'll be on Main Street from 3-5 p.m. each day of the festival.

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• 1 p.m. to Ft. Stevenson. If you enjoy history you'll want to hop on the bus for a ride to Fort Stevenson State Park and visit the Guardhouse Interpretive Center. The interpretive Center is a replica of the original guardhouse used to house the prisoners and the soldiers who guarded them at the frontier military fort.

• 2:30, 3:30 & 4:00 p.m. rides are a short tour around town.

• 5 p.m. ride includes being part of the lighted parade on Main Street.

• 6:30 p.m. is a 30-minute ride to view lighted homes; riders will be dropped off at the theater.

HORSE DRAWN CARRIAGE Friday & Saturday, Nov. 27 & 28 and Dec. 4-5 from 1–5 p.m. Each day, weather permitting, Dickens guests will have the opportunity to ride in a horsedrawn carriage. Pick up and drop off are at 1 Central Ave. East. This tour is free of charge and sponsored by RTC Networks.

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WALLY TROLLEY Friday & Saturday, Nov 27-28 and Friday & Saturday, Dec. 4 & 5 from 4–6 p.m. The Wally Trolley is an open air trolley that was purchased in 2021. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Pick up location is at 1 Central Ave E. by the carriage rides. The Wally Trolley rides are free of charge and sponsored by GAIA.







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Back to the Beginning of Garrison

If you like history, you'll love visiting the Guardhouse Interpretive Center at Fort Stevenson State Park.

The interpretive center is a replica of the building used to house prisoners and the soldiers guarding the military fort.

The guardhouse is open to visitors from 1- 4 p.m. each day of the festival.

This is a complementary event.

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Enjoy the Fruitcake Toss

Saturday, Dec. 5
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This annual event has become a favorite of visitors to the Dickens Christmas Festival. This year's competition is on the intersection of Main Street and 1st Avenue SW. (south end of Main Street)

Enjoy the fun, watching or participating and competing for prize money paid out in Garrison Bucks.

The competition is broken into age groups: Small Fry (six and under), Youth (seven to nine year-olds), Preteen (10 to 12 year-olds), Teenagers (13 to 15 year-olds) Young Adult Ladies (16-18 years old), Young Adult Men (16-18 years old) Adult Women (19 and over) and Adult Men (19 and over).

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