



The Twelve Days of Christmas in Historic Kenansville

The holiday season in 1983 Kenansville is special. In this peaceful little town, Christmas is returned to earlier times in spirit and feeling. Church bells ring, the homes in this historic town display creative decorations of yesteryear, candles twinkle from windows to welcome all, and the people renew again the true meaning of the season. **The Twelve Days of Christmas in Historic Kenansville** is a series of activities and events that capture the unity and spirit of a community with all age groups in mind. Come help us celebrate! All events are free unless otherwise indicated.

Entertainment Prior To The Twelve Days Of Christmas

Thursday, December 1

Two fresh greenery workshops for making your own Christmas wreaths. Agricultural Extension Building, 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Monday, December 12

A CLOWN'S CHRISTMAS. Christmas themes, and family togetherness are incorporated with mime, clowning and audience participation. The Clown Conspiracy, Joe Killian and Michael Zerphy of New York, create a Christmas atmosphere at the Kenansville Elementary School multipurpose room, 7:30 p.m.

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Wednesday, December 14

The Twelve Days of Christmas officially begins with church bells and chimes ringing in the holiday season. Lighting of the community Christmas tree at 6 p.m. in the Municipal Park followed by a bonfire, caroling and hayride. Refreshments, Grove Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.

Thursday, December 15

The James Kenan District Band, under the direction of Tom Newman, and the James Kenan District Chorus, under the direction of Melanie Morgan, will present a musical program at Kenan Memorial Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Friday, December 16

The East Duplin High School Masqueraders present "Joy!" a rock musical about the first Christmas. The Masqueraders are under the direction of Wanda Brown. Performance in the old Kenansville Elementary School auditorium, 7:30 p.m. A small admission will be charged to cover play royalties.

The North Carolina 3rd Battalion sets up camp in authentic Civil War gear including uniforms, rifles, tents and cannons. Available all weekend for tours and demonstrations. Campsite across from Liberty Hall.

Saturday, December 17

Living history with Civil War soldiers in authentic dress camped in front of Liberty Hall. The North Carolina 3rd Battalion will be in Kenansville through Sunday. Visits welcomed all weekend.

Sunday, December 18

Liberty Hall open house 2-6 p.m. The historic

southern home will be decorated for the Yuletide Season in the period of the early 1800s. The North Carolina 3rd Battalion will perform 'guard duty' for the Liberty Hall open house. Refreshments.

Cowan Museum Open House 2-6 p.m.

Special lunches available at the Graham House Inn and the Country Squire. Charge for meals.

Monday, December 19

"Sounds of Christmas" by the Sounds of Music of Wallace. Selections of light, happy songs associated with the holiday season will be performed by the Sounds of Music at the Kenansville Baptist Church, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 20

An "Evening of Christmas Carols" by John Goodnow, visiting artist at James Sprunt Technical College. Traditional carols and sing-a-longs at the Kenansville Baptist Church, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 21

Community Christmas covered-dish supper at the Kenansville Elementary School cafeteria, 6:30 p.m. Share your picnic basket and favorite dishes with the community.

Movie Magic, an hour of films for children of all ages at the Kenansville Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 22

Slide and picture presentation on the art of John White at the Kenansville United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m. Joe Webb, Director of Social Studies, Department of Public Instruction, and Jim Fugate, Social Studies instructor at Trexler Junior High School in Richlands, present White's early drawings and sketches of the building of Elizabeth II.

Friday, December 23

Merchants' open house. Area merchants will open until 9 p.m. offering special prices for late shoppers. And, Santa Claus will be downtown for the children.

Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve celebration with a combined community church service at Grove Presbyterian Church, 7:30 p.m. Jim Harris, pastor of the Kenansville United Methodist Church, will be the speaker.

Sunday, December 25

Christmas Day. Family Activities.

A unique
American community
celebrates the
Yuletide Season
and
invites you
to be part.

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