

Media Release

Lang Pioneer Village Museum

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Christmas by Candlelight

Saturday & Sunday, December 7 & 8 5 pm to 9 pm each night

Lang, ON- Delight in the sights, sounds and smells of the holiday season during Christmas by Candlelight, Saturday & Sunday, December 7 & 8 at Lang Pioneer Village Museum! From 5 pm to 9 pm each night, relive the pleasures and peacefulness of a traditional Pioneer Christmas.

Enjoy the beauty of the historic village lit by the soft glow of candles, lamps and lanterns. See stars shining brightly in the country night sky and hear the jingle of sleigh bells as you hop aboard a horse-drawn wagon ride. Throughout the Village, enjoy the familiar scent of hearth fires, pine and cedar garlands and freshly-made natural centerpieces.

Experience a pioneer's first Christmas in the wilderness at the Fife Cabin and hear the crackle of chestnuts roasting over an open fire. As methods of travel improved, people were able to travel further to visit with loved ones over the holidays. Learn about winter travel at the Carpenter Shop and witness the merriment of friends who have travelled long distances to visit family and neighbours at Christmas at the Fitzpatrick House. While there, sample some sugar plums and see how traditional plum pudding is made. Learn about the types of things a child would have found in their stocking in the 19th century in the Milburn House and enjoy a sample of Christmas cake and Smoking Bishop, a punch from Charles Dickens' classic "The Christmas Carol".

View Victorian pin-prick, tatting, woodcarving, tin ware crafts and garland making and purchase a one-of-a-kind gift for a loved one from the Christmas Market or peruse a wide variety of unique tree ornaments and gifts in the Museum Shop. Enjoy the sounds of Christmas as you listen to the songs sung by the roving village carolers. Join in an old-fashioned carol sing with Martha Cooper & Friends at the Town Hall. Join John Collins and Fiddling J, two lumberjacks who are away from their families for Christmas in the north woods, as they sing traditional shanties and Christmas songs, perform jigs and reels and tell the festive story of The Flying Canoe! Kids, help us add to the atmosphere by making your own set of sleigh bells to take home with you. Don't forget to visit with Father Christmas himself and let him know what you are hoping for this Christmas!

Inhale the aroma of home baking on a wood burning stove in the kitchen of the Keene Hotel. Enjoy warmth from the fire as you tempt your taste buds with delicious treats and hot drinks to warm your insides. If you are in need of sustenance, stop by the Peterborough County Agricultural Heritage Building where we will be serving ham and savory on a bun. There will also be delicious freshly popped kettle corn for sale served by Ben's Kettle Corn and before you leave, be sure to stop by the General Store and purchase some delicious apple cider to take home with you.

On Sunday at 7:00 pm, witness a live nativity complete with animals and a choir presented by the Keene United Church. In the giving spirit of the season, on both evenings, please bring one or more non-perishable food item(s) to donate to the Otonabee-South Monaghan Food Cupboard (drop off in the Museum Shop).

Get into the spirit of the season with Christmas by Candlelight, Saturday & Sunday, December 7 & 8 at Lang Pioneer Village Museum! Admission is \$15 for adults, \$10 for students and seniors (60+), \$7 for youths (ages 5-14), free for children under 5. Family admission is also available for \$40 and includes 2 adults and up to 4 youths ages 5-14. All taxes included. Tickets can be purchased in advance at https://langpioneervillage.ca/christmas-by-candlelight-2019. For more information, please visit our website at www.langpioneervillage.ca.