



***Gibson City's 26<sup>th</sup> Lighted Event***  
The Gibson Area Chamber of Commerce  
plans to **“Light It Up”** with a spectacular  
***“Christmas in the Park”***

**Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup> & Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup> 2020 | 5 – 9PM**

***Join us in making Gibson City a “Holiday Destination” for Fun, Food & Shopping***

**EVENT INFORMATION:**

- The committee has arranged to have a large group of pre-lit floats displayed in Gibson City's North Park.
- The Pavilion will be decorated for Christmas and Christmas music will be playing
- A sign will be posted to name the businesses who sponsored the event by providing for the pre-lit floats or making other monetary donations to the event
- If we have more entries than will fit on the U-Drive at the North Park we will overflow onto Lott Blvd. and have floats and entries displayed alongside the road.
- GCPD and volunteers will direct the flow of travel through the park and past the displays on Lott. Blvd.

**CUSTOM ENTRIES:**

- Families, businesses, churches and organizations are invited to enter displays of lighted entries or Christmas themed displays such as live nativities, groups of carolers, etc. Entries that would have been made into a parade float would make a great entry for our Christmas in the Park. You may have something from a previous parade entry that would make a great entry for this event!
- Displays and floats must be able to fit into a 30 foot area unless an exception is given by committee.
- All entries must be approved in advance by the committee.
- The committee will designate a spot for the location of each entry, you will be given your spot in advance
- Set-up must be complete by Noon on Thursday, December 10th
- There will be some electricity available, and to access that you will need to provide a 100' outdoor rated extension cord. Electricity plug-ins will be assigned based on availability by the order of sign-up otherwise you may need to provide a generator for your display. If using City electricity, the lights must be LED.
- All entries must be displayed and available for viewing both Thursday and Friday nights.
- Any people involved in your entries must follow current safety protocols and remain distant from all vehicles that drive through (visitors to the event will NOT be allowed to leave their vehicles).

**MISC EVENT INFORMATION:**

- The GCMS HS Cheerleaders will be dressed as elves and providing a live element to the display area
- A “NORTH POLE MAILBOX” will be available for children to drop “Notes to Santa” and the elves will help put those in the mailbox as needed. Children should put their return address on their letters, they may get a reply from someone at the North Pole!
- A home decorating contest is being held to encourage the community to decorate
- A sign at the event will encourage visitors to stop by our local food vendors and Gibson City businesses

**Entry Location:**

**CUSTOM ENTRY REGISTRATION:**

Name of Business/Organization/Church/Family:

(For organization use)

Name of Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ (required)

**Please describe your entry below. Please note if it will have any noise or music (live or recorded).**

*For more information, contact: Daniel Dickey 217-781-1905,  
Paula Dickey 217-781-1906 or Susie Tongate 309-825-0311.*

*Please read this registration/release carefully.*

*Complete the form, sign & date, and send your completed registration to the email below.*

Mayor Daniel Dickey [danieldickey@protonmail.com](mailto:danieldickey@protonmail.com) or

Paula Dickey [pauladickey@protonmail.com](mailto:pauladickey@protonmail.com)

*Registrations may also be dropped off in the outside City Hall drop box)*

**Please accept this entry for participation in the 2020 “Christmas in the Park”.**

- We understand that there will be extra police coverage starting the day of set-up through the end of this event. However, the City of Gibson or the Gibson Area Chamber of Commerce is not responsible for any damage, theft or loss that may happen to our display.
- Any children participating in a live display must be accompanied by adults
- No interaction with visitors in the cars will be allowed, though all will be following current safety protocols.
- No giving of candy or any items to visitors is allowed (except as may be arranged by organizing committee).

**Name of Responsible Person Submitting Entry:**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**There is NO rain date for this event. If there is questionable weather, please check our Gibson City, Illinois and Gibson Area Chamber of Commerce Facebook pages and listen to WGCY Radio for announcements. The decision to cancel will be made by Noon.**