

# Tennessee's Backroads Heritage



## New Year's Eve Soiree at the Firefly Gala Room

The Firefly Gala Room at the Franklin House in Cowan, TN, will be the site of Rachel Thompson's second annual New Year's Eve Soiree, featuring a charcuterie buffet, a craft champagne cocktail and mocktail menu, music, and dancing. From 7:30 to 9:00 will be a swinging jazz scene, and from 9:00 on, the DJ will have us ringing in the new year with champagne served at midnight. There will also be a New Year's Day brunch with black eyed peas, locally made quiche, smoked sausages, craft beverages with a kick, and more. The brunch buffet can be enjoyed at the Firefly or ordered for carry-out.



Tickets can be bought in advance on Eventbrite. For either the early-bird or the late owl party specials, a \$30 ticket includes the charcuterie buffet and two complimentary drink tickets. For the whole night, a \$50 ticket includes the charcuterie buffet and four complimentary drink tickets plus champagne at midnight. The New Year's Day brunch buffet is \$25 per person including 2 complimentary glasses of champagne, or \$75 for a full carry-out brunch serving 4-6 people, must be ordered in advance.

Inclusive Hotel packages will be offered. Contact Rachel at the Franklin House for more info and to make reservations 931-313-5930 or franklinhousecowan@gmail.com.

## The Fly Arts Center – Upcoming Event

Winter Wonderland Paper Quilling Class with Heather Fry



### About the Event

Join instructor Heather Fry for a fun and creative paper quilling class where you will learn to craft stunning snowflake ornaments just in time for the holiday season. Perfect for all skill levels. No experience needed. This class is open to high school age and up. Space is limited to 10 participants.

Participants will receive step-by-step guidance for creating beautiful snowflake ornaments. Cost is \$40. All supplies provided. For an additional \$30, take home your 8-piece quilling tool kit, printed step-by-step instructions, and 2 packs of quilling paper. An hour lunch break is included in the class time. You can bring your own or visit one of the nearby restaurants.

For more information or to reserve your spot, please email [hmcamisfry@gmail.com](mailto:hmcamisfry@gmail.com) or text 931-607-6482.

**December 2, 2023**  
**10:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

**The Fly Arts Center**  
204 S Main St.  
Shelbyville, TN 37160  
931-684-8359

## Stones River Car Club is Getting Ready for Christmas



Stones River Car Club is decorating their clubhouse. They will be ready for Cannonsburgh's Village "Christmas Drive Thru" that starts this weekend on Friday, December 1st. It will be open each weekend up until Christmas.

**312 South Front Street  
Murfreesboro TN**

## Cowan Happenings

**DECEMBER 2 & 3**

### COWAN CHRISTMAS MARKET AT MONTEREY STATION

Prepare yourself for a joyful holiday season with a visit to the Christmas Market at Monterey Station in Cowan!



The Market will be open on Friday, December 1st from 4 to 9 p.m. and on Saturday, December 2nd, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

A huge variety of crafters and vendors will offer a beautiful selection of unique crafts and gifts. The venue will also feature food vendors, musical entertainment, and a chance to see Santa.

Monterey Station is located near the railroad in Cowan's Depot District and only one block from the route of the Cowan Christmas Parade.

**DECEMBER 2**

### COWAN CHRISTMAS PARADE: "THE SWEETNESS OF CHRISTMAS"

The 59th Annual Cowan Christmas Parade will begin on Saturday, December 2nd, 1 p.m. along Cumberland Street in Cowan.



This year's theme will be "The Sweetness of Christmas" and our Grand Marshal will be Mrs. Virginia Sawyer.

For parade entry information please contact Cowan City Hall at (931) 967-7318.

**DECEMBER 3**

### CHRISTMAS CREATIONAL AT THE ARTISAN DEPOT

#### THE FCAG/ARTISAN DEPOT GALLERY

204 E. CUMBERLAND STREET, COWAN, TN

CELEBRATES 18 YEARS IN COWAN, TN!

*DROP IN FOR SOME TREATS!*

DECEMBER 3, 12-5 PM

#### •THREE FANTASTIC SHOWS

•Special Holiday Christmas Creations!

MADE BY HAND

GIFT IDEAS:

- JEWELRY
- PAINTINGS
- STAINED GLASS
- MOSAIC ART
- GOURD ART
- HAND FORGED IMPLEMENTS
- HANDMADE BOOKS
- POTTERY
- MIXED MEDIA
- FABRIC ART
- HANDMADE CARDS
- HANDMADE ORNAMENTS
- MACRAME ART



## Area Christmas Events







**South Jackson Performing Arts Center**  
 404 South Jackson St  
 Tullahoma, TN 37388  
 931-455-5321

DECEMBER

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December

Now – April 1, 2024

Exhibit – “All About Lucille” (The Clement Railroad Hotel Museum) - Dickson  
(This exhibit explores the life of the “First Lady of Fashion.” Lucille Clement was the Wife of Governor Frank G. Clement)

Month of December

Donut Saturdays – Every First and Third Saturday (Swiss Pantry) – Belvidere  
Rumba Dance Instruction – Every Thursday Evening (Firefly Ballroom at The Franklin House) - Cowan  
Live Music – Every Friday Night (BBQ Caboose – On the Square) – Lynchburg  
Tea Time (Monday – Saturday Between the Tea Hours of 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. – Closed on Sunday – The Celtic Cup Coffee House) – Tullahoma

December 1-15

Exhibit – “Historic Sewanee Downtown, 150 Years” (The University of the South, William R. Laurie University Archives and Special Collections Building – 81 Alabama Avenue) - Sewanee

December 1-21

27th Annual Festival of Trees (Fly Arts Center – Mondays-Thursdays, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.) – Shelbyville



December 1

A Quilted Christmas – Bell Buckle  
TWHBEA Awards Banquet (TWHBEA Auditorium – 250 N. Ellington Pkwy) - Lewisburg  
Jingle & Mingle – Parade After Party (South Jackson Performing Arts Center) - Tullahoma  
Tullahoma Christmas Parade – Tullahoma  
Tree Lighting - Wartrace



December 1-3

Trees of Christmas (South Jackson Performing Arts Center) – Tullahoma

December 2

Old Fashioned Christmas – Bell Buckle  
Town of Cornersville Main Street Christmas (Starts at 11 a.m.) - Cornersville  
Cowan Christmas Parade – “The Sweetness of Christmas” – Cowan  
Christmas Parade - Fayetteville  
Main Street Christmas Festival – Lewisburg  
Christmas in Lynchburg – Lynchburg  
Volunteer Day (Old Stone Fort State Park) - Manchester  
Photos with Santa (First National Bank – 1700 N Main Street – 2-4 p.m.) – Shelbyville  
Winter Wonderland Paper Quilling Ornament Class (Fly Arts Center) - Shelbyville  
Christmaskindmarkt 2023 (Jackson Square Park) – Tullahoma  
Holiday Cocktail Party (Hands-On Science Center) – Tullahoma  
Back Yard Birds at 9 a.m. (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester  
DIY Christmas Ornaments at 3 p.m. (Tims Ford State Park) - Winchester



December 2-3

Cowan Christmas Market (Monterey Station located in Cowan’s Depot District) - Cowan  
Sundaes with Santa (Milky Way Farm) – Pulaski



December 3

Horton’s Holiday Craft Fair (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill  
Christmas Creational (Artisan Depot – 204 East Cumberland Street – 2-5 p.m.) - Cowan  
Whitetail Deer (Tims Ford State Park) - Winchester

December 4

Day Loop Hike (Savage Gulf State Park) – Monteagle

December 5

Membership Luncheon (Sponsored by the Manchester Chamber of Commerce – Manchester/Coffee County Conference Center) – Manchester  
Day Loop Hike (Savage Gulf State Park) - Monteagle

December 6

Guided Hike to Stone Door (Savage Gulf State Park) - Monteagle

December 7

Christmas in the Country (Milky Way Farm) – Pulaski  
Christmas Open House (Tennessee Agricultural Museum 404 Hogan Road) - Nashville 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

December 8-9

The Savannah Sipping Society (Fly Arts Center) - Shelbyville  
Wine Walk (The Shops at Main & McGrew – Open Until 8 p.m.) – Shelbyville

December 8-17

White Christmas – The Musical (South Jackson Performing Arts Center) - Tullahoma



December 9

Old Fashioned Christmas – Bell Buckle  
Petersburg’s “Let it Be Christmas Parade” - Petersburg  
USFA Fastpitch Softball (Cooper Steel Arena) – Shelbyville  
Christmas Market (Tims Ford State Park) – Winchester  
Winter Waterfowl Pontoon Tour (Tims Ford State Park) - Winchester

December 12

Beginning Winter Birding Hike (Savage Gulf State Park) – Monteagle

December 13

Kit’s Club – Looking at Leaves (Henry Horton State Park) – Chapel Hill

December 14

Christmas in the Country (Milky Way Farm) – Pulaski

December 15

Tree Cookie Ornaments (South Cumberland State Park) – Monteagle



**December 15-17**

The Savannah Sipping Society (Fly Arts Center) – Shelbyville

**December 16**

Old Fashioned Christmas – Bell Buckle  
USFA Fastpitch Softball (Cooper Steel Arena) – Shelbyville  
Winter Waterfowl Pontoon Tour (Tims Ford State Park) - Winchester

**December 19**

Movie Showing - "It's a Wonderful Life" (South Jackson Performing Arts Center) – Tullahoma



**December 22**

Reading with a Ranger (South Cumberland State Park) – Monteagle

**December 25**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

**December 31**

New Year's Eve Soiree (Firefly Gala Room at Franklin House) - Cowan

**JANUARY**

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**January 1**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

New Year's Day Brunch (Firefly Gala Room at Franklin House) - Cowan



**January 25**

48th Annual Awards Gala (Hosted by the Manchester Chamber of Commerce and Coffee County Bank – Manchester/Coffee County Conference Center) – Manchester

**Membership**

**Renewals**

Clement Railroad Hotel Museum - Dickson  
Cowan Center for the Arts - Cowan

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HERITAGE  
WISHES YOU AND  
YOUR FAMILY  
A MERRY CHRISTMAS**



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