



2016 Christmas Open House



Fitzgerald's Colony Business Association & Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County Chamber of Commerce are pleased to announce that our annual Christmas Open House will be held on Sunday, November 13, 2016 from 1-6pm, ending with the Lighting of the Tree at 6:15pm. This event is a chance for the community to experience a hearty dose of holiday cheer and preview all the exciting merchandise arriving in our stores for the holidays! The goal is to fill Historic Fitzgerald with all the sounds, sights, and smells of the Christmas season.

This years' event will include Christmas Caroling in the park (provided by children's choirs from local churches), door prize drawings at participating merchants, Live Music and holiday music playing in local businesses and over the Grand speakers, Holiday Treats for purchase (provided by local school/community organizations), Decorated Window/Entrance Contest for merchants (sponsored by Colony Business Association), the lighting of the Christmas Tree (sponsored by Community Bank), and possibly a visit from Santa at some of our local businesses. Specific event times, i.e. Caroling and Santa, will be announced at a later date.

The section of Pine St. in front of the Chamber will be blocked off to setup seating for shoppers and vendor tents (local school/community organizations – tents not provided), including the Open House headquarters. The Open House headquarters tent will be the location for people to trade canned food or pet food products for tickets. We will also have a tent for coat donations (4-H) and toy donations (Toys for Tots) where shoppers will receive a ticket for each item donated. Shoppers may deposit the tickets at participating merchants for a chance to win various door prizes (provided by the individual merchant).

Pet items collected will be given to the Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County Humane Society, food items will be donated to the Christian Kitchen. The purpose of involving the children's choirs, music, participation of various school/community organizations, etc. is to draw a larger crowd in hopes of increasing holiday shopping. We are promoting all local businesses interested in participating. If you would like to participate in the Open House, please contact us! We will list all participating merchants on our promotional materials. We look forward to hearing from you!

What we need to know.....

Will you be participating? Yes No

Will you participate in the door prize drawing? Yes No

If so, description of prize _____

Will you participate in the Window/Entrance Contest? Yes No

Description of Specials or Promotional Information



Please contact us if you have any questions – Holley Lee 229-423-9357 or Becky Gay 229-423-7933.