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LASSOES, LUMINARIES & LEGENDS

3 DAYS / 2 NIGHTS

CHRISTMAS-TIME ITINERARY: The First Weekend of December, annually

Tour Highlights:

- Memorial Illumination at Antietam
- Cowboy Christmas Dinner & Show
- Christmas Shopping at Premium Outlets
- Home Tour of Hagerstown's Founder



FRIDAY EVENING:

Arrive in **Hagerstown, MD** for dinner at the legendary **Old South Mountain Inn**. Poised atop scenic, **South Mountain** in the **Allegheny Mountains**, the inn opened circa. Or, take in dinner and a play at **the Washington County Playhouse**. Located in the heart of Historic Downtown Hagerstown, they've been entertaining for 20+ years.



SATURDAY:

Depart for **City Park** and the **Washington County Museum of Fine Arts**. An amazing collection with pieces ranging from Old Masters to works by contemporary artists – there's even a Picasso! Experience the priceless treasures of one of the finest regional art museums in the United States. Also in City Park, is the **Jonathan Hager House**, the original home of Hagerstown's founder, Jonathan Hager. The home is maintained with authentic pieces of the 1740's frontier era. At Christmas time you can tour the home as hear about authentic **German Christmas** traditions as they were celebrated during frontier times. Lunch as a group or on your own in our **Arts & Entertainment District** at one of our many fine eateries: **Bulls & Bears, The Gourmet Goat, Leila's Kitchen, Durango's, Taj India, or the Schmankerl Stube Bavarian Restaurant**. All are within one block walking distance of our **Public Square**. After, board bus for the **Rural Heritage Museum**. There you will go back in time to the late 1700's/early 1800's. Visit their cabins and see an authentic hearth cooking demonstration. Exhibits include an early Conestoga wagon, a country store, and Victorian era farm house furnishings, and more! Depart for **Antietam Recreation** for the **Cowboy Christmas Show** Fun pre-show activities include an old-fashioned hayride (*watch out for outlaws!*), roast marshmallows, a live nativity and petting zoo, and get a picture taken in the western photo area. Guests are then seated for dinner and the costumed cast will serve you. After dinner, it's SHOWTIME! The dramatic Old West show is full of swishing hoop skirts, amazing roping and bull-whip tricks, romance, comedy, and a touching Christmas message. Depart for **Antietam Battlefield** for the annual **Memorial Illumination**. Both beautiful and somber, a ranger can guide you along the 5 mile tour road where you will view **23,110 candles** set in the fields. Each candle represents a casualty on that single day at the battle of Antietam.

SUNDAY:

After breakfast at the hotel, board bus and begin the morning with a home tour of the **Miller House & Gardens**, headquarters of the Washington County Historical Society. A short stroll away is the **Discovery Station and Hagerstown Aviation Museum** offering hands-on learning and a collection depicting our rich aviation heritage.