

## CHRISTMAS IN PALMYRA

Bill Jones

“I’m dreaming of a white Christmas  
just like the ones I used to know”

Irving Berlin

Does Christmas conjure up memories of bygone days? Memories of relatives gathering around the tree, of smoke curling from chimneys, of carolers outside windows, of eyes shining in anticipation of childhood’s finest dream. If it conjures up these memories then come to Palmyra on 8 December when the Fluvanna Historical Society teams up with the Fluvanna Garden Club and the County of Fluvanna to bring you an old fashioned Christmas.

The celebration begins at 3:00 P.M. on the 8<sup>th</sup> of December. The following historic buildings will be open to the public from 3:00 to 5:00.

The Old Stone jail

The Old Courthouse

Maggie’s House

Palmyra United Methodist Church

Mulled cider and holiday treats will be available at Maggie’s House and there will be live musical performances by the Thessalonia Baptist Church Choir, “Just Us” Fluvanna singing group, and the J.A.B.A. Fluvanna senior Center Singers. In addition there will be walking tours of the village led by Overton McGhee and family and there will be ladies and gentlemen in period costume. There will be Clydesdale horses pulling a carriage from 3 to 4 and Virginia author Frances Eugene Wood will be available for story telling and book signing at Maggie’s House at 4:15.

At 5:30 P.M there will be caroling around the Court Square led by Leslie Jane Geer. At 5:45 P.M. there will be a “Holiday Lights” Program in front of the Old Stone Jail.

**Parking will be prohibited around the Confederate Park** however there will be ample parking available behind the new Courthouse, the Heritage Trail parking area, the post office and the Village Park as well as the side streets around the old Courthouse.

For more information call (434) 589-7910 or go to [www.fluvannahistory.org](http://www.fluvannahistory.org) Many county businesses are participating as sponsors of this activity. Come out and bring your family for this slice of Americana straight out of a

Norman Rockwell painting. Don't forget to bring a flashlight and dress warmly. As Tiny Tim would say "God bless us everyone".