



Wednesday, November 27, 2002

MBH Holiday Walk runs through Dec. 22

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This year’s event transports guests to the 1930s – a time when “society’s” families sought to escape the realities of the Great Depression through elegant surroundings and lavish holiday parties. Coming alive with balls, dinners and warm family get-togethers, Meadow Brook Hall established itself as an ideal venue to entertain and enchant guests.

The 2002 Holiday Walk includes a variety of events to capture the imagination of children and parents alike. Every Saturday and Sunday, children can enjoy holiday story time and visit Jolly Old Saint Nick. Other children’s activities include writing letters to Santa, designing personalized holiday cards, and making gingerbread houses.

A special breakfast with Santa is set for Saturday, Dec. 7 and Dec. 14, at 9:30 a.m. The cost for the breakfast is \$25 for adults and \$20 for children. In honor of Matilda Dodge Wilson’s exclusive tea parties, a Holiday High Tea will be served Tuesday, Dec. 17, at 3 p.m. Cost for the tea is \$50 per person. Reservations are required.

A black-tie Holiday Gala is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 7. Prepared by Meadow Brook Hall’s executive chef Danny Martinez, the evening begins with a cocktail reception and tour at 6:30 p.m., followed by a four-course gourmet meal. Held in the Christopher Wren Dining Room, the dinner includes musical entertainment to serenade guests. The evening is complete with an afterglow including cigars and cordials served on the terrace. Patron tickets are available for \$200, while benefactor tickets are \$275.

The 1930s-themed Holiday Walk is open to the public from Friday, Nov. 29, through Sunday, Dec. 22. Tour hours are daily, Monday through Sunday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. (last admittance at 4 p.m.) and Tuesdays, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. (last admittance at 8 p.m.). The cost is \$12.50 for adults, \$10 for groups of 20 or more, \$6 for children under 12 years old and children under 2 are free.

A major fundraising event for Meadow Brook Hall, all Holiday Walk proceeds are used for the preservation and interpretation of this significant historic property. For more information, please call (248) 370-3140 or visit the **Meadow Brook Hall** Web site.

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