



THIS HOLIDAY, THINGS WILL BE MERRY AND BRIGHT ALONG THE MOUNT HOREB TROLLWAY.

Known as the Troll capital of the World, Mount Horeb invites residents and visitors alike to come enjoy their annual Small Town Holidays celebration. The theme of this year's holiday events is Merry and Bright. Downtown storefronts will be decorated with paintings of snowflakes and glowing luminaries will line the Trollway.

"They are really going to do a fantastic job of decorating our downtown," said Executive Director Melissa Theisen.

The festivities kick off on Friday, Nov. 11 when the downtown stores invite their customers to join them for Hospitality Day. Most of the downtown shops will host open houses with light refreshments for customers.

Popular downtown shop, **Moonhill Merchantile**, 225 E. Main Street, is celebrating its 24th year of hosting

Hospitality Days.

The annual Holiday Craft Bonanza will be held at the Mount Horeb Middle School on the same day. The Craft Bonanza includes over 50 artist/vendors, a large bake sale, silent art auction and more. Theisen said the chamber is looking at providing some sort of transportation to take visitors from the school to the downtown shops.

If you don't get a chance to get to Hospitality Days or if you aren't quite in the holiday mode that early, you will get another chance to shop in Mount Horeb for the holidays on Friday Festive Eve, Dec. 1. Visit your favorite shops, which are open until 8 p.m. while the sound of Christmas carols fill the air. The Mount Horeb chamber will also be offering free gift wrapping that night.

The festivities continue during the weekend of Dec. 15, 16 and 17 during the town's Merry and Bright Shopping Days.

Stop in **Board & Brush Creative Studio**, 113 East Main Street, and create your own barn board sign while enjoying a glass of Chardonnay.

If you're hungry, **The Grumpy Troll Brew Pub**, 105 S. 2nd Street, is the place to go for a mouth-watering burger or gourmet pizza. Wash it down with one of their handcrafted ales. Can't decide between the 12 beers they have on tap? Order a sample tray for just \$1.50 per 4 ounce sample.

Visit **McFee on Main**, 400 East Main Street, for trendy women's fashions and tasteful home decor. Opened just over a year, the shop has already become a favorite of residents and visitors alike. •