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History Center and Wylie House Museum collaborate to share holiday traditions of the 1800's

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BLOOMINGTON, IN – The Monroe County History Center and the Wylie House Museum are collaborating on a joint program highlighting the holiday traditions of the 1800's with the community.

“The Wylie House by Candlelight” open house is an annual tradition in the Bloomington community. Visitors are invited to enjoy the historic home of Andrew Wylie decorated for the holidays as the house might have been when the family lived there in the 1840's. The house will be lit by candles, decorated with fresh greenery, and filled with music and good cheer. Music, activities for children and refreshments will be featured in the neighboring MCB, Jr. Education Center (the barn) during the open house.

New this year, the Monroe County History Center will host “A Log Cabin Christmas” open house at the same time. Guests to the History Center will learn about Indiana pioneer holiday traditions as they walk through the 1840's log cabin and the one room school decorated for the holidays. Music, refreshments, carolers, period crafts, and storytelling will be offered at the History Center. Guests are invited to move between the two locations to see the difference in the holiday traditions between the Wylie home and a log cabin of the late 19th century.

Both open houses are scheduled for Saturday, December 8 between 4:00 and 7:00 p.m. Admission is free at both locations.

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