



Winter Festival of Prairie Cultures

Celebrate homestead era winter traditions with displays and decorated trees at the Education and Heritage Centers from Friday, November 28, 2025, through year end. Events below are at the Education Center.

Cortland Opry House Dulcimer Players: Holiday Music

Sunday, December 7 at 2 pm

Instruments such as the dulcimer provided holiday cheer to many homesteaders as they struggled to survive hard winters.



Kids in Parks: Gingerbread Cabin Construction

Saturday, December 13 at 10 am

Kids and their adults are invited to build gingerbread cabins based on Homestead's Palmer-Epard Cabin. Cabins from this Kids in Parks event must go home with their makers, but we encourage participants to bring their cabins with them on Sunday, December 14 at 2 pm if they wish to be entered into the competition.

Paper Moon Pastries: Holiday Baking Traditions and Palmer-Epard Cabin Baking Competition

Sunday, December 14 at 2 pm

Lindsey of Paper Moon Pastries will present holiday baking traditions and offer samples of kolaches and cookies. A baking competition will follow with prizes courtesy of the Friends of Homestead National Historical Park.

