

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS



The East Peoria Festival of Lights, celebrating their 25th Anniversary in 2009, will bring you an abundance of holiday cheer! One of the largest lighted nighttime festivals in the nation, this winter wonderland getaway will bring excitement to any group!

DAY ONE

Spirit of Peoria – Board the Spirit of Peoria, a unique and historic paddle wheeler, for a hot, homemade buffet and lively holiday entertainment. (Admission)



Enjoy a holiday cruise aboard the Spirit of Peoria.

Luthy Botanical Gardens Poinsettia Display –

This is an eye-pleaser! With more than 1,000 poinsettias on display and festively decorated Christmas trees, your holiday cheer will surely elevate! (Admission)

FOLEPI's Winter Wonderland -

The holiday sparkles with the two-mile drive through electric park showcasing numerous animated displays and LED lighted floats, with the return of some favorites, the Starship Enterprise and the Budweiser Clydesdales. (Admission)



Narrated Nativity Scene -

You won't want to miss the Narrated Nativity Scene and the beautiful handmade attraction. The life-size structures take on a three-dimensional appearance at night. A 2-minute narration is available by tuning to radio station 1610 AM.



DAY TWO

Pettengill-Morrison

House and John C. Flanagan House - Take a tour of these two homes listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Both houses allow you to discover the lifestyles of times past, and are dressed for the holidays! (Admission)



Period clothing and storytellers create holiday history at the Flanagan House.



Glass blowing demonstrations at Toraason Glass

Toraason Glass

- Encounter a true form: Glassblowing! A local artisan, Hiram Toraason, will give a demonstration and will have Christmas

ornaments and other gallery pieces on display for purchase. (Admission)

Historic Holiday Traditions -

Take another unique look back in time while experiencing Historic Holiday Traditions. The 129-year-old Doering Homeplace is decorated for the holidays by the East Peoria Historical Society, and showcases 1800s-style handmade ornaments. (Admission)

Cyrus Gifts and Home Accents -

Finish off your gift list at this eclectic gift shop featuring bath and body products, fun gifts, cards, unique home accents and holiday gifts.

Eastlight Theatre - Experience

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat"! This Andrew Lloyd Webber smash Broadway musical has been a Festival of Lights tradition for 19 years! (Admission)

Above left: Steam engine float at Festival of Lights - one of many stunning displays. Left: Eastlight Theatre production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.