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Midland County Historical Society presents:

**What: Alight at Night: Bradley Home Holiday Tours**  
**When: December 3 & 17 – 6 pm to 8 pm**  
**Where: 1874 Victorian Bradley Home, 3400 Cook Road, Midland, MI 48640**  
**Cost: \$8 Adults/\$5 MCHS members and children 14 & under**  
**Information:** Call Ticket Office at (989) 631-8250 or (800) 523-7649 or [www.mcfta.org](http://www.mcfta.org)

Travel back in time to a Victorian evening of softly lit rooms and carols sung by the hearth when Midland County Historical Society presents "Alight at Night: Bradley Home Holiday Tours" on December 3 and 17, 6 pm to 8 pm. Located at 3400 Cook Road, Midland, MI, the rooms of the Bradley Home will be decked in their holiday finest, with docents sharing stories from holidays of yesteryear. Hot spiced cider and light refreshments appropriate to the era will be served.

"This year each evening has its own distinct focus. December 3 is a perfect opportunity for adults to enjoy the ambience of the Bradley Home without children. There will be soft music and demonstrations of holiday traditions enjoyed by adults of the time. Attendees can get their photo taken in a cozy winter sleigh, and ticketholders will receive 10% off the price of that evening's 'special' at Molly's Bistro," says Trena Winans-Bagnall, MCHS Curator of Educational Programs. "December 17 will be all about families. The evening will have a playful feel with games, storytelling and family holiday pastimes, as well as photo-ops with Father Christmas. Ticketholders will get a discount of 10% off at Grand Traverse Pie Company that evening. Additionally, December 3 marks the opening of local collector Blue Dingman's Christmas Village exhibit. Because of new seasonal hours, these evenings may be your only chance to enjoy the tradition of visiting the Bradley Home this holiday season." Tickets are \$8 per adult; \$5 for MCHS members and children 14 and under. For more information or to purchase tickets call Ticket Office at (989) 631-8250 or (800) 523-7649 or [www.mcfta.org](http://www.mcfta.org)

The Midland County Historical Society maintains Heritage Park, which includes the Herbert D. Doan Midland County History Center, 1874 Bradley Home Museum and Carriage House and the Herbert H. Dow Historical Museum. The Historical Society was founded in 1952 and is dedicated to fostering the understanding, appreciation and preservation of Midland County's heritage.

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