

## Taltree offers Holiday Glow in the Garden



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VALPARAISO | Get your Glow on at Taltree Arboretum & Gardens will have its gardens glowing this holiday season thanks in part to a grant from NIPSCO. The Railway Garden Depot has been outlined by LED lights and the Oak is lit with more than 3,000 lights.

"While the goal is eventually to use solar power for more than just holiday lights, we feel this display is a beautiful tool to illustrate how this

renewable power source works," said Alexis R. Faust, Taltree president and CEO. "Although the Midwest isn't known for its sunny winters, we wanted to show how power can be captured, even in Northwest Indiana."

Taltree's Holiday Glow in the Garden will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays in December. The cost is \$5 per carload.

In addition to the solar light display, additional exhibits include a giant Train Tree and Holiday Railway Garden. Inside the Taltree Railway Garden Depot, sets of trains in four sizes will chug around a giant holiday tree. Trains also will run on the outdoor track in the lighted Railway Garden when weather permits.

Readings of "Polar Express" and craft activities are scheduled throughout the event, and hot chocolate and cider will be available for purchase.

Santa will be on hand for photos of family members both human and canine. Each color photo comes framed and in its own envelope for \$10.

Taltree Arboretum & Gardens is at 450 W. County Road 100 North. Call (219) 462-0025.

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