

20 years of tradition



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Jens Ihle, right, of Seiffen, Germany, signs the bottom of a small tree he carved for Shirley Cooper, of Mifflinburg, at the Christkindl Market, which opened in Mifflinburg on Thursday night. Cooper said she is adding to her collection. She already has six trees and has given as many away as gifts over the years.



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At far left, James Clark, portraying Santa, welcomes visitors in Thursday night's rain to Mifflinburg's 20th annual Christkindl Market. Clark said he has been doing this for many years and hopes that the rain won't keep people away this weekend. At left, Morgan Shemory pours kettle-cooked beef soup at the Christkindl Market as a fundraiser for Christ Community Church's Caravan Youth Program.