

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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CITY OF GROVER BEACH ANNOUNCES ANNUAL HOLIDAY OF LIGHTS DECORATING CONTEST

Date: December 2014

Time:

Location: Grover Beach

Grover Beach - - The Grover Beach Parks and Recreation Department is seeking nominations for the 2014 Holiday of Lights Decorating Contest.

The *Holiday of Lights Decorating Contest* is a chance for Grover Beach residents and businesses to show off their outdoor decorating skills for the holidays. If you have a business or residence in the City of Grover Beach and are planning a beautiful, unique, or just plain fun, outdoor decorating scheme; show it off by entering the contest. Your creation could be recognized with the Mayor's Award or any of the other honors to be awarded and be included in a special map for the community to take their own self-guided tour.

The Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commission will be canvassing Grover Beach neighborhoods on **Saturday, December 13**th and **Sunday, December 14**th after 5:30 p.m., to select and nominate properties for the final judging. Interested business owners and residents should have their displays lit and animated from **5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** on those days, and again on **Thursday, December 18**th for final judging of the nominated properties.

To see if your home or business has been nominated, or to <u>self-nominate</u>, call the Grover Beach Parks and Recreation Department at 473-4580 by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 10th. Awards will be announced on Friday, December 19th, and winners will be invited to attend a City Council Meeting in January 2015 (specific date to be determined) to receive their award.

Honors will be awarded for the following categories:

1. Mayor's Award Best overall in originality

2. City Council Award Best original use of animation and/or craftsmanship

3. Commissioner's Award Best use of lights

4. Business Award Best overall business display

For more information or to volunteer for activities and events with the Grover Beach Parks and Recreation Department, stop by 154 S. 8th Street in Grover Beach, or call 473-4580.

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