



## **Holiday Tree Decorating Contest**

You are invited to participate in a Holiday Tree Decorating Contest at HARP (Hopewell Area Recreation & Parks) – with a charitable twist!

Religious organizations, non-profit organizations, service clubs are encouraged to apply!

You need to provide your own tree 5-7 ft tall with a stand and all decorations. It can be live or artificial. Electric will be provided to light the tree as well as a space to display it during our holiday event on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. There is no cost to enter but you must complete and return the attached entry form to be considered.

## **Contest Rules:**

- 1. The event is limited to 1 entry per group.
- 2. The submission of a completed Official Entry Form is required no later than December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 by 4:00 PM at the HARP Building.
- 3. You must provide all decorations for your tree. You are free to express your creativity and originality, but we ask that your tree represent your organization and be in good taste, suitable for display at a family event.
- 4. Decorations should hang on the tree, not sit alongside the tree or be held up by any means other than the tree itself. HARP reserves the right to remove any decorations not meeting this criterion.
- 5. Any decorations can be used as long as they do not include electric parts. Lights on the tree will be lit during our Holiday Event, December 15, 2022, 6:00 to 9:00 PM.
- 6. Please provide a sign approximately 12 x 14 inches identifying the group or organization who decorated the tree, to be put on a post in front of the tree.
- 7. All trees are to be in place between 2 5 pm on December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 8. Please remember that the trees will be outside and subject to weather conditions that may be unpredictable.

## Judging:

The public is invited to cast their votes during our event by placing a donation in the box of their favorite organization's tree. Donations for each tree will then go to the corresponding organization. Votes/Donations may be cast by anyone attending the Holiday Event.

The top three trees that collect the most donations will be announced at the conclusion of the Holiday Event and pictures of them will be posted on our facebook page and website. Winners will also be notified by phone, text or e-mail if they are not in attendance at the end of the event.