## Celebration of Holiday Lights

P. O. Box 1891 Staunton, VA 24402 July 14, 2016

## Dear Friends:

The Celebration of Holiday Lights (COHL) committee is excited to host another year in the Gypsy Hill Park with 214 acres aglow with beautiful holiday lights from November 21, 2016 through January 1, 2017 each evening from 5pm-11pm. The event is free and open to the public. More than 30,000 vehicles visited the park during this period last year.

We hope you will participate by displaying a deer in the "**Field of Deer**" as part of this annual celebration. A deer can be placed in honor of or in memory of a loved one, a Veteran, a friend or "just because". Additionally, plaques for these can be purchased and are displayed on the "Honor Board". There is a onetime charge of \$10 for the plaque which can be used in the upcoming years. If you purchased a plaque last year, it will be displayed this year as well. Purchasing the plaque is not mandatory. The attached application has the details.

The Staunton Parks& Recreation Department and Celebration of Holiday Lights Organization are also inviting you to attend the **Field of Deer Honor Reception on Saturday, December 10, 2016 at 5:00pm up in the Garden Center near the main entrance to the park.** A bus will be available to transport guests up to the Garden Center. There will be refreshments and holiday entertainment in a supportive environment. We welcome you to come, bring your family and friends, sit, have a ham biscuit or two, and enjoy the fellowship. If you would like to speak about your loved one being honored, there is a three minute block for each of you to use during the Honor Reception.

James Corbett of Staunton Parks and Recreation Department will be putting together a slideshow to share at the Honor Reception. If you would like to have a photo of your loved one in the slideshow, please send directly to James at corbettjr@ci.staunton.va.us OR bring a photo during deer set up. The deadline for photos is December 1.

If you have questions, please contact Joel Black .or Living Stone Church of the Nazarene. We are looking forward to seeing you in the park!

Joel Gregory Black <a href="mailto:jblack.dr100@gmail.com">jblack.dr100@gmail.com</a> LivingStoneNaz.org

<<Application Form Follows>>

The "Field of DEER" display, part of the Annual Celebration of Holiday Lights, is FREE and open to anyone in the Staunton, Waynesboro, or Augusta County community who would like to place a deer in honor of a loved one, a Veteran, a friend, someone serving our country or "just because". The celebration begins the Monday before Thanksgiving November 21, 2016 through January 1, 2017.

## **DETAILS:**

- Although there is no fee to display a deer, if you wish to purchase a magnetic gold plaque to be
  displayed on the "honor board" located in the Field of Deer, the fee is a onetime charge of \$10/name.
  Bring cash/check with deer and application at drop off time. Only one name per plaque. If you
  purchased a plaque previously, the plaque will remain with the field of deer committee each year to be
  displayed.
- Deer must be assembled and pre-lit with an accompanying 50' or 100' OUTDOOR extension cord. If your deer is animated and requires multiple outlets, please make sure you bring an OUTDOOR cord with MULTIPLE outlets or bring an adaptor with your cord.
- The Deer and the electrical cord will be marked with your name at the time of setting it up. There will be a station at the park to verify that the deer are lighting and working properly.
- Space for deer is allocated on a first come basis and is placed in the park at the discretion of the Celebration of Holiday Lights Committee.
- Photos for the Field of Deer December 10 "Honor Reception" must be submitted by December 1 to James Corbett at corbettjr@ci.staunton.va.us or bring a hard copy during deer set up.
- Deer and application can be set up at the Gypsy Hill Park Pool Area on one of the dates and times listed below.
  - Saturday, November 12 from 1pm-3pm
  - Saturday, November 19 from 1pm-3pm
  - Sunday, November 20 from 1pm-3pm
- Your deer can be picked up Saturday JAN 7, 2017 from 10am-12pm. If this date is not convenient, let me know and I will schedule another time for you. Joel Black (jblack.dr100@gmail.com).

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