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Decorating Brainstorming Committee

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Leonard
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Joppa Christmas Village

- T-Posts for trees – Let's have 5 or 6 trees this year – all different sizes – 2 ft to 8 ft
- Pre-Lit Trees: Toni, Anna & Stacy brought trees last year; toni can get a few more (Walmart)
- 5 point 10 ft Star – IMPORTANT! WHERE CAN WE HANG IT Mimi storing
- 8 point Star – Larry & Donna - mount same as last year
- Old nativity – where is it? Maybe in closet behind church?
- 15 piece wooden Nativity – 15 pieces w angel & little star. Put in church yard? Mimi storing
- Small wooden Santa
- Will-hay Nelson Claus & Mrs. Claus; some square bales wrapped as Christmas Presents. Leonard
- Metal Trees – Stacy & David
- Pallet Snowman – donated by Ted. Leonard storing
- Anna's Signs: Elf Village, North Pole, Gingerbread Drive, other? Candy Cane Lane
- Angels – two white lighted angels were in flood at Greens', hopefully they can make an appearance.

A New Idea to consider:

Hot Cocoa & Cider, Christmas Cookies, North Pole Mailbox, Hayrides

A Sat or Sun. Sat Dec 20, or Sun Dec 7, or Sat Dec 6, or 13 or

- 4:00 or 4:30pm Hay Rides. Needs: flatbed trailer, square bales, blankets, music, tractor or truck
- Before dark, cocoa, cider, cookies, music ... outside if weather permits.
- Table serving Hot Cocoa & Hot Apple Cider & Christmas Cookies: need: folding tables, table clothes
- Table with paper/pens for kids to write letters to Santa, if it is not windy
- Music – Christmas music playing via blu tooth portable speaker
- Stroll and sing Christmas carols
- Yule Log Fire – I wish – but I guess not due to burn ban
- **Decorated North Pole Mailbox**, kids can mail their letters to Santa – Mimi & Jeremy will provide
- Option - set up something on the **PATIO of Fellowship Hall**

HAY RIDES do we have a willing neighbor who has a RED (or GREEN) TRACTOR or OLDER MODEL RED TRUCK that could pull a flatbed trailer lined with hay bales, blankets, and boombox playing Christmas Music.

Short hayrides east on CR-210, if we can **figure out where to turn around**



The Old Bridge Brainstorming ideas – how to light the old bridge

- String cable or cables over the river up high? To suspend the Giant Star?
- String cables with lights from steel pillar to pillar – two lines of lights, simulating where the bridge was – pulled tight so minimal sag?
- Suspend our giant white lighted star on a cable? Or suspend from OLD BURR OAK, or on power pole
- Light trees, bushes, Swanson fence, as many lights as we can.
- Light all the trees lining parking area on SW end
- Light the trees that are down below, toward river bank too for up-lighting
- Light the Old Burr Oak and other trees – colored Christmas lights

Equipment needed:

- Manpower
- Lights, fasteners, ladders, zip ties, nippers,
- Bucket lift, cables, Jeremy knows of a good source for cables.

**** OR, raise donations to HIRE a company** to do the difficult stuff – we can get this underwritten. We'll get estimate.



Suspend the 10 foot 5 Point Star from cable over river? Hang from Burr Oak? Hang on Fellowship Hall?



Christmas trees at end toward bridge but more of them Mr and Mrs Claus Hay People up at higher end
Leonard would come set up M/M Claus PRIOR to Nov 22... so all in place and no worry about big trucks



And Tom and Heidi's pretty angels, white lights. Be hung somewhere? or be staked in yard someplace with an extension cord. Larry & Donna's star mounted on Joppa Marker again – so pretty



6 Christmas Trees. All different sizes. Drive t-posts in the ground. Invite families to bring their Christmas trees. Or decorate tree that's been put up but only has lights.

Anna's Signs: Elf Village, North Pole, Gingerbread Drive, other? Candy Cane Lane



David Stacy's tree

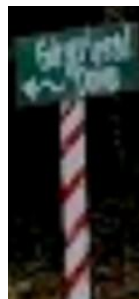


Anna's tree

Toni's tree + decorations added by Dunnihooos



FENCE LIGHTS Larry & Donna agreed for us to light. Maybe add big bows, wreath or two?



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15 piece Nativity figures. mount on rebar stakes in the ground in front of Joppa church corner?

Up-light – with Solar or AC need extension cord.

Mimi and Jeremy C have a plan – Jer will build a primitive structure to “frame” Joseph, Jesus, Mary. The other figures will be outside of the shed – not in straight line. Staggered and angled. Maybe mount Angel on post behind? Since she’s larger than the others.



Older Nativity – use over by the Christmas trees? Or in corner between bench and bridge. lights.



An option also is to set up something on the **PATIO of Fellowship Hall**
Net lights again on Fellowship Hall bushes?



Leonard's Will-hay Nelson Claus and Mrs Claus. 10 ft tall. Each is 5 wide. UP-LIGHT
Leonard would set it up BEFORE the Nov 22 decorating date due to lg equipment needed.
Also put square bales wrapped as Christmas Presents. At the high end of the parking lot



Jeremy and Mimi are decorating **LETTERS TO SANTA MAILBOX**



DIY Rustic

