

2023 WALK of TREES RULES & GUIDELINES

Thank you for participating in the **Walk of Trees 2023**. The decorating of your tree is left to your imagination, creativity and ingenuity. However, the following includes some rules & guidelines for you to adhere to in the planning of your decorations. The cost of a tree, \$135 (\$115 for non-profits) includes the tree, signage, 300 lights, City fees, and proper environmental disposal of each tree.

- 1. The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce will supply a tree (6-8 ft. tall) and 300 white lights (not LED). You may pick up your lights and an extension cord at the Chamber office on or after November 10th. Our office is open 9-5, Monday through Friday. If you are unable to come to the office during working hours, please contact us to make arrangements to receive your lights.
- 2. If you wish to use your own lights, we ask that you use LEDs, as these types of lights use a lot less electricity. <u>Due to past problems with breakers popping resulting from overload on the electrical wiring, we are limiting each tree to three total lights strands (300 lights)</u>. Thank you for your cooperation!!
- 3. Be sure to bring a step ladder when you arrive to decorate your tree so that you can connect to the electrical outlet on the wire above the tree.
- 4. Decorations may be purchased or made and should be able to stand up to all types of weather. Decorations made of cardboard or paper are discouraged, unless well laminated. Please do NOT use glue that is sensitive to moisture.
- 5. Business cards and brochures are not allowed as decorations in any form.
- 6. Decorations designed to feed wildlife are not allowed.
- 7. Decorations MUST be tied or wired securely to your tree to resist high winds, rain, snow and vandalism. Regular ornament hangers do NOT work.
- 8. Items especially attractive to theft should not be used. For example, jewelry, expensive ornaments or items that can be redeemed for money.
- 9. Your company/organization name will be on the sign we provide. If you would like the tree to reflect a theme associated with your group, we ask that the decorations also incorporate the holiday season.

You can begin decorating your tree on Friday, **November 17, 2023** (date is subject to delivery of the trees and the City of Plymouth being available to put them up). We ask that decorating be completed by the Friday after Thanksgiving, **November 24, 2023** for the official start of the event.

PLEASE NOTE: YOUR TREE LOCATIONS WILL BE ASSIGNED AT RANDOM. YOU MAY LOCATE YOUR TREE IN KELLOGG PARK BY FINDING YOUR DESIGNATED GROUP OR COMPANY SIGN. ONCE TREE SIGNS ARE PLACED, CHANGING OF TREE SIGNS IS PROHIBITED!!

Please retrieve your decorations by **January 3, 2024**, so that the City of Plymouth Municipal Dept. can dispose of the trees environmentally. Please direct any questions to the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce office at (734) 453-1540 or <u>mary@plymouthmich.org</u>.