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PLANS UNDERWAY FOR 13TH ANNUAL TROPICAL CHRISTMAS EVENTS

ROCKPORT, TX – Entertainment is being finalized, vendors contacted, and entry forms accepted for many of the special events that will take place during the 13th Annual Tropical Christmas festival on Saturday, December 2.

Among the categories for entries are:

- Vendors
- Parade Floats
- Christmas Tree Decorating Contest
- “Run for Yar Treasure” children’s treasure hunt
- Pirate Costume Contest
- Pet Costume Contest

Tropical Christmas is a day-long extravaganza kicking off the holiday season with fun, festivities, fireworks and more in Historic Rockport. Among the featured events are an illuminated night parade, children’s programs, tour of historic homes, vintage fashion show, decorating contests, pet costume contest, arts and crafts festival, food and entertainment, and, of course, a visit with “Tropical Santa”. Topping off the annual event will be a spectacular, fireworks display accompanied by the sounds of “Cast in Bronze.”

Tropical Christmas requires precise planning, implementation and lots of volunteers. That’s why the Parks Department is putting out a call to interested residents for positions ranging from manning a booth to judging an event to wrapping gifts for winners of the children’s contests to coordinating entries. Most of the time would be spent on the day of the event – Saturday, December 2, but there are some advance volunteer opportunities available.

For additional information on the event, including entry forms for the parade or other events, call the City of Rockport’s Park and Leisure Services Department at (361) 727-2158, go to www.cityofrockport.com, or email parks3@cityofrockport.com.