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Candy Train & Christmas Tree Lighting

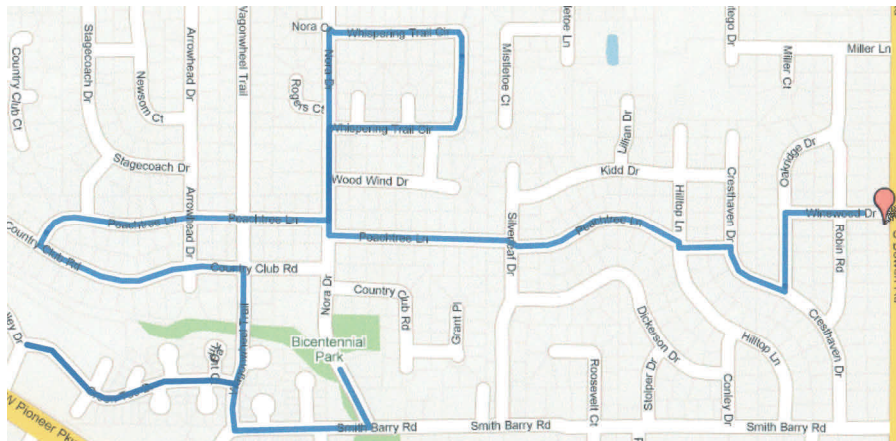
It's time once again to usher in the holiday season and welcome Santa Claus to Town! Santa will be riding the fire truck through the streets of Pantego handing out candy-filled stocking along the route below. Join the fun as the Candy Train begins at Town Hall and makes its way to Bicentennial Park for the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting!

Saturday, November 24, 2012

Candy Train

4:00—6:00 p.m.

**Toy drop off along
the Candy Train
route and at
Bicentennial Park**



Tree Lighting at Bicentennial Park

6:30 p.m.

Christmas in the Park

6:00—8:00 p.m.

Train rides through the park, refreshments and music will be provided and don't forget to bring a camera! Santa will be available for pictures!

The Town of Pantego is proud to sponsor two wonderful charities this holiday season.

The **Pantego Police & Fire Departments** and **Community Relations Board** will be collecting toys and other gift items for both the **Safe Havens of Kornerstone foster children** and **Cook Children's Medical Center**.

People can make their donations along the route during the Candy Train or at the donation boxes located in Bicentennial Park during the tree lighting and Christmas in the Park celebration.

Santa works to help children in need of toys and clothes at Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth. All visitors are invited to donate new, unwrapped toys and clothing items that will be collected for Cook Children's Medical Center. Toys that work best are small items that children can use indoors. Card games, board games, coloring books, markers and colors, Hot-Wheels type cars, action figures for guys, Barbie doll type dolls for girls, crib toys for infants, small plastic animals and dinosaurs, and blocks for toddlers are all good choices. Children's T-Shirts, gym shorts, sleep pants, underwear, and pajamas are good choices.

Holiday Decorating Contest

The Town of Pantego invites all residents and business owners to get into the spirit of the holiday season by holding a Holiday Decoration Contest!

The theme of this year's contest will be:

"I'll be Home for Christmas....Pantego Salutes the Men and Women of the Armed Forces."

The Community Relations Board is hosting the contest for residents and judging will take place on December 18 and 19, 2012 with 1st, 2nd, 3rd prizes and honorable mentions.

Make sure your house is festive and bright!

The Pantego Economic Development Corporation is hosting the contest for businesses with judging set to take place on Saturday, December 15, 2012. PEDC is proud to announce the following categories and prizes for businesses:

\$1000 Best Shopping Center

\$500 Best Traditional

\$500 Best Theme

Park Master Plan

The Town of Pantego Bicentennial Park has been a focal point of the town and a hot spot for events ranging from birthday parties and weddings to all sorts of holiday events. The Bicentennial Park was said to be "Built in the spirit of freedom by the local citizens", and has undergone many changes over the years. Over the years, it became evident that the park never really had a true park master plan to guide its development.

A park master plan is created as a blueprint to help organize and guide the development and proposed uses of a park facility. Upon the selection of the landscape architect, a survey was issued for residents to voice the desires and concerns for future park development. The process has led many to examine aspects of future development that had not been considered in previous years. The Park Master Plan has undergone several changes to consider the wants and desires of the citizens and to help address the concerns and issues with maintaining the park as identified by town staff.

Council is encouraging citizen feedback on the proposed Park Master Plan and will hold a Special Meeting to allow citizens to voice their opinion on the plan.

Wednesday, December 5, 2012

Council Chambers

6:30 p.m.

