



## **West Blocton Coke Ovens Park Tinsel Trail 2017**

Dear Friend:

Can you believe that the Christmas season is almost here? At West Blocton Coke Ovens Park, we are already at work making the Coke Ovens festive for the Tinsel Trail! Join us for our third year of decorating trees at the Coke Ovens Park.

West Blocton Coke Ovens Park Tinsel Trail will be a display of live Christmas trees sponsored and decorated by businesses, organizations, groups and individuals. This event is popular within our local community, and we hope that visitors from surrounding communities will take part in the trail. Your spruce can reflect your business or group and be as unique and creative as you choose! Each tree will have a sign listing the sponsor and decorator and will be on display from November 19<sup>th</sup> until December 27<sup>th</sup>. For \$150 you can sponsor a spruce ranging from 7-8 feet tall or for \$250, you can sponsor an anchor tree ranging from 10-12 feet tall. Hundreds of families have enjoyed this wonderful display which you have helped create, and we anticipate the same this year!

West Blocton Coke Ovens Park is an organization dedicated to improving and preserving the Coke Ovens Park and its history for families and visitors to enjoy. Originally opened in 1996, the West Blocton Coke Ovens Park is situated among the ruins of 467 ovens that were originally constructed in 1887. Today the park features walking trails, picnic tables, a boardwalk and plenty of plants, trees and flowers. Proceeds from the West Blocton Coke Ovens Park Tinsel Trail will be used to support the park and its endeavors. All tree sponsorships are 100% tax deductible.

Please consider sponsoring a tree for your company, school, or non-profit organization and help make West Blocton Coke Ovens Park Tinsel Trail 2017 shine! This is a great way to advertise your business or organization while supporting the park and spreading Christmas cheer through the community. Enclosed are sponsorship forms for your review. We appreciate you joining our team to create the event of the season that the entire community will enjoy. We look forward to seeing you on the Trail!

Sincerely,

Myrtle Jones, Coke Ovens Committee

Kristy Allen, Tinsel Trail Committee

Want to sponsor a spruce but don't have the time to decorate?  
You can choose to donate your tree to a worthy school or nonprofit organization!

**SPONSOR INFORMATION**  
Due by Thursday, October 26, 2017

**Please check the following:**

**\$150 Spruce (7-8ft) \_\_\_\_\_ \$250 Anchor Tree (10-12ft) \_\_\_\_\_**

Contact Name & Address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*If you are donating your tree to someone else to decorate, please provide name of organization or individual to be listed as decorator:

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check one of the following:**

**I will be decorating my own tree \_\_\_\_\_**

**I will not be decorating my own tree but I have someone to decorate for me \_\_\_\_\_**

**I need assistance in getting someone to decorate my tree \_\_\_\_\_**

**Signage**

OUR SIGN SHOULD READ: This is the exact wording that will appear on your spruces sign.

Sponsored and Decorated by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

OR

Sponsored By: \_\_\_\_\_

Decorated By: \_\_\_\_\_

**(Lights used on trees must be LED only)**

## Decoration Dates

**Please select a decoration and clean up date**

**Our tree will be decorated on the following date:**

\_\_\_\_ Thursday, November 16 / 10:00-5:00 P.M.

\_\_\_\_ Friday, November 17/ 10:00-5:00 P.M.

\_\_\_\_ Saturday, November 18 / 10:00-5:00 P.M.

**Our tree will be cleaned up on the following date:**

\_\_\_\_ Thursday, December 28 / 10:00-5:00P.M.

\_\_\_\_ Friday, December 29 / 10:00-5:00P.M.

\_\_\_\_ Saturday, December 30 / 10:00-5:00P.M.

**If you do not want to take down your tree, West Blocton Coke Ovens Park will take it down for \$50. Reserve your take down by November 18, 2017.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I added the \$50 to take down my tree!

**Register: (Choose one)**

\*Online at <http://www.CokeOvensPark.com/TinselTrail>

\*Complete this form and drop off at Town Hall

\*Or mail to

City of West Blocton

PO Box 187

West Blocton, AL 35184

\*Or call 205-616-2598 to have your form and fee picked up.

**All Sponsorship forms and fees are due no later than Thursday, October 26th.**

Checks should be made payable to West Blocton Coke Ovens Park.

Follow us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/cokeovenspark](http://www.facebook.com/cokeovenspark).



Tress will be available to the public for viewing starting on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Trees can be viewed during regular park hours from 7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. daily and at night every Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday until December 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-9:00p.m.

We plan to invite churches, youth groups, and other organizations to participate in Christmas caroling and live nativity scenes each weekend during the Coke Ovens Park Tinsel Trail event.

## Winners will be awarded at the Cahaba Lily Center after the West Blocton Christmas Parade

**Award Categories:** Talk of the Trail, Tiger Pride, Choctaw Pride, Coke Ovens Park Award, Snowflake Award & Community Favorite

# Guidelines

*for decorating your tree*

How it works

### What we do

- West Blocton Coke Ovens Park will provide each sponsor/decorator with one live Christmas tree, signage listing the sponsor/decorator, and electricity.
- Standard trees measure between 7-8 feet in height. Anchor trees measure 10-12 feet in height. Because we offer live spruces, we cannot guarantee the width or shape of every tree.
- Security will be provided
- **When you arrive to decorate your tree, please check in with a West Blocton Coke Ovens Representative (at the picnic tables).** At check-in your **lights and extension cord must be approved.** You will receive your sponsorship sign and then will be able to select your tree.

### The rules

- Ladders will not be provided
- Decorations should NOT be edible, such as candy canes, popcorn and birdseed. They attract wildlife and compromise the safety of the environment.
- It can get windy on the trail! Please secure all decorations to your tree using pipe cleaners, small zip ties, or other string/ties. Ornament hooks can be used if the ends are secure.
- Please no offensive or inappropriate décor. We reserve the right to remove them.
- Please use **LED lights only.** We reserve the right to remove any lights that are not LED. We recommend using **4-5 strings of LED outdoor lights per tree.**
- Please provide one **15-foot outdoor-rated** extension cord, labeled with the name of your business.

Still have questions? Contact Kristy Allen at 205-616-2598.  
We will answer within 48 hours.

