Scarecrows In the Square

The Homer City Community Garden is excited to announce that this year, 2024, will be the second *Scarecrows in the Square*. This unique celebration serves as an opportunity to have fun, enhance the beauty of our town, and provide the community with a chance to explore local businesses and organizations.

You are invited to advertise using signs of any kind. However, they must be securely fastened to your scarecrow or a nearby landmark. Please also secure all parts of your scarecrow. You can use your scarecrow to promote your business or communicate **a positive message** to the community.

Businesses:

All businesses that are interested are welcome to participate. There is NO charge for displaying a scarecrow, and participants are permitted to exhibit their business name on the scarecrow to promote their company.

Non-Business Participants:

1. NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS 2. INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES

Any organization, individual, or family that is interested is encouraged to participate. There is NO charge for participation in this category. Names of organizations, individuals, or families can be displayed on the Scarecrow.

Registration for your scarecrow is due by September 13th.

There are three categories available: spooky, funny, and best town spirit. Participation is free, and a prize will be awarded for each first-place category. When registering, kindly provide your name, organization or business, as well as the category you will be selecting to decorate your scarecrow.

To register, please contact [Marissa at MRFronina12@gmail.com]

Please deliver your scarecrow to the garden on September 15th, between 12-1 pm. Please clearly label the organization you are representing so we may properly Title it in the competition. We will handle the hanging for you. If you want it in a specific location, include that information during registration. If your business is in town, you may also choose to hang it in front of your business either independently or with our assistance.

Community members will have the opportunity to vote on their favorite Scarecrows in each category, with one winner selected from each. Winners will be presented with a trophy and a basket filled with exciting items. **Voting starts on September 15th and winners will be announced on October 12th at the Fall Festival.** Announcements will also be made on all our social media platforms.

Categories include:

- Spooky/Scariest
- Comical
- Best Town Spirit

Businesses interested in registering as voting sites for the Scarecrow Competition can do so by contacting Marissa through email at MRFronina12@gmail.com. Please register to receive a ballot box by September 15th. There is NO charge for businesses to serve as voting sites. Ballot boxes and ballots will be provided by HCCG, and an additional ballot box will be available at the garden.

Voting will also take place via Facebook, so be sure to share and ask friends and family to Like the photo we post of your Scarecrow.

Any questions can be directed to MRFronina12@gmail.com, our email

(homercitygarden.com), our Facebook messenger, or by texting 724-599-9520