



IEOA Truck Light Parade Warm-up and 1st Annual Victoria Figgy Pudding Carolling Competition

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VICTORIA, BC – On Saturday, Spirit Square will come alive with holiday cheer at the *IEOA Truck Light Parade Warm-up* and the *1st Annual Victoria Figgy Pudding Carolling Competition*.

The media and the public are invited to drop by Spirit Square before the truck parade to enjoy carollers, magic by Paul Kilshaw and an ice carving demonstration by local artist Harold Sawatzky. Children can participate in a variety of activities including Christmas crafts, face-painting, inflatables, a hockey shoot-out, and interactive *Wii* games. Complimentary hot chocolate and treats will be provided, and Santa and his elves will make a special visit.

What: IEOA Truck Light Parade Warm-up / 1st Annual Victoria Figgy Pudding Carolling Competition
When: Saturday, December 4, 2010, from 4 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Where: Spirit Square (in Centennial Square) and downtown carolling locations

Victoria's inaugural carolling competition is a fun and heart warming event for the community to enjoy. From 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., 12 carolling groups will compete for cash prizes for best singing and costumes at designated downtown street corners. Carollers will be judged by a roaming panel of "celebrity" judges. At 6:15 p.m., carollers will convene at Spirit Square for awards and a group sing-along. Song sheets will be provided. The community is invited to come out and cheer on carollers and join in on the fun.

Admission is free and the event will happen rain or shine. Please help support your community and bring a non-perishable food item or cash donation for the Mustard Seed Food Bank. (The IEOA Truck Light Parade leaves Ogden Point at 5:45 p.m. and arrives at Yates and Douglas Streets at approximately 7 p.m., before continuing on to Western Speedway.)

The warm-up and carolling competition are part of *Spirit of the Season in the Square*, an annual series of festive events in Spirit Square, across from Victoria City Hall. *Spirit of the Season in the Square* is sponsored by the City of Victoria in partnership with A-News, CFAX 1070 and 107.3 KOOL FM. For more information and a downtown carolling map, visit: www.victoria.ca/figgypudding

ATTACHMENT: Map of downtown carolling locations.

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