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Moraga's Holiday Tree Lighting event draws hundreds to Commons Park

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Moraga's holiday tree lights up Commons Park.
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There was a ton of holiday cheer in evidence Nov. 30 during the town of Moraga's annual Holiday Tree Lighting. If tickets were sold, this could have been considered a sellout with folks of all ages bundled up and ready for the countdown that would turn the massive tree in Commons Park into Moraga's holiday tradition, thanks to the folks in the Parks and Recreation Department.

Crowds started showing up at 6:30 p.m. to partake of hot cocoa and cookies served by elves from the Moraga Youth Involvement Committee, and holiday music was provided by Campolindo Music for the Soul. The man of the hour, Santa Claus, arrived just in time to see the all-white lights glowing in the night at the stroke of 7. Apparently, no one was naughty this year, because the line to see him was extraordinarily lengthy.

Also of note, the North Pole Mailbox, located near the Holiday Tree, will be accepting letters to Santa until Dec. 15. Your child will receive a reply from Santa, if you remember to include a name and return address on the envelope.

Don't be a Scrooge! Participate in the Buy-a-Bulb Fundraiser, and help light the Holiday Tree by donating online at: moragarec.com or send a check to: Town of Moraga, Attn: Buy-a-Bulb, 2100 Donald Drive, Moraga,

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