

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Senator Golden to Host Christmas Tree Lightings

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Brooklyn- State Senator Marty Golden, in partnership with the South West Brooklyn Parks Task Force, is announcing that he will host neighborhood Christmas Tree lightings in preparation for the upcoming Christmas season and to bring out the holiday spirit in all as we celebrate this magical time of year.

Senator Golden stated, "Christmas tree lightings are a symbol of the Christmas season, a special time of the year, when family and friends are reminded how important they are to each other. During the Christmas season, and throughout the entire year, all members of the community should join together in the Christmas spirit and exhibit good will to serve the most needy. These Christmas tree lightings will serve as occasions where all can come to embrace those values together and enjoy the warmth that this holiday brings as winter comes upon us."

The Christmas Tree lightings, which will feature Christmas caroling, hot chocolate and a special visit from Santa Claus, will take place on *Monday, December 14, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.* at McKinley Park (Fort Hamilton Parkway and Bay Ridge Parkway) and on *Tuesday, December 15, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.* at Lady Moody Square (Van Sicklen and Avenue U).

Donations for Senator Golden's support of the annual Toys for Tots drive will be collected at the events. The Toys for Tots Foundation provides United States Marines the opportunity to bring the joy of Christmas to needy children and accomplish passive mentioning by serving as positive role models.