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## Moraga's Holiday Home Decorating Contest Winner

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The Ginley Family holiday decorations on Hetfield Place in Moraga Photo Rick Ginley

On the night of December 17th, four members of the Moraga Women's Society set out to judge the homes that participated in the first Moraga Holiday Home Decorating Contest. "We had such a great time seeing so many beautiful homes driving around Moraga," said Judge Nancy Comprelli, "but the one at 10 Hetfield Place was magical and won first place."

The judges thought that this particular set of decorations had a theme that appealed to all ages; it also had music and included a nativity scene, reminding visitors of the original meaning of Christmas. Second place went to the house at 83 Lynnwood Place, which featured a magnificently decorated tree. The third place went to 1320 Larch Ave. for the elegance and simplicity of its decoration. An honorable mention was given to the residents at 54 Merrill Circle North for their unique inside decoration.

"We hope that more homes will enter the contest next year," said Comprelli, "and maybe we could add a neighborhood or street category."

"I want to say thank you to all the Moraga homes that participated in our first Holiday Home Decorating Contest, sponsored by Moraga Parks and Recreation and Moraga Hardware and Lumber," said Parks and Recreation Director Jay Ingram. The Director, who organized this first contest to encourage the Holiday spirit, promises

to make the contest an annual tradition. The winners will be recognized at the Town Council meeting on January 13th. The first, second and third place homeowners won gift certificates to Moraga Hardware and Lumber.

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