

NORWALK PARKING AUTHORITY

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NORWALK PARKING AUTHORITY SPONSORS XMAS LIGHT INSTALLATION

Xmas lights installed on street light poles around the Maritime Garage and the N. Water Street Lot

NORWALK, CT. Every November John Deorio, owner of Sassafras, gets ready to perform an annual holiday rights of passage, installing Xmas lights around the street Light poles along Washington Street in the SoNo Area. Funds for this annual event are sponsored by area businesses.

Last year, Mr. Deorio wanted to expand the beautiful lighting display to the street lights around the N. Water Street Parking Lot and the Maritime Garage and engaged the Parking Authority to sponsor the 15 additional Xmas light installations around the parking facilities. The Parking Authority has again agreed to sponsor the lights this Xmas season.

According to Kathryn Hebert, Administrative Services Manager for the City of Norwalk, "when John approached me last year I asked the Parking Authority to sponsor the Xmas lights around the parking facilities. The Parking Authority not only parks cars but is an active 'member' of a growing community I am a firm believer that we are all part of the bigger picture to make our community a great place to live and work and so, we have to work together to make this happen. Xmas lights, caroling in the streets and perhaps some snow will add to the holiday spirit and put everyone in the mood to participate in the festivities."

Mayor Richard Moccia stated, "John Deorio does a fabulous job on his own time to make SoNo beautiful. I am thrilled that our Parking Authority stepped up to the plate to expand this already wonderful light display. I hope others will continue to sponsor this and other upcoming events as well."