



This Holiday Season Give a Gift that Gives Back!

Lollipops & Candy Canes

A School District 69 Backpack Program ~ All They Want For Christmas Fundraiser

Due to the current pandemic, it is not possible to hold the annual fundraising dance for the All They Want for Christmas Fundraiser, a very worthwhile community project. Instead, **Robert Held**, acclaimed and internationally collected glass artist, has been commissioned to create a limited edition, original, blown-glass holiday ornaments (lollipops) and candy canes. These beautiful ornaments will become a treasured family heirloom or the perfect gift to give, and

all proceeds will go to the District 69 Backpack Program.

The program has helped numerous families in the Oceanside area every year since 1997. The *All They Want For Christmas* campaign provides each family with a Christmas Hamper containing enough food for the two weeks of the winter break holiday, a turkey, a gift for every child in the family (chosen from their own personal wish list), and a cozy new sweatshirt. Five hundred children benefit greatly every year, thanks to community members' and organizations' generosity.

Glass-Blown Ball Ornaments are \$38 each & **Glass-Blown Candy Canes** are \$18 each and can be purchased at the following locations: Robert Held Art Glass Studio, Borealis Hair Bar, Living Faire, The Old School House Arts Centre (TOSH) and on the District 69 Backpack Program website. Each comes packed in a Christmas-cute, take-out container.

And, there's more! ...





DRIVE-THROUGH FAMILY-FRIENDLY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION BY DONATION!

Mark **December 5th, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm** on your holiday calendar folks! The Parksville Community & Conference Centre invites your family to the first ever *Drive Through Family Friendly Christmas Celebration* in support of the School District 69 Backpack Program!



Trees will be decorated and lit, Santa will be Ho! Ho! Ho!-ing, music will fill the air, and the first 150 children will receive a FREE sweet-treat package and all children will enjoy FREE hot chocolate and cookies.

Children can drop off *Letters to Santa* and enter the *Colouring Contest* (winner receives a \$50 Gift Card).



Parents - bring your cameras/phones to take a *Christmas Photo* of your little ones in front of the Festive Holiday Backdrop.

Suggested entry donation per family is \$20 cash or a \$20 Gift Card.

All proceeds will go to the "All They Want For Christmas" campaign 2020. The Robert Held glass-blown *Lollipops and Candy Canes* will also be for sale.

HO! HO! HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



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