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**Belleview's 2024 Trunk or Treat at Lake Lillian Draws Over 10,000 for a Record-Breaking Night of Family Fun**

The City of Belleview is thrilled to announce that this year's Trunk or Treat event, held at Lake Lillian on October 26, was an unprecedented success, drawing in over 10,000 attendees from Belleview and surrounding communities. With more than 6,000 children attending, the event offered a safe, family-centered space filled with Halloween excitement, providing memories that are sure to last for years to come.

This year's Trunk or Treat was powered by Gary Yeomans Ford Villages as the title sponsor, along with a remarkable lineup of community partners, local businesses, and nonprofit organizations that came together to make the evening extraordinary.

Reflecting on the success of the event, Robert Vass, events and promotions manager for the City of Belleview said, "It was amazing to see so many families come together at Lake Lillian for this year's Trunk or Treat. Events like these are vital for creating a strong sense of community here in Belleview. Our goal is always to provide fun, safe, and engaging activities for children and families, and seeing thousands of kids enjoy these activities, from the hayrides and pumpkin decorating to the haunted maze, was truly heartwarming. We are grateful for the support of Gary Yeomans Ford Villages, our staff, and all our sponsors for helping bring this wonderful event to life. Belleview is a city that values family, friendship, and community, and Trunk or Treat is a perfect reflection of that spirit."

Highlights of the event included over 50 decorated trunks handing out candy to trick-or-treaters, hayrides provided by the Public Works Department and sponsored by Seminole Stores, inflatable games, music, and activities for children, and a foam pumpkin decorating station sponsored by the Orange Blossom Gardens Lions Club of Lady Lake and the Ocala Fort King Lions Club. Guests also enjoyed a spooky haunted maze hosted by the Arts District to support their dance team.

The evening's delicious food lineup was provided by local food vendors including Poppin and Shakin, Fat Tiki, Fatboyz Donutz, Backstage Grille, Kona Ice, and Papa John's, creating a tasty addition to the evening's festivities.

"We are beyond grateful for the many partnerships that make this event possible," Vass said. "Gary Yeomans Ford Villages, as our title sponsor, truly helped us take Trunk or Treat to a new level. Their dedication to our community set the stage for a successful event. But it wasn't just one organization—local businesses, clubs, and nonprofit organizations like the Lions Clubs, the Arts District, and many more all came together, showing the power of community spirit and collaboration. Thank you to each and every sponsor, partner, and volunteer who gave their time and resources to bring this beloved Halloween tradition to life for our families."

In addition to Gary Yeomans Ford Villages as the main sponsor, Belleview would like to extend its deepest thanks to all the sponsors whose generosity made Trunk or Treat possible:

- Terry Harris Insurance
- Fix-It Tek
- Peek's Printing and Design
- Rent-A-Center
- Bradley Blessing State Farm Insurance
- Mi Pueblo Flea Market
- Steve's Ice Cream
- Mid-Florida Credit Union
- Graphicten

This annual event continues to grow, demonstrating the community's dedication to creating family-friendly experiences for all ages. Be sure to save the date for next year's Trunk or Treat on October 25, 2025, when Belleview promises an even more exciting and festive celebration. And be sure to join us for Light Up Lake Lillian on Saturday, December 7, 2024.

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