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The City of Belleview invites the community to join together at Light Up Lake Lillian: December 7

Belleview, FL – The City of Belleview invites the local community to join together for **Light Up Lake Lillian**, the City's signature holiday event, on **Saturday, December 7, 2024, from 2 PM to 7 PM**. It is a day filled with festive activities, live entertainment, delicious food, holiday cheer and ends with the **Lighting Ceremony** at **6 PM**, transforming the park into a colorful winter wonderland.

A Day of Holiday Fun and Festivities

This year's event offers something for everyone, making it the perfect way to kick off the holiday season. Activities include:

- **Candy Cane Crawl:** Pick up your entry form at the City of Belleview tent, visit vendor booths to collect stamps, and turn in your completed form for a chance to win one of three **Family Fun Night Baskets**. Each stamp earns an entry into the raffle, and collecting all stamps provides 10 bonus entries. Winners will be announced on Sunday, December 8, and notified via email on Monday, December 9.
- **Ornament Making:** Hosted by the Orange Blossom Gardens Lions Club, participants can create personalized holiday keepsakes to take home.
- **Cookie Decorating:** Courtesy of Church on the Hill, guests can decorate delicious cookies to enjoy.
- **Live Performances:** A full lineup of local talent will fill the air with music and cheer:
 - 2:20 PM – 2:50 PM: The Arts District Dance Performance
 - 3:00 PM – 3:45 PM: Breadbreakers Inc. presents holiday carols
 - 4:00 PM – 4:30 PM: Souls Harbor Church Choir
 - 4:45 PM – 5:45 PM: Belleview Middle School Panther Choir, Belleview High School Chamber Singers, and Concert Choir
- **Santa Meet & Greet:** Guests can visit Santa for photos and holiday wishes.
- **Family Activities:** Inflatable games, face painting, and other family-friendly attractions will be available throughout the day.
- **Vendor Marketplace:** Featuring over 65 artisans, local businesses, and organizations, the marketplace is the perfect place to find unique holiday gifts.
- **Food Trucks:** Enjoy a variety of delicious options and desserts from local vendors including Backstage Grill, Papa Johns, Billy's Cheesesteaks, Poppin N Shakin, Chococups, Kona Ice and Weirsdale Weinery.

The highlight of the evening will be the Lighting Ceremony, where Lake Lillian will shine with holiday lights.

"Light Up Lake Lillian is an incredible event, and it's a privilege to see our community come together to celebrate the magic of the holidays," said Robert Vass, Events and Promotions Manager for the City of Belleview. "Whether you're exploring the vendor marketplace, enjoying a live performance, or participating in the Candy Cane Crawl, there's something for everyone. We're proud of the creativity and community spirit that make this event so special and invite everyone to join us for an unforgettable day."

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