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There's a whole lot of Christmas packed into Saturday, Dec. 3, in Burleson!

Santa and his elves will host the 12th annual Breakfast with Santa, 7 a.m.-11 a.m. at the Senior Activity Center, 216 S.W. Johnson Ave. Saint Nick's elves will be up early on Dec. 3, flipping pancakes, cooking sausage and making the orange juice and coffee. Santa will be in the center's Winter Wonderland until 11 a.m. to hear Christmas wishes. Bring your camera to take those memory making pictures with Santa.

Children can also visit Santa's workshop to make their own holiday crafts. Tickets are \$3 for children/\$4 for adults in advance (tickets are available starting Nov. 1, at the BRiCk, 550 N.W. Summercrest Blvd.) or \$5 for children/\$7 for adults at the door (Senior Activity Center). For more, call the BRiCk at 817-426-9104 or 426-9106 or 817-295-8168.

The Burleson Rotary Club's annual Christmas parade will step off from Kerr Middle School at an earlier time, 4:30 p.m., this year. The theme is "Old Fashioned Family Christmas." The route starts at Irene Street, to Gregory, Johnson, Ellison, Warren, back to Gregory, and back to Irene Street. The parade is open to floats, cars, horses, fire trucks, and more! The parade lineup starts at 2:30 p.m. Rotary Club Christmas parade applications are available at the Burleson Area Chamber of Commerce, Service First Mortgage and Burleson City Hall and also on the Rotary Club website, www.burlesonrotary.org.

The City's Christmas tree at the corner of Johnson Avenue and Ellison Street will be outfitted with more than 10,000 lights. Watch at 6 p.m. as some talented artists (winners of a coloring contest) and Santa flip the switch on the tree's lights. A fireworks extravaganza show will light the skies immediately after the tree lighting, and then Santa will head to his sleigh to take more Christmas wishes.

For information about the breakfast, coloring contest and tree lighting, call the BRiCk at 817-426-9104 and ask for Charlene. For information about the Christmas parade, call Lisa Keese at 817-447-7300.