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## **CITYWIDE HOLIDAY EVENTS PLANNED**

SUFFOLK, VA (October 27, 2009) Whether your favorite part of the holidays is looking at holiday lights, waiting for Santa to arrive in the annual holiday parade or taking in a Christmas movie with your family while sipping cider, the City of Suffolk has something for you. The Suffolk Department of Parks and Recreation announces citywide events for the 2009 holiday season.



**Illumination:** On November 20, 2009 at 6:00 p.m., the City of Suffolk will kick-off the holiday season with our annual tree lighting celebration at Market Park adjacent to the Seaboard Station Railroad Museum on North Main Street.

**Breakfast with Santa:** On Saturday, November 21, 2009, the East Suffolk Recreation Center will host a Breakfast with Santa for children ages 10 and under. For a nominal fee of \$3 children can enjoy breakfast, a craft, and storytelling with Santa.

**Holiday Parade:** On Saturday, December 5, 2009, the holiday parade will begin at 10:00 a.m. The route will begin at the corner of Washington and Main Street ending at the West Finney Avenue. The theme for this year's parade is "Sounds of the Holidays".

Suffolk Center for the Cultural Arts will also host an additional activity during the afternoon.

**Lunch with Santa:** On Saturday, December 12, 2009, beginning at 12 noon, Northern Shores Recreation Center will sponsor the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Lunch with Santa. Children 10 and under can enjoy food, fun, games and a visit from Santa. A donation of a new unwrapped toy is the admission to this family oriented event.

**Holidays in the Park:** On December 12, 2009, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., join us at Bennett's Creek Park for an old fashion holiday movie with vendors and holiday crafts. This event is free and open to the public.

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