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CHRISTMAS VILLAGE AND CHRISTMAS IN RIVERTOWN KICK OFF THIS WEEKEND IN KENNER

Kenner, LA. – Along with Kenner Police Chief Michael Glaser and the City Council, Kenner Mayor Ben Zahn invites everyone to attend two very special Christmas events in Kenner this weekend. Admission to both is free.

The lights to Kenner's Christmas Tree will be turned on at 7 p.m. Friday as part of opening night festivities for Christmas Village. The event, which includes music, vendors, school bands, choirs and other local performers, is at City Park, 3800 Loyola Drive.

After the tree lighting Friday night for Christmas Village, popular New Orleans country music band 90 Degrees West will perform from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Opening Day for Christmas in Rivertown is Saturday, Dec. 1 and includes a craft fair, school, church and dance groups, photos with Santa, a free concert and a free movie. The event is from noon to 8 p.m., and the Christmas tree lighting will be held at 6 p.m., followed by a free showing of the movie "The Star" on a 25-foot outdoor screen in Heritage Park, 2015 Fourth St.

Christmas Village is open Fridays through Sundays from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. and includes an 1,800-square – foot-synthetic skating rink, a Bavarian Biergarten area with food and drinks and Santa's Workshop, where Santa will be available for pictures.

There will be special events throughout December, including Snowy Night on Dec. 16, which features real snow and a free performance from the Top Cats from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Kids get two chances for Breakfast with Santa – one on Dec. 1 and a second on Dec. 15 – both from 9 a.m. to noon. Both of those events are sold out. On Friday, Dec. 21, there will be a Grinch Party from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. that includes pizza, games, arts and crafts and pictures with Mr. Grinch.

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Registration is required for the Grinch Party and is available online at kenner.recdesk.com. For more information on Christmas Village, call (504) 468-7211.

The Christmas fun in Rivertown continues – on Thursdays only from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. – until Christmas. On Dec. 6, 13 and 20, visitors are encouraged to enjoy the light display in Heritage Park as well as the entertainment from school, church and dance groups and a free movie.

There will be concessions for sale and no outside food, drink or pets are allowed. For more information, call (504) 468-7231.

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