

## Community Information & Volunteer Centre Kelowna Capital News 2011 November 18

### Stay involved over holidays

Are your thoughts turning to the upcoming holiday season? There are lots of free and low cost activities planned throughout the Central Okanagan from mid-November through to New Year's Day.

The 2011 Holiday Events Guide is now available at [www.kcr.ca](http://www.kcr.ca). Look for ways that you and your family can have fun and maybe volunteer or even donate to a cause that helps others in need.

What captures your fancy? Chauffer your grandchildren to Santa's Workshop for ornament creation and games at the Kelowna Family YMCA-YWCA. Join the Elves at Play at the H2O Centre. Skate with Santa at the Winfield Arena. Hop the Santa Bus, complete with antlers, bright red nose and dancing lights.

Christmas tree light up activities will be held in Lake Country, West Kelowna, Rutland and the Kelowna Downtown Cultural District. Sip some hot chocolate and join the festivities.

Enjoy the Tiny Tim Charity Toy Breakfast or the Scrooge Christmas Breakfast. Dress up for the Ladies Christmas Tea. Participate in the Santa Shuffle five km fun run or the one km elf walk at the Mission Creek Greenway.

Take in the Living Nativity or the International Nativity Exhibit. Attend The Best Christmas Pageant Ever.

Music is in the air! Christmas recitals are being organized by Kelowna Community Music School. Okanagan Festival Singers perform at First Lutheran Church. The Celebration Choir will brighten your shopping experience at Mission Park Mall.

A portion of your gift buying dollars spent on specific days at Ten Thousand Villages will be donated to local community organizations. Christmas gifts purchased from Downtown Kelowna business can be wrapped for free at the Towne Centre Mall.

You can sponsor a family, help serve at the New Year's Day dinner, or organize hampers. Donations of grocery gift cards, socks, personal hygiene products or cash are welcomed at many nonprofit organizations.

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