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**OAKLAND PARK PRESENTS AN EVENING WITH SANTA  
Include Holiday Tree Lighting and Lots of Snow to Play In**

**OAKLAND PARK, Fla....(November 21, 2011)** – Oakland Park will transform South Florida into the North Pole with its free “**An Evening with Santa**” event on Friday, **December 9** at the City’s downtown Jaco Pastorius Park & Community Center, 4000 North Dixie Highway.

“We have structured our annual holiday event to appeal to all ages,” says Parks and Leisure Services Director Jenna LaFleur. “Moving the event to our downtown park will provide increased visibility, more space and easier access and parking.”

An Evening with Santa will begin at 6:15 p.m. and include the arrival of Santa Claus, an “Elves Workshop” to create holiday arts and crafts and the lighting of the City’s holiday tree by the “jolly old man” assisted by Oakland Park City Commissioners.

“We will also have fresh snow delivered for everyone to play in and an extreme snowboard challenge,” LaFleur added. “There will be plenty of holiday refreshments available from the kitchen of Mrs. Claus.”

To learn more about An Evening with Santa, please call the City’s Parks and Leisure Services Department at **954-630-4500** or log on to [www.oaklandparkfl.gov](http://www.oaklandparkfl.gov)