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## Even now, Holiday Magic weaves a spell

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It's that magical time of year when the weather turns cooler and the Junior League of Arlington announces activities surrounding its annual Holiday Magic fundraiser.

This year's event, with a theme of "A Merry Little Christmas," will begin Nov. 2 and continue through Nov. 4 at the Arlington Convention Center. Activities will include a preview party, a style show and luncheon, a family party and a marketplace where more than 100 merchants will offer a variety of items to fill those holiday stockings this year.

The fun starts with a 'Twas the Night Before Christmas preview party that will include private market shopping, a silent auction, hors d'oeuvres and music by **Brad Thompson**. Admission is \$25 per person or \$45 per couple for the party, scheduled 6:30-9:30 p.m. Nov. 2.

A fashion show and luncheon titled "Belles, Baubles & Bows" will start at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 3. Fashions will be provided by The Wardrobe, Terry Costa, John L. Ashe, N' Boutique, Ella Bella and The Shoppes at Brownstone Village.

Attendees will have an opportunity to participate in private shopping, a raffle and a silent auction beginning at 9 a.m. **Karen Borta**, news anchorwoman with KTVT/Channel 11, will serve as host. Tickets are \$90 per person for premium seating or \$60 per person for regular seating.

"The Gingerbread Man" family party is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Nov. 4 or 4 to 5:30 p.m. Nov. 4. The whole family can enjoy building a gingerbread house, get photos with Santa Claus and participate in a miniature golf contest. Tickets are \$15 and include admission to the gift market for the entire family, and families can carry their gingerbread houses home. Additional gingerbread houses may also be purchased.

The "Santa Claus is Coming to Town" gift market will be open throughout Holiday Magic. Hours are noon-6:30 p.m. Nov. 3 and 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Nov. 4. Daily admission is \$6 for adults, \$2 for senior citizens over age 65, \$2 for children 6-12 and free for children younger than 6.

Call 817-277-9481 for tickets and information, or you may order tickets online through the group's Web site at [www.jlarlington.org](http://www.jlarlington.org). Reservations are required for all special events. Parking is free.

Funds raised through Holiday Magic, which brings in more than \$100,000 annually for the organization, are returned to the community through projects and services of the Junior League.

**Fish fry:** Don't cook dinner tonight, because the Arlington Lions Club will hold its 27th annual fish fry and silent auction from 5 to 8 p.m. at Swift Elementary School, 1101 S. Fielder Road.

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 6-12.

Proceeds help fund club projects, including a vision clinic for kids in the Arlington school district.

**Walk raises funds:** Kudos to local residents who participated in the American Heart Association's annual Tarrant County Heart Walk on Sept. 23 at Trinity Trail in Fort Worth.

Nearly 10,000 walkers raised almost \$1 million.

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