

Atchison City, college, to celebrate Christmas

(KAIR)--Atchison's Saturday celebration of Christmas will extend from the city's downtown district to the campus of Benedictine College, with Santa Claus to make stops at both locations.

That comes as the college hosts its annual Christmas Joy Toy Drive, with the donation of a new, unwrapped toy to serve as admission for today's basketball games.

According to the college, the collected toys will help those in need in Atchison through the support of the Salvation Army.

Santa Claus will be in attendance, visiting with children from 11:30 until 2:30, with cookies and hot chocolate to be served.

The new toy admission price will allow attendees to watch the Lady Ravens tip off at noon, while the men tip off at 2:00, in the Ralph Nolan Gymnasium. The teams face Culver-Stockton.

While the on-campus activities are underway, Santa will also visit Atchison's downtown, where the Spirit of Christmas will be celebrated from 11:30 to 4:30, with the heart of activities to happen in the 500 block of Commercial Street.

The downtown activities will lead up to Saturday evening's lighted, downtown Christmas Parade, which will be broadcast, and announced, on 93.7, starting at 5:30.

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