

October 16th, 2023

Dear Fellow Community Business Member—

Franklin REC is overjoyed to continue the Lighted Parade and Light Up the Night tradition at Band Shell Park located in Hampton, Iowa. We invite you to join in the fun and use your imagination to create a dazzling array of lights and sounds for your float entry. Use your artistry and creativity when decking out your display, as the floats will be voted upon by a panel of judges for Best Holiday Spirit.

The parade will be held on Saturday, November 25th, 2023 at 5:30 pm with lineup beginning at 4:30 pm. The parade route is set to start at the Hampton Aquatic Center and will travel through downtown Hampton to Band Shell Park where the floats will be on display during the Light up the Night festivities. For the safety of all parade walkers and attendees, there will be no distribution of items during the parade route. If your organization wishes to provide holiday goodies, please contact Franklin REC to discuss opportunities that are available following the parade.

There is no parade entry fee and courtesy of Franklin REC and Franklin County Tourism, power inverters are available to use upon request. The inverter allows you to convert your vehicle's power into energy for the Christmas lights on your float. Contact Franklin REC at (641) 456-2557 or visit www.franklinrec.coop. The website contains more information about the event, parade guidelines, registration, and liability forms.

The parade provides a terrific opportunity to show your holiday spirit and leadership in our community! With everyone's help, we can continue building a grand tradition for our community.

Cooperatively yours,

Franklin Rural Electric Cooperative