



Christmas on State – Parade of Lights

Saturday, December 5, 2020

Line Up: 5:20pm, Parade Starts: 5:45pm

Here are some helpful suggestions for your float and the rules for our holiday parade:

IT'S NIGHTTIME – YOU NEED LIGHTS! Lights will greatly increase the attractiveness of your float and enable everyone to see you or your business' name. If you use a lot of lights (this looks the best), you might consider the use of a small gas-powered generator. This is easy and simple to use. You can rent a small generator inexpensively at any are rental store (don't forget extra gas!)

MUSIC makes a great addition to your float, especially of the holiday variety. Since you're already using a generator, why not plug in a big speaker?

NO CANDY! For everyone's safety, candy is not to be thrown or distributed by parade entries.

USE STURDY MATERIALS. Remember there could be strong wind, rain, or snow due to the time of year – don't let your float melt away!

WHAT DO I BUILD MY FLOAT ON? This is the easist part. There are lots of choices: hay wagon, snow mobile cart, open pick-up truck, flat bed truck, etc.

MAKE YOUR NAME VISIBLE! Let everyone know who you are!

Line up at 5:20pm at Park and 2nd Street facing south. First come, first serve!

Parade begins at 5:45pm. Traffic shuts down in the area approximately 10 minutes before the parade.

Parade entry requirements: Entry must light up and have a Christmas theme.

Parade route will begin at 2nd Street and Route 52 and travel to North Street and turn right. **After the parade, please turn down a side street to let riders off. Do not stop on E. North Street or in the Time Square parking lot to allow participants to disembark. This causes the entire parade to stop during the parade. There is enough time to disembark and get back to Time Square before the tree lighting!**

There is no entry fee!

Email your application by November 27th to chamber@mahmattan-il.com and please include the following information in your email. We need to know who is participating in case we need to contact you! Please email with questions.

Name of Participant/Group: _____

Type of Entry: _____

(participants can be business, organization, families, anyone who wants to make a float)

Contact person: _____

Email address of contact person: _____

(this is how you will be notified if there is any changes or cancellations)

Cell Phone: _____ **Number of participants:** _____