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## Happy Holidays and Happy Anniversary!

The Pearl is the official traditional gift of a 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. According to Google, that is 30 years of "love, friendship and unity". I could not have said it better. Befitting the feelings of those three words is our theme for this year's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Christmas Lights Parade:

## Home for the Holidays

I have called Abilene my home all my life. To me, home is where you hang your hat and your wreath. It's a place of warmth, comfort, joy, and good tidings. Home is where your heart, family and Christmas tree are. I guess the song is true, "There's no place like home for the holidays...no matter how far away you roam." In fact, it seems almost every Christmas carol may have gotten it right! After 30 years, what better place to be than home?

For 30 years the Christmas Lights Parade, in partnership with the Abilene Downtown Association's City Sidewalks, has kicked off the holiday season for our friends and family in Abilene and the surrounding areas. We at KXVA FOX 15 are proud to bring the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Christmas Lights Parade to our community!

We look forward to seeing everyone out at the Parade this year!

Please remember to read ALL the documents, as they include new information regarding participation. All forms <u>must</u> be completed in their entirety and submitted by the **November 7<sup>th</sup> Deadline**. Rules and Regulations must be followed. Once the Parade is full, it's full, even before the deadline. I encourage everyone to get ALL their paperwork completed and sent in as soon as possible. Spots are limited, and people have been trying to get in for months now!

FOX 15 maintains the rights and decisions on inclusion and placement within the Parade.

If there are any questions, please feel free to call me! Thank you for sharing your holidays with all of us at FOX 15 Abilene. We look forward to seeing you at the parade. Don't forget the Lights!!!

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