? There are big doings afoot in Greenway Park and on the square that promise to be a memorable event for families of all ages this Christmas season. Through partnerships of the Charlestown Beautification, Re-Development Commissioner, the City and volunteers Josh Campbell and Eddie Davidson, Charlestown will be decorated like never before.

With over 50,000 computer animated lights on the square, and a 51 foot Christmas Tree in Greenway Park, Horse and Carriage rides, Santa, Frosty the Snowman, Rudolph, singing, food and many other lighted animated attractions, this Christmas will be an event that will continue what has become a family tradition.

The decorations can be seen throughout the community this year and should enhance your drive through Charlestown. “This year’s decoration are simply beautiful and I believe our community will be the talk of the region. With the partnerships ans all of the volunteers, this year has been an absolute joy to be a part of. To have an administration again that understands the value of building family events and traditions brings a revived spirit to our community,” stated Donna Coomer, Chairman of the CBC.

The Re-Development Commission has helped this year’s Light-Up in a continuing effort to package Charlestown to the Business Community. Steve Allen, member of the Re-Development Commission said, “I am proud the Commission had the opportunity to partner in promoting Charlestown in such a positive way. One of the objectives of the Commission is to promote the city in positive ways to attract businesses to come and bring good jobs with them. Business people want t o know that you take pride in your city before they want to invest their money in it. This is one more piece to help.”

At a time when extra money may be harder to come by, this can be an event that can provide an evening of entertainment for a family on tight budget. “With the economy slowing we hop this will provide our community with another event at little or no cost. This particular Light-Up will be special and I believe we will have thousands of people come to our community to see the light show on the square and walk through the park. I am proud of what tour community has done this bicentennial and Light-up help in wrapping up a historic year in a spectacular way. We hope everyone will come Friday and enjoy the start of the Christmas season with us,” commented Mayor Bob Hall.

This year’s light-up ceremony will be Friday at 6:30 p.m. in Greenway Park with the Christmas Tree. Handicap parking is available.