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Watch for dancing lights in downtown Anderson this holiday season



As you pass through downtown Anderson this holiday season, be sure to tune your radio dial to 95.1 FM and watch the lights respond to the rhythm of the music.

Along Main Street from Tribble Street to John Street, almost 100 lighted trees are part of this magical Christmas experience that started last year thanks to an effort by the City of Anderson, the Downtown Development Commission and Blue Ridge Security. The surge of development in downtown Anderson has brought charming new places where people can shop, dine, live and work. Arlene Young, Downtown Development Director, approached Jim Lovinggood, general manager of Blue

Ridge Security with the idea of the music driven illuminated trees and with much enthusiasm, Jim agreed. "Working with the city of Anderson has allowed us to broaden our horizons in technology with wireless cameras and now wireless controlled Christmas tree lights."

Marc Winton, an I.T. specialist for Blue Ridge Security, was instrumental in installing a very advanced system of panels that operates lights throughout the downtown area. "I have a passion for figuring things out. I like the puzzle...to me it's like artwork. I look into the breaker box and figure out how all the pieces work together to serve the function." Winton adds, "I took the imagination of Downtown Development and made it a reality." Walt Klimek assisted Marc in programming the light shows and Jamie Yates, Woody Trivett and Brent Ellis were also instrumental in seeing this project to completion.

The city of Anderson will hold its Christmas Tree Lighting on the lawn of the courthouse on Friday, November 30 at 6 p.m. Following the lighting the downtown light extravaganza will begin and will run through the holiday season each night beginning at 6:30 p.m. The show includes an assortment of fun Christmas selections including Techno Jingle Bells, favorites from Trans-Siberian Orchestra, and of course, The Chipmunk Song (Christmas Don't Be Late). Try to take an evening to ride through with your family and enjoy this beautiful tribute to the season.

Marc Winton programs the lights and music in downtown Anderson to create a festive Christmas event.



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“My wife saw an advertisement in our newspaper’s bi-weekly “Town” magazine just as I was about to contract with another company for a generator. The Blue Ridge Security salesman came when he said he would, did an expeditious though thorough site survey, and provided an estimate within a few days. I also had another “well-known company” whose salesman showed up and provided an estimate on-the-spot -- for \$3700 more!

In comparing offers from different companies that could do the work, Blue Ridge stood out because of their close association with the electric utility of the same name, the fact that they have crews that do only generator installation, their policy to install to code and be inspected, and their investment in having factory-trained installers and service technicians. They were not the lowest bid received, but they clearly offered the most value for the money.

The Blue Ridge crews showed up on time, did their work efficiently, and were thoroughly professional, courteous, and respectful of both the worksite and our neighbors; parking off the street and doing their work quietly. They left the site cleaner and more orderly than they found it.

It was clear in talking with the installation crew that they had done this many times before. The factory-trained installer was a fount of knowledge about the system, how it works, and what to expect during operation. While I view this installation as an insurance policy against the power ever going out again, I’m pretty sure that it will be needed during our winter ice storms and frequent summer thunderstorms. I am confident that we made the right choice in selecting Blue Ridge.”

—Jim Sturges, Greer, SC



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