

2010 Telfair County Lighted Christmas Parade

Sponsored by the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce Friday, December 3, 2010; 6:00 PM

Theme: "Candy Lane on Main"
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The 2010 Telfair County Christmas Parade (Parade) will begin in Helena at the intersection of Eighth Avenue (U.S. Highway 233/341) and Forsyth Street. The Parade Route will follow Eighth Street through Helena and Oak Street through McRae to Piggly Wiggly, where the Parade shall disband. When working with floats, please dispose of material properly to prevent litter at the build site. All floats shall be constructed in a manner to prevent the falling of debris and other material from the float while it is in motion.

- 1. Units may begin lining up at 4:00 PM in their designated spaces along the following streets in the City of Helena on the day of the Parade: Seventh Avenue, Sixth Avenue, Fifth Avenue and Forsyth Street. Signs will be posted designating the position of each entry. Parade Officials will be on-hand during line-up activities to assist and ensure that each entry is in the correct location.
- 2. To maintain the overall effect of a nighttime parade, ALL entries are encouraged to follow the theme "Candy Lane on Main". Equestrians, clowns, bands, dignitaries, pageant winners, marching units, drill-teams, and colorful performing groups are excluded from this rule. Portable generators used in conjunction with entry lighting must be securely mounted on a vehicle or other substantial base. A minimum of twelve (12) inches clearance must separate any part of the generator from lights, combustible fabrication or decorating material. All wiring and lighting devices must have sufficient capability for the use intended for them on the float. Wiring should be properly secured to the float to avoid mechanical damage and injury to float riders and other participants. At least one five (5) pound dry-chemical or ten (10) pound carbon dioxide fire extinguisher shall be placed within easy reach of the float driver. There should be at least one fire extinguisher for each generator, per entry. These fire extinguishers shall be placed within easy reach of all entry participants.
- **3.** All trucks, cars, and other means of transportation are encouraged to provide lighting effects created by the participants.
- 4. All entries (NO EXCEPTIONS) must have an entry card on file at the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce Office on or before Wednesday, November 24, 2010.
- 5. All units shall identify themselves so parade viewers and media outlets can easily read the name of the unit or sponsor.
- 6. There will be an inspection of all entries prior to the Parade. Parade Officials will have, on hand, a signed copy of the Rules and Regulations that has been signed by the individual in charge of the entry.
- 7. All go-carts, motorbikes, horses, etc. MUST be under the supervision of a responsible adult. Please list that persons name on the Parade Registration Form.
- 8. Horses will be placed at the end of the Parade.
- 9. Participants are responsible for obtaining spaces for building and decorating the floats. Beauty Queens and other entrants are responsible for obtaining their own vehicles. Work on all entries must be completed at the time of line-up. No materials will be available for last minute repairs and additions.
- 10. No float may exceed twenty (20) feet in width and must not be taller than twelve (12) feet (overall height). Maximum float length is fifty-five (55) feet. All parts of the frame must be high enough to clear surfaces to and from the Parade area. All parts of the fully decorated float must clear the ground by a minimum of ten (10) inches, with the exception of fringe. The flooring must be strong enough to support all riders. A turn radius of forty-five (45) degrees to the right and left is mandatory for all Parade entries.

- 11. Parade Officials have the authority the seek removal of any persons or units from the Parade, when in their judgment, Parade Guidelines are being violated. Police, Security or the Parade Coordinator will be contacted immediate should this circumstance occur. If you are asked to leave the Parade Route, please do so without incident. Law enforcement assistance will be solicited as needed.
- 12. No children under the age of seven (7) can ride on a float in the Parade without the direct supervision of an adult on the float. No children under the age of twelve (12) are allowed to participate within the Parade "Line of March" without direct adult supervision.
- 13. After the Parade, it is the responsibility of the parents with children participating in the parade to make necessary arrangements to have children met and pick-up at a designated location. The Telfair County Chamber of Commerce will not provide transportation to return Parade participants from the ending of the Parade route to the beginning, or any point in between.
- 14. No smoking or alcoholic beverage advertisements are allowed on any Parade entry. There is to be no consumption of these products by any participant before or during the Parade. The violation of this Rule will result in the immediate removal of the entry from the Parade Route.
- 15. During the Parade, individuals and organizations are expected to perform courteously, in good taste and with safety in mind at all times. No vulgar or offensive songs are allowed to be played. Remember this is a "family oriented Christmas parade".
- 16. The Parade will move at a walking pace at all times.
- 17. Do not include Santa in your display. Santa will appear at the end of the Parade, direct from the North Pole. Any Santas on any other entries shall be removed from the entry. If the Santa in question cannot be removed from the entry, the entire entry shall be removed from the Parade.
- 18. Remember, we cannot control the weather. If weather conditions are considered to be extreme and unsafe by the Parade Coordinator and Parade Staff, the Parade may be cancelled and rescheduled for the following weekend.

I hereby certify that I have read the above Rules and Regulations and agree to abide by them. I will have a copy of these Rules and Regulations in my possession during the Parade.

Name (Please Print).		
Signature	Date	
Mailing Address	City/State/Zip	
Phone #	Email Address	

Reminder to sign "Application and Rules/Regulations" sheets and Return: Telfair County Chamber of Commerce * 9 East Oak Street * McRae, GA, 31055 For more information: Phone: (229) 868-6365 * Fax: (229) 868-7970 rogers@telfairco.org * www.telfairco.org

TELFAIR COUNTY CHRISTMAS PARADE ENTRY FORM

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Complete this form and rules/regulations forms and return to the Telfair County Chamber of Commerce 9 E. Oak Street, McRae, GA 31055

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CONTACT INFORMATION	_			
Name of Entry:				
Contact Person:				
Mailing Address:				
City:	State:	Zip Code:		
Phone:	Fax:			
Email:				
Sponsoring Business or Organization (if applicable)				
ENTRY INFORMATION				
Select a type of entry form the list below. A separate entry. Ex: If you are registering two separate carts, e	•	-		
Float: Total length, including tow vehicle:	Estimated	d number of riders:		
Is the float built on: \Box 18- wheeler \Box Truck and Trailer				
Will your entry include music Yes	□ No			
Vehicle: List Make and Model:				
Marching Band: Estimated number in group:				
Royalty: Title				
Note: Royalty is responsible for provi	iding transporta	ation and vehicle signage		
Horse and Rider Club: Estimated number of riders				
Other: Please describe. Be specific:				
I have read the Parade Rules and Regulations and agree to abide by them. I understand that by disregarding any of the Rules and Regulations, that my entry may be eliminated from the Parade.				
Signature	Date			
This space for Chamber use only				
Entry Received:	Position Numb	er:		