

2011 Hartselle Christmas Parade
Thursday, December 1, 2011 - 7:00 pm
Organized by the Kiwanis Club of Hartselle
This Years Theme is: **"A Star Spangled Christmas"**

The Kiwanis Club of Hartselle would like to thank you and your organization for making plans to participate in our annual Christmas Parade. **We will start lining up all entries at 5:00 pm on Thursday, December 2nd.** All entries except bands, walking groups, pre-1986 vehicles, and tractors will line up at the football stadium parking lot. Bands and walking groups will line up at the Hartselle High School gym. Pre-1986 vehicles and tractors will line up at Russell Forest Products on Railroad Street. The parade will start promptly at 7:00, regardless of weather conditions. It will not be rescheduled. The parade rules, which we must strictly enforce, will keep the event safe and pleasant for both participants and spectators.

The following rules must be followed:

- Throwing of candy or any other object presents a hazard to children not properly supervised; therefore, throwing of candy or any other objects is **strictly prohibited**, except by Santa's elves at the end of the parade.
- No music other than traditional Christmas music may be played over public address systems or stereo systems.
- All motorized or specialty vehicle entries are limited to those that are pre-1985. All entries must pre-register by Monday, November 28th, 2011. The following motorized vehicles are prohibited: Four wheelers, three wheelers, mini bikes, and go-carts.
- Vehicles that are not entered in the parade will not be allowed in the areas where participants are lining up.
- No live depictions of Santa will be allowed other than the real Santa who will be escorted by the Fire Dept.
- No costumes or characters that are upsetting to children will be allowed.
- Use of inappropriate language will not be tolerated.
- Alcoholic beverages may not be consumed before or during the parade. Anyone suspected of being under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be referred to the appropriate authorities.
- Anyone acting in an unruly manner at any time will be asked to leave immediately.
- Mail or bring entry form to the Hartselle Area Chamber of Commerce office. It is important that everyone register entries. **Deadline for entries is Monday, November 28th, 2011.** There is a \$15.00 fee, per entry for non-profit organizations and \$30.00 for businesses and political entries
- The parade route will leave the football stadium on Railroad Street, turn left on Main Street, turn left on Corsbie Street, and **will end in the Hartselle Plaza parking lot (old Walmart building)**. There, an official will direct entries to a holding area to drop off children and to make floats road ready. Vehicles that are already road ready and do not need to drop anyone off do not need to enter the parking lot. A police officer will be waiting on Corsbie Street behind the old Walmart to escort the horses back to the parking area at the football stadium.

• **The Kiwanis Club of Hartselle reserves the right to refuse any person or organization entrance into the parade event if that persons or organization's entry is considered to be a detriment. Violation of any rule outlined above could result in the entry being asked to leave the parade or the organization being prohibited from participation in any future events sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Hartselle.**

We ask, as much as is feasible, that all participants meet at a different location and arrive as a group. This will help relieve traffic congestion. Please keep in mind that parking is very limited. We need as much space as possible inside the parking lot to organize the parade. If you have any questions, contact Tom Sparks at 751-4912, Freda Thompson 773-2132, or go by the Hartselle Area Chamber of Commerce office at 110 Railroad Street, SW.