

# Major Changes This Year for Belmont Christmas Parade

*Date: Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2016*

*Start Time: 4 p.m.*

*Lineup Start: 3 p.m.*

## Parade Route Change

Parade will begin at Stowe Park at the intersection of South Main Street and McLeod Street, instead of at Central Avenue as it has previously.

The rest of the route will be same as always – proceeding north on Main, turning right on Catawba, crossing Park Street and disbanding at the intersection of Church and Tucker streets at Dwight Frady Field.

## Parade Lineup Changes

Lineup starts at 3 p.m. Most parade units will line up on McLeod Street. Some units with special needs will receive different instructions. Unless otherwise notified, enter the lineup from Keener Boulevard onto McLeod Street beginning at 3 p.m. Do not come earlier. Once in the lineup, you will not be able to leave before the parade. Volunteers will be present to assist.

## Parking Restrictions & Street Closures

- No parking on Main Street between Catawba and Central after 1 p.m. Vehicles parked on Main after 2:30 subject to being towed at owner expense. No parking on McLeod Street after 1 p.m.
- McLeod Street will be closed between South Main Street and Hawthorne Park at 1:30 p.m. to allow for staging of professional floats, and lining up of other parade units.
- South Main Street will be closed at Central Avenue and North Main Street will be closed at Woodrow Avenue at 2:30 p.m. Myrtle Street will be closed at Central Avenue at 2:30 p.m.
- Streets intersecting with McLeod Street, Main Street and Catawba Street along the parade route also will be closed.

## End of Parade Instructions

- **No stopping will be allowed on Catawba Street.**
- If your unit does NOT have people to unload, continue driving straight out Catawba to Wilkinson Boulevard and leave the area ASAP.
- If your unit must stop to unload people, turn left on Church Street, unload and leave the area ASAP via Park Street or 6<sup>th</sup> Street to Wilkinson Blvd.
- Cline professional floats ONLY, turn right on Tucker St. and unload on Brook Street. No other traffic will be allowed on Brook Street.

The Montcross Area Chamber of Commerce coordinates the parade for the City of Belmont. These changes are based on recommendations by the Belmont Police Department to improve safety and traffic flow for parade participants and spectators and also for those attempting to travel through Belmont on parade day afternoon. Thank you for your cooperation.