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### **Opelika Christmas Parade Scheduled for December 1 Dixie Boys State Champions – Grand Marshals**

**OPELIKA, ALABAMA - (November 20)** – Who will walk away with the top prizes in the annual Opelika Christmas Parade? Area groups, organizations and businesses have just a few more days to put those finishing touches to their floats for the Parade which will begin at 10 a.m. in downtown Opelika on Saturday, December 1.

Sponsored by Allstate-Prewett Insurance Group, The Grand Marshals for the parade are the Opelika Dixie Boys who won the State Dixie Boys Championship and represented Alabama in the Dixie Boys World Series in Bossier City, Louisiana. The State Champions are: Brantley Davis, Jackson Harris, Landon Lee, Brooks Bryan, Julian Duke, Paul Goodman, Ethan Parmer, Taylor Birmingham, Antario Gullatte, Caleb Chisum, Jeremy Conway, Bryce Sword and Ethan Pooler. Manager of the team is Parker Goodman and Trip Davis, Bo Bryan and Shane Harris are the coaches for this victorious team.

The Dixie Boys program is a part of The Opelika Parks and Recreation Department. Opelika Dixie Boys League Coordinator & Commissioner D. Mark Mitchell has overseen the program since he was 18 years old. He also serves as the Alabama Dixie Boys State Director which includes 400 Dixie Boys teams in Alabama.

While the Christmas Parade Committee suggests that people arrive early for best parking, there will be special parking available on South Railroad Avenue between 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Streets for the disabled. Permits can be picked up directly at the Chamber office located at 601 Avenue A by Thursday, November 29.

The parade will start at the corner of Avenue B and 9<sup>th</sup> Street, heading northwest up 9<sup>th</sup> to South Railroad Avenue. After a right turn at S. Railroad, the parade will travel one block to 8<sup>th</sup> Street and then right for two blocks to Avenue B. A left turn at Avenue B takes the parade over to 7<sup>th</sup> Street and S. Railroad Avenue.

For more information on the parade or parking, contact the Chamber at (334) 745-4861 or visit [www.opelikachamber.com](http://www.opelikachamber.com).

