

Christmas Parade Information Bulletin

Important NEED-TO-KNOW Items for the Day of the Parade!

DATE: Sunday, December 7, 2025

PARADE START TIME: 4:00 PM

STAGING/LINE-UP: Lee Sherman Dreyfus State Office Bldg. parking lot, 141 NW Barstow Street, Waukesha

NOTE: All parade participants must enter on Union Street (off of St. Paul)

ENTRY: Use Union Street to enter the State Office building parking lot (no entry on Barstow). Volunteers will greet you when you turn onto Union Street to direct you to your staging/line-up space.

TIMING:

- 1:30 to 3:00 PM—Parade participants line-up at State Office Building parking lot (entry on Union Street off St. Paul).
- **3:00 PM—All parade participants must be in their assigned line-up space.**
- 3:45 PM—Line-up/staging volunteers will begin to move participants toward the parade starting line.
- 4:00 PM—PARADE STARTS

PARKING: Parking for non-parade vehicles is available in all City lots downtown as well as the Transit Center, 212 E. St. Paul Ave.

NOTE: Please be aware of 'No Parking' signs—violating cars will be towed.

WALKER/MARCHER DROP-OFF: Marchers and other 'non-vehicle' arrivals must walk to their unit from the outskirts of the staging area. Busses and cars can drop off walkers 'on' St. Paul Avenue 'by' Union Street—do not turn onto Union Street.

NOTE: Only pre-registered units/floats are allowed access and parking in the State Office Building staging lot.

NOTE: There is NO turning onto Union Street for walker/marcher drop offs—you must stay on St. Paul Avenue—please share this information with parents dropping off children or other walking participants.

NOTE: Parade float arrivals and walker/marcher drop-offs may cause some congestion in the St. Paul & Union street area. Please watch for back-ups.

REFRESHMENTS: There will be a limited supply of hot chocolate and cookies, provided by Summit Woods/Capri Communities, located along the front entrance of the State Office Building. Stop by and say hello!

BATHROOMS: Available at the end of Union Street (known as the 'Union Street Bathrooms') and are nearby while you are in the staging area. If you need to stop at the end of the parade route, Cutler Park bathrooms will be open.

END OF ROUTE: The parade will end on Maple Avenue by Carroll Street (by the Library). Before proceeding down Maple Avenue to exit the parade area, please give your float number to volunteers stationed at the end of the route.

NOTE: Please watch for volunteers or police officers directing traffic at the end of the route and follow their directions.

NOTE: It is imperative that you keep moving on Maple Avenue and do not stop unless you need to disband. If you need to disband, turn onto Carroll Street.

NOTE: If you arrived by bus, your bus will be waiting in the Les Paul Middle School parking lot unless other arrangements were made.

WEATHER: The parade will go on, regardless of the weather. As you prepare for participation in the parade, please include many items to keep you warm; hand warmers, layers of clothing including hats, gloves, heated vests, etc. to prepare you to be outside for an extended period of time. Wind-proof and rain-proof gear may also be needed. *We will not have access to a warming area—the State Office Building will be closed.*

PLEASE DECORATE YOUR VEHICLE AND FLOAT FOR CHRISTMAS—SMILE—WAVE—HAVE A GREAT TIME!