



Los Gatos/Monte Sereno Police Department

November 1, 2007

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Town of Los Gatos has approved the request of the Los Gatos Lions Club and LGS Recreation to conduct the Annual Children's Christmas/Holidays Parade. The date has been set for **Saturday, December 1, 2007** and is scheduled to be held rain or shine.

PARADE ROUTE

Parade forms on Alameda Ave. at North Santa Cruz Ave., proceeds south on North Santa Cruz Ave. to Main Street, east on Main Street to Church Street, where it will terminate.

THE FOLLOWING STREETS WILL BE CLOSED from 6:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Village Lane will be closed.

THE FOLLOWING STREETS WILL BE CLOSED from 7:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Alameda, Bachman & Nicholson Avenues from North Santa Cruz Ave. to Massol Ave.

Bean Ave. from North Santa Cruz Ave. to Tait Ave.

Tait Ave. from Los Gatos-Saratoga Ave. (Hwy 9) to Nicholson Ave.

Wilder Ave. from Bachman to Nicholson Ave.

Victory Lane will be closed.

THE FOLLOWING STREETS WILL BE CLOSED from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

North Santa Cruz Ave. from Los Gatos-Saratoga Ave. (Hwy 9) to Main Street.

Main Street from North Santa Cruz Ave. to Pleasant Street.

Montebello Way from Main Street to the Post Office (Broadway) until 4:00 PM.

University Ave. from Elm Street to Main Street.

NB College from Villa to Main.

NB Pageant from Villa to Main.

NB Fiesta from Villa to Main.

WB Villa from Jackson to College **Resident traffic only.**

WB Los Gatos Blvd from Loma Alta to Pleasant **Resident traffic and Parade Personnel Only.**

Bella Vista at Simons **Resident Traffic Only.**

NO PARKING ALLOWED IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS from 5:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

No parking allowed along the parade route.

No parking on closed streets.

No parking in the municipal parking lot between Bachman and Los Gatos/Saratoga Avenue (Hwy 9).

Traffic entering Los Gatos will be detoured by means of temporary barricades, cones and officers posted at strategic locations. Queries concerning street closures and alternate routes should be addressed to Sergeant J.R. Langer, at 408-354-6851, and those pertaining to the parade itself to LGS Recreation at 408-354-8700 x 226.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Scott R. Seaman
Chief of Police

J.R. Langer
Sergeant



51st ANNUAL CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAYS PARADE

General Participants Special Instructions

**OFFICIAL ENTRY
NUMBER**

Your location in the parade corresponds to the **NUMBER** in the box at the left. Please give this number to all members of your group. This number will be marked on the street in the staging area.

ON THE MORNING OF THE PARADE:

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- **Pick up your Official Entry Number** from the Entry Number Booth: Entry Numbers 1 through 135, booth located at the corner of Tait and Alameda Avenues; Entry Numbers 136 – 268, booth located at the corner of Tait and Bachman Avenues.
- **Place your Entry Number** on the right shoulder of the lead member of your entry or on the right corner of the windshield of your entry.
- **Find your exact starting location** by going to the information booth at the corner of North Santa Cruz Ave. and Alameda Ave. where there will be a large map of the staging area with the location of where the entry numbers will be marked on the streets.

DATE: **Saturday, DECEMBER 1, 2007 (RAIN OR SHINE)**

TIME: **Parade begins promptly at 11:00 A.M.** (Late arrivals will be placed at the end of the parade.)
8:00 A.M. – Large vehicles (trucks, vans, and floats) must be in place.
9:00 A.M. – **ALL ENTRIES** except large vehicles and dignitaries must be in place.
9:30 A.M. – Dignitaries and persons providing cars for dignitaries must be in place.

LOCATION: Parade begins at the corner of Alameda Ave. and North Santa Cruz Ave., proceeding south along N. Santa Cruz Ave. to Main St., east on Main St., ending at Church St. A map of the staging area and parade route is enclosed. Staging area will be closed to vehicle traffic, other than those actually in the parade, after **7:30 A.M.**

JUDGING/ AWARDS: Judging will take place at Bean and North Santa Cruz Avenues. The judging area will be a clearly marked zone 450 feet long. First and Second place trophies will be awarded.

PARADE THEME: Each entry must have a Christmas or Holiday theme to be able to participate in the parade.

SANTA: Only the OFFICIAL PARADE SANTA will be permitted in the parade. PLEASE DO NOT dress anyone in your entry as Santa.

SIZE LIMITS: Floats must be less than 13 feet high due to existing street wires and must be less than 55 feet long. NO EXCEPTIONS will be permitted.

SAFETY: To avoid any safety hazard, no toys, candy or other materials can be handed out or thrown from your entry. Any entry handing out or throwing items will be removed from the parade.

All entries must conform to the Santa Clara County Fire Marshal Code. Note: Entries may be inspected the morning of the parade, and if they do not conform to the Fire Code, they will be removed from the parade.

Each entry is responsible for their animals, including cleaning up after them. Animals must be controlled and/or restrained at all times.

NO PARKING & ST. CLOSURES: There is NO PARKING in the staging area or along the parade route. A map of the staging area and parade route is enclosed, along with information about street closures.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS/ NOTES: This is a Parade in motion! There is NO STOPPING once the parade has begun. This means that all entries must keep up with the entry ahead of them. If you start to lag, expect a Parade Route Marshal to ask you to keep up.

CANCELLATION: Please notify us immediately at 408-354-8700 ext. 226 if you must cancel. Sorry, no refunds will be given to commercial entries.

QUESTIONS: Call Michelle of LGS Recreation at 408-354-8700 ext. 226, email: michelle@lgsrecreation.org.