



## Sylva's Christmas Parade

**Sunday, December 2, 2018 2:00 p.m.**

*Rain or Shine*

**Theme: "Christmas Around the World"**

**PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE PAGE BEFORE TURNING IN YOUR APPLICATION. TAKE NOTE OF THE **NEW ROUTE, NEW TIME, AND NEW DAY.****

Thank you for your application and participation in this year's Christmas Parade! The parade is on **Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, and will start from Mark Watson Park at 2:00 p.m.** The lineup will begin at **12:00 p.m.**

Every entry will be required to be decorated in holiday fashion. We highly recommend decorating according to this year's theme "Christmas Around the World". A prize will be awarded based on the theme. Floats will be judged as they come through the parade and winners will be notified afterwards.

### **New 2018 Parade Route:**

Due to the growing size of the parade and crowd there is a **NEW route** this year. The parade lineup will begin at Mark Watson Park and end on Chipper Curve Drive.

### **VEHICLES (in the parade) AND FLOATS:**

All vehicles/floats that are in the parade will need to enter the staging area at the Mark Watson Park entrance that is closest to the tennis courts. An officer will direct you to the check in volunteer and once you check in, you will be directed to your spot in the parade line-up. Please follow the signs and directions of the staff.

### **DROPPING CHILDREN OFF:**

Vehicles dropping people off to be in the parade will enter Mark Watson at the entrance by the tennis courts. The upper parking area (beside the wall) will be a travel lane for dropping off children meeting a group. Kids will be dropped off in the gravel parking lot. Parade volunteers will help kids get to their group. All groups whose floats have not yet

arrived will be waiting inside the fence on the larger baseball field. Please drop off children as quickly and safely as possible. No vehicles should be left unattended. Traffic volunteers and police will be there to assist. Vehicles dropping children off will be able to exit in front of the American Legion (former Rescue Squad).

### **WALKERS AND KIDS' GROUPS:**

Walkers and larger kids' groups will gather inside the fence on the larger baseball field before the parade and wait to enter to line up once the float or group arrives. Please carpool with your entire group because parking is not available. You will not be able to park anywhere at Mark Watson Park.

### **ROUTE:**

THE PARADE WILL BEGIN BY TURNING RIGHT ON TO MAIN STREET AND PROCEED AROUND THE FOUNTAIN AND DOWN MAIN STREET.

Walking groups and walkers beside floats will exit the parade at the intersection of Main Street and Mill Street. Walkers will travel down Mill Street to Bridge Park and wait to be picked up by parents. Please make sure parents are aware of where the walker will be waiting. Responsible parties must notify parents that walkers will not be in the parade past the Main Street and Mill Street intersection. The crowd between Main/Mill and the Fire Department will not see the walking groups.

TRUCKS, VEHICLES, AND FLOATS WILL CONTINUE THE PARADE TOWARDS THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WHERE THEY WILL TURN LEFT AND THEN IMMEDIATELY TURN RIGHT ON TO CHIPPER CURVE DRIVE.

The parade ends on Chipper Curve Drive. Please make sure no one gets off the float before then. Floats with riders can drop off the riders at Bryson Park. Floats may dismantle on Chipper Curve or coordinate another location. Groups will need to coordinate where children riding in the parade will be picked up. Suggestions are large parking lots like Appalachian Funeral Home, Jackson County services building, Food Lion, and Save-More. Groups should coordinate with the property owner to utilize those lots.

### **Regulations:**

**PLEASE DO NOT THROW CANDY OR OTHER ITEMS FROM THE FLOAT/VEHICLE.** This is a safety issue, please abide by it. You may have walkers next to your float or vehicle that hand candy to onlookers.

Sylva Police will not tolerate the usage of sirens or loud horns along the parade route or during the parade. This is a safety issue and violators will be asked to leave the parade.

No animals will be allowed in the parade.

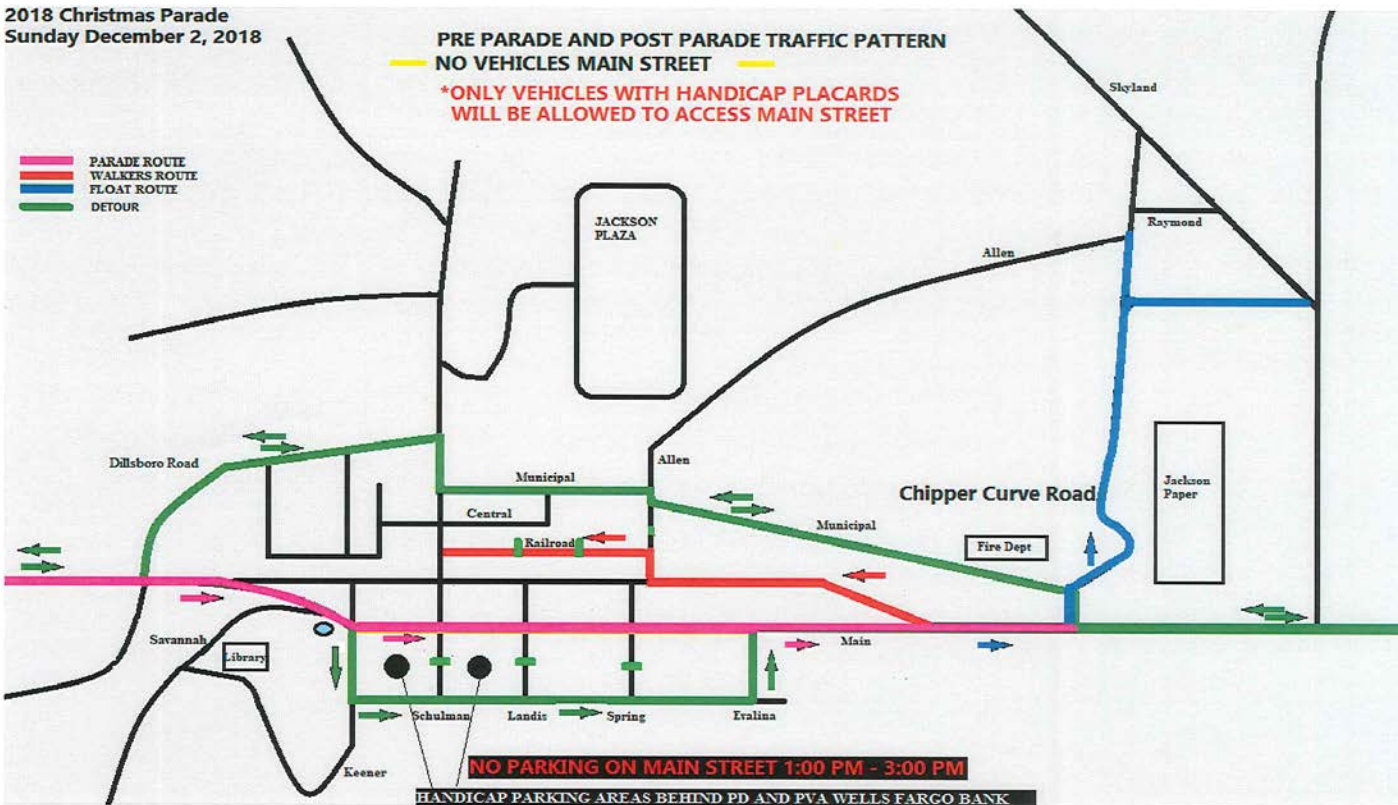
Anyone dressed as Santa Claus will be asked to remove the costume. Santa will ride in the last float. If you have questions regarding the "Santa" float, please contact the Main Street Sylva Association.

FEEES:	One float or vehicle (may include walkers)	\$25.00
	Each additional vehicle per float/vehicle entry	\$5.00
	Walking groups (with no vehicle)	\$10.00

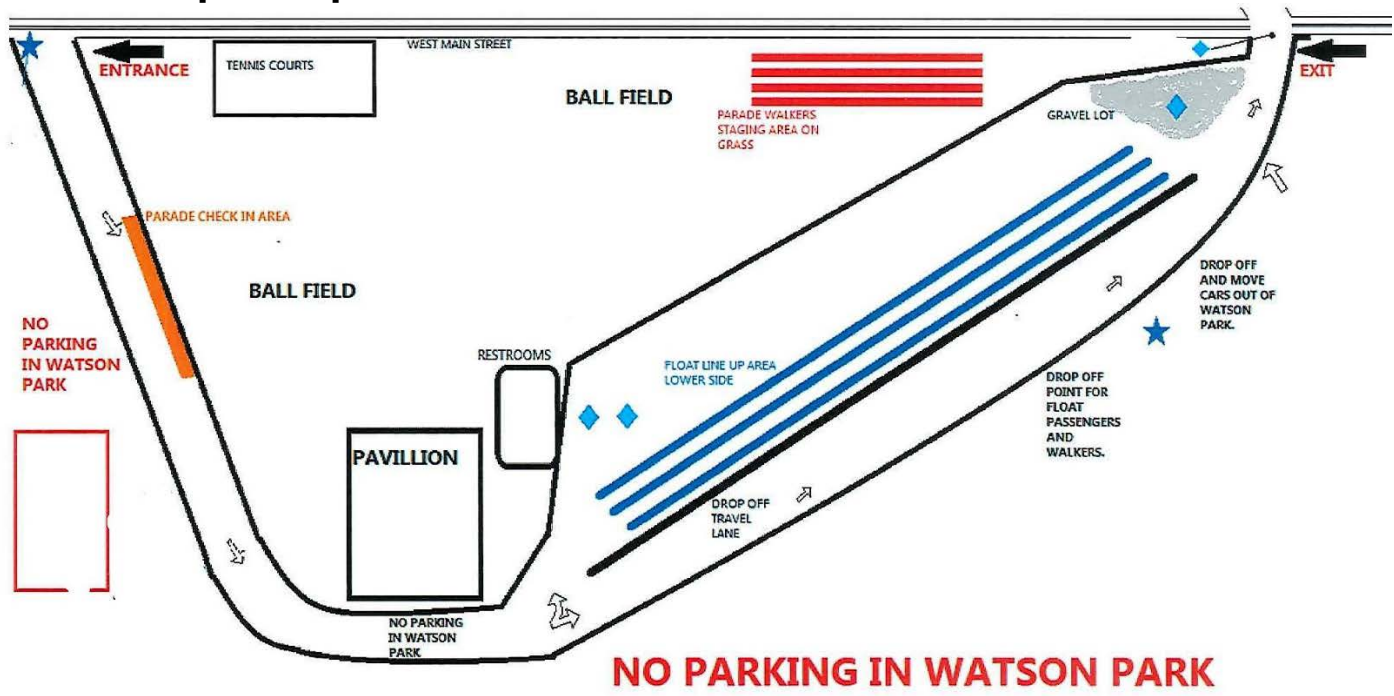
Applications and parade fee must be turned in to the Town of Sylva by **Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>**. Applications will not be accepted during line up the day of the parade. Checks should be made payable to the "Town of Sylva". *Note: Money will not be refunded due to inclement weather. The parade will occur regardless of the weather.*

Thank you for your interest in this year's Christmas Parade! We look forward to seeing you on December 2<sup>nd</sup>!

## New Parade Route – Map



# New Lineup – Map



# ATTACH THIS PAGE ONLY WITH PAYMENT

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## PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Organization/ Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of walkers: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of vehicles: \_\_\_\_\_

Float (circle one): Yes/ No

We encourage floats to play Christmas music. Will your float be playing music? Please circle one: Yes/ No

Please describe your entry including vehicle make, model, and size. For walkers, indicate the number above and describe what they will be doing (i.e. dancing, playing music, group walking with a banner).

The parade committee has the right to deny participation in the Sylva Christmas Parade. Barring further notice from the parade committee, your application and entry fee will serve as your acceptance into the parade. By signing this form you are releasing Jackson County, the Town of Sylva, the Main Street Sylva Association, and others directly responsible for this event from ANY and ALL liability as a result of your participation. Please sign and send with payment to: Town of Sylva, 83 Allen Street, Sylva, NC 28779.

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signing here indicates that you have read the instructions provided above and will abide by them.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Office use only:*

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment: Cash Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_