

The Hazel Dell / Salmon Creek Business Association Parade of Bands Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. *What time do I need to be there on parade day?***
 - a. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. Judging begins at 9:00 a.m. The parade begins promptly at 10:30 a.m. Keep in mind that over 100 entries will be arriving to stage in the parade – please plan your arrival expecting some wait time.
- 2. *Where do I go on parade day?***
 - a. Each entry must check in at registration before lining up for the parade. There will be a registration table located at the corner of Hazel Dell Avenue and NW 94th Street (the traffic light just south of 99th Street).
- 3. *How does my group find me on parade day?***
 - a. Your group will be mailed or emailed parade staging information by May 13, 2010. Your group will have a general staging area to gather. Let them know before parade day to reduce confusion at the staging area. You may also access your location on May 11, 2010 by visiting the Hazel Dell/Salmon Creek Business Association website at www.hdscba.org. Remember someone from your group must check in at registration before lining up in the parade.
- 4. *Where do vehicles park that will not be in parade?***
 - a. The businesses in our area are very understanding about parking on parade day. Hazel Dell Avenue is closed to traffic north of NW 94th Street and south of 88th Street beginning at 8:00 a.m. Parking is available at Target, Dollar Tree on 99th Street, and Safeway on 83rd and Hazel Dell Avenue. Don't forget to park a vehicle at the end of the parade at 78th Street and Highway 99 to get back to your original meeting place.
- 5. *What is there to do until the parade begins at 10:30 a.m.?***
 - a. The Hazel Dell Lions will be providing breakfast in the truck bay at the fire station from 7:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. Cost for breakfast will be \$6.00 for adults and \$5.50 for children and senior citizens. The Lion's Club uses the proceeds from this breakfast for hearing aids, prescription glasses, and other charitable activities.
- 6. *Who do I talk to if I have questions or need to talk to parade organizers?***
 - a. Parade organizers will have polo shirts on with "Parade of Bands" printed on the back. Please direct inquiries to one of them. They will be in contact with other areas of parade organization via 2-way radios.
- 7. *What should I bring on the parade route?***
 - a. Pacific Northwest weather is difficult to predict – Bring sun screen, umbrellas, sunglasses, water, snacks, strollers, wagons, etc... The parade route is approximately 2 miles long – be prepared for the long walk. And remember, everything you bring to line-up must be carried with you to the end of the parade. Plan on about a two hour time frame from the time your group begins the route.
- 8. *Can I bring my pet?***
 - a. Pets are welcome in the parade. However, keep in mind that there are approximately 5,000 participants in the parade and it is estimated that 15,000 spectators watch. Only you know how your pet will react to a crowd that large. If you choose to bring your pet, your pet must be on a leash or harnessed. You must also bring a pooper scooper and utilize it. Your pet must be well-groomed with no open sores and be current on all vaccinations. Your pet should also have identification in the event you are separated. If possible, your immediate contact information should be listed on that identification for a quick reunion.
- 9. *Tips for children in the parade***
 - a. If children are in the parade without their parents, designate a pick up place. The parade begins at the fire station on Hazel Dell Avenue and ends at 78th Street and Highway 99. Plan to be there until all participants in your group are picked up. Children under age 17 should not be left to wait alone for a ride. Make sure children have the name and contact phone number of the adult responsible to pick them up.
 - b. For those responsible for children in the parade, your job can be difficult. There are close to 5,000 participants in the parade and line-up can be hectic. To prevent injuries and lost children, please keep your group together. You should consider putting tags with group name, responsible adult and cell phone number on younger children to facilitate reunion.