



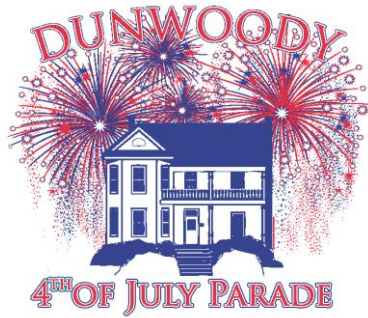
This is the annual Dunwoody July 4th Parade ... the largest Independence Day Parade in GA.

The gathering place for the CGCC is in the parking lot of All Saints Catholic Church, 2443 Mt Vernon Rd, Dunwoody, GA.

The Parade, about three miles long, starts at 9 am but because of traffic, road closures, etc. plan on being there *before* 8 am. Your parking spot is up towards the front of the parking lot. A lot of folks, like Calvin, etc. have been doing this for years so they know the details.

Your main purpose will be to give rides to veterans, and we never know how many veterans will show up so the more Corvettes the better. If we have more 'Vettes than Veterans ... no problem as all Corvettes that show will be welcomed in the Parade.

See the rest of this document for info from the Parade organizers; it's important to understand.



GENERAL INFORMATION
FOR
DUNWOODY'S 4TH OF JULY PARADE PARTICIPANTS
"PARADE OF STARS"

Thank you for registering for the 2022 Dunwoody 4th of July parade! The parade will kick off at 9:00am on Monday, July 4, 2022, and this year's theme is **Parade of Stars!**

We know you're anxious to receive as much information as possible including your assembly area, line-up, and other details. We will be communicating via email with information you and your group will need for a successful parade experience. We use the email address as submitted on the parade registration form, so please forward the communications to all those in your group/organization.

To familiarize you with the parade organization, we've outlined some of the basics below. If you have any questions that are not covered, please reach out to one of the Parade Committee members listed at the end.

SAFETY: Safety is our number one priority. If you have an emergency during the parade, call 911. Volunteer parade marshals (identified by their yellow t-shirt) are placed along the parade route to ensure crowd control (i.e., children running into the street), and the Dunwoody Police are patrolling up and down the parade as well.

If you are driving in the parade, we know it's easy to get caught up in the excitement, so please insure you do not take your eyes off the road. We suggest you have a front seat passenger to act as a second set of eyes. Please do not stop and chat with friends and neighbors.

Fenders on dual-axel trailers are required and a Dunwoody police officer will inspect each trailer for compliance prior to the start of the parade.

FUN! Have fun in the parade. Decorations and music are essential for an entertaining parade, so play music using a GOOD sound system and decorate your car/float with Americana decorations especially stars. Floats are highly recommended as are unique and festive entries.

ASSEMBLY LOCATION, ARRIVAL TIME, & LINE-UP #: You will receive your assembly location, arrival time and line-up number via email (usually the first week of July).

We use three **assembly** areas: All Saints Catholic Church, Lidl Parking Lot, and Mount Vernon Street. Each address is listed below.

Arrival times start at 7:30am and will be staggered every 15 minutes to minimize congestion. Upon arrival, you will be greeted by a parade volunteer marshal who will direct you to your assembly area. Please ensure your vehicle entry and participants arrive at the allotted time. There is no entry or parking at the assembly areas for vehicles other than the parade entry. Please have your participants arrange a ride and drop-off to the entrance of their assigned location. If that is not feasible, have them park in the Kroger parking lot and walk over to their designated assembly area. It's a good idea to have a vehicle or a pick-up at the end of the parade as well. The best place to do this is in the Publix parking lot.

Your **line-up number** is based on many factors. First and foremost, we start the parade with a big opening: police cars with sirens blaring, a big sounding band and then we line-up entries based on entertainment values. We space musical entries evenly and try to place entries with small children near the front. We line-up elected officials based on protocols and sponsors are based on their sponsorship level.

Once assembled, there will be wait time. Bring sunscreen and plenty of water. Snacks are recommended especially if you have small children in your group. Crema Café is open for coffee and breakfast treats, and we will have a sound system at each assembly area to entertain you with music while you wait for the parade to start.

PARADE ROUTE: The parade route is approximately 2.7 miles and steps off from the intersection of Mount Vernon Road and Jett Ferry Road at 9:00 a.m., proceeds west on Mt. Vernon to Dunwoody Village, turns right onto Dunwoody Village Parkway, circles around the Parkway, and left into Dunwoody Village. Volunteers will guide parade participants to parade parking . It takes approximately 1 hour to walk the entire parade route.

CANDY/PROMOTIONAL GIVEAWAYS: We anticipate over 30000 spectators, so if you plan to hand out candy or promotional items, please order accordingly. If you're a business, this is a great opportunity to promote your business with coupons or promotional items! **Please do not throw** candy or items from your car. Insure you have walkers positioned near the sidewalks to hand out/toss giveaways. Remember, the route is LONG, so don't give everything away at the beginning of the parade route. Also, do not stop to hand out items so there is continual movement within the parade.

END OF THE PARADE: At the end of the parade route, please do not stop. Volunteers will direct you to your designated end point.

FESTIVAL: There is a festival at the end of the parade with lots of fun things for kids, as well as music and food. Stay and enjoy!

INFORMATION TENT: For any last-minute questions or issues, we'll be positioned at Crema Café the morning of the parade.

Thank you so much for your participation. If you have any questions before the next communication, please respond to this email. We are all volunteers, so please be patient with us if a response is not immediate.

Best regards,

Matt, Penny, Connie, and Your Entire Parade Committee & Volunteers

Emergency

Penny Forman, Co-Chair

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