



4TH OF JULY PARADE

Avon Township Youth Baseball is having its annual 4th of July parade on July 4th. Participants will be lining up at 8:00 AM on July 4th along Hawthorne Rd. just east of Cedar Lake Rd. in Round Lake Beach. Ardmore Dr. and the Beach School parking lot will be used as overflow along with some of the side streets that intersect with Hawthorne Rd. The parade is scheduled to start at 9:00 AM, with the Fire trucks, Police and village officials leading the parade.

The parade will continue down Hawthorne Rd. and turn on Cedar Lake Rd heading south toward Washington St. Continuing south on Cedar Lake Rd, the parade will turn left and head east on Washington St toward Hainesville Rd. The parade will then head South on Hainesville Rd to Patriot Way in Hainesville (just south of the baseball complex) where the parade will turn left on Patriot Dr. and continue around to Union Square Park where the parade will conclude.

Each participating team should find a trailer / truck or anything that can be used for a team float. It can be decorated with balloons, streamers, flags etc. Parents, it may be difficult to find your team if you get there after 8:30 AM. Because of this, you may want to make car-pool arrangements so everyone can stay together. If you cannot find your team, simply wait at the corner of Hawthorne and Cedar Lake Rd. and look for your team as the parade passes by. Once you have spotted your team, you can safely, but quickly, join your team at that time. Because water (water guns, water balloons, etc.) is a big part of the parade, the players will get wet, so you may want to bring a change of dry clothes for your child. Please have the players wear gym shoes. Have the players be very careful because the footing can get very slippery.

Candy can be tossed during the parade, but please have the players be careful not to throw the candy at the parade watchers. People have been injured from the candy that is thrown. Remind players to softly toss the candy, but get the candy out away from the vehicle so that children trying to pick up the candy will not get run over. All players must stay on the vehicle and it is imperative to have an adult present with the players to help supervise. If an open sided trailer is used, the riders must be seated at all times.

At the conclusion of the parade, ATYB will be hosting All-Star games for the rest of the day for all of the leagues - see your manager for details on who is playing and at what time. We will be having bratwurst, corn and hamburgers on the grill again this year, so come on out for a great day at the ball field.

Grayslake Police will not be allowing trailers to access the ATYB complex, and vehicles will not be allowed to stop on Hainesville Rd. Floats will be required to go to Patriot Way just south of the baseball complex. Mobile Eye will be there to direct traffic.. Players will need to be dropped off at Union Square Park (see map). The players may walk to the complex from Union Square Park or be picked up by their parents at that location.

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