Parade line-up begins at 8:30 a.m. and will continue through 9:45 a.m. Floats and moving vehicles should arrive early to ensure less congestion for walking & marching units. Any participants not lined up by 9:45 a.m. may lose their assigned spot in the parade line-up. The parade starts promptly at 10:00 a.m.

Main Street staff and/or volunteers will be available to direct you to your assigned parade slot. **Please refer to the map attached to this email for your designated spot**. [If viewing the map on your computer screen only, you may need to enlarge it to view the smaller print with the parade entry names and line-up spot numbers.]

Staging grounds and parking will be available at both the First Presbyterian Church at the corner of 19th Street and 6th Avenue <u>and</u> at R.B. Stewart Middle School located at 11th Street and 10th Avenue. **Please note, all units with horses must be staged at the R.B. Stewart Middle School location.** The gates to the school grounds will be opened to allow horse trailers to park in that area to prepare for the parade. If you park at a R.B. Stewart Middle School location, please use caution making your way to your line-up spot for those streets along the way will not be closed to thru traffic.

The majority of the parade entries will line up along 17th, 18th or 19th Street as you will see on the attached map. If you are entering 17th, 18th or 19th Street in a vehicle (float, bus, etc.) you must enter from 9th Ave (or further north) and travel down (south) 17, 18 or 19th Street to your line-up spot which will be marked with wooden stakes on the east side of the street. Units that have a 5th Avenue line-up spot should enter 5th Avenue from either 20th Street or 18th or 19th Street (from south of 5th Avenue) and line-up on either the south or north side of 5th Avenue, depending on your spot.

The parade route is the standard 1 mile route--from your position you will file out of 17th, 18th or 19th Street onto 5th Avenue heading west, then turn right (north) on 7th Street, and turn right (east) at 9th Street. A separate map of the parade route itself is attached to this email or fax for your convenience.

Please make sure you share this information <u>and</u> the attached line-up map with all members of your party. At the last parade we had numerous people trying to drive "up" 17th, 18th and 19th Streets or enter those streets from avenues south of 9th Ave either trying to find a parking place or to drop off riders for floats. Parking for float participants is located at the Presbyterian Church or at Raymond B. Stewart Middle School (see attached map). To ensure the safety of others we need everyone in your party to meet at one of the parking/staging areas and then proceed to the line-up spot. We do not want anyone injured trying to participate in this parade. Your cooperation in following these guidelines is appreciated.

If you have any questions, please contact the Main Street office at: 813-780-1414 or, on the day of the event, I can be reached via cell phone at (813) 838-2685. We look forward to a successful Founders' Day celebration and want to thank you for your participation in this community event sponsored by Main Street Zephyrhills, Inc.

Please pin the number of your parade line-up spot (e.g. 1722) to the leader's left sleeve or the left (driver) side of the float, truck or car in clear view for the Master of Ceremonies and judges to see (especially if it's not obvious who you are representing). The judges will be located at the Clock Plaza on 5th Ave (at 8th St) where you will pause momentarily while the master of ceremonies announces your parade entry. Once the parade has completed and the judges' scores are tabulated, the winners will be announced at the Clock Plaza at 1:30 p.m.



