



March 1, 2026

Dear Participant:

**“Home for the Holidays” 36th Annual Parade**

The holiday season will soon be upon us. We are in the process of getting ready for the 36<sup>th</sup> annual “Home for the Holidays Parade.” We invite you to participate again this year!

The Parade will be held on Saturday, November 28, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., the Saturday following Thanksgiving. You are urged to pre-register by calling the Chamber of Commerce office at 814-938-7700x2 or returning the enclosed registration form as soon as possible. **The deadline to enter is November 23, 2026.** There is no specific theme for this year’s parade.

We hope to hear from you and to see you at the Parade this year!

Sincerely,

Home for the Holidays Parade Committee

## Home for the Holidays Information Pack

**PARADE DAY REGISTRATION: 4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.**

Saturday, November 28, 2026

**PARADE WILL BEGIN AT 6:00 P.M.**

- ❖ You will receive your lineup number on **PARADE DAY** at the **Punxsy Plaza parking lot by Uni-Mart**. You must check in.
- ❖ PLEASE do not use Santa Claus on your float. The sponsors will introduce Santa Claus on the sponsor's float at the end of the parade.
- ❖ If animals are part of your unit, you MUST make provision for cleaning up after them.
- ❖ CANDY MAY NOT BE THROWN. Your group members can walk and hand out hard candy, but do not throw it. This is a safety issue we must all take seriously.
- ❖ The roads will be closed promptly at 5:15 P.M. – listen to WPXZ 104.1FM for details.
- ❖ YOU are responsible for the members of your parade group.
- ❖ Units/floats will line up at the Uni-Mart/565 W Mahoning Street, Punxsutawney Pa (Plaza Lot)
- ❖ All units MUST be decorated for the holidays.
- ❖ Judging categories will be Fire Truck, Float, Performer, Vehicle & Walking
- ❖ Categories will be judged on: Most Entertaining, Most Original, Best Lighting, Sound Quality, and Overall.
- ❖ The performance time in front of the judges should be no longer than 2 minutes.
- ❖ Awards for the winning entries will be announced and distributed in Barclay Square following the parade.
- ❖ You MUST fill out the description of the unit portion of the entry form so information will be available for the MCs and the judges.
- ❖ Please return the Unit Description Sheet to the Chamber of Commerce by **November 23, 2026**

### **MAIL, FAX OR DROP YOUR FORM OFF:**

Chamber of Commerce  
102 West Mahoning Street  
Punxsutawney, PA 15767  
FAX: 814-938-4303

If you have any questions or have a special need for placement in the line-up (i.e. to keep fire trucks away from animals), call the Chamber at 938-7700 x2.

# UNIT DESCRIPTION FORM



**Deadline to enter: November 23, 2026**

(This form will be provided to the Emcees. Please fill out completely and accurately)

Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle one:

*Walking Unit*

\* *Float*

*Vehicle*

*Fire Truck*

*Performer*

Name of unit of participants: \_\_\_\_\_

Years you have participated in the Parade: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want your unit to be judged? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Description of Unit/Organization (**Must be completed**):

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\* Floats should be no taller than 12 feet to fit under the trestle on West Mahoning Street.

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