

December 12, 2005

Dear Friend,

As Mayor of the City of Wilkes-Barre, it is my pleasure to invite you to participate in the 26th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, which will be held on Sunday, March 12, 2006 at 2:00 p.m.

At the 2005 Christmas Parade, we launched our inaugural float competition, which was a huge success. Participation from area businesses and organizations was outstanding and we believe that this same type of enthusiasm will be reached in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. We are again asking that participants construct festive, themed floats to enhance our parade.

Line up for the parade will begin at 1:00 p.m. in the parking lot of South Main Plaza, West Ross Street, Hazle Street, Dana Street, Academy Street and South Main Street. No cars will be allowed to park in the parking lot of South Main Plaza, as it will be used as a staging area only. Participants will be separated into divisions, which will be listed in the newspaper prior to the event.

The enclosed flyer outlines the many ways your business or organization can become involved in the parade. Please complete and return the form no later than FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2006. Please contact Special Events Coordinator, Lore Majikes, at 570.208.4149 or Administrative Coordinator, Bridget Giunta, at 570.208.4141 with any questions. Thank you and I look forward seeing you at the parade!