

# Main Street Lighted Christmas Parade Silver Bells

Thursday & Friday

Dec. 1 & 2, 2011 ~ 7:00 p.m.

*Oskaloosa's historic downtown square  
and bandstand area!*

## Oskaloosa Holiday Promotions Calendar

**Christmas Walk:** Oskaloosa's second annual Christmas Walk will be Saturday, Nov. 26. Enjoy free-will donation pancake breakfast at Penn Central Mall from 7:30 to 9:00 am, with half the proceeds to the Ecumenical Food Cupboard. Grab a map outlining over 35 participating businesses with holiday specials, gift-giving ideas and treats. Register at each store from 9 am to 4 pm for in-store prizes and for the \$1,000 Osky Cash drawing to be given at 4:30 pm at the downtown bandstand.

**Holiday Open House at Tassel Ridge Winery** located at 1681 220<sup>th</sup> St., Leighton. Friday, Nov. 25, 9:00 am to 6:00 pm, Saturday, Nov. 26, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm and Sunday Nov. 27, 12:00 to 6:00. Taste award-winning wines & enjoy holiday treats while shopping the gift shop filled with holiday items, gift baskets & more. Call 641.672.WINE or visit [www.tasselridge.com](http://www.tasselridge.com).

**Young Ambassadors Crowning** will be held at the Penn Central Mall Monday, Nov. 28, at 6 pm. Sponsored by Main Street.

**Silver Bells is the theme for Main Street's 24th Annual Christmas Parade**, that will march through historic downtown Oskaloosa Thurs. & Fri., Dec. 1 & 2, at 7 pm. Come see Santa & Mrs. Claus and their reindeer! There will be concessions, caroling & more. Award presentation will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday evening. More info at Main Street, 641-672-2591.

**Childrens' Art Show:** Thursday and Friday from 1 - 8 pm childrens' art will be on display at the Iowa Building on the northwest side of the Square. Sponsored by FACE.



**Eat Thursday:** On Thursday, Dec. 1, a free-will offering soup supper (chili & potato) will be served at the Central United Methodist Church from 5 - 7 pm. The church is located on the corner of A Ave. West and North Market. Call 641-672-2564 for more information. Bus groups are welcome.

**Main Street Holiday Style Show & Luncheon** Friday, Dec. 2, 11:30 am - 1 pm at 1st Christian Church, 119 A Ave. East. Sponsored by the Oskaloosa Area Chamber & Dev. Group. Call 641-672-2591 for ticket information & reservations. Tickets are \$12 each.

**Friday:** On Friday, Dec. 2, a free-will offering pancake supper will be served at the Central United Methodist Church from 5 - 7 pm. The church is located on the corner of A Ave. West and North Market. Call 641-672-2564 for more information. Bus groups are welcome.

**Eat Fri., Dec. 2, from 5 - 7 pm** at The First Presbyterian Church. They will be serving chicken noodle, chili, or potato soup, veggies, crackers, corn bread and dessert; \$6 for adults, \$3 for children. The church is 2 blocks from the square and partially on parade route at 405 High Ave. East. It is also handicap accessible with bus parking. If weather is severe come in and warm up in the Fellowship Hall. Bus groups are welcome! For reservations please call 641-673-8879.

**Holiday Reception at Tassel Ridge Winery** Thursday, Dec. 8, 6:00-8:00 p.m., 1681 220<sup>th</sup> St. (off Hwy. 163), Leighton. Enjoy wine samples & festive holiday goodies while browsing the gift shop filled with new items for holiday giving. Expert staff will help you create custom gift baskets with the items of your choice and assist you with food and wine pairings. Call 641.672.WINE or visit [www.tasselridge.com](http://www.tasselridge.com).

*Main Street's Lighted Christmas Parade is sponsored by the Oskaloosa Area Chamber & Development Group under the direction of the Main Street Office.*

**Penn Central Mall Holiday Schedule:**  
\***LIVE Christian Music** each night before the parade from 5:30 - 6:30 pm, spotlighting local gospel groups. For information on more events at the Penn Central Mall call 641.673.9414.

**More Mall events to be announced.**

\***George Daily Community Auditorium presents: Sunday, Dec. 18 - Oskaloosa Symphony Orchestra & Chorus**, "The Music of Christmas," 4 pm, adults \$12, students \$7, family \$24. The concert includes the Annual Celebrity Guest Conductor event and Oskaloosa High School Orchestra and Choir.

For more information call ticket line at 641/672-0799 or visit [www.georgedaily.org](http://www.georgedaily.org).

### 2011 Parade Route Downtown Oskaloosa



## Oskaloosa Hospitality Info.:

### *Oskaloosa Area Chamber & Development Group*

#### *Main Street Oskaloosa*

124 North Market, Oskaloosa, Iowa 52577

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### Member Hotels & Motels

America's Best Value Inn ..... 641-673-8351

Budget Inn ..... 641-673-8333

Comfort Inn ..... 641-676-6000  
1-800-228-5150

McNeill Stone Mansion.....641-673-4348

Super 8 Motel ..... 1-800-800-8000  
or Direct Dial: 641-673-8481

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### Other Services

Tassel Ridge Winery....641-672-WINE (9463)

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### Member Restaurants

McDonald's Restaurant      Bredeaux Pizza

Pepper's Bar & Grill          The Peppertree

Pizza Ranch                  Taco John's

Hunter's      Papa Murphy's Take 'n' Bake Pizza

HY-VEE Deli                  Dr. Salami's

Jaarsma Bakery              Mi Ranchito Mexican

Maid-Rite                  Smokey Row Coffee House

Kentucky Fried Chicken      Wendy's

Subway (2 locations)      Casey's (carry out)

Taso's                  Julie's Home Style Cafe

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Oskaloosa Area Chamber & Development Group  
124 North Market Street  
Oskaloosa, Iowa 52577

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# Oskaloosa Holiday Happenings December 2011



## Holiday Season Calendar

Lighted Christmas Parade  
*Christmas in the Heartland*  
-Dec. 1 & 2, 2011 at 7 pm-

## 2011 Parade Entry form:

Oskaloosa Area Chamber and Development Group would like to invite you to participate in the **2011 Main Street Lighted Christmas Parade**. The parade will be held Thursday and Friday, December 1st and 2nd at 7:00 p.m.

The theme this year is *Silver Bells*. Plan now to help Main Street make this 24th annual parade the BEST EVER. As always lighting your entry is a must, and of course you'll want to identify your entry with a sign or a banner. Your entry number is to be **highly visible on the front of the pulling vehicle**, for the judges and the announcers to see. We will supply the number and put it on during the lineup. We must know the length of your entry at time of registration to aid in staking the lineup. (Note: maximum height of 14' and width 24'.) If you feel you haven't the means to create an entry yourself, contact me for information on "renting" entries that will promote your business.

OACDG asks that entries do not include Santa or Mrs. Claus, as we will provide a Santa Claus to ride at the end of the parade, and multiple Santa's in the parade could confuse the younger children. **For safety reasons candy or any other item must be handed out from the side walk, nothing can be distributed from the road!** We also ask that there be **no** solicitations. Contact the office for prior approval for any items to be distributed.

**JUDGING CATEGORIES & AWARDS!** Best Overall traveling trophies & runner-up certificates will be awarded in nine categories: Business Classes-Small, Medium, Large, Non-Profit, Church, Music, Individual, Out-Of-Town (non-52577 zip), Animals and Judges' Choice. Judging criteria may include lights, theme, music, & originality. Judging will be held on Thursday night, with awards presented Friday evening prior to the parade at the Bandstand. Plan to have a representative there.

Please **clip and return** this entry form to the OACDG office by **Friday, November 11**; and we will send you a confirmation letter with your entry number, starting location and a narration form. It is important for us to have your entry form by November 11. If you have any questions, please call Main Street at 672-2591. **Thank You!**

Karen Hafner, Events Coordinator -- Oskaloosa Area Chamber & Dev. Group

-----Clip & send-----**2011 MAIN STREET LIGHTED CHRISTMAS PARADE**----- *Silver Bells* -----

7:00 P.M. - Thursday & Friday, Dec 1 and 2, 2011 -----**Entry Deadline Fri., November 11**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS & ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

**CIRCLE ONE:** LARGE BUSINESS (80 or more employed) MEDIUM BUSINESS (11-79 employed) SMALL BUSINESS (less than 10 employed) — NONPROFIT — CHURCH — ANIMALS — INDIVIDUAL/FAMILY — OUT OF TOWN — MUSIC

**ENTRY LENGTH IN FEET:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DESCRIPTION OF ENTRY** (We must have a complete description by November 19)

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Send to Oskaloosa Area Chamber & Development Group, 124 N. Market, Oskaloosa, Iowa 52577 or FAX to 641-672-2047