

2016 TOWN AND COUNTRY PARADE



Parade Route 30 minutes before the scheduled start of the parade.



A large number of Brownies and a few Boy Scouts were handing out plastic American Flags for people to waive when the truck with patriotic music came by. They had plenty of flags left over plus the truck was not playing any music.



Here is the crowd at 4:55 at the edge of Longview Park



Here is at 5:25. Last October there were several hundred people here.



Jim Holtgrieve a member three consecutive times on the winning US Walker Cup golf team,.



The Shriners staying on all four wheels due to wet pavement.



This guy should have been before Jon Dalton.



Former Cardinal left handed reliever Ken Dayley is properly giving left handed waves this year.



OMG! Did former Cardinal pitcher John Costello go the Bruce Jenner route and get a sex change operation? Oh! Maybe that is Costello in the right front seat.



The St. Louis Stutters, older dancers, most older vintage fire truck they are riding on are waving



State Rep Sue Allen under the umbrella and the the candidate running to replace her, her husband Mike Allen. The entire parade route is out of their district.



This is the car that should have been leading the parade, Red Schoendienst and Peyton from the Make a Wish Foundation.



A repeat appearance from 2015 for this 1948 Ford.



Mostly WWII Vets in the hose bed of a classic Fire Engine.



Two Schnucks' shopping carts. The one of the left is the Costco size cart. Unfortunately there were no teamster protesters in the parade. It would have been interesting.



This guy, Mike Shannon, could easily have been a grand marshal



This is what the pre-parade lineup sheet said about the Mason Ridge Garden Club, "All the garden club ladies are looking forward to it. We will probably have the pickup truck again and we have lots of flags . We will make it more of a flower theme - maybe wheeling wagons of flowers and handing out candy.

This is all I saw of the Garden Club, Claire Chosid, the only president in the history of the club, riding by herself. Several years ago Claire had a 70-year-old divorce attorney send me a threatening letter saying I would be sued if I ever mentioned Claire's name in my newsletter again. I guess I will be waiting for the process server.



County Councilwoman Colleen Wasinger was not just slumming coming from the Village of Huntleigh, she was riding in a Chevrolet and not a Mercedes.



I laughed when I looked at this photo. In the background are two early 30-something moms, ignoring the guy in the car. They likely don't remember the Football Cardinals, let alone Bob Rowe, 71, who played defensive lineman for the Cardinals from 1967-to-1975. Of course I remember him.



State Rep. Dean Plocher had a large group of people marching in the parade and a truck. One guy was yelling to the sparse crowd how honest and ethical Plocher is. This caused me to yell back, "Come on he was the municipal judge in Pine Lane (perhaps the most scandal ridden corrupt suburb of St. Louis, with the mayor and assistant police chief currently in prison and the police department disbanded in 2015).



The Wirth Ford Stake bed truck



roadster

A Ford



The King of the parade Fred Wiesenhan and Mary Kay Wiesenhan.



These three clowns represented the only music I heard during the entire parade.