

# HEADLINES

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## "Tunes & 'Toons" Labor Day Parade

Come one, come all! The 21st annual Rock Island Labor Day Parade is scheduled for **Monday, September 5, 2005.**

Staging for the parade begins at **8:30** a.m. in the area around Washington Junior High School, located at 33<sup>rd</sup> Street and 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The **parade starts promptly at 9:30 a.m.** The route travels west along 18th Avenue and disbands into the Rock Island High School grounds at 25th Avenue and 17th Street. The route is two miles long, and takes about 90 minutes to march.

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This year's parade was themed "**Tunes and 'Toons**" to encourage more "sounds" in the parade and see more comical or cartoon entries. All entries are judged with winners selected from five different categories. The categories are: Mayor's Choice, Marshal's Choice (favorite theme-related entry), Council's Choice, Parade Committee's Choice and Neighbor's Choice. The awards are presented to the winners at a September meeting of the Rock Island City Council.

The first Labor Day Parade was held in 1984 as part of Rock Island's yearlong 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday or Sesquicentennial Celebration. Over the past 21 years the parade has grown to average 150 entries and has become a popular annual event that draws thousands of spectators!

The members of the Labor Day Parade Advisory Board thank you for your interest and support of the Rock Island Labor Day Parade!