



The Grape Vine

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Sixth annual community independence parade largest yet; Ritter's donates 'Cubby Paws'



For the sixth year now, the Valley Creek Homeowners Association has staged an Independence Day Parade. Each year the fun and crowds grow. More than 60 children and adults followed the fire engine from Warren Township throughout the neighborhood.

From bicycles to roller blades and wagons to strollers the mode of transportation accomplished the mission: more than a mile long trip throughout Valley Creek.

Protecting the back of the pack was Indianapolis Police Officer Rich Mahon, a resident, in his squad car decked out with patriotic bunting and an American flag. Last year the newsletter reported that Rich used his patrol car -- but that was in error. He walked with his wife and daughter. So, we decided not to recognize him this year.

As the Parade ended at the entrance Gazebo hot dogs, soft drinks, cookies and Ritter's Frozen Custard the throng. Everyone enjoyed by the volunteers who serve Curtis Tinnin as the chef, Mike and Richard Manthei as the when the supply dwindled.



honor to furnish American flags for everyone.

Custard Cubby Paws awaited the morning -- made possible on the Board of Directors. Miller as the traffic director, 'go to guy' for more hotdogs. Again, it was the editor's

Parade Day Snapshots



Valley Creek Independence Parade

June 28, 2003

(Left) Warren Fire Department leads the way as route makes first pass by the gazebo.

Post Parade

(Right) Some line up for hot dogs, soda pop and Ritter's Cubby Paws. (Below) Some rest.



Sunshine or Shade? Take your pick!

While several parade viewers take a break from the sun, two young riders have finished the parade -- the post parade feed -- and saddle up for the ride home.

Parade Day Snapshots



(Top Left) A group runs to keep up.
(Above) The food line forms.
(Left) A happy family enjoys the party.
(Below) The food line was long, but patience prevailed.



Two Moms are tired -- the kids are ready for more



Hot Dogs sizzle as Curtis serves a hungry parade Dad.



Can't tell who is happiest ... Mom or kids.



Officer Rich Mahon protected the slow parade walkers.



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Thank You Ritter's on Pendleton Pike!



The Cubby Paws were a 'cool' treat after the holiday parade!
Next time you shop Ritter's on Pendleton Pike tell them
'thanks' for supporting the Valley Creek Parade.

**More photos of the 6th annual community parade can be seen
on-line at www.geocities.com/valleycreekhoa**

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