

RELIGIOUS & DECORATED FLOATS PARADE

"Experience the Tradition"

AREA VETERANS COLOR GUARD COMPETITION

Saturday, 6:30 p.m.

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Religious and Decorated Floats Parade will be held Saturday night of the Fall Festival. The Fall Festival Queen and her attendants will lead the parade. The following rules and regulations will prevail for this event:

A. GENERAL RULES — ALL CLASSES

- A. Entries will be subject to applicable fire and safety regulations.
- B. All entries are subject to committee approval.
- C. Registration/Entry: Participants entering the parade contact P.O. Box 586, Concordia, MO 64020, or e-mail: concordiafallfestival@gmail.com **by 6 p.m. Wednesday**. Phone-ins accepted, but a written entry must be received by deadline.
- D. All entries should be floats, e.g., towed by another vehicle. Floats on truck beds, self-propelled floats, or other floats can be acceptable subject to committee approval.
- E. All floats must be entered in one of the classes for competition.
- F. Entrants must report to **float check-in table at the corner of 5th and S. Orange in the parking lot of St. Paul's Elementary School** BEFORE pulling into the parade line-up area. Line-up will begin at 4 p.m. on the evening of the parade. The parade route will run north to south.
- G. Judging begins promptly at 5 p.m. and will be done prior to the start of the parade. Prizes and awards will be awarded immediately prior to the parade while on the north end in the lineup area.

- H. Each entry will be judged on the following basis:
 1. 35%—Theme (How well the float expresses its theme, using movement, costuming, visual impressions, and slogans.)
 2. 35%—Beauty (Includes time, effort, general appearance and effect, lighting, movement, construction materials, neatness, etc.)
 3. 30%—Originality (Originality of expression, originality of theme, idea or expression of theme and originality in construction.)

- I. The parade will be divided into the following classes:
 1. Religious
 2. Decorated
 3. Miniatures

- J. Premiums awarded in all classes are as follows:
 1. First—\$500.00
 2. Second—\$100.00
 3. Third—\$70.00
 4. Fourth—\$50.00
- K. First place winner in each class will be the float awarded the highest point count in its class by the judges. Unless entries are notified prior to the start of the parade, the maximum point count is 400 points.
- L. A pair of judges will break any ties.
- M. Chairpersons reserve the right to edit description on entry form, if necessary, for time-span reasons.
- N. No brochures, fliers, etc., may be handed out along the parade route.

II. SPECIFIC CLASS RULES

- A. Religious Class
 1. Open to religious organizations, churches, and parochial schools.
 2. Theme of float must be of a religious nature.

B. Decorated Class

1. Open to all entries not eligible under Rule A or Rule C of this section.

C. Miniatures

1. Entry must be in the name of the individual or individuals.
2. Any eligible miniature float should not exceed twelve (12) feet in length excluding towing vehicle. Exceptions to this rule are subject to committee approval.

III. GRAND PRIZE RULES

- A. All entries, except Miniature Class entries, are eligible for the Grand Prize.
- B. The Grand Prize Winner will be the float with the highest total point count. In the event of a tie, the final decision will be made by the judges.
- C. The Grand Prize will be a premium of \$500.00 plus ribbon.

IV. SPECIAL PRIZE-PARADE RULES

A special prize will be awarded to the float entered as a parade Theme Float accumulating the highest parade theme score. A total of 400 points will be possible. In the event of a tie, the tie shall be broken by using the highest float score. Should a tie score still exist, the final decision will be made by the judges.

- A. The theme of this year's parade will be:
"Experience the Tradition".

B. To be eligible the following applies:

1. The float must be designated as a Parade Theme Float at the time the float is entered into the parade, but no later than 6 p.m. Wednesday.
2. The float must recognizably demonstrate the Parade Theme.
- C. The prize for the Parade Theme Float will be \$75.00 and a ribbon.
- D. All classes are eligible for this special prize.

V. FALL FESTIVAL EXECUTIVE BOARD DONATION

The Fall Festival Board will donate \$15.00 to entries eligible under the Religious Class and to entries by non-profit social, educational, or service organizations under the Decorated Class which do not win a premium in their respective classes.

VI. POLITICAL ENTRIES

Persons running for an elected position must abide by the following policies:

- A. Political candidates can participate by riding in or on a vehicle that has been fully described to and approved by the parade chairs. Family members may accompany them in the vehicle.

- B. **Political candidates need to pre-register by 6 p.m. Wednesday.** A \$250.00 fee is required.

- C. Walking will not be allowed.
- D. No political materials may be handed out.
- E. No walkers may accompany the vehicle.

VII. COLOR GUARD

Color Guard Competition: First prize—\$30.00; second—\$20.00; third—\$10.00.

For additional information contact Richard Strobel, 660-463-7893, Concordia, MO.

VIII. ANTIQUE TRACTORS/MISCELLANEOUS ENTRIES

A. Antique tractors & other miscellaneous entries may enter parade, but information **must be to committee chairperson no later than 6 p.m., Wednesday.**

- B. Chairpersons reserve the right to limit the number of miscellaneous entries for time-span reasons.

Religious and Decorated Floats Parade Entry Form

Class: _____ Theme Entry: Yes No

Title of Float: _____

Brief Description: _____

Contact Person & Phone Number: _____

Lilly Burrow 660-909-4540

Written Entries must be received by 6 pm on September 4, 2024.

Mail to P.O. Box 586, Concordia, MO 64020 OR email to: concordiafallfestival@gmail.com