



Ridgefield Celebrates the 4th of July
2008 PARADE ENTRY FORM

"Land That I love"



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Friday July 4, 2008 at 11:00 AM
Downtown Ridgefield, Washington
Theme: “Land That I Love”

LEADER’S NAME _____
 SCHOOL, GROUP, ORGANIZATION _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____
 DAYTIME PHONE _____ EVENING PHONE _____
 NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN YOUR GROUP: _____ ANIMALS: _____ VEHICLES: _____
 LENGTH OF VEHICLE IF LONGER THAN A CAR _____
 GROUP DESCRIPTION _____
 CATEGORY # _____ (See Categories Below)
 ENTRY FEES: \$25.00 for commercial entries, \$100.00 for politicians (politician must be present)
 Special information, biography and description of your group for announcer commentary and media re-
 lease: _____

PARADE CATEGORIES”	6. Horses, Pony Carts	12. Decorated Bikes, Trikes & Wagons
1. Floats (non-commercial, clubs, and youth organization)	7. Dogs and Pets	13. Costumes
2. Floats (commercial)	8. Courts	14. Miscellaneous
3. Bands (marching & riding)	9. Depicting Theme	15. Political Campaign (will not be judged)
4. Drill Teams, Dance Teams	10. Classic Vehicles (max. 10 vehicles per club)	16. Pre-parade (will not be judged)
5. Marching Units (other than bands, drill/dance teams)	11. Decorated Vehicles (max. 10 vehicles per club)	

I/we agree to comply with the 2008 “Ridgefield Celebrates the 4th of July Parade” rules and regulations.

Signature X _____

Application forms must be received by 5:00 PM, Friday June 27, 2008.

Please fill out and return this form to: PARADE COMMITTEE, PO BOX 896 RIDGEFIELD, WA 98642
 Please make checks payable to: The Ridgefield 4th of July Committee

PARADE RULES & REGULATIONS

GENERAL: The “Ridgefield Celebrates the 4th of July” parade is open to all. All entries are subject to approval of the Parade Committee. Safety precautions and polite behavior by the participants will be observed at all times. Failure to comply will result in expulsion from the parade. All participants must keep pace with the line of march and parade spacing and must not slow down the parade. **All large entries (tow trucks, buses, etc.) must have a safety walker on all four corners of the entry.**

REGISTRATION: All entrants who wish to be included in the judging must complete and return the attached Entry Form no later than Friday, June 27, 2008. **NO EXCEPTIONS**

CHECK-IN AND FORMATION: Parade line-up begins at 8:00 am. All groups are to report to the registration table at Pioneer and 8th. (Please remember under what name you registered!)

ENTRY FEE: Commercial: \$25.00 Politicians: \$100.00

JUDGING: Begins promptly at 9:30 am. Each entry wishing to be judged must be pre-registered and in line prior to 9:30 am. Late entries will not be eligible for judging.

- ◆ Float Judging: All float entries will be judged on originality, color, and interpretation of the parade theme: (“Land that I Love”)
- ◆ Costumed Marchers: Each entrant must be in a costume that represents the parade theme.
- ◆ Bikes, Trikes, Wagons etc: Each entry must be decorated and riders must be costumed. Judging will be based on originality and creativity.
- ◆ Pets or Livestock: Judging of animal costumes will be based on originality and creativity. Dogs and other small pets may be entered, provided they are on a leash and under full control at all times. Owners are responsible for the pet’s safety, comfort, water and sanitation. *Please anticipate hot weather and give consideration to your pet!*
- ◆ Horses, Pony Carts: Riders must be in costume or in uniform relating to the parade theme. Judging of horses/ponies and riders based on originality and creativity. The animals must be kept under full control at all times. *Owners are responsible for their animal’s safety, comfort, water and sanitation. All horse group entrants must provide their own pooper scooper.*
- ◆ Bands, Drill/Dance Teams, Baton Groups: All entrants must be costumed or in uniform. If comprised of minor children, adult supervision is required at all times. Drill/Dance/Baton Team units will be judged on marching routine. Groups must keep pace with the line of march. Parade route will be monitored. All unites will be judged on the parade route.

AWARDS CEREMONY: All awards, with the exception of Bands, Drill/Dance Teams and Baton Groups, will be presented prior to the start of the parade. They will also be announced by the parade MC during the parade route.

CANDY: Candy may only be handed out along the parade route by a member of the group on each side walking and tossing to the children. **No candy may be thrown from floats or vehicles of any kind.**

DISBAND AREA: The parade ends at the corner of 5th of Division. If you are going down to the park, head down Division to the park. If you are headed out of town, turn right on 5th following the detour signs through the back of Union Ridge Elementary School . Please obey instructions by PARADE ROUTE MARSHALS. Street closures will include the entire parade route and surrounding streets.

IMPORTANT

Please remind all parade participants that we need every cooperation possible for litter control, both at the formation and disband areas. Frisbees will not be allowed to be thrown from parade participants. Please help us make this a wonderful, fun-filled event for everyone. *Thank you.*

Any and all individuals or organized groups who enter this parade do so at their own risk. The City of Ridgefield, it’s agents, or any of the event’s sponsors, are not liable in any way for injury or damages.