

Don't Miss Out – We Want You in Our Parade!

Please join us in the 2009 Temple Terrace Independence Day Celebration! The parade is scheduled for **Saturday, July 4th at 10:00 AM**. Complete the enclosed application form and return it to the Chamber office along with your application fee and your sponsorship donation (we really need your help for the fireworks display).

These are the things you should know before you apply:

- ❖ **Float dimensions (same as 2008):**
 - *Maximum* unit length – 40.0 feet
 - *Maximum* unit height – 13.5 feet
 - *Maximum* unit width – 8.0 feet
- ❖ **Float requirements:** any float that has a fender and/or tires that extends past the side of the trailer must have modifications made to it that cover the wheel well to prevent a 90 degree angle. This modification will prevent anyone from walking in that area (*in front of the fender/tire*). ***This is a very dangerous area and is not easily visible by the driver.*** (*inexpensive and easy to-do examples can be seen at www.templeterracechamber.com or at the Family Recreation Center*).
- ❖ **Supply location:** If a trailer/float is being used, all bins/coolers with extra candy, beads and/or water used for the walkers must be stored at the back of the vehicle vs. on the sides. This will help prevent any injuries to the walkers if the vehicle is stopped and then starts moving while they are still standing next to it.
- ❖ **Monitor requirements: (New 2009)**
 - Every float or motorized unit must have adult (**18 & older**) monitors that walk with their unit to protect any children that may jump out into the parade route to retrieve candy and beads. Monitors are expected to “*look & listen*” and not pass out beads or candy.
 - Car/Truck with Trailer or Float (from 12 – 40 feet in length) – 2 monitors
 - *Walking Units (supported by golf carts or wagons) must provide one adult monitor per 10 children*
- ❖ **DRIVERS:** Float or motorized vehicle DRIVERS are **NEVER** permitted to throw candy/beads **at any time** during the 2-mile parade. It is imperative that these individuals are focused solely on safe driving and people surrounding them.
- ❖ **Candy and Beads** - If you plan to throw candy or beads please throw them underhanded to prevent injury to anyone. Throwing candy/items – **fastball style** – will prevent your organization from further participation in parades. Stick candy is not permitted (lollipops, etc)
- ❖ **Inspection:** a member of the parade committee, a member of the Temple Terrace Fire Department and a member of the Temple Terrace Police Department prior to the start of the parade will inspect all floats. **If any of the above requirements are not met, your vehicle will not be permitted to proceed on the parade route.**

Registration/safety agreement forms will be mailed upon receipt of payment and must be returned to the Chamber office by **June 12th**. Unit assignments and staging instructions will be mailed approximately one week before the parade. Staging will begin at 8:30 AM. Once again the parade will begin at Whiteway and Gillette with staging in two separate locations near Greco Middle School. The parade will travel south on Gillette to Druid Hills, then turn west to Ridgedale Avenue where it will turn south and disband at Temple Terrace Elementary School. The parade length is approximately 2 miles.

Please see the attached safety letter from the Temple Terrace Police Department relating to new regulations for drop off and pick up.

We look forward to your participation in this year's Independence Day parade. Together we can have a great time and make this a special and SAFE day for everyone!!