

# 35<sup>th</sup> Annual December Christmas 8th & 9th Festival Parade Entry Application

## Parade Schedule

Saturday, December 9, 2017 - Parade Time: 1:30pm

- \* December 9th, 12:00 - 1:00pm - Line up behind Bay Minette Elementary School
  - \* December 9th, 1:00pm - 1:30pm - Judging of the floats (all judged floats must be in line by 1:00pm)
  - \* December 9th, 1:30pm - Parade Rolls
  - \* Parade Route - Line up behind Bay Minette Elementary School, to 9th Street, 9th Street to Hand Ave, Hand Ave to Hwy 31 South, to Pine Street, Pine Street to 1st Street, 1st Street to Hoyle Avenue, Hoyle Ave to 5th Street, and back into school lot
  - \* December 9th, 3:30pm - Parade Awards at Gazebo in Blackburn Park, for judged floats only.
- \* Fee: \$10.00 Per Parade Entry / Late Fee: \$5.00 Per Parade Entry After December 1, 2017

North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce

ATTN: Christmas Fest - Parade

PO Box 310, Bay Minette, AL 36507

For more information call 251-937-5665 ext. 3

or email [Kristina@northbaldwinchamber.com](mailto:Kristina@northbaldwinchamber.com)

# 35th Annual Christmas Fest Parade Rules and Theme Guidelines:

- \* ALL parade entries must adhere to the Christmas Theme
- \* ALL floats must throw candy
- \* No horses or motorcycles allowed (motorcycles and other motorized vehicles such as go carts must have approval from North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce and the City of Bay Minette Police Department).
- \* **NO ENTRIES CAN HAVE A SANTA CLAUSE ON THEIR FLOAT.** The Santa will be provided by the North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce and will ride with the Bay Minette Fire Department to avoid confusion.
- \* Music must be listed on the application for committee approval or will **NOT** be played during the parade. Music must adhere to the "Christmas" theme and must be kept at a reasonable level throughout the parade.
- \* Only those wishing to be judged will be. Please check one of the two boxes on this application to indicate if you wish to be judged or not.
- \* Parade entries will be lined up on the day of the parade by volunteers who will place judged floats in one line, and non-judged floats in another line. **NO NUMBERS WILL BE ASSIGNED PRIOR TO CHRISTMAS FEST** for parade line up.
- \* **ALL floats** MUST have four walkers, and MUST have four walkers for the duration of the parade. Floats who do not have four walkers will be pulled from parade line up. Floats who's walkers "disappear" during the parade will not be allowed to parade in future years as they are endangering parade spectators and participants by not having walkers for the duration of the parade. These walkers are required for your safety.
- \* **ALL trucks** MUST have two walkers, and MUST have two walkers for the duration of the parade. Trucks who do not have two walkers will be pulled from parade line up. Trucks who's walkers "disappear" during the parade will not be allowed to parade in future years as they are endangering parade spectators and participants by not having walkers for the duration of the parade. These walkers are required for your safety.
- \* No bull horns allowed on any float or with any walking group, floats and walking groups with music using microphones must only use the microphones for music that has been preapproved and listed on the parade entry application. Any noise deemed inappropriate will result in the parade entry being pulled from the parade.
- \* For the purposes of the 35th Annual Christmas Parade, a "float" is defined as any motorized vehicle including but not limited to cars, trucks, vans, trucks with trailers, trucks with boats, approved go-carts, approved motorcycles, lawnmowers, tractors, and golf carts.
- \* For the purposes of the 35th Annual Christmas Parade, a "walking group" is defined as any of the following: marching bands, cheerleaders, dancers, majorettes, flag corps, girl scouts, boy scouts, marching choirs, and any group of people or organization who chooses to walk in the Christmas Parade and not participate with a "float."
- \* The North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce and City of Bay Minette reserves the right to refuse any parade application that is incomplete, is not accompanied by the entry fee, or inappropriate as determined by the North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce, City of Bay Minette and/or the Christmas Fest Committee. The North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce and the City of Bay Minette also reserves the right to pull any parade entry at any time for any float or walking group in violation of parade rules and theme guidelines.
- \* The 35th Annual Christmas Parade is a rain or shine event and no refunds will be given for the parade entry fee. In case of inclement weather, the parade will be rescheduled or delayed.
- \* **Late Fee: \$5.00 per parade entry**

# PARADE ENTRY APPLICATION:

(Please print legibly and return the completed application to the North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce)

- \* Group/Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- \* Point of Contact: \_\_\_\_\_
- \* Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_
- \* City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_
- \* Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_
- \* Email: \_\_\_\_\_
- \* Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Check the appropriate type of entry:

\_\_\_\_\_ Float (a float is defined as any motorized vehicle-car, truck, van, truck with trailer, truck with boat, etc.)

Float Theme and Music (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Check one: \_\_\_\_\_ YES, I wish to be judged!                      \_\_\_\_\_ No, I do not wish to be judged

\_\_\_\_\_ Walking Group (i.e. marching band, cheer leaders, dancers, majorettes, flag corps, etc.)

Music (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

(NOTE: ALL parade entries—floats and walking groups—must adhere to parade rules and theme guidelines. The North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to pull any parade entry at any time for any parade entry in violation of parade rules and theme guidelines. The Annual Christmas Parade is a family event and meant to celebrate the holiday season, rules are in place for your safety and the safety of parade spectators.)

FEE: \$10.00 per parade entry (float-as defined above and in enclosed information and walking groups)

Late Fee: \$5.00 per parade entry after December 1, 2017

\*\*\*\*\*PARADE ENTRY APPLICATIONS AND FEE SHOULD BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 1, 2017

(Mail to: North Baldwin Chamber, ATTN: Christmas Fest - Parade, P.O. Box 310, Bay Minette, Alabama, 36507)

\*\*\*The North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce, City of Bay Minette and Sponsors will not be held responsible for any accidents, injuries, and/or damages incurred in connection with the 2017 Christmas Fest Parade.

SIGN: \_\_\_\_\_ PRINT: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Due: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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