

CHARLEVOIX VENETIAN FESTIVAL, INC.

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81st ANNUAL CHARLEVOIX VENETIAN FESTIVAL STREET PARADE Saturday, July 23, 2011

It is imperative that you return your Venetian Festival Street Parade Application by July 1, 2011, thereby allowing the Street Parade Committee ample time to review the application and prepare the lineup positions. We will transmit specific parade information to all participants in a timely manner.

LATE ENTRIES WILL BE RETURNED.

PARADE RULES & INFORMATION

1. All entries are to report to the registration booth located on East Garfield in front of the American Legion Hall. Identify your organization/group and you will be given a number with a corresponding position in the parade.
2. Locate your entry at your assigned position. If after finding your position, there is a problem with the position, please notify the registration booth immediately and we will do our best to make the necessary adjustments.
3. **ALL ENTRIES MUST BE DECORATED** (floats, people in costumes, etc.) The only exception to this are entries that are unique (antique cars, horse and buggies, etc.). Entries will be judged in the following categories:
 1. **Directors Choice – Best Overall**
 2. **Best Commercial Entry**
 3. **Best Service/Organization**
 4. **Most Original**

TO BE JUDGED, YOU MUST BE IN THE LINEUP BY 9:30 A.M.

4. **For safety reasons, ABSOLUTELY NOTHING whatsoever is to be thrown, passed out, or sprayed from ANY unit or from ANY walkers accompanying it.** A violation of this rule means that **you will be excused from the parade at the next intersection and you will not be invited to future parades.**
5. Each entry may only go through the parade route once.
6. Commercial entries will be charged a \$100.00 fee.
Please make your check payable to Charlevoix Venetian Festival, Inc.
7. Elected political officials and candidates are not allowed to participate or to be publicized in the parade.
An exception will be made only for law enforcement officials who are on duty and in uniform, and officials and candidates participating in another capacity.
8. Units sponsored by or depicting a controversial issue will not be permitted in the parade.
9. All dog and/or equestrian/horse units **must provide** a clean-up crew.
10. **We reserve the right to reject or remove** any unit that is not in good taste, not adequately decorated, nor in the best interest of the Charlevoix Venetian Festival as solely determined by the Parade Committee.