

2019 CARNATION PARADE

INFORMATION

Date: Saturday, August 10 at **9:30 AM**.

NOTE THE STARTING TIME OF 9:30 AM. THE ASSEMBLY TIME REMAINS AT 8:30 AM. PLEASE ARRIVE IN PLENTY OF TIME TO FIND YOUR LINEUP SPOT.

Assembly Time: 8:30 AM – Units will be in position to move out by 9:15 AM.

Lineup Area: The beginning of the lineup area will be south of 38th Avenue on Ames, Benton, Chase, and Depew Streets. **Details of the actual lineup positions will be sent to participants ONE WEEK prior to the Parade.**

Parade Route: The Parade will head west on 38th Avenue beginning at Ames Street and will disband at 38th Avenue and Upham Street (this location is one block east of Wadsworth Boulevard).

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. **Entry fees have been implemented for business and political entries, however, the Parade operates primarily on donations from the community. We appreciate any donation you are able to make.**
2. **Absolutely nothing can be thrown into the crowd from any unit during the Parade. Please observe this basic safety precaution.** Side walkers handing out items are permitted.
3. Guns, cannons, and fireworks of any kind will not be fired or exploded from any unit before, during, or after the Parade.
4. Political entries are limited to 2 vehicles and 50 people.
5. Cancellations should be reported to the Parade Chair as soon as possible. “No-shows” cause problems with the lineup on Parade day.
6. **All entries will receive e-mail notification regarding lineup instructions and lineup number ONE WEEK prior to the Parade.** The lineup number placards will be given to the participants as the Parade forms up, and must be displayed on the **left-hand side** of the entry (for example, in a vehicle window) so they can be read from the reviewing stand.
7. The Parade Chair reserves the option to remove from the Parade lineup any Parade entry that is considered to not be in good taste, unsafe, or not in compliance with these rules and regulations.
8. Parking is available in the Chase Plaza (North side of 38th Ave. and Chase) and the King Soopers lot. You assume the risk of parking in private business lots. Parking along streets will also be available. **DO NOT PARK IN THE HANK’S BILLIARDS PARKING LOT AT 38TH AND AMES OR IN THE LUEBKE APARTMENT COMPLEXES. THEY WILL TOW UNAUTHORIZED VEHICLES.**
9. Please be courteous of the residents along staging streets. Please dispose of trash properly. The Parade is a privilege that the city graciously hosts, so please be respectful of our neighborhoods and residents.

10. Please come to the Parade in a spirit of fun!

JUDGING

There will be 5 judges: 2 citizen judges, and 3 randomly selected judges from the audience.

Judging will be based on four areas of emphasis:

- Overall Appearance
- Use of Carnations/Celebration of our 50th
- Original Utilization of Materials
- Enthusiasm/Engagement with crowd

Every judge will give careful consideration to the four areas of emphasis in the judging criteria.

The judges shall take into consideration the following violations against entries:

- Improper display of entry number
- Inappropriate and / or offensive behavior, attire or float decorations
- Entry name not included

Judging will occur at the Grandstand area just west of 38th Ave. and High Ct (near Right Coast Pizza)

All decisions by the judges are final.

Each judge evaluates each group individually. Decisions from each judge within each category are discussed, and comments are shared regarding the criteria. The entry with the total highest votes will be the winner.

AWARDS

Commemorative Plates

1. Carnation Award – Awarded to the entry with the best use of carnations, real or paper, in any entry (judges award)
2. Grand Marshal Award - Best overall entry and use of theme
3. Count Award – Best craftsmanship and workmanship
4. Countess Award – Best example of enthusiasm and teamwork
5. Mayor's Youth Award – Best Youth entry
6. Parade Chair Award – Long-standing Participation
7. Best Float
8. Best Vehicle
9. Best Business
10. Outstanding Marching Band
11. Outstanding Marching Unit
12. Outstanding Community
13. Outstanding Musical Entry
14. Most Creative Award

The Parade Awards ceremony will take place Saturday, August 11th at 7:20-7:50 PM on the Festival Main Stage at Anderson Park.