
BENTON-FRANKLIN FAIR

Parade Committee



Dear Parade Friends:

The Benton-Franklin Fair & Rodeo would be honored with your participation in this year's Grand Parade and celebration of the 60th anniversary of the Benton-Franklin Fair. The parade will be in Kennewick, WA on Saturday, August 16, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. This year's theme is "Ewe Ain't Seen Nothing Yet" and if you use your imagination we're sure that you'll find many ways to decorate around this fun theme.

Enclosed please find the following information:

Grand Parade Entry Form
Grand Parade Publicity Sheet
Participant Information

The Grand Parade Entries are due to the fair office no later than August 8, 2008. (**There will be a \$5 late entry fee for entries received after the deadline of August 8, 2008.**) These forms can also be found on our website at www.bffairrodeo.com. Click onto the "Main Parade" icon, print forms and mail to the Benton-Franklin Fair Office at 1500 S. Oak St., Kennewick, WA 99337 ATTN: Parade Committee.

You will receive further information following your submission of the completed application. It will also appear on the website once further information has been determined. Judging of all entries will begin at 8:15 a.m. and end at 9:00 a.m. Entries not in position by judging time, may not be eligible for judging. Entries not wishing to be judged (political, etc.) need to check in at least an hour prior to the start of the parade for staging. Equestrian entries must provide their own clean up crews. Also, floats must meet Fire Department requirements.

We would be pleased to have your group join us this year. If you have any questions, please feel free to call our office at (509) 586-9211 ext. 201.

Sincerely,

BENTON-FRANKLIN FAIR & RODEO PARADE COMMITTEE

BENTON-FRANKLIN FAIR GRAND PARADE
SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2008 - 10:00 a.m.
DEADLINE - AUGUST 8, 2008

(Please print all information clearly and legibly)

Name of Entry: _____

Please be sure person checking in knows the correct name of entry or the person in charge on parade day.

Person in Charge: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____ (Parade Committee Use Only)

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I DO NOT WISH TO BE JUDGED IN THE PARADE _____

_____ POLITICAL ENTRY (No Awards in Division)

PLEASE INDICATE DIVISION YOU WISH TO BE JUDGED IN: (Check One)

FLOATS

_____ Community Float I (Greater than 2,500)

_____ Community Float II (Under 2,500)

_____ Commercial Float

_____ Non-Commercial Float

Floats must meet dimension requirements

EQUESTRIAN (Horse Groups)

_____ Equestrian

_____ Queens & Courts

OTHER

_____ Commercial (Non-Float)

_____ Bands - Marching

_____ Adult Dance

_____ Youth Drill/Dance

_____ Novelty (Kids)

_____ Novelty (Adults)

_____ Car Clubs**

_____ Specialty (Non-Profit)

_____ Shriners

All entries, please provide numbers: _____ # of People _____ # of Vehicles _____ # of Horses

****Groups of 10 or more may be split into smaller ones. If so, you will be notified.**

The Benton-Franklin Fair Association Parade Committee reserves the right to withdraw any unit of which costume or performance does not conform to the standards of reasonable public taste.

In consideration of the opportunity to participate in this parade and the acceptance of this application by the parade committee, the applicant agrees to save and hold harmless the Benton-Franklin Fair Association, Benton County, and the City of Kennewick, their Officers, Members, Employees, and Agents from any loss or damage to all persons or property caused by the operation of applicant's entry or group in connection with this activity and from any claims or suits (to include all costs of attorney fees and any and all other costs for defending said claims and suits) for such damage. Applicant further testifies that said entry is covered by insurance.

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

**BENTON-FRANKLIN FAIR
GRAND PARADE PUBLICITY SHEET
SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2008**

IMPORTANT: In order to give your entry the best possible publicity in news stories, radio, and television commentary, it is important that you fill out this form with as much detail as possible. (Additional sheets may be used if necessary.)

NAME OF ENTRY:

SPONSORED BY:

DESCRIPTON:

LENGTH OF FLOAT: (if applicable)

SPECIAL FEATURES OR ROUTINES:

NAME AND TITLE OF KEY PERSONNEL: (*Director, Queens, Drum Majors etc.*)

REQUEST/NOTES TO PARADE COMMITTEE: (i.e. not next to band)

**Please note that the Parade Committee is a volunteer organization that works hard to meet the requests of all applicants, however, sometimes all requests are not possible.*

DEADLINE - AUGUST 8, 2008

**RETURN ALL APPLICATIONS TO: BENTON-FRANKLIN FAIR OFFICE
ATTN: PARADE COMMITTEE
1500 S. OAK ST.
KENNEWICK, WA 99337**

ALL ENTRIES:

1. The Benton-Franklin Fair Parade Committee reserves the right to remove from the parade, either prior to assembly, at assembly, or any time during the parade, any entrant refusing to follow directions of the police or parade committee official.
2. All entrants must be approved by the parade committee prior to the start of the parade.
3. Alcoholic beverages are forbidden on any float or vehicle or on the person of any participant. No profanity is allowed along the parade route.
4. No pamphlets, fliers, or selling of items along the parade route.
5. For safety reasons, throwing candy or any other item from a vehicle will not be allowed. However, candy may be tossed to the curb by persons **walking** alongside floats, vehicles, etc.
6. No discharging of firearms or simulated type of noise or fireworks is allowed.
7. Forward motion must always be maintained and a distance of fifty (50) feet between units must be maintained.
8. All entries are required to have insurance and testify to this by signing the application form.
9. All entries will be notified of staging areas with their confirmation letter.

FLOATS - Additional Requirements:

1. Basic dimensions for floats: 16' maximum width, 13.5' maximum height and 60' maximum length.
2. Towing hitches or places to tow shall be easily accessible and of sufficient strength to tow the float at all times.
3. Driver must have two means of escape.
4. Each float driver must have a valid driver's license, be a competent operator and not be under the influence of alcohol.
5. The driver must have good vision. The float must have good brakes and fire extinguishers available. *The fire Marshall will look over all the floats prior to the parade for safety.*

EQUESTRIAN UNITS (HORSE ENTRIES) - Additional Requirements:

1. ALL ENTRIES OF THREE OR MORE HORSES MUST PROVIDE THEIR OWN CLEAN UP UNITS.
2. No Stallions.
3. Any rider showing inability to control their horse will be removed from the parade.
4. Each individual rider must have individual insurance coverage or group insurance coverage for the group of entries. This insurance is designated as being covered by the signature of applicant on official application.