

Parade rules:

1. Each group must submit a completed entry form and hold harmless agreement to the Knightsen Garden Club by November 29th 2023. Each entry form will be reviewed for approval at the sole discretion of the Knightsen Garden Club.
2. Each group must appoint one contact person for coordination prior to and day of event.
3. Parade will begin at 4:00pm on Saturday Dec 2nd 2023. All parade entries must be on property at the Rail Road property gravel parking lot on east side of Knightsen Ave **no later than 3:00pm**. Entries can arrive as early as 2:00 pm to get themselves decorated. Entries should enter through road closure barricade from area of 2nd Street at Knightsen Ave. For google directions use address for property across the street from the staging area parking lot to pull up driving directions: 3121 Knightsen Ave. Entries shall clean up all trash or remnants of their float and leave nothing behind.
4. No throwing candy, items or gifts and no silly string or water guns. Nothing can be littered onto the ground from your float. You can hand out items.
5. Helmets are required for ALL riders regardless of age of bicycles, skateboards, inline or roller skates, scooters, motorcycles.
6. Entries that are deemed to be expressing or portraying a political or controversial theme or message shall not be permitted. Entries from government office holders are permitted.
7. Signage: Parade entries please have a sign identifying their name, group or business represented in the entry. Not mandatory but highly recommended.
8. Keep it PG family friendly - No profanity, no R rated or vulgar images, no alcohol, no cigarettes or controlled substances to be carried, used or depicted. All entries must exhibit polite behavior.
9. Floats: Floats cannot exceed 11ft height x 8.5ft width. Float can be pulled by a vehicle, tractor, bike or horse.
10. Dogs are welcomed and permitted. Dogs must be on leashes not more than 4ft in length. Dogs must behave in an obedient and controlled manner. Dogs who are disruptive or are barking at people or animals will be asked to leave. Owners must pick up after their dogs.
11. Horses are welcomed and permitted. NO Stallions. Mares and geldings only. Horses must behave in an obedient and controlled manner. Horses who are deemed to be a potential danger will be asked to leave. Horse entries must have someone walking to clean up manure along parade route and to act as a safety assist in the event a horse becomes scared. Riders under the age of 18 shall wear a helmet.
12. Live music/Loud sounds: If your entry will feature Live band music or loud sounds, please advise in advance so we can place it in line up separately from horse entries so that the horses are not scared. This is imperative for safety that the equestrian entries be a safe distance from the noise.
13. Parade officials reserve the right to remove any group, individual or entry from the parade for any reason; including but not limited to stalled vehicles.

* Parade officials reserve the right to amend these rules at any time, as they deem necessary. Violators of any of these rules will not be permitted to enter the parade the following year.

* **Entries entered prior to November 15th will be entered into the awards competition.**

