



Dear Christmas Parade Participant,

The Bonne Terre Chamber of Commerce presents, “A Superheroes Christmas” for this year’s 43rd Annual Christmas Parade. The chamber encourages parade entries full of color with lighted floats, singers, walking groups, bands, or any type of contribution that will add to the parade and increase the Christmas spirit of all in our great community **but must be decorated**.

This year the parade will begin Monday, December 5th at 7:00 p.m.

The theme is “A Superheroes Christmas,” There will be a \$10 entry fee for non-chamber members. Cash prizes in the amount of: 1st place \$200, 2nd place \$150, 3rd place \$100 will be awarded to the best decorated floats following the theme. There will only be ONE Santa & Mrs. Claus in the parade. They will be riding on the Chamber float, the last unit in the parade. Any other Santa (St. Nick, Father Christmas, etc.) or Mrs. Claus is not allowed. This will avoid confusion for small children. Stuffed or fake Santa’s are acceptable. For safety purposes, please do not THROW anything from your moving vehicle. You may hand toss items by someone walking alongside the float.

All entries need to check in with Chamber staff on Benham at the entrance to Veteran’s Park beginning at 5:30 P.M. After finding out your line up number, please proceed to line up spots behind the Police Station.

The parade will start at the intersection of Desoto Rd and Division Street. It will proceed south on Division to Main Street, east on Main to the Bonne Terre Post Office. The Parade will disperse at Centennial Park in front of the Bonne Terre Post Office.

To register your entry, please fill out the enclosed form and mail or bring it to the Chamber office located at 41 S. Young St. (PO Box 175, Bonne Terre, MO 63628). Non-Members must submit a **\$10 Entry Fee**.

Deadline to register your entry is December 5, 2022 at **10:00 A.M.**

Please provide the name of your entry, name of a contact person, phone number and whether you wish for your entry to be judged as a float. For more information, please call the Chamber office at 358-4000.

Sincerely,

The Bonne Terre Chamber of Commerce



Christmas Parade Rules & Guidelines

1. For line-up, (starting at 5:30) please go to the entrance to Veteran's Park on Benham Street (across from Boyer Funeral Home) and see Chamber line-up personnel. They will tell you your line up number. Then proceed to line slots behind the Police Station.
2. Please, NO "live" Santa and Mrs. Claus. They will be riding on the Chamber float at the end of the parade. This will avoid confusion with our young spectators. Stuffed or fake Santa's are acceptable.
3. For safety purposes, please do not throw anything from your entry. This includes candy!! You may have walkers to hand toss the items.
4. The parade will end at Centennial Park in front of the Bonne Terre Post Office. Any entry and walking unit with children will be to Centennial Park in front of the Post Office where the children may be picked up. All other entries will be directed north or south of the Post Office.
5. There will be NO vehicle traffic on Allen Street the night of the parade.
6. Entry deadline is Monday, December 5th at 10:00 AM. Please have your entry in by this time.
7. Please be at your line up position by 6:30 p.m.
8. All Entries must be DECORATED!
9. For judging purposes, please have a banner or sign clearly identifying your organization/business on your entry. You will be given a judging number at line-up.
10. Entry must be completely decorated before entering lineup.
11. No other vehicles will be allowed inside the lineup area. You may drop off your child at the NEW firehouse area and they can walk down behind the police station to join their float.



Bonne Terre Chamber of Commerce 43rd annual Christmas Parade

Theme: "A Superheroes Christmas"

Name of Organization/Business:

Type of Entry: Float _____ Walking _____ Horseback _____ Car _____ Fire/Police _____ Other: _____

Description of Entry:

Do you wish for your entry to be judged in the Float Category? Yes or No

Does your entry include music? Yes or No If yes, is it: Live or Taped

Will your entry be lighted? Yes or No

Does your entry include animals? Yes or No If yes, will they be: Walking in the parade or On Float

Responsible Person: _____

Contact Telephone (Day): _____ (Evening): _____

Do you prefer Text or Call : _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Liability Disclaimer:

The Bonne Terre Chamber of Commerce, Inc. does not provide liability insurance for the protection of parade participants, spectators, merchants, and or others involved in similar activities who participate in the Christmas Parade.

In consideration of participation in such activity, the parade participants, do hereby release and forever discharge The Bonne Terre Chamber of Commerce, Inc. its officials and members, jointly and severally, from any and all actions, causes of action, claims and demands for upon or by reason of any damage, loss or injury which hereafter may be sustained by parade participants, merchants, spectators, or others, in consequence of participating in the Christmas Parade.

This release extends and applies to and also covers and includes all unknown unforeseen, unanticipated and unsuspected injuries, damages, loss and liability and the consequences, thereof, as well as those now disclosed and known to exist. The provision of any state, federal, local, and/or territorial law, or statute providing in substance that releases shall not extend to claim, demands, injuries, or damages which are unknown or suspected to exist at the time, to the person executing such releases are hereby expressly waived.

I hereby agree on behalf of my heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns to indemnify The Bonne Terre Chamber of Commerce, Inc. its officials and members jointly and severally and hold them harmless from and against any and all actions, claims, demands and liabilities, loss, damages, and expense of whatever nature and kind, including attorney fees, which may at any time be incurred by reason of my participation in the Christmas Parade.

It is further agreed and understood that my participation in the Christmas Parade is not construed as an admission of any liability and/or acceptance of assumption of responsibility of The Bonne Terre Chamber of Commerce, Inc. its officials, and members, jointly and severally. Parade participants shall indemnify The Bonne Terre Chamber of Commerce, Inc., its officials and members, jointly and severally, from all damages and expenses for which the Bonne Terre Chamber of Commerce, Inc. its officials and members jointly and severally may become liable as a result of any alleged action during the Parade by participants or any other party.

Signature of Responsible Person

/ Date

Non-Chamber members must submit a parade entry fee of \$10.

All Parade entries must return this form to: The Bonne Terre Chamber Office (mailed to PO BOX 175 or dropped off at 41 S. Young St.) No later than 10:00 AM Monday, December 5th.

OR

E-Mail form to: btchamberofcommerce@yahoo.com