

RUPERT 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION 2021

Dear Parade Participant:

The parade theme for 2021 is "Blessings of America" In keeping with the true spirit of Independence Day, please fly as many American flags as you can. We appreciate your efforts in making our parade the best.

Enclosed is the application packet for the 2021 parade. Please complete the entry form and return it to: Parade Committee , PO Box 344, Rupert, ID 83350

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Layton or Jackie Larson at 208-670-1227. Extra forms are available at the website: www.rupert4th.com

The parade will begin at 11:00 am on **Monday July 5th**. All floats and non-equine entries will now line up on Scott Ave. from Maverick toward the POW/MIA Memorial. (See attached map for details.) The parade will end at the LDS church parking lot on 100 West. If you have children riding on your float they must be picked up at the church parking lot. **VEHICLES OF ANY KIND NOT IN THE PARADE CANNOT BE PARKED IN OR AROUND THE JUDGING AREA! CARS PARKED IN PARADE ROUTE MAY BE FINED. PLEASE INSTRUCT ALL PARTICIPANTS OF YOUR PARADE ENTRY THAT THEY CANNOT PARK IN THE PARADE ROUTE, EVEN DROPPING OFF PARADE PARTICIPANTS.**

Emergency vehicles will be at the front of the parade so they will have easy access out in case of an emergency. **Horses** will be as close as possible to the front of the parade so they will not be overly hot. They will line up on K Street. The horse judges will help to line you up. They will then be brought up 4th St and then to Scott Ave to be placed behind the Emergency Vehicles and the Veterans.

Floats and automobiles must be in place by 9:00 am for judging. Marching bands, horses, dance groups, etc. must be in place by 10:30 am and will be judged during the parade. All other entries must be in place by 10:00 am.

Group Float (non-commercial) entries. We love that families come home to Rupert to help us celebrate the 4th of July. We encourage families or groups to do a float (must be a float) and be eligible for a great prize! The winning float will win a \$200 gift certificate to Ridley's to purchase BBQ items. They will also have exclusive availability to the Rupert Pool after 5:00 pm on a single day coordinated with the City of Rupert.

Judging criteria for all floats: Overall appearance, best use of theme, artistic effort or creativeness & flag display.

Judging criteria for horses, dance & music entries is precision and timing.

Awarded prizes as follows:

Grand prize: Ribbon

Best Theme: Ribbon

Most Patriotic: Ribbon

Judges Choice: Ribbon

Mayor's Choice: Ribbon

Automobile: A first place ribbon will be awarded to four categories: Modified – Classic – Antique – Best of Show Mounted groups, Royalty, Horse drawn and miscellaneous equestrian. One Best of Show will be given overall.

Music/Dance: Drill/Dance/Cheer – Marching Band – Musical Entry 1st Place Ribbon in each category

Thank you for helping to make our 2021 parade the very best!

