



Ruskin Memorial VFW Post #6287

Veteran's Day Parade

Saturday • November 12, 2011 • 11:00 a.m.



Entry's/Organization's Name: _____

Contact Person: _____ Title / Rank: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Ph: _____ Cell: _____

Fax: _____ Email: _____

INFORMATION AND TYPE OF ENTRY

Please complete all items applicable so your entry will be appropriately placed in the parade.

Float: _____ Name of Float Company: _____ Contact Number: _____

Dimensions of float AND tow together: Length _____ Width _____

Musical Group: Number of participants in entry? _____

What is the music source (tape, live)? _____

What is the type of music played (rock, country, etc.)? _____

Horse Group: Number of participants in entry. _____ (Pooper scooper required.)

Walking Group: Number of participants in entry (no vehicles). _____

Vehicle Entry (please describe): _____

Other (please describe): _____

Please complete if music / sound is part of ANY entry. What is the music source (tape, live)? _____

What is the type of music played (rock, country, etc.)? _____

As we will once again have a Master of Ceremony available at the Judges Stand to announce each entry, please provide us with a brief description of your entry (name, business/organization, charity, or any other information you would like the attendees, judges and other participants to know about your company/organization, etc.).

Please see page two for additional information. Thank you.

INSURANCE: All motor driven units must provide proof of insurance. The Ruskin Memorial VFW Post 6287 is in no way liable for any accident or injury incurred as a result of your participation in the parade nor in any of the events prior to or following the parade.

COST: Any organization, business or individual interested in promoting patriotism and celebrating our veterans are invited to participate at NO cost.

SAFETY / SECURITY: Please read the below parade rules and share the information with all members of your organization to ensure a safe and fun parade for everyone.

1. Our parade permit is for a rolling parade only. All parade participants must keep moving and not stop for any kind of demonstration of their skills, entry or group.
2. Avoid any large gaps between other groups of participants and strive to maintain an evenly spaced, continuous moving parade.
3. Throwing beads and candy is permitted; however, they must be thrown only to the east side (right hand side) and over barricades to prevent anyone from going into the street to pick up any items. No beads or candy are to be thrown into the median strip or to the west side (left hand side) of the parade route into the south bound traffic lanes.
4. A minimum of two (2) out-riders / security personnel are required for each motorized entry and all youth groups.
5. Each entry will receive an entry number which will determine their placement in the staging and parade route as well as will be used for recognition by the Master of Ceremony and by the panel of judges. This number must be predominately displayed on right hand side near the front of any vehicle or person. Duplicate numbers can be provided for multiple vehicles.
6. Be lined up in your assigned position on the street and be ready to roll by 11:00 a.m. as we kick off the parade promptly at 11:00.
7. When turning off Highway 41 into the parking lot you must keep moving all the way into your designated staging area so the rest of the parade is not standing idle or blocking the procession behind it. At the Captain's Meeting on October 24th, you will receive a map with your assigned entry number and staging area information.

ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE WELCOME back at the VFW Post 6287 following the parade for the awards ceremony, food, music, crowning of reigning Buddy Poppy King and Queen, and on-going festivities.

TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE COMPLETE APPLICATION FORM AND RETURN TO: Bruce Scheller, Chairperson, Ruskin Memorial VFW Post #6287, 1028 Apollo Beach Boulevard, #113, Apollo Beach, FL 33572. To ensure inclusion in the line-up the **Application Deadline is Oct. 15, 2011.**

CAPTAIN'S MEETING will be held at 6:00 on October 24, 2011. It is very important that a representative from each group attend to ask questions, receive their assigned number, time for line-up prior to the parade, receive a map of parade route, etc. ***Please ensure that someone from your organization attends this very important meeting to receive all necessary information.***

SPONSORS and/or DONATIONS will be gladly accepted and very much appreciated to help defray the cost of the event. Each year we spend thousands of dollars for permitting, barricades, street closure, sheriff office personnel, advertising, etc. to bring this annual event to the South Shore communities and to honor our veterans. All sponsors and/or donations will be included in all media and promotional materials as well as receive recognition at the awards ceremony following the parade. Please ask for information regarding these opportunities. Thank you for your consideration.

Proceeds from this event will be used to support the many community activities to which Ruskin VFW contributes: High School Scholarship Programs, James A. Haley VA Hospital, VFW Veterans Home, VFW Children's Home, Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen, Teacher of the Year Recognition, Operation Shoe Box, Senior Center, R.O.T.C. and many other local programs.

Thank you for helping honor our **American Heroes.**

Signature: _____

Date: _____



Master Card / Visa accepted.

