



Deadline to enter parade (March 20, 2009)

Date of Parade (March 28, 2009)



Meeting for Participants 6pm (March 20, 2009)

(At Ida Hilton Library)

Line-Up Time is 8:00am (March 28, 2009)

Dear Parade Participant,

It is time once again to begin preparing for the Blessing of the Fleet festivities. The Blessing of the Fleet Street Parade was a huge success last year and we would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for your participation and support of this wonderful event and showcase of the coast and its people and businesses. It is with great pleasure that I extend this invitation to attend and participate in the parade again this year and hope to see all of you in the line-up. **Some important changes were made last year to the parade that will again be included as part of the rules and regulations for parade participation. Our new staging area is off of Blounts Crossing, we will discuss details at the meeting. In addition, vehicles that want to ride together in the parade must arrive together for staging. A reminder of the late fee, after March 20 all entries are \$35.00 and the final deadline for entering the parade is March 27th.** Please be sure to read through the parade information carefully. Again, thank you for your involvement and we look forward to seeing you all there.

Kelly McClellan
Parade Director

Rules and Regulations:

1. All participants need to enter the staging area at the designated time
2. No 4-wheelers or motorcycles will be allowed as operating vehicles, but may participate if displayed on a float or other vehicle.
3. No alcoholic beverages.
4. No loud music in staging area.
5. **The parade theme is Fisherman's Paradise- "Decades of Tradition", all entries will be judged on theme, design and originality.**
6. Each entry must have a representative, sign a liability waiver and collect all needed info for participation in parade via communication from parade committee.
7. No entry will be allowed without a number (to be given to participants the day of parade in staging area).
Please place number drivers side.
8. If you are a walking unit, please have banner or sign displaying your number before the walkers.
9. All entries will be judged. 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place awards will be given in the float, vehicle, band and walking group divisions.

ANY INDIVIDUAL, MEMBER OF A GROUP OR GROUP THAT VIOLATES ANY OF THE ABOVE RULES AND REGULATIONS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PARADE. AGAIN, WE ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THIS YEAR'S PARADE AND WANT EVERYONE TO HAVE FUN AND ENJOY THE EVENT AND THE DAY!!!!