

# Let's Build a SNOWMAN!

## 2014 PARADE PARTICIPANTS INSTRUCTION SHEET



### Annual Community Christmas Parade December 6, 2014 - 10:00 a.m.

A representative from your organization **MUST** attend a meeting on **Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m.** at the City of Niceville Community Center to get instructions for assembly and entry number for your parade participation. It is imperative that a representative from your group attend this meeting, so you will know where to meet on the morning of the parade!

**PARADE ROUTE** is designed to enable all entrants to complete the entire route. The parade route is from John Sims Pkwy at the intersection of Palm Blvd and goes to Partin Drive where the Parade will turn and travel down Partin between the Children's Park and Ruckel Middle School. Location of the judging stand is in the Ruckel Middle School Parking lot on Partin Drive.

**ASSEMBLY TIME: 8:45 a.m.**—Participants need to arrive on time, **NO earlier**, to the assembly area. There is a maximum of two vehicles per entry fee.

**NO STOPPING DURING THE PARADE! SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT! Build your float with safety in mind. Supervise your children carefully.**

**SPOTTERS** This year in the interest of improving safety, all vehicles will be required to have a minimum of two spotters walking along side. If a float is being pulled behind a vehicle, then there must be one spotter per axle.

**SPOTTERS MAY NOT THROW CANDY OR HANDOUT INFORMATION. They are there for safety only!**

**END OF PARADE PICK-UP TRANSPORTATION:** All participants will exit at the end of the parade route. **No one** will be allowed to exit before the end of the route.

**DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF ENTRY forms is December 1, 2014. Late Fees will apply!**

**ENTRY NUMBERS** will be distributed at the **Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, 6:00 p.m.** at the City of Niceville Community Center. Display your numbers on the **Right side** and **front windshield** in full view of the judges. Entries not displaying their number will not be judged.

**CANDY AND SOUVENIRS MAY BE "TOSSED"** (as opposed to thrown) from parade vehicles to the crowd. Persons walking the parade route may hand out items, but the flow of the parade must not be interrupted. Candy must be individually wrapped. No items will be distributed in a manner that encourages spectators to enter the roadway (i.e. dispersing items from an automobile.) **SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT!**

**REGARDING ANIMALS IN THE PARADE:** The Parade Committee will make a decision on an individual basis.

**Results will be posted at the Chamber office by 3 p.m. the day of the parade.** Trophies may be picked up at the N-V Luncheon Meeting, Thursday, Dec 11, NWFS Student Services Bldg, Noon. Winners must RSVP via e-mail: [nicevalrotary@yahoo.com](mailto:nicevalrotary@yahoo.com) before 12-09-2014.

**THE ONLY SANTA PERMITTED in the parade will be the official Santa Claus designated by the Niceville-Valparaiso Rotary Club as the Grand Finale of the parade.**

#### **RULES WILL BE ENFORCED**

Failure to abide by these rules will result in an automatic disqualification from the parade.

For further information contact the

Niceville-Valparaiso Rotary Club via Jimmie Boisjolie @ 699-0045 or [nicevalrotary@yahoo.com](mailto:nicevalrotary@yahoo.com)

#### **SPECIAL AWARDS: Grand Marshal and President's Choice**

**First, Second, and Third Places  
will be awarded for:**

- Commercial Floats
- Club/Non-Profit /Church – Adult Floats
- Club/Non-Profit – Youth Floats
- Best Marching/Performing Unit

