



Downtown Tinley's 20th Annual

Parade of Lights

Brought to you by the

Tinley Park Chamber of Commerce

Sunday, December 3, 2017

Step-Off at 5:00 PM

4:00pm Line-Up at Tinley Center, 177th & Oak Park Avenue

You are encouraged to decorate in holiday spirit; **LIGHTS** are most important! Music, presents, trees, snowmen, *or* a theme such as Toyland or Winter Wonderland.

Please remember, there is **ONLY ONE SANTA CLAUS** in the parade and he is provided by the parade sponsors and organizers. *Please do not include Santa on your float.*

Prizes will be awarded to the entries with 'The Best Use of Lights,' 'Best Overall Presentation' & 'Best Original Theme!'

To participate, please complete the application below and return by **Friday, November 24, 2017**
A \$25.00 entry fee is payable in advance.

Make checks payable to Tinley Park Chamber of Commerce

(Veterans, Service Men & Women, Scouts, Schools, & Churches are exempt from the \$25 Entry Fee)

PARADE ENTRY FORM

ORGANIZATION _____ CONTACT _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

Category of entry and description:

*Amateur Float _____

*Professional Float _____

*Marching Band _____

*Walking Group _____

*Vehicle _____

**** Please include a 25 word announcement for parade organizers to recite during parade ****

Mail Entry Form and Announcement to:

Tinley Park Chamber of Commerce - 17316 S. Oak Park Ave, Tinley Park, IL 60477 or email to Beth Ruff
<beth@tinleychamber.org> Questions? Call 708.532.5700

Parade Regulations*

- ◆ **NO OPEN ALCOHOL IS PERMITTED ON THE PARADE ROUTE OR LINE-UP AREA OR IN ANY OF THE VEHICLES!**
- ◆ All entries must be pre-registered with complete application form and designated fees. Music used on an entry must be stated on the application and will be subject to the approval of the parade committee. Volume must be adjustable and must be appropriate.
- ◆ All floats must conform to safety and fire regulations. We encourage a fire extinguisher on each float in case of an emergency.
- ◆ All vehicles must be clean and in good running condition. Vehicles that do not meet these standards are subject to immediate removal from the parade line-up.
- ◆ All drivers of floats or motorized vehicles must provide proof of vehicle liability insurance and a valid Illinois Drivers license with the appropriate classification to the event organizer day of the parade.
- ◆ Drivers of motorized vehicles must comply with all traffic laws and should refrain from excessive accelerations, wheelies, and burn-outs.
- ◆ No candy or materials may be thrown from parade floats or moving vehicles to spectators along parade route. We do not want anyone running into the street or getting injured by the floats. Candy may be handed to the crowd at the curb.
- ◆ Parade participants may not jump from or onto a float or motorized vehicle during the parade.
- ◆ Make sure all the decorations on your float are properly secured. Keep extension cords away from wheels or other moving parts.
- ◆ All floats with children must have at least two adults.
- ◆ Animals in the parade must be listed on the entry application. All animals must have updated vaccinations and be in good medical health and be able to cope with the crowds and other animals. Parade applicants must provide someone to immediately clean up after the animal. Violators of this rule will be removed from the parade. Dogs must be on a leash and controlled at all times.
- ◆ Each unit must maintain a forward momentum and may not slow or stop the parade in any way. Units may not stop to perform anywhere along the parade route including for television cameras unless directed by the parade marshal or at the assigned reviewing stand.
- ◆ No ticker tape, silly string or confetti is to be used on the actual parade route by parade participants during the parade.
- ◆ Firearms and squirt guns are not allowed except for those used by the Color Guard.
- ◆ The Village of Tinley Park Police Department and Fire Department may exercise the authority to 'veto' any aspect of the parade that they feel poses an unreasonable risk of injury or danger to the public.
- ◆ Drivers of motorized vehicles must comply with all traffic laws and should refrain from excessive accelerations, wheelies and burn-outs.
- ◆ The parade will be held rain or shine, but the parade marshal may cancel the parade due to inclement or life-threatening weather.

*** By submitting your Completed Entry Form (and Payment, if applicable) to the Tinley Park Chamber of Commerce, you are accepting the above terms and will abide by the rules as specified above.**