

## RAIN POLICY

IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER WE WILL HAVE TWO 1/2 HOUR DELAYS. IF THE WEATHER DOES NOT CLEAR THE PARADE WILL BE CANCELED. ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL BE MADE ON KATE AND POWER 96 RADIO STATIONS.

**\*\*NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED \*\***

**\*\*PLEASE RETAIN A COPY OF THIS FOR YOUR RECORDS\*\***

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[www.albertlea.org](http://www.albertlea.org)

*Applications must be received in the Chamber office by 5 pm on June 20th. Entries received after that time will only be accepted if space is available and will be charged a late fee (double entry fee).*

**Please completed and return form by June 20th to:**

**3rd of July Parade  
1725 West Main Street  
Albert Lea, MN 56007**

Parade Co-Chairs  
Tom Jones 507.402.3265  
Geri Jensen 507.373.3938

The 3rd of July Parade is proudly sponsored by:



## 2018 PARADE RULES

At the Albert Lea-Freeborn County Chamber of Commerce it is our mission to "Promote and develop a healthy and positive business climate to improve the quality of life in the Albert Lea-Freeborn County Area". In sponsorship of the 3rd of July parade and in carrying out our mission, we have established the following parade rules for all entrants:

1. All vehicles entered in the parade must be decorated in either a patriotic theme or according to the parade theme and are subject to the approval of the committee. Any entrant deemed inappropriate or contrary to the Chamber mission to promote and develop a positive climate to improve the quality of life will be asked to withdraw. This applies to all entries including "Commercial Entries".
2. Antique or classic vehicles will be allowed in the parade but will carry no commercial and or event advertising unless decorated according to rule #1.
3. Politicians / Individuals will be allowed to enter the parade for the appropriate fee, however will NOT be eligible to win prize money in the float competition.
4. It is the responsibility of each entry to maintain a reasonable pace so that they do not cause gaps in the flow of the parade.
5. Candy, trinkets, etc. may NOT be thrown from the float or vehicles. You must hand out or throw from sidelines.
6. The spraying of water or throwing water balloons is not allowed; any entry using water will be immediately pulled out of the parade.
7. All parade entries must be self insured.
8. All vehicles (including recreational vehicles) must be driven by licensed drivers.
9. Any member of a parade entry that verbally abuses a police officer or parade official will be removed immediately from the parade.
10. The safety of the participants in our parade is important to us. We ask you not to have any person in a unsafe or dangerous position.

## ALBERT LEA- FREEBORN COUNTY 3RD OF JULY PARADE



### 2018 PARADE THEME

## “AMERICA’S HEROS”



Name of Individual or Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

**After June 8th, 2018**

Entry Fee Information: includes late fee

\_\_\_ Commercial Chamber Member \$160

\_\_\_ Commercial Non - Member \$220

\_\_\_ Non-Profit Organization \$110

\_\_\_ Individual Non-Business \$110

\_\_\_ Political \$220

\_\_\_ Emergency Vehicle/Military \$0

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO**

**“3RD OF JULY PARADE”**

Brief Description of parade float: (attach if necessary)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please Select the Parade Float Category you are entering:  
(for judging purposes)

\_\_\_ Youth

\_\_\_ Non-Profit/Public Service

\_\_\_ Commercial

The prizes awarded for the float competition will be:

**\$300 best overall unit**

**\$150 First place in the other two categories**

**\$100 Second place in all three categories**

Prizes stated are regardless of number of entries in each category. All rules and regulations as stated in this publication must be followed in order to qualify for prizes. Judging is based on originality, creativity and how the unit relates to the parade theme.

Does your float have music? Yes / No

Does your float have any animals? Yes / No

All animal units must provide their own clean up crews.  
\*\$100 fee will be applied to those not in compliance.\*  
\*Animal units will be placed at the end of the parade\*

Line-up at the Freeborn County Fairgrounds  
Begins at 4:30 pm July 3rd, **Parade begins at 6:00 pm.**

*Parade line-up numbers will not be available  
until June 27th and will be mailed,  
emailed or faxed when they are available.*

**\*\*\*If you are a “for hire” float/entertainment unit,  
you must submit a request in writing with your requested  
fee to the parade committee no later than June 1, 2018. If  
you choose to find sponsors for your float/entertainment  
you are still required to request admittance to the parade.  
The co-chairs will contact you by June 15 2018 your unit  
is approved for entry into the parade.\*\*\***

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by 4 pm on June 20th. Entries received after that  
time will only be accepted if space is available and  
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I hereby agree that I have read and will obey the 2018 Parade Rules and Guidelines. I also acknowledge that I have read and agreed to the rain policy on this brochure. I understand that the Chamber of Commerce will not be liable for any claims for personal injury, property damage, administrative penalties, fees, fines or costs caused directly or indirectly by the distribution or propulsion of candy, water or promotional objects or literature from my entry as well as property damage or personal injury, administrative penalties, fees, fines or costs directly or indirectly caused by any motor vehicle or object towed by any motor vehicle as my entry and hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Chamber thereof. The committee reserves the right to restrict or reject parade entrants.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Completed entry forms and appropriate fees must be received by JUNE 20th. The fees shown have had the late fee applied. Incomplete entries will be returned. Late entries will only be accepted with the approval of the parade co-chairs.

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