



62ND ANNUAL
DIGNITY MEMORIAL
ARMED FORCES DAY PARADE



In Honor of Those Who Serve

10:00 a.m., Saturday, May 15, 2010

Float / Towed Display

Please check if entry is to be judged

Name of entry _____

Sponsor of entry _____

Individual in charge _____

Mailing address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone () _____ Cell phone () _____ E-mail _____

Non-Profit ID Number: _____ Business ID Number: _____

Insurance Company: _____ Policy #: _____

Band accompanying float (if applicable) _____

PLEASE CHECK ONE

___ Community/Celebration/Festival

___ Non-Commercial (special theme/service association, etc.)

___ Commercial product or business - **PLEASE INCLUDE CHECK FOR \$150 PAYABLE TO "BREMERTON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE".**

PUBLICITY RELEASE

Please type or print your publicity release in narrative form. The 62nd Annual Armed Forces Day Parade plans to have television, radio, and newspaper coverage. Please include the following: name of entry; sponsor and/or community; festival represented and dates; theme; names of key personnel; special features; routines; animation; music; color; special effects; awards received last year. Please list names and titles of any royalty or others on the float who you would like recognized.

*****Please use additional paper if needed*****

Deadline April 23, 2010 5:00 PM

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

I/we assume all risk of bodily injury or property damage that may occur while participating in the 62nd Annual Dignity Memorial Armed Forces Day Parade and I/we hereby, for myself, my children, my heirs, executors, and administrators do hereby, expressly and forever, waive and release any and all claims against and agree to hold harmless the Bremerton Area Chamber of Commerce, Dignity Memorial, Miller-Woodlawn, City of Bremerton, and any Parade sponsor(s), and all their respective officers, employees, agents, representatives, successors, or assigns of any kind from any and all claims which may be made for any cause whatsoever arising as a result of, or in connection with, this entry's participation in the herein mentioned event.

I/we understand that I/we are fully responsible for providing all insurance coverage for our parade entry.

Bremerton Area Chamber of Commerce hereby has all rights to make use of our name, logo, pictures and entry information for the use of televised broadcast and/or publication.

I/we understand that no child under 12 years of age can walk in the parade. _____
Initials

I/we understand that no child under 14 years of age may ride on a horse. _____
Initials

I/we understand that no items may be tossed to or handed to the crowd. _____
Initials

I/we understand that participants who engage in unacceptable behavior or violate any parade rule will be disqualified and not be invited to attend the following year's event. _____
Initials

Signature of Person Responsible for Entry

Print Name

Title

Date

Return form by **Friday, April 23, 2010** to:

Armed Forces Festival Committee
Bremerton Area Chamber of Commerce
286 Fourth Street
Bremerton, WA 98337



For additional information, contact
360-479-3579
chamber@bremertonchamber.org





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RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Entries must observe all applicable rules and regulations and follow all instructions from law enforcement, parade officials. The Parade Committee reserves the right to remove any entrant from the parade, either prior to assembly, at assembly, or any time during the parade.
2. Entries must be approved by the Bremerton Area Chamber of Commerce's Armed Forces Festival Committee. Entries will not be accepted from individuals, groups or organizations whose mission, agenda, or message is contradictory to the organizational mandate of the United States Armed Forces.
3. Accepted entries will receive written approval in early May. This will include your assembly area, assembly time, map, and further instructions.
4. **No items may be handed out or thrown along the parade route for safety reasons.**
5. Only forward movement maneuvers are permitted by marching units. A spacing of 50 ft between each unit will be enforced. All units are required to close the gap between units when instructed by the parade officials.
6. Parade participants may not mingle with or accost parade route spectators.
7. Alcoholic beverages are forbidden on any float, in any vehicle or on the person of any participant. Participants consuming alcohol prior to or during the parade will be removed from the lineup.
8. Floats or other units advocating, opposing or depicting any political, social issues or endorsing candidates will not be authorized to participate in the Parade.
9. Participants are responsible for their own travel expenses, lodging expenses, food, etc.
10. Commercial Entries: Please include a \$150 check payable to Bremerton Area Chamber of Commerce (BACC), along with your application.
11. With the exception of people on floats and in vehicles, all parade participants must be 12 years of age or older.
12. Each parade entry is fully responsible to provide adequate insurance coverage and sign the Hold Harmless Agreement
13. Parade lineup is in a residential area. Please stay on street, sidewalk or in park.
14. Discharge of firearms is prohibited. Refer to city ordinance 10.24.090.

FLOAT & TOWED DISPLAY REQUIREMENTS

1. Floats are not to exceed 13 1/2 feet in height or 16 feet in width. Maximum length will be 60 feet per unit and clearance to the ground from the frame will be a minimum of 8 inches. The float must be so constructed that it will be able to make the turns at street intersections.
2. Sponsors must furnish drivers for their floats. If in view, drivers must be appropriately attired. Drivers must remain with their float until the parade is dispersed.
3. All participants standing on floats must be wearing a safety belt or have handholds while the float is moving. Floats that do not have safety belts or handholds will not be allowed in the parade. Safety belts must be worn on the outside of garments.



EQUESTRIAN UNIT REQUIREMENTS

1. Riders must be 14 years of age to participate.
2. No stallions.
3. Each rider or group must provide its own cleanup unit.
4. Equestrian units may debark from their trailer when the unit's clean-up crew is on site.
5. Any rider, regardless of age, showing an inability to control their animal will be removed from the Parade at the parade Marshal's discretion.

BAND & MARCHING UNIT REQUIREMENTS

1. A performance of no more than 45 seconds will be allowed in front of the main reviewing stand; however, judging will take place throughout the parade route.
2. If for any reason a gap of greater than 50 feet is created, bands must increase their pace to close the gap. You will not be asked to increase pace in front of judges.

JUDGING CRITERIA

Judging criteria for all categories has been developed and is available upon request chamber@bremertonchamber.org

PARADE AWARD CATEGORIES

1. COMMANDER'S AWARD (Best Military Band)
2. SWEEPSTAKES AWARD (Best Float)
3. GRAND MARSHAL'S AWARD (Best Veterans Unit)
4. MAYOR'S AWARD (Best Towed Display)
5. AMBASSADOR'S AWARD (Best Military Color Guard)
6. FESTIVAL AWARD (Judge's Choice)
7. PEOPLE'S AWARD (Crowd Favorite)
8. FREEDOM AWARD (Best Military Unit - Active or Reserve)
9. HIGH SCHOOL BANDS (AA) - 1st, 2nd
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12. HIGH SCHOOL DRUM MAJOR - 1st, 2nd
13. HIGH SCHOOL FLAG CORPS - 1st, 2nd
14. HIGH SCHOOL DRILL TEAMS - 1st, 2nd
15. JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL BANDS - 1st, 2nd
16. JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL FLAG CORPS - 1st, 2nd
17. JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL DRILL TEAMS - 1st, 2nd
17. BEST COMMUNITY/OTHER BAND
19. BEST JROTC/SEA CADET UNIT
20. BEST CIVILIAN COLOR GUARD
21. BEST YOUTH ORGANIZATION
22. BEST CIVILIAN VEHICLE UNIT
23. BEST EQUESTRIAN UNIT
24. BEST VINTAGE MILITARY VEHICLE
25. BEST VINTAGE AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT