

VILLAGE OF OAK LAWN

FOURTH OF JULY PARADE

JULY 4, 2020

PARADE STARTS AT 10:00 AM

OFFICIAL PARADE APPLICATION

Application entry deadline: Friday, June 19, 2020

Organization Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address, City, State, Zip: _____

Contact phone: _____

Cell phone: _____

Email address: _____

Type of Entry:

Float _____

Vehicle (limited number allowed) _____

Marching (Number of Participants) _____

Note: Decorations are **mandatory for all vehicles entered in the parade.**

We encourage all entries to have a banner identifying your entry name/group.

A PARAGRAPH ABOUT YOUR ENTRY IS REQUIRED FOR OUR PARADE COMMENTATORS. PLEASE SUBMIT INFORMATION ON YOUR ENTRY (below).

MORE INFORMATION is helpful!!

Please read the attached page which includes important information on the parade route and guidelines for the parade. Also visit www.oaklawn-il.gov!

Return this application to:

Village of Oak Lawn. 9446 Raymond Avenue. Oak Lawn, IL.(708)499-7711

Parade Route

Parade participants should begin line up at 51st Avenue and 95th Street starting at **9:00 a.m.** The parade will **kick off at 10:00 a.m. sharp.** The parade route will begin westbound on the *center* line of 95th Street and proceed to 55th Ct. We strongly encourage parade participants to bring candy to hand to spectators along the route; we ask that you **do not toss candy** to the spectators (please remind all participants in your entry).

If you are operating a vehicle in the parade, you must exercise extreme caution and abide by all the “rules of the road” for the safety of both parade participants and spectators. Any “ticketable” offenses that can be written based on current laws apply, and anyone violating those laws will be ticketed.

Both sides of 95th Street will be closed during our event.

If you have any questions or require additional information please contact Kevin McGuinness at (708) 499-7711 or email KMcGuinness@oaklawn-il.gov.

Important Information

1. **Due to street closures and set up**, if you have a vehicle in the parade and your space number is between 1-45 you should enter at 94th and 51st Avenue. If your space number is between numbers 46-95 you should enter at Southwest Highway and 51st Avenue. If your vehicle is **not** in the parade, you may drop off marchers at the 51st Avenue checkpoint and then take 94th Street to Sproat Avenue and proceed south to the Metra lot **OR** park in the Metra lot and walk one half block (west) to 51st Avenue with your group.
2. The majority of entries received asked to be placed at the front of the Parade. While we consider all requests and attempt to accommodate each group accordingly, we must also focus on organizing a well varied and entertaining event. Therefore, Parade order and lineup is final. Please **DO NOT** step-off from your assigned location until the groups staged before you have moved.
3. We encourage all participants to have a banner identifying the entry/group.
4. Please follow the instructions given by the parade coordinator and volunteers. **Remember to bring water and wear sunscreen.** There will be a port-a-john on site.
5. Please be considerate of other parade participants and to the residents and businesses along the parade route.
6. The village is **NOT** responsible for articles/items left unattended.
7. When the parade ends at 55th Ct. and after you make a **right turn** on 55th Ct. – **PLEASE – PLEASE** keep walking **to the end of the block** and either go right or straight to **St. Gerald’s Parking lot**. **Suggestion: St. Gerald’s Church Parking Lot** is a great place to park your car and then walk over to the Parade Line-Up site on 51st St. therefore, when the parade ends at 55th Ct. – you can then walk to the end of the block where your car is parked. Also, behind **The Village Hall** there is extra parking.

PARADE KICK OFF IS AT 10:00 A.M. ON Friday, JULY 4, 2020

*Thank you for your interest in participating in
The Village of Oak Lawn’s Annual Fourth of July Parade*