



Ruskin Memorial VFW Post #6287



Veteran's Day Parade

Saturday – November 9, 2019 – 11:00 am

Entry's / Organization's Name _____

Contact Person _____ Title/Rank _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone (_____) _____ - _____ Cell (_____) _____ - _____ Fax (_____) _____ - _____

Email _____

INFORMATION AND TYPE OF ENTRY

Please complete all items applicable so your entry will be appropriately placed in the parade

FLOAT: _____ Name of Company _____ Contact Number (_____) _____ - _____

Dimensions of float AND tow together Length _____ Width _____

Musical Group: Number of participants in entry _____

Horse Group: Number of participants in entry _____ (POOPER SCOOPER IS REQUIRED)

Walking Group: Number of participants in entry (no vehicles) _____

Vehicle Entry (please describe & quantity) _____

Other (please describe) _____

Please complete if music / sound is part of ANY entry. What is the music source i.e. (tape, live, etc.) _____

What is the type of music played i.e. (rock, country, etc.) _____?

As we will once again have a Master of Ceremony available at the Judges Stand to announce each entry, please provide us with a brief description of your entry (name, business/ organization, charity or any other information you would like the attendees, judges and other participants to know about your company/organization, etc.)

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 28th, 2019 CAPTAIN'S MEETING: October 30th, 2019

INSURANCE: All motor driven units must provide proof of insurance. The Ruskin Memorial VFW Post 6287 is in no way liable for any accident or injury incurred as a result of your participation in the parade nor in any of the events prior to or following the parade.

Cost: Any organization, business or individual interested in promoting patriotism and celebrating our veterans are invited to participate at NO cost.

SAFETY / SECURITY: Please read the below parade rules and share the information with all members of your organization to ensure a safe and fun parade for everyone.

1. Our parade permit is for a **ROLLING PARADE ONLY**. All parade participants must keep moving and not stop for any kind of demonstration of their skills, entry or group.
2. Avoid any large gaps between other groups of participants and strive to maintain an evenly spaced, continuous moving parade.
3. Throwing beads and candy is permitted; however, they must be thrown only to the east side (right hand side) and over the barricades or onto the sidewalk area to prevent anyone from going into the street to pick up any items. No beads or candy is to be thrown into the median strip or to the west side (left hand side) of the parade route into the south/north bound traffic lanes.
4. Out-riders or security escorts are encouraged for motorized entries and all youth groups.
5. Each entry will receive an entry number which will determine their placement in the staging and parade route as well as will be used for recognition by the Master of Ceremony and by the panel of judges. This number must be predominately displayed on right hand side near the front of any vehicle or person and duplicate numbers can be provided for multiple vehicles.
6. Be lined up in your assigned position well in advance of the start time as we kick off the parade promptly at 11:00am
7. When turning off Highway 41 into the parking lot you must keep moving all the way into your designated staging area so the rest of the parade is not standing idle or blocking the procession behind it. **At the Captain's Meeting on November 4th, 2019 you will receive a map with your assigned entry number and staging area information. It is MANDATORY for a representative of your group to attend this meeting to ensure complete understanding and assignment information.**

ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE WELCOME back at the VFW Post 6287 following the parade for the awards ceremony, food, music, and on-going festivities.

TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE COMPLETE APPLICATION FORM AND RETURN TO: Lois McBride (813)634-2315 lorise2@aol.com or Pat Barr (729)963-3359 cmd@vfw6287.org , Ruskin VFW Post #6287 5120 U.S. Hwy 41 N Apollo Beach, FL 33572 to the attention of Lois McBride or Pat Barr. To ensure inclusion in the line-up the **APPLICATION DEADLINE is October 28th, 2019.**

CAPTAIN'S MEETING will be held at **7:00 pm on October 30th, 2019 at Ruskin VFW Post 6287 5120 U.S. hwy 41 Apollo Beach FL. 33572** It is **mandatory** that a representative from each group attend the meeting to ask questions, receive their assigned number, time for line-up prior to the parade, receive a map of the parade route, etc.

SPONSORS and / or DONATIONS will be gladly accepted and very much appreciated to help defray the cost of the event. Each year we spend thousands of dollars for permitting, barricades, street closures, sheriff office personnel, advertising, etc. to bring this FREE annual event to the South Shore communities and to honor our veterans. All sponsors and /or donations will be included in all media and promotional materials as well as received recognition at the awards ceremony following the parade. Ask for additional information on how you can help ensure that we can continue to bring this annual parade to the South Shore communities. Should you opt to make a donation by check please make payable to the Ruskin VFW, Post 6287 identify as Veterans Day Parade and attach to this Entry Application. Donation in the amount of \$ _____ attached

Proceeds from this event will be used to support the many organizations and activities to which Ruskin VFW contributes in addition to veterans and active military personnel and their families as well as the VFW Veterans Home, VFW Children's Home, Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen, Operation Shoe Box, Senior Center, R.O.T.C. and many other local programs and charities

Thank you for helping honor our **American Heroes.**

Signature: _____

Date: _____ **VISA & MASTER CARD ACCEPTED**