



Dear Parade Participants,

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you and your group to participate in the 58th annual Geneva Area Grape Jamboree Parades. As in the past, we will again have two large parades. The first will be held on Saturday, September 23, 2023, arriving in the festival area **PROMPTLY** at 1:30p.m., and the second will be on Sunday, September 24, 2023 at 2:00p.m. The judging for both parades will be done by the All American Judges Assoc. Both of the parades are **FORWARD MOTION PARADES**. This means that **NO ONE** can stop their unit to perform **at any time**. Stopping forward motion creates gaps which are not acceptable.

The Grape Jamboree is a family event. All parade entries **MUST BE FAMILY ORIENTED** and acceptable for all age groups. At the sole discretion of the Grape Jamboree Committee, any objectionable parade units may be immediately pulled from the parade and not allowed to participate.

Enclosed you will find your parade application and the parade waiver that must be signed for you to participate in this year's parade. Included is "Entry and Prize Categories list". Please fill out the parade application and make sure you list the category or categories your group is to be judged in. This information will be passed on to the parade judges so they are able to judge your group in the correct category. Also, on the back of the application or on a separate sheet of paper, please give us information you would like the parade announcer to read as your group is passing by the judging stand in the center of town. This is very important for the Announcers. **Please keep this under 30 seconds!**

Please mail your application so it reaches us on or before September 10, 2023. Since it takes a great deal of time and planning to line up both parades, please send your application as soon as possible for best positioning in the parade. We will be sending out your parade lineups around September 15, 2023. If you email your application, we will confirm we received it, and then send your lineup confirmation through your email. Any entries that reach us after this date **WILL NOT** be judged for prizes. **Absolute cutoff date is September 16, 2023.**

If you have any questions, please call me at **440-645-0602** or Bryan Lemon at **440-319-2493**; if no answer **leave a message**. We are looking forward to receiving your completed application as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



Deann Lemon
Parade
Chairperson

Geneva Area Grape Jamboree Saturday & Sunday Parade Categories

YOU MAY ENTER IN EITHER THE SATURDAY OR SUNDAY PARADE OR BOTH DAYS. PLEASE BE SURE THAT THE CORRECT CATEGORY NUMBER THAT YOU CHOOSE TO ENTER APPEARS AT THE DESIGNATED SPACE ON YOUR APPLICATION.

The All-American Judges will make the final decisions regarding categories during parade judging.

Baton Groups: Baton with Recorded Music

No. 1 - Junior Division - Average age under 14

No. 2 - Senior Division - Average age 14 and over

Baton with Percussion or Instrumentation or Live Music

No. 3 - Junior Division - Average age under 14

No. 4 - Senior Division - Average age 14 and over

#1 & #3 – 1st Place - Trophy plus \$50, **2nd Place** - Trophy plus \$30, **3rd Place** - Trophy plus \$20, each day.

#2 & #4- 1st Place - Trophy plus \$50, **2nd Place** - Trophy plus \$30, **3rd Place** - Trophy plus \$20, each day.

Color Guards:

No. 5 - Junior Color Guard - Average age under 14

No. 6 - Senior Color Guard - Average age 14 to 18

No. 7 - Adult Color Guard - Average age over 18

1st Place - Trophy plus \$50, each day

Precision Drill Teams: (Minimum of 12 participants)

No. 8 - Junior Precision Drill Team - Average age under 14

No. 9 - Senior Precision Drill Team - Average age 14 and over

1st Place - Trophy plus \$50, **2nd Place** - Trophy plus \$30, **3rd Place** - Trophy plus \$20, each day.

Classic Cars:

No. 10 – Classic Cars (Cars that are 25 – 49 Years Old)

1st Place - Trophy plus \$50, **2nd Place** - Trophy plus \$30, **3rd Place** - Trophy plus \$20, each day.

Antique Cars:

No. 11 – Antique Cars (Cars that are 50 Years or Older)

1st Place - Trophy plus \$50, **2nd Place** - Trophy plus \$30, **3rd Place** - Trophy plus \$20, each day.

Motorized Precision Units:

No. 12 - Motorized Precision Units (example-groups of cars or motorcycles doing drills)

1st Place - Trophy plus \$75, **2nd Place** - Trophy plus \$50, **3rd Place** - Trophy plus \$25, each day.

Novelty Units: - All units that do not qualify for the above categories.

No. 13A - Small Groups - Less than 10 participants

No. 13B - Large Groups - Over 10 participants

1st Place - Trophy plus \$50, **2nd Place** - Trophy plus \$30, **3rd Place** - Trophy plus \$20, each day.

Floats:

No. 14 - Youth Floats - Average under 14

No. 15 - Non-Commercial Floats

No. 16 - Commercial Floats

1st Place - Trophy plus \$75, **2nd Place** - Trophy plus \$50, **3rd Place** - Trophy plus \$25, each day.

SUNDAY ONLY

Queens Floats:

No. 17 – Queens Floats (Visiting Royalty with Floats)

1st Place - Trophy plus \$75, **2nd Place** - Trophy plus \$50, **3rd Place** - Trophy plus \$25.

IF YOU PARTICIPATE BOTH DAYS AND WIN IN THE SAME PRIZE GROUP YOU WILL ONLY RECEIVE ONE TROPHY, BUT WILL RECEIVE THE CASH PRIZE EACH DAY.



2 DAYS OF FUN AND EXCITEMENT FOR EVERYONE!!!!

LARGE PARADES-GRANDSTAND ENTERTAINMENT-GRAPE STOMPING CONTESTS-AMUSEMENT RIDES-ART SHOW-CRAFT SHOW-CULINARY CONTESTS-GRAPES-GRAPE JUICE- AND LOTS MORE!!!

APPLICATION FOR "GRAPE JAMBOREE" PARADE UNIT

(Please **PRINT** information CLEARLY AND BE SPECIFIC)

ORGANIZATION/GROUP TITLE

NAME OF PERSON IN CHARGE

PHONE

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

CONTACT EMAIL

Applications **MUST** be received by or on **Sept. 10th, 2023** to qualify for judging and prizes!

JUDGING INFORMATION

CATEGORY NUMBERS

DAYS ATTENDING

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

BOTH

(PLEASE CIRCLE ONLY ONE!)

- To be able to participate in the parade(s), you **MUST** fill out and **sign** the waiver form.
- The parade announcers need a few lines of information about your unit, either on the waiver form, or on a separate sheet of paper. Thank You!

Note: There is a \$100.00 per Politician per day entry fee for all Political Units. (It is recommended, the politician ride in a vehicle or on a float.) Payment **MUST** be submitted with the application. (Entry fee goes toward Grape Jamboree Scholarships)

ENTRY INFORMATION (PLEASE BE SPECIFIC)

Please return or email forms to:

DEANN & BRYAN LEMON

4818 HAWLEY DRIVE

GENEVA, OHIO 44041

EMAIL:

parade@grapejamboree.com

TYPE OF UNIT

CAR

TRUCK

MOTORCYCLE

SEMI

WALKING

BAND

OTHER

IF OTHER, SPECIFY

FLOAT?

YES

NO

Total Length in Feet

HOW MANY PEOPLE

GENEVA AREA GRAPE JAMBOREE PARADE WAIVER

The undersigned wishes to participate in the Geneva Area Grape Jamboree, Inc., dba Grape Jamboree, Parade to be held **September 23rd & 24th, 2022**. The undersigned acknowledges that it has been notified by the Geneva Area Grape Jamboree, Inc., Parade Committee that it is insured against any and all risks involved with participation in said parade, and agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Geneva Area Grape Jamboree, Inc., and all volunteers and officers, from and against all claims and lawsuits, as a result of being in the parade. Participation includes possible exposure to and illness from infectious diseases including but not limited to MRSA, influenza, and COVID-19. While particular rules and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious illness and death does exist; and, I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES or others, and assume full responsibility for my participation. The undersigned also agrees to waive any and all claims or rights of action it may have against the Geneva Area Grape Jamboree, Inc., and all volunteers and officers, for any damages incurred as a result of its involvement in said parade.

CONTACT INFORMATION

(Please Print)

Name of Owner, Group, or Organization _____

Name of Person in Charge _____

Signature X _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Telephone (Day) _____ Telephone (Evening) _____

(Write ANNOUNCERS INFORMATION here or on separate paper)

Note:

The \$100 fee for Political units applies to any signage and/or physical presence by the represented Politician. Example: You have one Unit, but you are advertising/representing 5 different people. Smith, Johnson, Palmer, Jones, Williams. Each Politician would be responsible for their own \$100. If you are there for both days, you will owe for both days.

Note 2:

There will be a refundable fee of \$50 for all units with live animals. If there are no incidentals with your unit, your fee will be returned to you at the end of the Parade during the Awards portion.

GENEVA GRAPE JAMBOREE PARADE RULES

PLEASE CAREFULLY READ THESE RULES AND REVIEW THEM WITH YOUR GROUP BEFORE THE PARADE SO THAT YOUR ENTRY IS NOT DISQUALIFIED OR PENALIZED AS A RESULT OF A MISUNDERSTANDING.

1. This is a FORWARD MOTION PARADE and any lengthy delays for a performance will mean points deducted or disqualification by the Judges. **Also, no one is allowed to get in or out of a unit once the parade has started.**
2. Please maintain supervision of your participants while in your mustering area until your unit is instructed to move.
3. Do Not Litter or permit participants to disturb private property in the mustering areas.
4. All units must remain in their assigned mustering position unless instructed to move to a different area by a Parade Marshal. This is important for the Announcers and Judges.
5. Space your unit 25 to 40 feet from unit ahead of you and hold that distance throughout the parade route. **POINTS WILL BE DEDUCTED BY JUDGES FOR LARGE GAPS BETWEEN UNITS.**
6. **ABSOLUTELY NO THROWING OF CANDY OR ANYTHING DURING PARADE.** Candy, balloons, etc. may be **HANDED** to crowd by individuals walking along the side(s) of the parade. But **NO** items may be tossed from floats or moving vehicles because of the safety factors involved.
7. According to Ohio Revised Code 4511.51 & 4511.99:
Passengers are prohibited from riding in the open bed of a truck with the vehicles tailgate unlatched or open. Also, all van doors must be closed if passengers are riding inside. No riding on roofs, hoods doors, or windows of vehicles. Violators will be IMMEDIATELY removed from the parade!
8. The Parade will be held as scheduled rain or shine.
9. Any unit with animals MUST promptly clean up after them. Any failure will result in removal from the parade and loss of judging.
10. Reviewing Stand with Judges and Announcers will be located on your left in the center of town. Please do not stop at the Reviewing Stand.
11. Awards will be presented after the parade at the Main Stage in the center of town.

Decisions of the All American Judges Association Judges are FINAL!!!!