



Dear Parade Participants,

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you and your group to participate in the 59th 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 28, 2024, arriving in the festival area **PROMPTLY** at 1:30p.m., and the second will be on Sunday, September 29, 2024, at 2:00p.m. The judging for both parades will be done by the All-American Judges Assoc. Both 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, 2024. 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, 2024. 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, 2024.**

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