



# **41st Annual Oil Heritage Festival Parade**

## **Saturday, July 27th, Step off: 5:00 PM**

### **Oil City, Pennsylvania**

#### **The Largest Parade in Venango County, PA!**

### **Sign-Up**

All entry forms must be sent in advance. *Line-up numbers will be sent via the email address provided on the registration form and will be mailed the week of the parade, to the address on the form.* Your entry numbers will be mailed to the address on your entry form one week prior to the parade. Please register for the parade by **July 15<sup>th</sup>** - but late entries are accommodated wherever possible.

\*This form is available for online submission.

### **Judging**

Floats/Walking Groups and Novelty Groups will be judged as you proceed through the judging area at Central Avenue Plaza, Southside. They will be judged on General Effect, Design, and Construction. Each float will be judged within its division.

Performance Groups will be judged at their performance in front of the judging area at Central Avenue Plaza. They will be judged on Choreography, General Effect and Showmanship.

**Marching Units/Fire & Recue Equipment/Cars/Motorized units**, will not be judged.

### **Judging Stand: Central Avenue Plaza, Southside.**

The Judging Stand will be well marked. This is a forward-motion event. Units will be judged as they pass through the judging area. *To prevent lulls in the parade, please stay as close as possible to the group in front of you.*

### **Awards**

Judging will take place in the judging area in front of Central Avenue Plaza. If your category's prize is a trophy, they will be available to pick up at the Venango Area Chamber of Commerce the by August 5. If your prize is monetary, checks will be mailed to the address on the registration form by **August 16, 2019**.

### **Line-Up**

We will attempt to accommodate special requests for line-up as much as possible. Early responses are typically given preferential position so please reply as quickly as you can if your entry has a specific need and must be noted clearly on the registration form.

### **Weather**

The parade will not be cancelled! In the case of extreme weather (heat or storms), please heed advice and take cover. Unless there is a threat of danger, the parade will continue. We encourage you to do what is best for your group to be safe and comfortable. In the event of a true emergency, we will attempt to notify the public through all available media.

**Commentary will be read by the parade announcer when passing thru the judging area, and must accompany this registration form. Please note any local business that has provided your vehicle if you would like them to be recognized.**

**Please return entry by July 12, 2019 to:**

**Venango Area Chamber of Commerce | P.O. Box 376 | Oil City, PA 16301 | Phone: (814) 676-8521 | Fax: (814) 676-8185  
chamber@venangochamber.org**

**Questions *prior to the parade* can be directed to:  
The Venango Area Chamber at (814) 676-8521.**

**Parade day *emergencies* can be directed to:  
Susan Williams at (814) 758-2753 or  
Tessa Byham at (814) 758-8330**

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# Oil Heritage Parade Registration Form

## Parade Date: July 27, 2019

Name of Group/Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

*\* email address will be used to send registration confirmation and for invitations to future parades\**

Estimated # of feet required in Line-Up Area or clear description of entry type (e.g. type of vehicles, etc.):

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Special Needs/Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please include commentary on back of this sheet or in attachment**

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Receipt	Judging Category	Line-Up #

# Categories

\*Please select **one** category for judging purposes. Sorry, but entries without categories will not be judged.

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## **Performing Groups: Check One/Performing entries will be judged and awarded monetary prizes in each category.**

- ( ) Sr. Drill /Drum & Baton Team
- ( ) Jr. Drill /Drum & Baton Team
- ( ) Gymnastics
- ( ) Dance Performance Group

**Drum and Baton Corps:** Have baton twirlers as the mainstay of their unit. Baton corps usually consists of baton twirlers, silks, and a drum line (or a good quality sound system).

**Drill Teams:** Have a dance line as their mainstay of their unit. The dance line may use pom-poms, flags, rifles, etc. Drill teams will usually have music to accompany them.

**Junior Corps:** Have an average age of thirteen or younger. **Senior Corps:** Have an average age of fourteen or older.

## **Novelty Groups: Check One/Novelty entries will be judged and awarded trophies in each category.**

- ( ) Musical Performance Groups
- ( ) Non-Musical Performance Groups - (Zumba, sports teams, clowns, horse groups, etc.)

**Horse Groups** must have a clean-up crew to follow their unit through the parade.

## **Floats/Walking Groups: Check One/ Floats/Walking Group entries will be judged and awarded trophies.**

- ( ) Commercial: Business Float or Walking Group
- ( ) Non-Profits: Churches, Youth Service Float, Walking Group

**Walking Groups:** To prevent lulls in the parade, it is very important for your group to stay as close as possible to the group in front of you. Our parade is a forward-motion parade, and we ask for your assistance in maintaining a close distance between each group.

## **Marching Units: Check One/entries will not be judged.**

- ( ) High School, University Band & Cheerleaders
- ( ) Drum & Bugle Corp
- ( ) Color Guard

## **Fire Equipment: Please Provide Description - Fire Equipment entries will not be judged.**

We ask that you please refrain from blowing horns, sirens or whistles continuously during the parade. If you are notified by radio or parade official of an emergency situation, we will ask that you refrain from blowing your horn at all.

## **Cars/Motorized Units: Check One/Cars/Motorized Units will not be judged and must furnish your own vehicle and driver**

- ( ) Elected Officials/Dignitaries
- ( ) Kings/Queens/Princes & Princesses
- ( ) Award Winners

- Your units bio must be submitted with application. This information will be provided to, the parade emcee and local radio and television stations. If this is not provided, nothing will be announced for your unit.
- For safety reasons, no simulated or actual firearms or weapons will be allowed in the parade, with the exception of March Unit Color Guards and Military Service Groups/Organizations.
- Throwing items/candy from a float/vehicle is highly discouraged. It is preferred that walkers are in place to distribute items/candy. At the risk of the Parade participant, candy may be dispersed by throwing underhand onto the surface of the street toward the curb. Any dispersal of candy other than by walkers is the sole responsibility and at the risk of the Parade participant.