

46th Annual Oil Heritage Festival Parade
Saturday, July 27th • Step off: 5:00 PM
Oil City, Pennsylvania
The Largest Parade in Venango County, PA!



- 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.
- Please register for the parade by **July 1st** - late entries are accommodated wherever possible.

****The theme of this year's Festival/Parade will be: "Back to the Future"
You are encouraged to incorporate this theme into your unit.****

Changes for 2024

Due to the closure of the Veterans Bridge during the Festival:

- **The parade will take place on West Third Street this year**, starting at the intersection of West Third and Mitchell Avenue and ending at the intersection of West Third and Central Avenue. **The full parade route, along with a map, is on the reverse of this page.**
- We will do the lineup on Mitchell Avenue from Third Street, and carrying on towards Bouquin Circle.
- We must limit the size of vehicles in the parade. Per industry expert opinions, **vehicles must be less than 55' long and 14' tall, no tractor trailers will be permitted.**
- We will not be judging entries in this year's parade.
- Please call the Chamber office with ANY questions or concerns.

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.

Registrations can also be made online at oilheritagefestival.com

Please return this form by July 1, 2024 to:

Venango Area Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 376 • Oil City, PA 16301 • Phone: (814) 676-8521 • Email: chamber@venangochamber.org

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

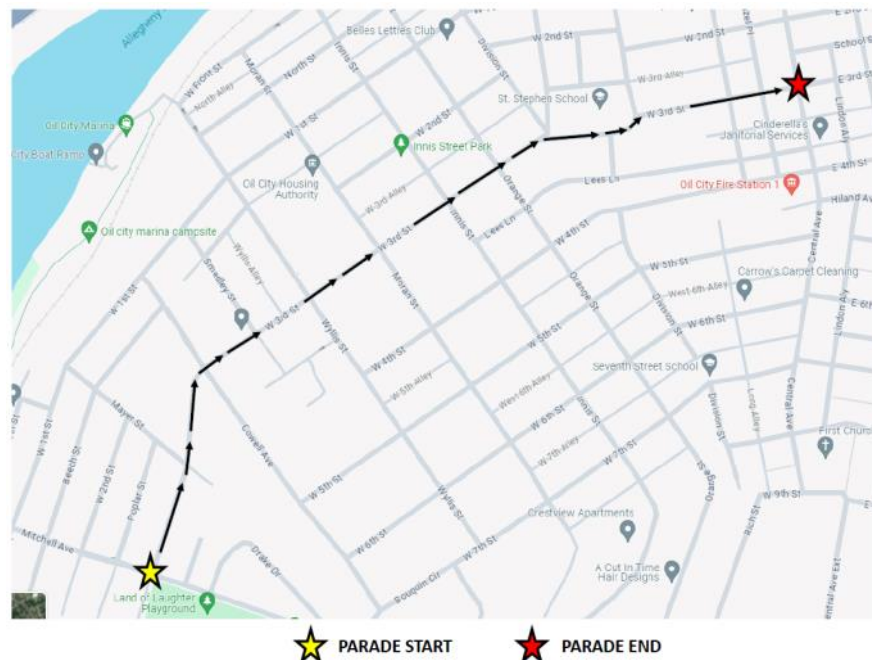
**Parade day *emergencies* can be directed to:
Susan Williams at (814) 758-2753**

****The Chamber of Commerce cannot accept registrations over the phone. Please mail or email all registrations.***

****The Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to deny any entry.***

Frequently Asked Questions:

1. **Can we be in the front/back/certain position in the lineup?** Please submit special requests on the registration form. We will try to honor requests but reserve the right to make all final lineup decisions. Please submit your form in a timely manner to have your special requests considered. There is a parade etiquette that is followed every year, so the first 10+ spots are usually reserved.
2. **Can we be lined up next to _____?** See above.
3. **How long is the parade?** The parade is 0.9 miles long.
4. **Can we throw candy?** You may hand out candy. We ask that you do so respectfully and safely, and keep candy on the edges of the road so children are not drawn into the parade route.
5. **What if it rains? Will the parade be rescheduled?** We will hold the parade rain or shine. 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. The parade will not be rescheduled under any circumstance.
6. **What is the parade route?** The parade route will start on West Third Street at the intersection of Mitchell Avenue, and will continue on West Third Street toward Central Avenue. At the intersection of West Third Street and Central Avenue, the parade participants may go cross Central Avenue to East Third Street, turn left to travel down Central Avenue, or turn right to travel up Central Avenue. Parade participants will need to continue to their designated meeting areas (to be decided by individual parade participants) as to allow for traffic to continue to flow normally on Central Avenue.
7. **When do I get my lineup information?** Lineup information will be sent via email to the email address provided on the registration form. Lineup information will also be mailed the week of the parade, to the address on the form. Your lineup number will correspond with a number placed along Mitchell Avenue or Bouquin Circle.
8. **Is there a fee?** There is no fee for our parade.
9. **Why can't we have the parade on West First Street as we normally do?** Veterans Bridge will be closed for construction during the week of the festival. Due to the length of the parade, in both time and distance, and the number of spectators, closing West First Street would create too great of challenges to safety and convenience for travelers. We have successfully held the parade on this alternate route in the past.



Oil Heritage Parade Registration Form

Parade Date: Saturday, July 27th, 2024

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.):

Special Needs/Requests: _____

Commentary will be read by the parade announcer when passing through 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 provide commentary below:**

Date of Receipt

Line-Up #

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