

West Tennessee
STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

**88TH ANNUAL WTSF
2026 CHECKLIST - PARADE & PAGEANT**

This checklist is provided to help you ensure all required forms, fees, and materials are completed and submitted.

Territorial Queen

PARADE

- Parade application completed & signed.
- Parade application fee paid.
- Parade application turned into Chamber Office.

PAGEANT

- Pageant application completed & signed.
- Territorial Revue Contract signed & dated.
- Crowning Photo of contestant submitted.
- Headshot of Territorial Queen contestant submitted.
- Pageant application fee paid.
- Pageant application turned into Chamber Office.
- Territorial Queen contestant must attend WTSF Meeting at the conclusion of Grand Parade on Friday - May 8, 2026 at Humboldt High School cafeteria.
- Territorial Queen contestant must participate in personal interviews on Saturday - May 9, 2026 beginning at 1:00pm.

To compete in the pageant, contestants must also participate in the parade. All required forms, documents, and fees for both events must be submitted. Completing this checklist confirms your place in both the parade and the pageant.

Dates & Times

Thursday May 7, 2026	Friday May 8, 2026	Saturday May 9, 2026
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:00AM - Junior Floats Parade • 3:00PM - Junior Miss Territorial Revue • 6:00PM - Miss Teen Territorial Revue 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>10:00AM - Grand Floats Parade</u> • 5:00PM - Junior Hostess Princess Revue • 7:00PM - Hostess Princess Revue 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11:00AM - Little Miss Territorial Revue • <u>6:00PM - Territorial Queen Revue</u>

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STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL
88th Annual West Tennessee Strawberry Festival
GRAND FLOATS PARADE/TERRITORIAL QUEEN (16-21 YRS)
Friday - May 8, 2026 - 10:00AM

EARLY ENTRY DEADLINE: MONDAY - APRIL 20, 2026

REGISTRATION & ENTRY DETAILS

- Payment must be made at time of registration.
- All entries must be postmarked by **Monday - April 20, 2026** to avoid a late fee.
- A processing fee will be added on all card payments. All payments are non-refundable.
- Make entry checks payable to: West Tennessee Strawberry Festival. Mail to: Humboldt Chamber of Commerce, 1814 E Main Street, Humboldt, TN 38343.
- Parade number and position are assigned when this application and payment is received by Chamber Office.
- Only floats and golf carts are judged for prizes in this parade. Vehicles or any other groups are not judged.
- Driver's must have a valid driver's license and be at least 18 years of age and operate a vehicle covered by a valid insurance policy. Proof of these will be required the morning of the parade when you check in and receive your official parade number.

- A LATE FEE OF **\$25.00** PER ENTRY WILL BE CHARGED AFTER THE DEADLINE THRU MAY 4, 2026.
- NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER MAY 4, 2026.

OFFICIAL GUIDELINES

1. Overall appearance, beauty, design, eye appeal, and originality according to thought, concept, authenticity, and thought. They are also judged on ingenuity with these ideas in mind: unusual design, moving parts, animated figures, difficult superstructure and inventiveness in costume, decoration and color.
2. Nothing will be thrown from floats, golf carts, vehicles or marching groups into the crowd. This is a violation of Humboldt City Ordinances!
-VIOLATORS WILL BE CITED/FINED-
3. **GOLF CARTS**
 - The term "golf cart" does not include ATVs, RTVs, UTVs, or any other gas or electric-powered vehicle not manufactured primarily for use on a golf course.
 - Golf cart entries **MUST** be decorated and driven down the parade route in order to compete in this category; each golf cart counts as ONE (1) ENTRY.
 - There will be three (3) overall golf cart winners.
4. **FLOATS**
 - A "float" refers to a decorated platform that is either built directly onto a truck or trailer, or constructed separately and towed behind a vehicle.
 - There will be three (3) Humboldt winners and three (3) Out-of-Town winners.
 - Floats exceeding 15 ft. in height, measured from ground, may be disqualified.
 - Walking beside or touching floats distracts from its appearance and may affect judges scoring.
5. **DANCE/CHEER GROUPS**
 - MUST submit video recordings of parade routines for approval **PRIOR** to registration. Groups that do not provide video coverage will not be permitted to participate in the WTSF. Please send videos to festival@humboldtchamber.com.
 - All entries must be family-friendly. Content containing profanity, suggestive language, or provocative imagery will not be permitted.
 - All groups must remain in motion for the entire parade route. **Stopping at any time is not permitted, as it causes delays and disrupts parade flow.**
6. **VEHICLES**
 - A "vehicle" refers to any unit equipped with a motor. This includes: cars, trucks, vans, SUVs, ATVs, RTVs, UTVs, four-wheelers, tractors, etc. For any other vehicles or assistance determining your category, please contact us.
 - Due to space and safety considerations, vehicles over 30 feet in overall length, including semi trucks, heavy wreckers, and similar-sized vehicles, **are limited to a total of five (5) entries for the entire parade and require prior approval.**
7. **HORSES**
 - Must wear a diaper or have someone following to clean up after the horse.
 - Horses and/or horse drawn wagon/carts will be placed at the end of the parade no matter when you register.

CHECK APPROPRIATE ENTRY CATEGORY: **FLOAT \$25** HUMBOLDT OUT-OF-TOWN **VEHICLE \$85** **GOLF CART \$60**

ALL ENTRIES PLEASE FILL OUT INFORMATION BELOW:

Entry Name: _____

Entry Description (colors, list of riders, special details: troop #, group name, etc.): _____

Car Entry Description (antique, classic, etc.): _____

Driver: _____ Car Sponsor: _____

Title of Royalty: _____

Sponsor (School/Organization): _____

COMPLETE SECTION BELOW IN ITS ENTIRETY. THIS IS HOW WE WILL COMMUNICATE WITH YOU FOR ANY FESTIVAL RELATED INFORMATION.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City, State/Zip: _____

Email: _____

The following waiver must be signed by the person completing this form and returned with the parade/revue application:

By completing and submitting this application, I/We do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, do waive and release any and all rights and claims for any damages I may have against the City of Humboldt, Officials of the West Tennessee Strawberry Festival, The West Tennessee Strawberry Festival, or any group or person involved with the West Tennessee Strawberry Festival.

Signature _____ Date _____

Questions? Contact us: festival@humboldtchamber.com | 731-784-1842 | 1814 E Main St Humboldt, TN 38343

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TERRITORIAL QUEEN (16-21 YRS)
REVUE ENTRY FORM

The Territorial Queen Revue will be held on Saturday - May 9, 2026 at 6:00pm,
Humboldt High School Gymnasium, 2600 Viking Drive, Humboldt, Tennessee.

Admission charge to attend the revue is \$5.00 (admission is Cash ONLY) for anyone above the age of three (3) for each revue.

ALL ENTRIES PLEASE FILL OUT INFORMATION BELOW:

Title of Queen: _____
Queen's Name: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Parent's Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ City, State/Zip: _____
Name of School currently attending: _____
Address of School: _____ City, State/Zip: _____
School Phone: _____
Name of Revue Sponsor (who was in charge of revue): _____ Phone: _____
Where was pageant held: _____ City: _____ Date: _____
1st Maid's Name: _____ 3rd Maid's Name: _____
2nd Maid's Name: _____ 4th Maid's Name: _____

REGISTRATION & ENTRY DETAILS

- Entry Fee: **\$45**. Payment must be made at time of registration. All application fees are non-refundable.
- EARLY ENTRY DEADLINE: **MONDAY - APRIL 20, 2026**. All entries must be postmarked by April 20, 2026 to avoid a late fee. A LATE FEE OF **\$25.00** WILL BE CHARGED AFTER THE DEADLINE THRU MAY 4, 2026. NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DATE - NO EXCEPTIONS!
- A processing fee will be added on all card payments. All fees are non-refundable.
- Make entry checks payable to: West Tennessee Strawberry Festival. Mail to: Humboldt Chamber of Commerce, 1814 E Main Street, Humboldt, TN 38343.
- Parade number and position are assigned when this application and payment is received by Chamber Office.

REVUE DETAILS

- This entry form does not enter you in the parade, only in the revue. The parade application must be completed along with this application, photo from the night crowned, the WTSF Territorial Revue Contract, color photo for newspaper and the required entry fees (\$45.00 to enter Queen in revue and fee for parade application) and returned to the Chamber Office.
- Each Territorial Queen's Revue contestant is asked to mail a color photo along with her application to be included in the Humboldt Chronicle Strawberry Festival Tab insert. These photos will be reviewed by the judges prior to the pageant. The deadline for submission is Thursday - April 16, 2026. You may email your photo to savannah@humboldtchamber.com. Be sure to include your name and title so that it will be listed in The Humboldt Chronicle Strawberry Tab correctly.
- Contestants must meet the following qualifications in addition to those set forth in the WTSF Territorial Revue Contract and Agreement: (1) Must be at least sixteen (16) years old and no older than twenty-one (21) by May 9, 2026 to be selected as the Territorial Queen; (2) Must have never been married nor had children; (3) Must have never competed in the Miss Tennessee (America or Volunteer) Pageant or any other state pageant that is a preliminary to Miss America or Miss America Volunteer; (4) She and/or her guardians must execute the WTSF Territorial Revue Contract and Agreement; and (5) She must participate in the Grand Floats Parade.
- Should the queen have won multiple titles, we will also accept as a contestant the maids (in descending order, i.e. 1st - 4th maid) from the pageants that she chooses not to represent. This will be at the individual pageant coordinator's discretion. A maximum of two (2) representatives of a single pageant will be allowed to enter the WTSF Territorial Revue regardless of title (Queen, Princess, etc.).
- Participants for the Queen Territorial Revue will have access to the facility beginning at 3:00pm - NO EARLY ACCESS OR SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE ALLOWED. Space will be limited to Cafeteria, Band Room, and Art Room. Pageant Chair has final discretion on where each group of participants will be staged.
- After the parade on Friday, each queen is required to attend a meeting and rehearsal at the Humboldt Jr/Sr High School gym. Doors will open beginning at 1:00pm. Personal interviews of the participants will be held at Humboldt High School on Saturday - May 9, 2026 beginning at 1:00pm.
- For a complete list of rules, please go to www.strawberryfestivaltn.com/register
- Contact Information:
 - Managing Director - Beth Culpepper: festival@humboldtchamber.com / (731)-784-1842
 - Co-Chair - Mary Kee Roe: (731)-571-8771

All above information must be completed and returned along with: the WTSF Territorial Revue Contract and Agreement, Parade Application, photo proofs and your payment.

The following waiver must be signed by the person completing this form and returned with the parade/revue application:

By signing this Application, I acknowledge that I have read and signed the West Tennessee Strawberry Festival Territorial Revue Contract and Agreement, and I further understand and agree that if selected as a member of the royalty, I am bound by the terms therein.

Signature _____ Date _____

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89th Annual West Tennessee Strawberry Festival Royalty Participation Requirements

Requirements

- \$75.00 clothing deposit is required to purchase wardrobes for festival week.
- Magazine pictures taken on a scheduled day with your respective court. ****MANDATORY** (no makeups allowed)**
- You will need a white gown for magazine pictures that will be taken sometime in the Fall of 2026. The gown will be worn on the WTSF float in the Junior Floats Parade on Thursday, May 6, 2027 and the Grand Floats Parade on Friday, May 7, 2027.
- Parade participation for the West Tennessee Strawberry Festival - you **MUST** ride on the Festival official floats on both Thursday and Friday.
- Queens in every court should make attendance a TOP priority for official Festival functions unless stated otherwise.

Tentative Pre-Festival Week Participation

- Christmas Parades and events in December 2026 (4-5 events).
- Humboldt City Tour with a tentative date of April 10, 2027.
- You will be asked to attend some or all of the out of town festival parades: Soybean Festival in Martin, Tennessee (usually held in September), Teapot Parade in Trenton, Tennessee (first Saturday in May) and/or the Fish Fry Festival in Paris, Tennessee (usually held the last Friday in April).

Tentative Festival Week Participation (May 2-8, 2027)

Sunday May 2, 2027	Monday May 3, 2027	Tuesday May 4, 2027	Wednesday May 5, 2027	Thursday May 6, 2027	Friday May 7, 2027	Saturday May 8, 2027
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Art Show ● Royal Tea 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Opening Celebrations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Recipe Contest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● President's Reception 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Junior Floats Parade 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Grand Floats Parade ● Queen's Luncheon ● Horse Show 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 5k/10k Run
<p>President's Reception - Senior Territorial Queen & Court, Hostess Princess & Court, Junior Hostess, Junior Miss Territorial and Miss Teen Territorial Queen's ONLY.</p> <p>Queen's Luncheon - Hostess & Senior Territorial.</p> <p>5k/10k Run - Hostess Princess & Court, Junior Hostess Princess & Court, Senior Territorial Queen ONLY.</p>						

While most of these dates are tentative or not yet stated, communication will be made well in advance of when your participation is needed. Dates and times will be officially communicated. Every effort should be made to be in attendance for a reasonable amount of these appearances.



**WEST TENNESSEE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL
TERRITORIAL QUEEN AND ROYALTY REVUE CONTRACT**

As a condition of applying for my child to participate in the West Tennessee Strawberry Festival - Territorial Queen and Royalty Revue and in serving in the royalty, if selected, I understand and agree to the following:

1. The West Tennessee Strawberry Festival (hereinafter "WTSF") is a major community event that is important and valuable to the image, economic stability, and progress of the City of Humboldt, Gibson County, and West Tennessee as a whole, and representatives of the WTSF have certain obligations because they represent the festival to the public.
2. It is an honor and privilege to be selected as a member of the royalty for the WTSF, and that if selected as a member of the royalty, my child receives certain privileges and standing in her school and community, and that the reputation and success of the WTSF is somewhat dependent upon the acts and conduct of the royalty and representatives of the WTSF.
3. If selected as a member of the royalty, my child is expected to serve in that capacity and as a representative of the WTSF for the following year or until my successor is chosen (hereinafter "Year of Service").
4. In seeking to participate in the competition, there are requirements of the WTSF, including the rules for qualification of contestants and the guidelines set forth in this Contract that will be applicable to my child's activities during my Year of Service if selected.
5. During the Year of Service, my child's duties will include travel and participation in personal appearances on behalf of the WTSF. These activities are designed, scheduled, arranged, and supervised by the WTSF and its representatives in order to reflect the values and standards of the WTSF and to enhance its visibility and promote its purpose(s).
6. If selected as a member of the WTSF Territorial Queen and Royalty, participation in festival events and appearances is not only a priority, but also is mandatory unless otherwise excused in advance by the WTSF representatives.
7. The WTSF has developed procedures that govern the activities and conduct of the royalty during their Year of Service, and these procedures and standards are intended to protect and enhance the substantial public acceptance of the WTSF, and to ensure that the WTSF will continue to be able to operate for the benefit of young women who will be seeking to participate in the WTSF in future years.
8. Considering the above, and if selected as a member of the festival royalty, I will refrain from any conduct, which will result in embarrassment to the WTSF or the Territorial Pageant and Committee. Such conduct, which I agree would result in such embarrassment, includes but is not limited to the following: (a.) Arrest, indictment, or conviction for a crime against any municipality, state, or the United States; (b.) Public fighting or cursing; (c.) Use of alcoholic beverages or other controlled substances whether becoming intoxicated or not; (d.) Behavior that results in disciplinary action by school officials; and (e.) Pregnancy and/or marriage.
9. If I am found to have participated in any conduct or behavior described but not limited to in items a. through e., above, or similar conduct determined by the WTSF to result in embarrassment to the WTSF during my Year of Service, I shall be immediately removed as a member of the festival royalty, and I shall voluntarily surrender any title I have been awarded and return any and all awards I have received.
10. The WTSF Territorial Pageant and Committee has full authority to use its sole discretion in determining whether any of my future conduct is forbidden by the terms set out above.
11. Any appearances where you are asked to represent the West Tennessee Strawberry Festival, outside of your official appearances and duties, must be approved by the Managing Director and current WTSF President.
12. The WTSF's approval of my participation in the competition and, if selected, service in the royalty will be specifically based upon the representations and agreements in my Application and this Contract.
13. By signing this Contract and Agreement, I agree that all the terms are reasonable and fair under the circumstances and that if my child is selected as a member of the WTSF Territorial Queen and Royalty, I fully accept them and the responsibility described herein. Therefore, by signing this Application and Contract and submitting it to the WTSF for approval, I represent and agree (1) that all facts and representations contained in my child's Application, this Contract, and any attachments are true and accurate; (2) that my child and I will abide by all rules and regulations of the WTSF described in the Application, this Contract, and any attachments during the Year of Service; (3) that my child meets each requirement for eligibility to compete as set forth in my Application; and (4) that the WTSF shall have the sole discretion to determine whether, in its judgement, my child may continue to participate in the pageant and Year of Service, if selected, in the event that the WTSF determines that any statement or representation I have made is not true and accurate or that any of my child's actions is inconsistent with the rules and regulations of the WTSF and this pageant.

I certify that I have read the foregoing application and understand and agree to the terms and provisions contained therein.

For contestants under the age of eighteen (18):

Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Date

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MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL ENTRIES
GRAND FLOATS PARADE - WEST TENNESSEE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

FROM: BETH CULPEPPER, MANAGING DIRECTOR

DATE: 2026

RE: LINE-UP PROCEDURE

ENCLOSED YOU WILL FIND INFORMATION REGARDING THE GRAND FLOATS PARADE ON FRIDAY, MAY 8, 2026. PLEASE PAY CAREFUL ATTENTION TO THE INSTRUCTIONS AND RULES LISTED IN THE PACKET. SOME DETAILS OF THE INSTRUCTIONS HAVE CHANGED FROM PREVIOUS YEAR.

PRIOR TO YOUR ARRIVAL IN HUMBOLDT FOR THE WEST TENNESSEE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU RECEIVE YOUR TENTATIVE PARADE NUMBER. PLEASE GO TO OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.STRAWBERRYFESTIVALTN.COM OR OUR FACEBOOK PAGE BEGINNING APRIL 23, 2026 TO LOCATE YOUR NUMBER IN LINE. TENTATIVE PARADE NUMBERS WILL NOT BE MAILED THIS YEAR. ONCE YOU HAVE ARRIVED ON PARADE DAY, YOUR OFFICIAL NUMBER MAY BE PICKED UP AT THE BOOTH AT THE INTERSECTION OF MAIN STREET AND 22ND AVENUE. THESE SERVE TO IDENTIFY YOUR ENTRY FOR THE JUDGES AND FOR THE MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES COVERING THE PARADE.

PLEASE ASSIST US BY BRINGING YOUR ENTRY IN THE CORRECT DIRECTION DOWN MAIN STREET IN THE STAGING AREA. ALL FLOATS AND GOLF CARTS WILL BE PARKED ON THE NORTH (RIGHT) SIDE OF MAIN STREET IN EVEN NUMERICAL ORDER. CARS WILL BE PARKED ON THE SOUTH (LEFT) SIDE OF MAIN STREET IN ODD NUMERICAL ORDER.

WE WILL HAVE TELEVISION COVERAGE OF THE PARADE, WLJT TV/WEST TN PBS: WILL TAPE THE PARADE FOR RE-BROADCAST. THEY WILL BE LOCATED ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE STREET, ADJACENT TO THE JUDGES/REVIEWING STAND.

WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT AND PARTICIPATION IN THE 88TH ANNUAL WEST TENNESSEE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL! IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL THE HUMBOLDT CHAMBER AT (731)-784-1842 OR EMAIL AT FESTIVAL@HUMBOLDTCHAMBER.COM.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLOATS

GRAND FLOATS PARADE Friday - May 8 2026 - 10:00AM

WELCOME TO THE 88TH ANNUAL WEST TENNESSEE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL. BELOW ARE YOUR INSTRUCTIONS AND DIRECTIONS FOR GETTING YOUR FLOAT INTO THE STAGING AREA WITH THE LEAST AMOUNT OF DIFFICULTY.

ALL FLOATS AND GOLF CARTS WILL LINE UP ON THE NORTH (RIGHT) SIDE OF MAIN STREET. PARADE CONTROLLERS AND/OR POLICE WILL ASSIST YOU IN PROPERLY PARKING YOUR FLOAT. PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WHEN DRIVING IN THE PARADE ROUTE AND IN THE STAGING AREA AS MANY PERSONS WILL BE WALKING IN THE AREA. GOLF CARTS WILL NEED TO BE DROPPED OFF OR DRIVEN ON TO THE PARADE ROUTE FROM A PARKED LOCATION OFF OF MAIN STREET. NO TRAILERS WILL BE ALLOWED TO STAY IN THE PARADE STAGING AREA. ONCE THROUGH THE PARADE, GOLF CARTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED BACK UP THE PARADE ROUTE, YOU WILL HAVE TO TAKE ALTERNATE MEANS OFF OF MAIN STREET. FAILURE TO COMPLY COULD RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION OR PARTICIPATION IN FUTURE PARADES.

1. FOR NORTH BOUND FLOATS COMING INTO HUMBOLDT ON HWY 45W (FROM JACKSON), FOLLOW HWY 45 (BUSINESS) TOWARD DOWNTOWN HUMBOLDT.
2. FOR SOUTH BOUND FLOATS COMING INTO HUMBOLDT ON HWY 70-79 (FROM MILAN), TURN LEFT ON HWY 45 BY-PASS (FIRST TRAFFIC LIGHT) AND FOLLOW (THROUGH ONE MORE TRAFFIC LIGHT) TO HWY 45W (BUSINESS) AND TURN RIGHT TOWARD DOWNTOWN HUMBOLDT.
3. FOR SOUTH BOUND FLOATS COMING INTO HUMBOLDT ON HWY 45W (FROM TRENTON), TURN LEFT ON HWY 45 BY-PASS (THIRD TRAFFIC LIGHT) AND FOLLOW (THROUGH THREE TRAFFIC LIGHTS) TO HWY 45W (BUSINESS), THEN TURN RIGHT TOWARD DOWNTOWN HUMBOLDT.
4. FOR NORTH BOUND FLOATS COMING INTO HUMBOLDT ON HWY 70-79 (FROM BELLS) TURN ONTO HWY 70-79 BY-PASS AND FOLLOW (THROUGH 4 TRAFFIC LIGHTS) TO HWY 45W (BUSINESS), THEN TURN RIGHT TOWARD DOWNTOWN HUMBOLDT.

NOTE: ANY ATTEMPT TO USE ENTRY INTO THE STAGING AREA OTHER THAN THE HWY 45W (BUSINESS) ACCESS WILL RESULT IN SIGNIFICANT DELAYS.

*****IMPORTANT*****

1. THE LINEUP NUMBER YOU RECEIVE IS NOT YOUR PLACE IN THE PARADE (FOR EXAMPLE: IF YOU RECEIVE THE NUMBER 7, YOU ARE NOT GUARANTEED TO PHYSICALLY GO THROUGH THE PARADE SEVENTH IN LINE. WE DO HAVE TO FORMAT THE PARADE IN A CERTAIN ORDER).
2. ALL FLOATS SHOULD BE IN THE PARADE STAGING AREA NO LATER THAN 9:00AM ON THE MORNING OF THE PARADE. **IF YOUR FLOAT IS NOT IN PLACE BY 9:00AM YOU WILL BE DIRECTED TO THE BACK OF THE PARADE LINE. ALL VEHICLES NOT PART OF THE PARADE MUST BE OUT OF THE STAGING AREA BY 9:30AM - THIS WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED. NO VEHICLES WILL BE PERMITTED INTO THE STAGING AREA AFTER 9:00AM. THE PARADE WILL BEGIN PROMPTLY AT 10:00AM.**
3. FLOATS WILL BE LINED UP IN THE PARADE IN THEIR ASSIGNED NUMERICAL ORDER.
4. REGISTRATION: YOU MUST PICK UP YOUR OFFICIAL NUMBER AT THE BOOTH LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF MAIN STREET AND 22ND AVENUE - ATTACH FLOAT NUMBERS ON THE FRONT RIGHT AND LEFT SIDES OF YOUR FLOAT.
5. **DRIVERS OF ANY ENTRY MUST BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE WITH A VALID DRIVERS LICENSE, OPERATING A VEHICLE COVERED BY A VALID INSURANCE POLICY. PROOF WILL BE REQUIRED AT CHECK IN, YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE UNTIL THIS IS SATISFIED.**
6. FLOATS MAY NOT EXCEED A HEIGHT OF 15 FEET MEASURED FROM THE GROUND.
7. PULLING VEHICLES AND A DRIVER MUST BE WITH FLOATS AT ALL TIMES. NO EXTRA VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED INTO THE STAGING AREA. EXTRA PAPER, DECORATIONS, ETC. SHOULD BE CARRIED IN THE PULLING VEHICLE - PLEASE BE PREPARED TO ATTACH YOUR FLOAT NUMBER TO THE FLOAT.
8. AT THE END OF THE PARADE (12 AND MAIN) RIDERS MAY BE TAKEN FROM FLOATS. FLOATS MUST BE PULLED OUT OF THE DOWNTOWN AREA IMMEDIATELY. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT YOU PULL YOUR FLOAT DOWN OSBORNE STREET TO CENTRAL AVENUE AND THEN TURN LEFT ON CENTRAL AVENUE AND PROCEED TOWARD THE 45 BY-PASS. ALL FLOATS MUST BE REMOVED FROM THE DOWNTOWN AREA AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE SO THE FLOW OF THE PARADE WILL NOT BE IMPAIRED. REMEMBER THAT THERE ARE MANY UNITS IN THE PARADE AFTER YOU COMPLETE THE ROUTE.
9. **THROWING CANDY, GUM, TOKENS OR OTHER ITEMS FROM FLOATS IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED BY HUMBOLDT CITY ORDINANCE. NO ENTRY (PERFORMANCE GROUPS, ETC.) IS PERMITTED TO HOLD THE PARADE UP IN ANY WAY - THIS MEANS NO GETTING IN FORMATION, WAITING FOR MUSIC TO CUE UP, ETC. - YOU WILL BE ESCORTED FROM THE PARADE ROUTE IMMEDIATELY! THIS WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED!**
10. IF YOU HAVE ANOTHER OBLIGATION IN THE GRAND FLOATS PARADE, SUCH AS BEING IN THE BAND AND RIDING A FLOAT, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO NOTIFY THE INDIVIDUALS AT THE REGISTRATION BOOTH OR THE JUNIOR FLATS PARADE MARSHAL THE MORNING OF THE PARADE.

WE HOPE YOU HAVE A PLEASANT VISIT AND LOTS OF FUN PARTICIPATING IN THE 88TH ANNUAL WEST TENNESSEE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL THE HUMBOLDT CHAMBER AT 731.784.1842