



Present:

47th Annual Christmas Parade: "A Christmas Story in Apopka!"

Saturday, December 9, 2023 at 10:00 AM

The Foliage Sertoma Club of Apopka and the City of Apopka are proud to be the sponsors of the annual Apopka Christmas Parade.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND PRINT CLEARLY.

The annual Christmas Parade is intended to encourage community support and celebration of the holiday season. It is sponsored for the enjoyment of families and children of all ages. The Foliage Sertoma Club and the City of Apopka join with the community in seeking a parade that will be free of incident and disruption.

Your signature on the entry form indicates your group fully understands and agrees to abide by the following rules:

- 1) The **deadline** for submitting entry forms is **November 17th** or until all 100 positions are filled, whichever comes first.
- The Foliage Sertoma Club will review all applications and reserves the right to deny any parade applicant, unit, group or display from participation in the Christmas Parade. A written response will be sent to the address identified in section 1 of the entry form. **PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**. Positions are determined by the order in which your application is received.
- All entries will be judged. All floats must support the parade theme "A Christmas Story in Apopka" All vehicles participating in the parade must be decorated, including all tow vehicles. Those not decorated will be disqualified and points will be deducted for lack of decoration. You will need to design a banner stating the name of your organization with your line-up number in the top left-hand corner (4 inch + print). Your banner may be displayed on your

vehicle or by walkers in front of your entry. Parade committee rules prohibit any signs, displays or musical references to political races or candidates, union organizing activities, or other social/political issues at the sole discretion of the parade committee.

- 4) Music with vulgar, profane, or illicit lyrics shall be prohibited. The playing of such music will subject the entry to disqualification and removal from the parade at the sole discretion of the parade committee.
- All Parade units will be provided with a map of the assembly and staging area. Units must remain in the staging area until the movement order of parade officials is given. The parade will begin at 10:00 AM. All entries must be in position by 9:00 AM. Only parade entry vehicles will be allowed in the staging area. If you are a large group, we request that you meet at a specified location and come into the staging area as one group. Entry vehicles only allowed.
- 6) Vehicles must be driven in a safe and prudent manner. Those displaying reckless behavior will be pulled from the parade route immediately.
- 7) Each individual group must complete the application form and submit it with their **check payable to Foliage Sertoma Club of Apopka**. You may also pay via PayPal at FoliageSertoma.org. There are no refunds.
- 8) All participants must complete an Indemnity and Hold Harmless Agreement. These agreements shall be returned to the Parade Chairperson.
- 9) For liability reasons, parade committee rules strictly prohibit the throwing of any objects, including candy and gifts, from their floats or parade vehicles/units.
- Any float or unit containing a live representation of Santa Claus will be disqualified and removed from the parade. The only Santa Claus that is allowed is the official Santa Claus at the end of the parade.

We thank you for your participation in this year's event. In keeping with the motto of Service to Mankind, the Foliage Sertoma Club pledges our support in making this year's parade the best ever and we wish you a Merry Christmas. Should you have any questions or need additional assistance, please contact:

Lorena Potter; Parade Chairperson Foliage Sertoma Club of Apopka

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