It's time to prepare for the 2023 Tip-Up Town USA Grand Parade!

The T-U-T 2023 Chairpersons & Committee is pleased to extend a special invitation to participate in the 70th annual Tip-Up Town USA Grand Parade. The theme for 2023 is **"NOT AVAILABLE"!** Please join us for the fun & Tomfoolery.

The parade will take place on **Saturday, January 21st at 10: am SHARP!** Parade lineup will begin from **8:15 to 9:30 am** at the Anchor Inn in Houghton Lake Heights. (Turn on Loxley by Save A Lot, towards the lake, follow to the end. Anchor Inn is on the left-hand side.

Please report promptly at the check in desk inside Anchor Inn to register & receive your line up number.

Free Coffee, hot chocolate & donuts available compliments of the Anchor Inn.
Parade Participation Ribbons provided by the Houghton Lake Chamber of Commerce

Once you have checked in, follow the directions given to you, & proceed to the lineup area along Heightsview Drive. Please remain in your designated position and fill in any gaps. **You MUST check in to join the parade line up + route and receive your parade number!**

Judging of the floats/entries is done during line up. Arrive early to be considered. Judging ends at 9:45 am SHARP! Please follow directions to avoid confusion and delays.

Your support & cooperation in helping our parade run smoothly is greatly appreciated!

Attached you will find the parade information sheet, guidelines & parade entry application. Please complete and return the application by January 4, 2023 addressed to: **112 Spruce Street   Houghton Lake, MI 48629** **Please DO NOT return your application to the Chamber office.**

Please feel free to contact us for assistance.

Sincerely,
Ronda & Jason Spears
TUT Grand Parade Chairpersons
112 Spruce Street, Houghton Lake, MI 48629
989-422-7070
Email: spears1969@charter.net

Tip-Up Town USA 2023

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<u>ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST PROVIDE THEIR OWN PARADE TRANSPORTATION!</u>

Entry Category: (circle one)	**Number of Units:**
Animals	_____
Animal w/carriage	_____
Band	_____
Bicycles	_____
Car/Truck	_____
Classic Auto	_____
Clowns	_____
Color Guard	_____
Emergency Vehicle (fire/ambulance/police)	_____
Equestrian	_____
Float w/vehicle	_____
High School Queen	_____
Marching Unit	_____
Pedestrian	_____
Military Equipment	_____
Military/Veterans	_____
ORV/ATV	_____
Queen w/Car or Float	_____
Snowmobile (new or vintage)	_____
Vehicle w/music	_____

CONTACT NAME: _____

Parade Entry Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS JANUARY 4, 2023
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Email: spears1969@charter.net   Phone: 989-422-7070

TUT USA 2023 GRAND PARADE FLOAT GUIDELINES!

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1. Float Entry should adhere to theme "Tip-Up Town Where Memories are Made"

2. Float Entry should be attractive with the appropriate use of materials

3. Entries will be judged on neatness, clarity, originality, workmanship

4. Judging for floats will take place during parade LINE-UP

5. All Float entries are eligible for awards, except TUT Queens Float

6. Candy may ONLY be distributed by parade participants walking near the curbs – candy is not permitted to be thrown from floats or vehicles

7. Trophies will be awarded to winners & ribbons provide to participants   NO CASH PRIZES

8. Winning Floats will be directed to the TUT site at the end of the parade route. Winners please drive onto the site & meet at the TUT stage. All other participants **DO NOT** park at the TUT site.

FLOAT AWARD CATEGORIES:

1. Queen's Choice
2. Best Overall entry
3. Most Humorous
4. Most Original
5. Best Use of Theme
6. Best Youth Entries   1st , 2nd ,3rd Plaques

All winners announced & Plaques presented at the Tip-Up Town site immediately following the parade. Winners must meet at the TUT stage in a prompt manner. Wait at stage for announcements & awards.