



2017 Wamego Independence Day Parade Guidelines & Information

On Tuesday, July 4, 2017, at 6 pm, Wamego will host its 146th Annual Independence Day Parade. You are invited to be a part of the celebration! If you would like to enter the parade then please complete the entry form and mail, email or hand-deliver it to the Wamego Area Chamber of Commerce office no later than Monday, June 26. We will send parade line-up instructions to you **by email so it is imperative that you provide an email address.**

ENTRY IS FREE for all participants.

GUIDELINES

Please remember that each parade entry must have **easy to see and read** signs, banners or uniforms identifying your group or sponsor. All elected officials and political candidates must provide their own car and signage. The highest point on your float should be no higher than 13 feet above the ground. **We request that all entries have some patriotic or theme related decoration displayed. This increases enjoyment of those viewing the parade.**

LINE-UP

Parade line-up begins at 4:00 p.m. in the Wamego High School parking lot. **Parade entries must be in their line-up area NO LATER than 5:30 p.m.** This is very important so that contest judges have time to judge entries and to insure that the parade begins promptly at 6:00 p.m.

CANDY

Absolutely **NO CANDY is to be thrown from moving vehicles.** You may WALK along-side your float/vehicle and hand out candy.

FLOAT CONTEST

Theme: My Patriotic Heart Beats Red, White and Blue

There is no obligation, but everyone is encouraged to enter the float contest. If you choose to enter please use the theme as your inspiration. Prominently display your group or business name. No special contest registration, entry form or entry fee is necessary to enter the contest. Just send in a completed parade entry form. We will have a marked entrance for float contest entries.

Prizes will be awarded in three categories:

- (1) Best portrayal of the theme: ***My Patriotic Heart Beats Red, White and Blue***
- (2) Greatest display of Patriotism.
- (3) Most unique idea or clever use of materials.

Fill out the entry form and mail, email or hand-deliver it to the Wamego Chamber office no later than Monday, June 26th. We look forward to your creativity and participation!

Questions? Call the Wamego Chamber office at (785) 456-7849



WAMEGO
Area Chamber of Commerce

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ENTRY FORM**

*****We request that ALL ENTRIES have some sort of decoration*****

Name of organization: _____

Check type of entry:

- _____ Float Contest entry: *My Patriotic Heart Beats Red, White and Blue*
- _____ Elected official (must provide own car & signage)
- _____ Political candidate (must provide own car & signage)
- _____ Non-contest float
- _____ Color guard
- _____ Emergency vehicle
- _____ Horses or horse-drawn vehicle (number of horses _____)
- _____ Antique, classic, or custom car
- _____ Antique tractor
- _____ Shrine group
- _____ Tractor-trailer, tank, big tractor or other really big, loud, heavy thing
- _____ Walking group (number in group _____)
- _____ Marching band (number in group _____)
- _____ Motorcycle(s) (number in group _____)
- _____ Bicycle(s) (number in group _____)
- _____ Go-cart(s) (number in group _____)
- _____ Business/commercial vehicle
- _____ Other (describe _____)

*****Parade line-up will begin at 4:00pm at the Wamego High School parking lot.
Please enter the parking lot from Poplar Street at designated entries.*****

Contact person: _____

Address: _____
(Street) (City) (Zip Code)

Phone number: _____

Email: _____

Mail, e-mail, or hand-deliver this form to: Wamego Area Chamber of Commerce
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Wamego, KS 66547
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