The Jackson Parish Chamber of Commerce is encouraging residents of the parish to sign up early for their 2023 Christmas Parade that will be held in downtown Jonesboro on Saturday, November 25th

The lineup for the parade TBA. at First Baptist Church parking lot in Jonesboro and will also end at the church. No horse drawn carriages will be allowed in the parade because of safety reasons. All participants in the Christmas Parade will be given a number on it for the lineup. Lineup will be posted on the chamber Facebook page if there are any questions.

All cars, trucks, motorcycles, and four-wheelers will line up at the Methodist church in Jonesboro.

"Without your number, you cannot enter the lineup," Thousands of visitors come each year for our parade and fireworks. Let us show them a wonderful time and make their trip to Jonesboro one to remember!"

Santa will be at the parade and in his house in the Christmas park after the parade. The theme this year "Christmas Movies in The Pines202"

The three divisions for floats that will be judged are **businesses**, **family and friends**, and **churches**. If anyone would like to participate in the parade, the fees are listed on the entry forms. Forms for parade participants are available in a folder outside the front window at the Jackson Parish Chamber of Commerce. The forms for parade entries can also be downloaded at http://jacksonparishchamber.org/.

<u>The deadline to register is 11:30 AM on November 20th.</u> Cash Prizes will be awarded to the first, second, and third place winners of each division.

The Grand Marshal, who will be honored in the 2023 Christmas Parade, will also be nominated soon. To nominate someone for Grand Marshal in the parade, all nomination forms can be picked up in a folder at the front window of the Jackson Parish Chamber of Commerce or downloaded from the Chamber Web Site at www.jacksonparishchamber.org. Only one form per person can be submitted.

If an organization, club, or church wishes to nominate someone for Grand Marshall, they can list their names on the one form for that nominee. No letters of recommendation will be accepted. The President of the Jackson Parish Chamber of Commerce, Yumeaka Washington, will give the nominations to a secret committee, and they will make the decision on who is Grand Marshal.

The nomination forms should be completed and returned to the Jackson Parish Chamber of Commerce Friday, November 3rd, 2023 at 11:30 AM. Wilda Smith, the Director of the Jackson Parish Chamber of Commerce, will give them to the president.

Coffee will be served to honor the annual Grand Marshal of the Christmas Festival with location TBA 10 a.m. on November 25th.

2023 CHRISTMAS PARADE ENTRY FORM

Deadline for entry, Friday, November 20th- 11:30 AM

Please fill in all blanks, all information is needed!

PARADE DAY: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25th - 4:30 P.M.

THEME:

"CHRISTMAS MOVIES IN THE PINES"

YES.

WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE JACKSON PARISH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 25TH. LINE-UP AT 300 P.M, IN THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH PARKING LOT ON COOPER AVE. LINE-UP SHEETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE SITE. WHEN YOU ARRIVE, PLEASE FIND YOUR SPOT AND GET IN LINE.

YES,

WOULD LIKE OUR ENTRY TO BE JUDGED.

(Floats: \$45.00-- Car/Truck/Golf Carts/4-wheelers: \$25.00 Performing Groups: \$35.00 Other: Please explain on back of page.) Make check payable to: Jackson Parish Chamber of Commerce or JPCOC. Floats Only will be judge in one of the three categories.

1. Business 2. Churches 3. Family & Friends

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE CLEAN AND DECORATED, ONLY CHRISTMAS MUSIC PLAYING ON YOUR ENTRY

FLOAT (NO LONGER THAN 85FT).

NO,

WOULD NOT LIKE OUR ENTRY TO BE JUDGED.

(\$30.00 entry fee required for each float participant (truck pulling a trailer) (\$5.00 entry fee for motorcycles, riding in (Toy for Children) all others \$10.00, \$10.00 4-wheelers, antique cars, trucks, golf carts, horses))

NAME OF PERSON OR GROUP PARTICIPATING:

PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR ENTRY IN DETAIL. IS IT A CAR, TRUCK, FLOAT OR OTHER TYPE OF ENTRY? WILL YOU HAVE TRAILERS ETC.? WE NEED TO KNOW TO HAVE PROPER SPACING OPEN FOR YOU IN THE LINE-UP. WE NEED LENGTH OF TRUCK AND TRAILER!

NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO BE CONTACTED IS:

BRIEF INFORMATION ABOUT YOU OR YOUR GROUP FOR THE PARADE ANNOUNCER:

Questions contact Wilda Smith @ the Jackson Parish Chamber office. 8AM-12 PM Mon-Friday (259-4693)