

## **Rules and Instructions for Parade Participants**

Parade lineup and registration begins at 8:30 a.m. at the parking lot of the Los Molinos Veterans Memorial **Building (Vets Hall)**, with the parade starting promptly at 10 a.m. The numbers on the road (which is your entry number presented to you at the registration table) will indicate your position in the parade or alternatively, the position assigned you by parade monitors. Kindly keep your position during the parade and follow the directions of the parade monitors. Secure your entry number to the right side of your person or vehicle. The number must be visible to the judges so that they can judge your entry.

## Please note, registration for the automobile category will begin at 7:45 a.m. and judging will begin immediately after. Drivers of all motorized vehicles must have a valid driver's license.

Please keep an adequate space between your entry and the entry in front of you, especially when approaching and passing the judges. With the exception of the Color Guard and the artist performing the National Anthem, there shall be no stopping on the parade route or in front of the judge's grandstand for any reason. Always keep a proper interval between entries to give the judges sufficient time to review and score the entries.

Excessive noise or throwing of items, e.g. candy, literature, etc. from any entry during the parade is <u>STRICTLY</u> <u>PROHIBITED</u>. Items may be handed to parade viewers. Violation of any parade rules will result in immediate disqualification of entry.

All minors need to be accompanied by an adult through-out the parade route.

This year's theme is "Alohu, Los Molinos." Each entry will be judged for *Theme*, *Originality* and *Neatness*. *Theme* is defined as: "The best interpretation of the parade theme." Originality is defined as: "Is the decorations special, novel, spectacular in some way?" *Neatness* is defined as: "A well thought out theme with a smooth execution." Most importantly, have fun!

The judges will compile all the scores at the conclusion of the parade. This is a time consuming task in order that they can make fair and impartial decisions regarding all the entries. This process should take approximately two hours. Winners in all categories will be announced at *approximately* 2 p.m. at Mill Creek Park during the **annual Playday at the Park** event following the parade. Winners will also be announced on the Chambers social media sites, website and released to the media.

Unclaimed prizes, ribbons, and trophies may be claimed at the Los Molinos Chamber of Commerce office by appointment by email at Imcoc2012@gmail.com.

## Entries will be accepted by mail, e-mail or may be dropped off at Umpqua Bank in Los Molinos, the deadline is July 1.

