

# Bois D'Arc Miracle on Main St.

## 2024 Christmas Parade Entry Form

**Saturday, December 7, 2024**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: Business \_\_\_\_\_ Home or Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Type of Entry (Please Check One) –

- Float
- Auto/Vehicle (antique or otherwise)
- Official (local or state)
- Bicycle
- Other (Please Specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- Four-Wheelers (Minors must be accompanied by adults and race type four wheelers are not permitted) If electric-powered, PLEASE ensure that you have enough charge to make it through the entire parade route.
- Equestrian (Must show Proof of Coggins Test)

**Each entry is to represent the Parade Theme, “Bois D’Arc Miracle on Main Street”, in a creative way.**

**This is your opportunity to have fun and create something unique and special!**

To ensure excellence in presentation & efficiency within the parade lineup is at the discretion of the Commerce Christmas Parade Committee. **Line up begins at 4:30 pm at Pecan & Maple St. Judging is at 5:00 pm. The Parade route starts at Pecan & Maple and will then go up to Monroe, Over to Live Oak, Down Washington, Up Main, Down Park St., over to Maple then up Pecan, and stops at Aldridge St.**

### **HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT PLEASE SIGN BELOW**

Neither the Commerce Chamber of Commerce nor the City of Commerce assumes any responsibility or liability for any loss or damage to property of entry or injury or death to any persons by the action of the inaction of the Commerce Chamber of Commerce or the City of Commerce and the entry owner agrees to indemnify and hold harmless damages, expenses, or losses arising therefrom. It is agreed the considerations herein expressed are conditioned on the foregoing indemnity and assumption of liability of parade entry.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# 2024 Christmas Parade Information

The 2024 annual Bois d'Arc Commerce Christmas parade is scheduled for **Saturday, December 7, 2024**. The theme this year is **"Miracle on Main St."**. We encourage your family/church/business/organization to decorate a float/trailer/truck/car in a way that represents the miracle of Christmas. **Remember, lights and music make a float more exciting, so feel free to let your Christmas Spirit Shine!** The purpose of the Christmas Parade is to allow the community to experience the Spirit of Christmas. Let's make this year's parade memorable in the best way possible. Call the Chamber if you need a route map. **IF YOU HAVE A LARGE TRUCK OR AN EXTRA-LONG TRAILER, PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE ALL THE TURNS.**

## FLOAT & PARADE GUIDELINES

- All floats should have lights. This is not mandatory, but it makes seeing your entry easier!
- Floats should travel slowly; however, do not stop during the parade unless directed.
- Please **DO NOT** drive with your headlights on! They are blinding to the entries in front of you and lessen the effect of everyone's beautiful lighted entries. Also, keep your music speakers aimed at your own float/vehicle.
- Only leave two car lengths between entries. THIS IS IMPERATIVE TO GETTING THE PARADE COMPLETED IN TIME!!
- As children of all ages know, there is **ONLY ONE SANTA**, and he will be at the end of the parade. Santa has requested that no other Santas be present. Your entry will be disqualified from voting if you have a Santa on your float, and you may be restricted from participating in future parades.
- Due to safety issues, do **NOT** throw candy except Santa because he is at the end of the line. Santa will give candy canes downtown on the Square, as well.
- ALL participants **MUST** sign waivers. Feel free to make additional waiver forms. Submit your waiver(s) at the check-in area before the start of the parade.
- Pay attention to people directing the parade's beginning and others along the parade route. Follow their direction to slow down or move along faster.
- Keep and share this information with everyone participating in your float.
- **Line Up Time: 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm.** Check-in is at Pecan & Aldridge St.

## Entry Form:

Please make sure that your entry form is signed and completed in its entirety and then returned to the Chamber of Commerce.

(No later than **December 4th**) at 1114 Main, faxed to (903) 886-8012, or mailed to PO Box 290, Commerce, TX 75429. You can also email the form to [courtney@commerce-chamber.com](mailto:courtney@commerce-chamber.com) in a PDF form. **Feel free to make copies of the entry form to share with others. We would love to have as many participants as possible.**

## Lineup:

**The parade lineup will begin at 4:30 pm at Pecan and Maple St! Judging begins at 5:00 pm, and Awards at 5:30 pm. The parade will depart at 6 pm.**

We reserve the right to adjust your placement on parade day. Our volunteers will be easy to spot and will be there to help make the lineup as smooth as possible.

**For everyone's safety, all participants must be on their float or in the grass at all times. The roadway must be kept clear. We also appreciate everyone remaining on or beside their own floats during the lineup. Thank you!**

**Proof of Coggins Test is required for ALL equestrian entries. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**

*If you want to donate candy for Santa, please contact the Chamber office.*