



**East Texas Gusher Days – Parade Committee**

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**GUSHER DAYS PARADE**

Dear Participant-East Texas Gusher Days Heritage Parade

Thank you for participating in what promises to be our best parade ever. Your interest in assuring our success is most rewarding. Trophies, are sponsored by Gladewater National Bank, and presented to winners for:

1. Gusher-ville
2. Kid's Choice
3. Chairman's Choice

West Pacific Pizza will provide prizes for winners in the bicycle division.

The parade will line up on West Quitman. All parade entries need to enter Quitman off of Highway 80. **THIS LETTER WILL SERVE AS YOUR PARADE PERMIT.** Please show your permit number, at the top of the letter, in order to gain admittance to the parade route. The number indicates your place in the lineup. **DO NOT LOSE THIS LETTER!** Please see the enclosed map.

All floats are requested to be in position by 9:45 a.m. The judges will be reviewing the floats prior to the parade in order to familiarize themselves with the theme interpretation and presentation. It is very important that they have an opportunity to review each float prior to the parade. All participants on each float should be in position when the float crosses Quitman and Dean or be prepared to move into position on foot. It is our wish to reduce the unnecessary traffic and thereby increase the safety factor of each person involved in the parade.

The parade will begin promptly at 10:30 a.m. If the entry in front of you is not in position when the parade begins; please move up in line. **PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY!** This is not a race. We want the spectators who come to the parade to have an opportunity to see each smiling, happy face. Drivers and walking groups should leave at least twenty (20) yards between you and the entry in front of you. Do not be overly concerned about gaps, this just makes the parade last longer. If your group includes several children on a float, walking group, etc., those children will need to be dropped off and/or walked to their location number in the parade. All drop offs by parents need to be at the beginning of the parade **ONLY**. You will not be able to drive your child to his/her spot.

Parade winners will be announced from the Entertainment Stage on Pacific Street at noon. We are looking forward to seeing you on Saturday.

Sincerely,

East Texas Gusher Days Board