

## Upper Arlington Fourth of July Parade Float Judging

All floats are automatically entered into our float judging contest. Work hard and win recognition. Results will be announced at the Party in the Park just prior to the fireworks display. All winners receive a plaque with a photograph of their float. In addition, street signs will be awarded for the following: Overall Best of Parade, Most Representative of Theme, Most Patriotic, Best Design & Craftsmanship, and Most Entertaining.

### Eligible entries are assigned to one of the following categories:

- Class Reunion
- Youth (sports, cheerleaders, Y-Guides/Princesses, scouts, etc.)
- Service Organization (schools, churches, library, etc.)
- First-Time Entry
- Neighborhood

### Entries are judged based on the following:

- ✓ **Representative of Theme:** This category judges the float's interpretation of this year's theme.
- ✓ **Patriotism:** Patriotism is defined as one's love of and devotion to one's country. The float will be judged for patriotic theme, color, and subject matter.
- ✓ **Design & Craftsmanship:** This category judges the quality and complexity of the float's workmanship. Judges will have the opportunity to examine floats in the staging area prior to the start of the parade.
- ✓ **Entertainment Factor:** This category judges the float's "wow factor". Judges will consider all elements such as color, sound, and visually unique qualities. Costumes of participants riding, walking or dancing with the float will also be considered.

### The following is a list of all awards:

1. Overall Best of Parade
2. Most Representative of Theme
3. Most Patriotic
4. Best Design & Craftsmanship
5. Most Entertaining
6. Best Class Reunion
7. Best Youth Group
8. Best Service Group
9. Best First-Time Entry
10. Best Neighborhood