



ENTRY FORM

76th ANNUAL KIWANIS MARDI GRAS PARADE
“Celebrating the Youth of our Community”
Saturday, October 25, 2008

TITLE OF ENTRY: _____

Entered By: _____ Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____ Signature of Contact: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email address: _____

DIVISIONS:

- Youth: Groups that have a central focus on youth, excluding scout organizations
- Scout: Cub Scouts, Explorers, Girl Scouts, etc.
- Civic: Nonprofit Organizations
- Commercial: Individual Businesses
- Novelty: Individuals or groups with an interesting float or entry
- Bands: Bands and drill teams (NOT JUDGED)
- Equestrian: Any horse unit.
- VIP: Dignitaries, elected officials, and Kiwanis queens (NOT JUDGED).

Will you have a: Float Vehicle Length (total number of Ft., including the vehicle pulling the float): _____

How many people will participate (walking or riding)? _____ Do you want your entry to be judged? Yes No

What would you like the announcers to say about your organization and/or your entry (limited to 100 Words):

AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE- I/we agrees to participate in the 2008 Mardi Gras Parade at my/our own risk. I/We release the Kiwanis Club of Barstow, and any member thereof, of all responsibility for loss, damage, or injury to any person or property from my/our participation. I/we further agree to accept the decision of the duly appointed judges and to abide by all rules and regulations of this event.

(Sign and return this form)

KEEP THIS FOR YOUR REFERENCE - GENERAL INFORMATION AND RULES

All parade entries are to be decorated to follow the parade theme of "Celebrating the Youth of our Community". All participants must be uniformed, costumed or appropriately attired. VEHICLES MUST BE DECORATED and may not reach a height of more than thirteen feet six inches (13'6").

Any entry consisting of or expressing political or social views will not be allowed to participate. Elected officials are welcome to ride in the parade as a representative of their agency. Candidates, including incumbents, for an elected office may not display campaign materials while riding in the parade.

The parade will start promptly at 7:00 p.m. The parade route will start at Barstow Road and Main Street and proceed east to Mountain View and Main Street. Receive your entry # & staging assignment at Barstow Rd. and Mt.View at 3:00 p.m. All entries should be in place no later than 5:30 p.m. Judging will be conducted between 5:45 and 6:30 p.m. Any entries not in place by 5:30 p.m. will not be judged.

During the parade, forward motion must be consistently maintained. Do not stop and perform along the parade route. If there is a long gap in front of your entry, please attempt to close the gap. The audience will appreciate it.

Please no horns or sirens on the parade route. PARTICIPANTS ARE NOT TO THROW, DISTRIBUTE OR SPRAY ANYTHING ALONG THE PARADE ROUTE. THIS IS A HAZARD TO CHILDREN RUNNING INTO THE STREET, OR SOMEONE SLIPPING ON THE CANDY OR THROWN ITEM.

The Kiwanis Club of Barstow reserves the right to accept or reject any application.

The entry deadline is Friday, October 17, 2008. All entry forms received after the deadline may be rejected as late. All late entries will be placed at the end of the parade.

Return entry forms to: Mardi Gras Parade, Kiwanis Club of Barstow, P. O. Box 412, Barstow, CA 92311-0412
Or delivered to the Desert Dispatch Newspaper, 130 Coolwater Ln., Barstow or email to: Lint@link.freedom.com

Further information: Bea Lint (760) 964-9053 or Mike Shipley (760) 256-7447

AWARDS: Judging is based on criteria such as creativity, effort, workmanship, etc. The following awards will be given to floats:

Sweepstakes Plaque:	The "best entry" in the parade
President's Plaque:	First runner up to the Sweepstakes Plaque
Theme Plaque:	The entry that best used this year's theme
Division Plaque:	First, Second and Third place awards will be given to judged entries in all divisions.
Novelty Plaque:	Entries that do not qualify in other divisions.

FIRE DISTRICT CLEARANCE: All floats must obtain a permit from the Barstow Fire District. These are available for the parade at no charge. A written description is to be submitted to the District when applying for the permit. Electrical wiring for lights, etc., must be installed on the float in a manner so as to prevent shorting or arcing of wires. Materials used on the float must be noncombustible, and a fire extinguisher with a minimum rating of 2A:10BC must be carried on the float. For more information about permits, call the Barstow Fire District at (760) 256-2254.

EQUESTRIAN ENTRIES: All equestrian entries are to report to the parking lot behind the Mercado Mall, where entry numbers will be handed out. Judging will commence at 5:00 p.m.

BANDS: Main Street between Second Avenue and Barstow Road will be closed at 6:00 p.m. Band should report at 6:00 p.m. and line up on the north side of Main Street facing East. Numbers will be handed out at that location.

MILITARY: Main Street between Second Avenue and Barstow Road will be closed at 6:00 p.m. Military units should report at 6:00 p.m. and line up on the south side of Main Street facing east. Numbers will be handed out at that location.
