



FESTIVAL OF TREES

6th ANNUAL TWILIGHT HOLIDAY PARADE

Get into the holiday spirit and become a part of a unique event!

The parade will be held **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2024** in downtown Virginia!

Parade begins at **5:15 P.M.** and we invite all entries including floats, fire trucks, horses, civic groups, trucks, and trailers, walking groups, dance groups, - just about everyone - building up the excitement of the Grand Finale of Santa arriving on the fire truck!

QUICK FACTS – TWILIGHT HOLIDAY PARADE

Date:	November 23, 2024
Start Time:	5:15 pm
Assembly Time:	4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
Assembly Area:	100 Block of Chestnut Street
Route:	Railroad Avenue & Chestnut Intersection to 6th Avenue & Chestnut Intersection

Parade Entry Forms Can Be Found at www.virginiamn.us/revive

Or by calling Pamela at (218) 749-3579 or

Britt at (218) 780-5776

PARADE RULES & REGULATIONS

Entrants must observe all applicable rules and regulations and follow instructions from police and parade officials or be barred from the parade. The Revive Parade Committee reserve the right to remove any entrant from the parade either prior to assembly, while assembling or any time during the parade.

1. Personal vehicles pulling a float or providing transportation for pageant entrants are allowed. Antique vehicles and other organized specialty car groups are allowed with approval.
2. Forward movement maneuvers only by marching units are permitted. No units may stop forward motion for performances except in the areas designated by the Revive Parade Committee. This stop may not exceed 90 seconds.
3. A space of 50 feet between each unit will be enforced. All units are required to close gap between units when instructed by parade officials. Failure to do so may warrant removal from the parade.
4. Alcoholic beverages are forbidden on any float, in any vehicle, or on the person of any participant. Participants consuming alcohol prior to or during the parade will be removed from the lineup. All city, county and MN State statues concerning the consumption of alcoholic beverages will be strictly enforced by the police before, during and after the parade.
5. Drivers of any and all vehicles in the parade areas must possess a valid driver's license, be at least 18 years old, and possess all liability vehicle insurance.
6. Livestock, reptiles, wild and domestic animals shall not be in the parade unless special written approval by the Revive Parade Committee is obtained. If approval is granted, all horses must have someone to clean up, if necessary, along the parade route.
7. Use high intensity sound making devices is strongly discouraged. Sound of any type must be approved by the Revive Parade Committee and must be at a compatible sound level. Only Holiday theme music will be allowed. Parade officials have the complete authority in this matter and reserve the right to withdraw any unit that does not comply with their instructions to turn down or turn off sound when instructed to do so. Failure to comply with the officials' instructions will result in immediate removal from the parade and jeopardize future participation.
8. The Revive Parade Committee reserves the right to withdraw any unit of which costume or performance does not meet the Holiday parade rules and regulations or conform to the standards of reasonable public taste and fit the parade theme.
9. The Revive Holiday Parade Committee's decision regarding all entries is final.
10. The Revive Parade Committee does not accept the responsibility for travel, food, or lodging expense of any unit.
11. The Revive Parade Committee reserves the right to accept or decline any entry.

FLOATS

1. Only vehicles pulling floats or providing transportation for pageant entries will be allowed in the parade. Exceptions will be considered for antique vehicles and other organized specialty car groups with prior approval. Vehicles that are pulling floats should be incorporated as much as possible into the float and decorated accordingly.
2. All entries must be decorated according to a HOLIDAY theme.
3. NO decorations and or float construction material may protrude from the side of the float. All electrical device must be properly grounded.
4. Participants must adhere to the parade theme, **with no participant dressed as Santa Claus.**
5. No participants may jump on a float to ride and not interfere with any other unit in any way. Float capacity will not be exceeded. No participants will dismount from a float during the parade route. Participants will not have body parts, particularly legs and feet,

extending past the sides, front or rear of the float. This is an extreme safety hazard.

6. The Revive Parade Committee will secure Santa Claus for the parade. *No other Santas are allowed to participate.*
7. Float platforms should be at least 7 feet wide and 15 feet long with a fixed axle at/near the rear and a steer able axle at the front. Farm wagons make excellent platforms. Single or tandem axle trailers normally pulled by a car or truck are not desirable.

BANDS – MARCHING/WALKING UNITS

1. All marching units must maintain forward motion. Routines that cause gaps will not be permitted. Stopping or reversing motion will result in removal from the parade and will jeopardize future participation. Only Holiday theme music will be allowed.
2. No unit may stop forward motion to perform except in areas designated by the Revive Parade Committee. Performance stops may not last more than 90 seconds.
3. All members of any marching unit should be at least 10 years old. Participants may participant with attire of holiday theme, with no participant dressed as Santa.
4. No vehicle may accompany marching units without written approval.

KINGS/QUEENS

1. Kings/Queens from any Elementary, Jr. High, High School, College or recognized pageant are invited to attend the parade at the discretion of the Revive Parade Committee.
2. Kings/Queens are required to furnish their own convertibles. The driver must be at least 18 years old and have a valid driver's license.
3. A maximum of 2 persons per vehicle (driver excluded).
4. The King and/or Queen must have been selected as a part of an official school or community pageant.

LINEUP

All entries will be assigned a line-up number and receive further instructions about the parade upon receipt and approval of the application.

ROUTE

1. The parade will start from the assembly area moving west on Chestnut Street and will terminate at the 6th Avenue intersection.
2. All Floats, Bands, and Groups will continue through the intersection, following the directions of the Parade Marshal at that location, continuing on to 1st Street North parking lot where personnel will dismount. The empty floats will then return to the original assembly area using First Street North to pick up any materials or drop off participants.



We look forward to a safe, fun event for all ages! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Britt at (218) 780-5776.



2024 Twilight Holiday Parade on Chestnut Street

Hosted by Revive Virginia! – An Event of the Festival of Trees 2024
Saturday, November 23, 2024 ★ 5:15 p.m.

PARADE ENTRY FORM

Name of Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Cell Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Name of Entry or Unit: _____

Detailed Unit Description (float, car, truck, semi, walkers, animals, marching band, vintage car, etc.):

Number of people in your group: _____ Number of animals in your group: _____

Are you handing out candy or other items during parade? Yes _____ No _____
(Please include a copy of any printed material being distributed in the parade with your form.)

Special requests: _____

Please include a few interesting facts about your entry for our parade emcees and promotions:

Authorized Signature: _____

Please Print Name: _____ Date: _____

(Please submit by November 13, 2022 to Attn: Pamela LaBine-Revive Virginia c/o City Hall, 327 1st Street South, Virginia MN 55792 in order to be included in Online Promotional Materials!)

The above signed agrees to participate in the Twilight parade November 19, 2022 and further agrees to abide by all rules and regulations and to cooperate in every way to make the parade(s) a success. You and your group have provided complete and truthful information and agree, without exception, to indemnify and hold harmless the Revive Virginia Committee, Inc. and all committee or staff members for damage, injury or loss to any person or property related to your participation in the parade(s). The Revive Virginia committee is in no way liable for any accidents, damages to your equipment, or theft or loss of items. Thank you for your participation!