

McDade Watermelon Festival



You're Invited!

**McDade Watermelon Festival's Grand Parade on
Saturday, July 13th at 10:0 A.M.**

In addition to our awards, the McDade Historical Society will be offering a \$100 gift card for the Best Saloon or Stagecoach entry. This year will be the McDade Historical Society's 150th Anniversary of the Rock Front Saloon building.

Come early to watch the Melon Weigh-In starting at 7am followed by live music prior to parade, downtown. Those interested in car show, check in at festival grounds and then head over to the parade check-in.

Help us welcome in our 2024 Royal Queens Court and thank the reigning 2023 Queen's for attending over 19 parades:

*Kelsey Dube Teenage Queen, Former 2019 Jr Miss & 2013 Tiny Tot Queens
Karlie Griffith Jr Miss Queen, Former 2014 & 2015 Tiny Tot Queens
Rosa Dube Tiny Tot Queen*

We look forward to seeing your entries so mark your calendar!

Entry deadline:

- Wednesday July 10th after that you will need to register for the day of parade.
- **The entry fee for the parade: FREE**
- Numbers will be assigned at check-in..

Ways to enter:

- ★ Email: paradechairMWF@gmail.com or parade@mcdadetexas.com
- ★ Photo text to 228-297-8024 (take a clear picture of entry and text entry to me)
- ★ Mail: Parade Committee, PO Box 783, McDade, Texas 78650
- ★ Check-In: 7:30 – 8:30 am at the registration table.
- ★ Late entry- 7:30 – 8:00 am Saturday, July 12, 2024, at the registration table.

Parade Judging begins promptly at 9:00 A.M.

- Participation counts- Make sure your participants are in their assigned line up space and ready to be considered for award.

The parade rolls at 10:00 A.M.

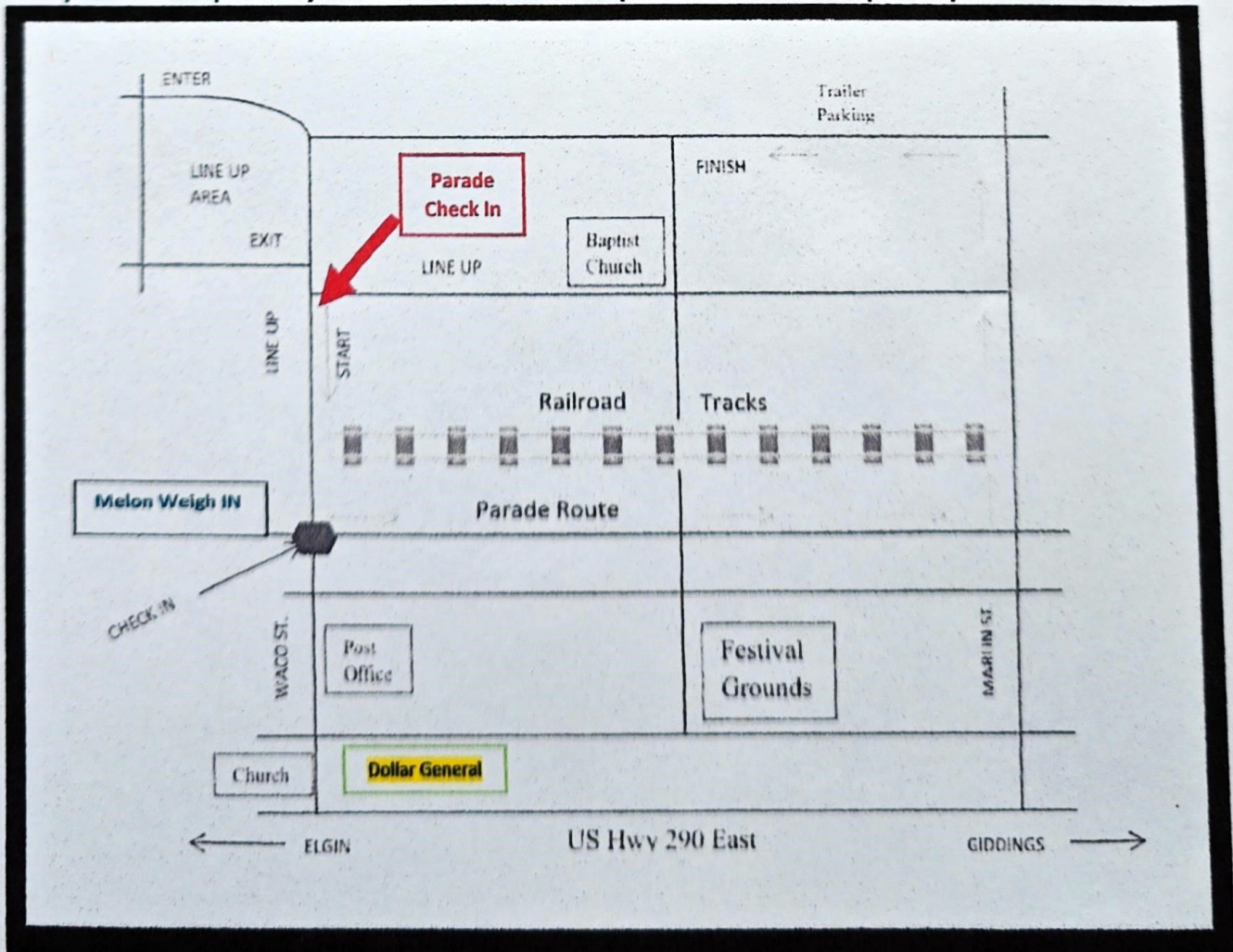
If you have any questions, please, call or text Jacqueline Lindgren at (228) 297-8024 or you can email me at paradechairMWF@gmail.com Please allow 24 hours to respond to email.

P.O. Box 783 • McDade, Texas 78650



PARADE RULES

1. Parade begins promptly at 10:00 AM, rain or shine.
2. Judging will begin promptly at 9:00 AM; all entries must be set up and in place (includes drivers and rider)
3. All motor vehicles must be driven by a licensed driver.
4. Absolutely no water guns, water balloons, etc. may be thrown or squirted from parade entries.
5. If items such as candy, gum, koozies, water bottles, pencils, etc. are thrown from parade entries. Please be aware that your entry/organization will be responsible for injuries that may occur from the outcome and the McDade Watermelon Festival Association and/or volunteers will not be responsible. We suggest your entry/organization may want to have someone walking beside your entry handing out these items.
6. No excessive drinking is permitted; no loud or vulgar remarks including profanity will be allowed to be made from parade participants to spectators. Any report of this will be brought to the attention of the entry and possibly will not be permitted to participate in future parades.





2nd Saturday
In July

Check-In: 7:30 am
Judging Begins: 9:00 am
Start Time: 10:00 am

Parade Entry Form

Name of Entry: _____

Use the space below to promote your Chamber, Business, Organization, Vehicle, or Tractor. You may use a separate page Announcer to read _____

Type of Entry: Circle One

Would you like to be considered for Award? Yes or No

BEST OUT OF TOWN	BEST YOUTH GROUP	BEST MARCHING/WALKING GROUP
BEST LOCAL ENTRY	BEST CIVIC/COUNTY (No Award)	BEST ANIMAL DRAWN
BEST MOUNTED RIDING CLUB	BEST ANTIQUE TRACTOR	BEST CLASSIC VEHICLE
BEST DECORATED VEHICLE	BEST VEHICLE GROUP	BEST ANTIQUE VEHICLE (PRE-1960)

Will your entry have music or anything making loud sounds? YES or NO)

(If yes, please remember that we do not allow any type of profanity of objectionable lyrics in the music)

What is the length of your entry? _____ feet (amount of space needed for line up)

* _____ ft vehicle and/or pulling _____ ft Float/Trailer	* Decorated Car, Truck, or Tractor _____ ft
* Marching Group: _____ # in group	* 18-wheeler - _____ ft trailer
* Animal(s) _____ / Drawn Ride _____ ft carriage/trailer	* Horses: _____ # in your group

List info below on best method to contact: (circle) Mail / Email / Telephone Call or Text

PLEASE RETURN TO: PARADE COMMITTEE
PO Box 783
McDade, Texas 78650

Email: ParadechairMWF@gmail.com
Phone: Jacqueline Lindgren 228-297-8024

Disclaimer: Before each McDade Watermelon Festival, we pray for the safety of everyone involved. As accidents may happen, we ask each participant in the parade to help us maintain, a safe parade by thinking and acting safety. Further, we ask you to not to hold McDade Watermelon Festival Association or Festival Parade Volunteers or licensed drivers liable for any injuries, accidents, deaths, thefts, loss, or damage of property while participating in our parade. Signing below will assure us of your cooperation in this effort and aware of parade rules and will follow them. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Signature of responsible party: _____

Print Name: _____ Date: _____