

May 2019

Dear Float Captains:

Thanks for participating in Canoe Carnival. Attached you will find copies of the rules & regulations, a safety checklist, sample float diagram, judges score sheet, plate form, as well as, the required forms.

**FORM A:** This is your official registration form. Please be sure to list all families included in your float group. For those in the “tiered” category, this list will determine your category tier. It will also determine the number of plates needed for your float group. ***MUST BE COMPLETED.***

**FORM B:** Please provide the historical information and background on your float & theme. This will be used by the master of ceremonies as your float passes Beach 1. ***MUST BE COMPLETED.***

**PLATE FORM:** All plate orders will be done during the registration process this year. Please be sure this is accurate, as we will be using it to place the order before Canoe Carnival. ***MUST BE COMPLETED.***

**Judges Score Sheet:** This is the master copy of the score sheet. This will list the criteria that the judges will be using to judge your float.

**Rules & Regulations:** *\*\*New for 2019* – for the continued safety of Canoe Carnival, there is now a maximum float height limit of 40 feet from the water.

**Safety Checklist & Sample Float Diagram:** Please be sure to read through the safety checklist. Your float must pass this checklist on the morning of Canoe Carnival in order to be allowed to participate that evening.

Important dates regarding Canoe Carnival –

- **Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup>** – Form A, Form B, and the Plate Form are due to the Colony Office.
- **Tuesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Mandatory safety meeting at 7 PM in Demby. All float groups must have representation at this meeting for participation in Canoe Carnival.
- **Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup>** – last day we will accept float entries. These floats will be judged, however, they will not be in the program.
- **Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>** – Canoe Carnival Ball at the Medford Lakes Country Club. Purchase your tickets ahead of time in the Colony office. Don't miss out on this

wonderful tradition! It's a great way to kick-off Canoe Carnival week! A party you don't want to miss!

- **Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Mardi Gras on Lower Aetna Lake. The town is invited to paddle the lake to preview the floats. Homeowners along the lake are encouraged to decorate their homes with lights.
- **Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Canoe Carnival!
- **Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>** – float break down at Beach 1. Awards ceremony at Vaughan Hall at 5 PM.

A few words about safety... Above all, the Canoe Carnival Committee wants to have a safe and accident-free Canoe Carnival. As a result, the committee will strictly enforce the following rules. Junior float group members are not to use power tools near or on their floats unless directly supervised by a parent or guardian. Also, float group members are not to use power tools while standing in, or while in contact with water in any way. Any violation of these regulations will result in immediate disqualification of the float group.

Similar to years past, junior float groups will receive a complimentary generator, as well as, up to \$75 towards expenses. Also, new float groups (any individual or group never involved in float building and/or any prior float group that has not participated for more than three years) will receive up to \$100 in expense and a free generator. So, save those receipts and turn them into the Colony after Canoe Carnival.

If you have questions regarding float registration, please contact Jill Siciliano at [jtursi324@gmail.com](mailto:jtursi324@gmail.com).

**REMINDER – Please complete Form A, Form B and the Plate Form and return to the Colony office by no later than Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup>.** For those with non-residents in your group, they will be up for approval at the July Colony Directors meeting.

Thank you and looking forward to another great Canoe Carnival!