

# 2023 River Forest Memorial Day Parade

MAY 29, 2023 STARTING AT 9:30 AM

2023 Memorial Day Parade information is available at [www.rfparks.com](http://www.rfparks.com)

The River Forest Park District, Village of River Forest, and Kiwanis Club of River Forest-Oak Park are proud to present the 2023 River Forest Memorial Day Parade and Community Picnic on Monday, May 29, 2023 with the parade starting at 9:30 AM. Annually, over 100 entries participate in the parade, with thousands of residents lining the route, making this day one of the highlights of the year in the Village of River Forest. This event is entirely supported by community contributions, which cover expenses incurred to host the parade (marching bands, entertainment, marketing), the community picnic (food and beverage), and the memorial ceremony (stage and PA system).

## PARADE PROCEDURES

- Parade entries will only be accepted with a registration form and payment.
- A parade line-up will be finalized by the Parade Director on May 24 and emailed to all parade entries.
- Entries are to be at the parade staging area by 9:00 AM.
- Parade entries are expected to be entertaining and/or celebratory.
- Parade entry numbers will be posted at the parade staging area. Approximately 50 LF of street will be available for each entry to stage.
- Candy may be distributed along the parade route. Candy must be passed out by individuals along the curb. Candy may not be thrown from vehicles or floats. Groups or individuals caught throwing candy will not be permitted entry into the 2024 Memorial Day Parade.
- Distribution of literature is prohibited.

## MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

At the conclusion of the parade, a somber and reverent service honoring our local veterans will take place at Keystone Park. A variety of color guards, marching bands, scout troops and others will assist in the observance. We encourage your business/organization to attend.

## PARADE ROUTE

The parade kicks off at 9:30 AM beginning at Augusta and Ashland, traveling south on Ashland to Lake Street, then west to Keystone Park. The parade will end at Keystone Park with a ceremony and free hotdog lunch.

## PARADE ENTRY DEADLINE – MAY 22, 2023

Parade entry deadline. Entry form and payment are required for entry to be processed.

## PARADE ENTRY FORM & FEE

\$50 per group entry paid via check only. All groups are required to pay the \$50 entry fee to participate unless you are a sponsor. To sponsor, visit [www.rfparks.com/sponsorship-advertising](http://www.rfparks.com/sponsorship-advertising).

Contact Person on Parade Day (Please Print):

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Parade Day Contact Name/Number: \_\_\_\_\_

How do you plan on participating in the event (marching unit, entertainment, float, decorated car, etc.)? Please be specific.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Number of persons planning on marching?  
\_\_\_\_\_

I have read the Parade Procedures and understand my signature is required to participate.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this form to:  
Memorial Day Parade  
Attention: Jennifer Ludwig  
River Forest Park District, 401 Thatcher Ave., River Forest, IL 60305  
Make check payable to the River Forest Park District

PRESENTED BY:

