

To all Boat Parade Participants

TAKE THESE INSTRUCTIONS WITH YOU!!!

Thank you for participating in the *2011 Lakes Festival of Lights Boat Parade*. **This year the Parade will start promptly on December 10, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. So please have your boat in the staging area by 4:45 p.m. with your LIGHTS OFF.** We want everyone to be staged to start the parade. Please review the following points:

- Please be sure that your boat has a **“Designated” Boat Captain** to ensure everyone’s safety.
- Every boat should have a **cell phone** and a **flash light**.
- Please do not overload your boat. The Captain of the boat will be asked to return to the dock if boat looks unsafe.
- **PLEASE USE YOUR BEST BOATING COMMON SENSE!**
- The boats will assemble in the area closer to the “pink” house this year with...**lights OFF** around the **flashing yellow light**. Please stay in this area until the start of the parade is announced.
- Please don’t turn on your lights until our Grand Marshal announces on the radio to **“Light your boats.”** If the radio’s not working, Dan Sims will tell you when to turn on your lights.
- After the announcement to start the Parade, get in line behind the boat in front of you and proceed toward the spectator viewing area at the north end of the lake. **Caution**, the lake is pretty shallow near the park.
- **Dan Sims** will be in the *Lakes Work Boat* for instructions or directions if needed. If you need to speak with him, call his cell phone at: **461-0477**.
- Please maintain a distance of at least **3 boat lengths between boats**. It’s not only safer, it makes for better viewing.
- Please follow the shoreline. Keep the shoreline on the **right** side of your boat. To avoid getting stuck, please stay at least 15 feet from the shoreline – more near the viewing area.
- Let’s give **everyone** an opportunity to see your boat. **Please go all the way to the end of every channel.** And unless you have a problem with your boat, **please make the full circuit around the lake** ending back at the viewing area. Your neighbors will thank you.
- Watch for boats towing objects as they make the turns in the channels.
- After the parade, we’d appreciate it if you’d take a few minutes and come back to help us take down the tents and put things away. Last year it only took about 15 minutes but we need your help so that no one has to do very much.

It’s going to be a terrific Boat Parade. Thanks to all of you for making it possible.

Please feel free to contact me on any issues before December 8th, after that please contact Deborah Manning at deb3105@gmail.com or 283-0828.

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Keep this in your boat during the Parade