



Cochranton Fair Parade Committee
Christmas Tree Lane

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Dear Christmas Tree Lane Exhibitors and Potential Exhibitors:

You and/or your organization are invited to participate in the 2024 Christmas Tree Lane event to be held November. Christmas Tree Lane is fun, rewarding, and the proceeds go to the Cochranton Fair Parade. In wrapping up a fun year with the parade, the theme for this year's Christmas Tree Lane is **"The 5 Senses of Christmas."** **The 5 senses are: sight/visual/seeing, sound/hearing/audible, smell, taste, and touch/feeling. We plan to have trees/exhibits arranged in these 5 sections so that those with certain sensitivities can avoid areas that may be over-stimulating for them. Please note on your form in which sense category your tree/exhibit falls. As always, there is no fee for entering / displaying a tree only.**

We strive to provide the community with a place of holiday beauty and pleasure at an inexpensive price for the family. Since its inception many years ago, the focus of this event has been a delightful display of Christmas trees decorated with many types of decorations and ideas limited only by the creators' imaginations.

If you would like to participate as a vendor/crafter, please see the attached vendor application on page 4. If you are participating with only a tree, please use the information on the reverse of this letter. Non-profit organizations may use the form on page 3 of this letter.

Trees without items to sell – the application is on page 5 of this letter.

The Annual Christmas Tree Display and competition in 2024 will be held in the Cochranton Fire Hall. The schedule is as follows:

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| Thursday, 11/21 | 12noon – 9:00pm | | Set-up: Your trees must be finished by 9pm! |
| Friday, 11/22 | 8am-10am | | Judging of trees (Closed to participants/guests) |
| | 10am-6pm | | Viewing of trees/food* |
| Saturday, 11/23 | 10am-6pm | | Viewing of trees/food* |
| Sunday, 11/24 | 10am-4pm | | Viewing of trees/food* |
| | 4pm – 6pm | Tear-down | |

The Committee and the Fire Hall are not responsible for any trees and decorations left after clean-up at 6 PM: YOU are responsible for picking up your trees and belongings by 6PM, **but NOT before 4PM.**

*Viewing of trees/food = Hours Open to the Public

Please remember essential items you will use to set up your tree: the tree and stand, your decorations, props, and especially extension cords!

- Criteria for judging:
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| 1. Theme | 2. Originality |
| 3. Accessories | 4. Time involved in preparation |

Ribbon Prizes are awarded as follows: First Place in each Division, (1) Best of Show, (1) Most Original, (1) Best Use of Individual Theme, (1) Best Use of Event Theme, and several Awards of Excellence. Additionally, the St. Nicholas Award is awarded to the tree which most exemplifies the spirit of the Organization {*see Divisions 4 and 8 below} which creates the tree.

Classes of trees for judging are as follows:

Ten Divisions of Trees:

1. Adult with manufactured ornaments
2. Adult with hand-crafted ornaments
3. Adult with combination ornaments (manufactured and hand-crafted)
4. Adult Organization trees (community & religious organizations, i.e., non-profit)*
5. Commercial trees (businesses, i.e., for-profit)
6. Adult Miniature trees (under 3 feet, individual, commercial, and organization)
7. Youth Individual Miniature (under 3 feet)
8. Youth Organization trees (full-size)*
9. Youth Individual trees (full-size)
10. Adult/Youth: Family Combined Tree (combined age groups, any ornaments)



Please fill out the application below and return to us at the above address, by Wednesday, November 13th to register your tree. You may also apply online at our website www.cochrantonevents.com or email the information to: cfp.parade@gmail.com by the same date.

(Payments may be mailed to be received by the 10th, or you may pay via our PayPal link on our website: <http://www.cochrantonevents.com/fund-raising.html>)

Fees for fund-raising tables / commercial vendors (*non-refundable for No-Shows*), Must be paid BY Application Deadline day (Wednesday, November 13, 2024) to guarantee your space:

- Adults: \$25.00/table for entire weekend, limit 1 table
- Youth: \$10.00/table for entire weekend, limit 1 table

Your help in making this special event a success is deeply appreciated by many in the community.

PLEASE NOTE OUR EMAIL ADDRESS: cfp.parade@gmail.com .

Volunteers are needed in various capacities throughout the event. Please contact us!

Thank you in advance for your time and participation,
Cochranton Community Fair Parade Committee

Attachments:

- 1. Non-Profit with a Tree Application** (page 3)
- 2. Vendor/Crafter Tree Application** (page 4)
- 3. Tree Only Application** (page 5) *Tree ONLY, no items to sell.*

