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NEWS RELEASE

City of Durango 4th of July Parade Winners

Durango, CO: By 5:00 pm on Monday, the 4th of July, over 2500 people had gathered on the sidewalks of Main Avenue in anticipation of the 4th of July Parade. The crowd sported an amazing variety of red, white and blue clothing, hats, glasses and accessories in celebration of the USA. Over 33 individuals and organizations registered for the parade. The size of the entries ranged from lawnmowers to concrete trucks and fire engines. Non-motorized vehicles were popular with the crowd, with the loudest applause going to the horses and wagon.

Bikes of all shapes and configurations were in abundance, from small children on push bikes to the innovative campaign bike to the new City of Durango bike float peddled by The Powerhouse. The creative crew at Channel 37 fabricated the bike float with donated bikes from Durango Cyclery. Waste Management of Durango sponsored the building of the bike floats. A second one will be fabricated this summer. Both will be available for use in future parades.

The Parade judges were stationed on the east side Main between 8th street and 9th street. They stayed incognito, so that they could watch the parade entries interact with the crowd, instead of playing to the judges. After a spirited conversation, they chose two clear winners. In the category of creativity and design, the winner is The Victorians with their replica Denver & Rio Grande train and beautiful period costumes. In the category of crowd performance, the winner is Alternate Horizons and the Shimmy Mob with their belly dancing.

The next Fourth of July parade is 364 days away. Start planning your float now!

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