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Grand Parade winners announced at Florida Strawberry Festival

PLANT CITY, Fla. (March 4, 2019) – The winning groups in the Florida Strawberry Festival’s Grand Parade were announced today.

The Grand Parade, produced by Berry Fine Productions, stretches two miles and draws thousands of viewers from Plant City and the surrounding areas. Entries in the parade include marching bands, local businesses, royalty, church groups and more.

In the best antique division, James Matsko won first place; East Hillsborough Historical Society won second place, and the Harley Heroes won third place.

In the special feature division, Patriots Twirling won first place; Strawberry Cloggers won second place, and Drawdy’s Dance won third place.

In the civic/church division, Gracepoint Church won first place; Eastside Baptist Church won second place, and First Baptist Church of Plant City Student Ministries won third place.

In the marching unit division, Durant JROTC won first place; Strawberry Crest Band won second place, and Mulberry JROTC won third place.

In the school clubs/youth sports groups division, J.S. Robinson PTA won first place; Faith Christian Cheerleaders won second place, and Plant City Calendar Girls won third place.

In the business/commercial division, Krewe of Carnival won first place; Tampa Bay Lightning won second place, and Truly Nolan won third place.

“The Grand Parade is a highlight for many of our guests,” said Florida Strawberry Festival President Paul Davis. “We enjoy seeing so many groups participate and families enjoying their time together.”

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About the Florida Strawberry Festival

The Florida Strawberry Festival is an 11-day community event celebrating the strawberry harvest of Eastern Hillsborough County. Each year, over 500,000 visitors enjoy the festival's headline entertainment, youth livestock shows, exhibits of commerce and, of course, its strawberry shortcake. The 2019 Florida Strawberry Festival where "It's A Hit!" will take place February 28 - March 10 in Plant City, Fla. For more information, visit www.flstrawberryfestival.com, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter (#berryfest19).

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