



**2018 Suncoast Credit Union De Soto Heritage Festival  
Children's Parade & Party in the Park  
Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>,  
Parade will step off at 10:00am  
Followed by the "Party in the Park" until 2:00pm**

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- Full Class A Uniforms are Required for this event.
  - Units attending are asked to bring both the American Flag as well as their unit flag.
  - All participants will be required to have a parent or guardians signature upon arrival to the event.
  - The scouts of Manatee District will be leading the parade as the Color Guard followed by all units present.
  - We will not be throwing candy or beads or any other items to the crowds along the parade route. Instead we are making signs of the scout law for the scouts to carry and show.
  - We are also making arrangements to have music that represents the heart of scouting as well as music the honors our country and the American Flag as we lead the parade.
  - After the parade, there is a 'party in the park' where vendors, food trucks, games and many others will be gathered. Manatee District Scouts will have a booth set up for information about our program. We would like to ask for the assistance of a few troops and boy scouts to bring a game that will help engage the attendees and their families as they visit our booth. In the past we have set up the human foosball game, giant connect four and others. We leave it to you to bring something new to the table this year. In doing so, we also request that a few boy scouts also man the games during the 11:00am-2:00pm time frame to entertain the kids while the leaders assist the families with questions about the program.
  - This is a great way for units to earn service hours for Journey to Excellence
  - We do not plan to make musical instruments as mentioned at this month's roundtable but you may certainly do so if your unit would like to.
  - You are encouraged to bring water for the parade.
  - A cooler with cold bottled water will be available to those who stay for the party in the park.
  - Please reply to Miss Lisa at the email provided below if you plan to attend and if you are joyfully planning to participate in the party in the park with a game.
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