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2009 Musky Festival Dates are June 25th – 28th

2009 Musky Festival Parade Grand Marshal Announced

Another tough annual decision has been made from a long list of worthy nominations for the 2009 Musky Festival Parade Grand Marshal and the deep gratitude that accompanies it.

We are very proud to announce that **Mr. Jim Ahrens** from Hayward has been presented with the honor to reign over the 60th Anniversary Musky Festival Parade and weekend events.

Quotes: Kevin Ruetten, Hayward Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director

“Jim Ahrens’ dedication to the Hayward Area and Hayward Community School District has touched so many lives. His determination to make people and youth around him better has differently made an impression on young lives that will last a lifetime.”

“We are proud to have Jim Ahrens as our Grand Marshal for the 60th Anniversary Parade and hope all will join in congratulating him on all his accomplishments and his past contributions to our Hayward Area.”

Jim has taught school in the Hayward Area from 1971 to 2009 and has retired this year after 38 years of teaching and being involved in thousands of local families’ lives. He has worked hard over many years to collect pop tabs to raise money for community families with cancer; to date the project has collected over 31 million pop tabs assisting many children and families in our community. Jim was also very involved with announcing and coaching athletics to instill the discipline to succeed at the highest levels.

The HACC Board of Directors appointed this year’s Grand Marshal from a list of four finalists presented to the HACC Board by the Musky Festival committees.

Congratulations Mr. Jim Ahrens!!!