

# FABULOUS FOURTH PARADE

The Anna Maria Island Privateers Fourth of July Parade was one of the largest in the history of Island parades with 98 vehicles of all kinds and several hundred people participating. There were floats, fancy convertibles, electric carts, bicycles, boats on trailers and vehicles of all types in the parade and they all shared the same theme - red, white and blue.

The West Manatee Fire Rescue Auxiliary's antique fire truck (right) made an appearance. The Santa Margarita (below) was one of three ships from other pirate groups in the Tampa Bay area that were in the parade.



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The young ladies on the right wore tropical colors for the parade. Caitlin Thomas (below, right) peers beyond the crowd to get a glimpse of the parade. The Anna Maria Island Privateers (below) were the lead ship in the parade. After stopping at Bayfront Park, they backtracked to Manatee County Beach to award scholarships to 19 students.



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