



## Middletown's Annual Fourth of July Celebration

*Middletown, Virginia*

Tuesday, July 4, 2017

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# Middletown's Annual 4th of July Parade 2017 Application

## **IMPORTANT PARTICIPANT INFORMATION**

The parade is hosted and sponsored by the Middletown Volunteer Fire & Rescue Company and will take place on Tuesday, July 4, 2017, in the Town of Middletown, Virginia.

**DEADLINE TO ENTER:** We prefer to have ALL Applications prior to July 1. You may, however, register on July 4 at that the lineup registration table from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM.

**LINEUP:** Parade number assignments will be given at the parade line up. The parade lineup will begin at 3:30 p.m. on the parking lot of Lord Fairfax Community College, on the north end of town on Route 11. We will be ending parade registration at 4:30 p.m., in order to begin the parade on time.

**PARADE ROUTE:** The parade route flows through the town of Middletown, beginning from the parking lot of Lord Fairfax Community College. From LFCC, the parade flows south on Main Street (Route 11), turns east on Fifth Street, north on Church Street and ends at First Street. The route is approximately one mile long.

**PARADE RULES:** If you wish to give candy or handouts, please walk along the roadsides and hand it out. Nothing is to be thrown from vehicles. We also ask that you please do not use excessive sirens, air horns, etc. It is important that you keep your unit in motion at all times. No gaps and no stopping to perform other than at the judges' stand located in front of the fire station (maximum time 2 minutes to perform). Animal entries are required to supply their own "pooper scoopers" or waste management. They must be used at staging area, during the parade and at the end. Due to space and safety issues the use of tractor-trailers will not be permitted on side streets or Church Street.

**JUDGING:** The announcers and Judges' Stand will be located in front of the Middletown Volunteer Fire & Rescue Company. All entries The following is a list of award categories, however, the list is subject to change without notification.

- Best Appearing Vehicle/Tractor
  - Antique
  - Non-Antique
- Best Appearing Vehicle/Tractor
- Best Appearing Community
  - Non-performing – equestrian, organizations, churches, campaigns, civic groups, walking groups, businesses, beauty queens/honorary fire chiefs, etc.
  - Performing – Cheer, dance, drill teams, bands
- Best Appearing Fire/EMS
- Best Appearing Float
- Most Patriotic
- Judges Award – Best Overall Entry



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**INCLEMENT WEATHER & ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Unless there are storms in the area, the parade will be held rain or shine. We will make an announcement on-site if there are any delays (will delay for 30 minutes) or if the parade must be cancelled due to impending storms. We will also make an announcement on the event's Facebook page and on the fire company's Facebook page. Please keep an eye on the weather forecast/radar for the day. Our main goal is everyone's safety.

**Parade Website:** <https://middletownfire.com/4thparade/>

**Facebook Page:** <https://www.facebook.com/MiddletownCo12/>

Please help us keep our parade safe! The parade committee has the right to deny entry into the parade due to late entry or an entry that might be offensive or deemed inappropriate or unsafe.

**QUESTIONS?** Please contact Megan Bowers, Parade Director, at [mvfd12@gmail.com](mailto:mvfd12@gmail.com).

**Please mail, email or fax form to:**

Megan Bowers, c/o Middletown Volunteer Fire & Rescue Co.

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Organization/Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email\*: \_\_\_\_\_

***\*(Email is our main source of contact with entries)***

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Type of Entry & Number of Units:

\_\_\_ Small Vehicle (Car, pick up truck, etc.)

\_\_\_ Large Vehicle (Tractor-Trailer, etc.)

\_\_\_ Antique Vehicle

\_\_\_ Tractor

\_\_\_ Antique Tractor

\_\_\_ Fire/EMS Apparatus

\_\_\_ Antique Fire/EMS Apparatus

\_\_\_ Motorcycle

\_\_\_ Wagon

\_\_\_ Float

\_\_\_ Marching Band

\_\_\_ Walking Group

\_\_\_ Majorette/Cheer/Dance Group

\_\_\_ Horse/Equestrian (Must provide waste pickup/removal)

\_\_\_ Dignitary or Beauty Queen

\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please type or print the description of your entry **CLEARLY**.

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**\*All entry forms must be in-hand by July 1. After July 1, you may register on July 4 at the registration table at lineup from 3:30 pm to 4:40 pm. No new registrations will be taken after 4:40 pm. Parade number assignments will be given at the parade line up.**

**Parade Date & Time:** July 4<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm

**Registration/Line up:** 3:30—4:40 pm on the parking lot of Lord Fairfax Community College

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