

ENTRY FORM

Please Print Clearly

Name of Entry _____

Address _____ City _____

Person in Charge of Parade Unit: (Mailing Address)

Name _____

Address _____ City _____

Phone (Home) _____ Phone (Work) _____

Note: Person in charge of Parade Unit will be notified of unit position in parade and any other pertinent information.

Type of Float Entry: (Complete only if entry is a float)

Professionally Built Hand-crafted Total Length (including towing vehicle) _____

Request Float be enter in judging: Yes No

Division of Entry (Complete only if entry is entered in judging)

Religious Youth Animals/Horse Industrial Civic

Commercial Youth-Professionally Trained

Marching Unit No. of Participants _____ / Type of Unit _____

Please note that we will not accept entries using semi's, flatbed trucks or flatbed trailers for any entries with the exception of those used for floats.

Entries for the purpose of advertising only and walking units will be staged at the back of the parade.

Please provide a brief explanation of your entry. Indicate type of vehicle(s)

If bad weather should force cancellation of Thursday's Parade, will your entry be able to participate in the parade on Saturday, September 10th, at 2:00 p.m.? (See rules 3 & 4) Yes No

ENTRY DEADLINE – AUGUST 22nd, 2011

Entries will NOT be accepted after deadline date

Mail Entries to:
Parade Director

Mary S. Dutton
Marion Popcorn Festival
P.O. Box 1101
Marion, OH 43301-1101

E-mail: popcornparade@yahoo.com
Phone: 740-725-9691

Entry Fee MUST accompany entry form
Please make payable to **The Marion Popcorn Festival Parade**

Hooray for Hollywood

Are you ready for your close-up? Bring out your celebrity alter ego and get ready to go Hollywood at the 31st Annual Marion Popcorn Festival in Downtown Marion on September 8th, 9th and 10th, 2011.

The Marion Popcorn Festival is a three (3) day celebration featuring a kick-off parade on the first evening and nationally known Star entertainment each day. There will be over 200 concessionaires with arts and crafts, demonstrations, games, food and guaranteed fun for everyone!

An entry fee of \$20.00 per unit will be assessed for parade participants.

A unit will be defined as follows:

- a) Any motorized vehicle, i.e. floats, cars, motorcycles, farm machinery, etc.
- b) Any club, organization, or business may enter any number of vehicles for the one entry fee of \$20.00. (No limit on number of passengers.)
- c) Any entries on foot regardless of the number of participants will qualify as one (1) unit.
- d) All horses/animals will be considered one unit per organization.
- e) All entries for advertising purposes only (excluding floats) will be staged at the back of the parade. All units with walkers, excluding bands or color guards, will be staged in the last one-third of the parade.

In an effort to provide a quality parade, all entries (excluding marching bands) should decorate in the theme of the festival to contribute to the entertainment of the parade. Our continuing objective is to improve the quality of the parade. We appreciate and encourage your entry of a float that supports the parade theme and uses popcorn in a creative manner. Unique and family oriented theme floats will be given priority when entries are reviewed for approval and placement in the parade.

The deadline for entries is August 22, 2011. In order to have the lineup completed and your position in the parade mailed in time, entries will not be accepted after the deadline of August 22, 2011. If you have any questions, please e-mail popcornparade@yahoo.com. Please mail your form as soon as possible to the following address:

Parade Director

MARION POPCORN FESTIVAL

P.O. Box 1101
Marion, OH 43301-1101

Hooray for hollywood

1. All units will be notified of location and arrival time approximately five (5) days before September 8th. Floats must be present by 4:00 p.m. for judging and presentation of awards on parade day.
 2. The parade will start promptly at 6:00 p.m. (For out of town entries, we can give you a later time for stepping off.)
 3. The parade will start on time and will not be delayed for any reason except weather. (In the event of bad weather, listen to WDIF, WDCM, WMRN or FM 107 on the day of the parade between 3:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. for instructions.)
 4. If cancelled by bad weather, the parade will be Saturday, September 10th at 2:00 p.m.
 5. For everyone's safety, parade participants are ABSOLUTELY PROHIBITED from throwing anything from floats or vehicles during the parade. Any distribution must be by walkers with your unit. (This is for the safety and health of all people, in addition to litter control.)
 6. All sound systems must be controlled so as NOT to interfere with other parade units. WE HAVE COMPLETE CONTROL ON ALL SYSTEMS.
 7. **In order to eliminate unnecessary GAPS, the parade WILL BE MOVING AT ALL TIMES. NO marching units or floats will be permitted to stop or fall behind, MOVEMENT FORWARD MUST BE CONSTANT. You must stay within 20 feet of the unit in front of you. Your position at the start of the parade (Forest Lawn/Center) is to REMAIN for the entire route. All walking or marching units should be able to complete the full route.**
 8. **The use of semi trucks, flatbed trucks or flatbed trailers will not be allowed to transport ball teams through the parade route. Unless any of the aforementioned vehicles are used to build a float they should be avoided.**
 9. Only incumbent elected officials will be invited to participate in the parade. Other candidates seeking an elected office must participate with their party affiliation.
 10. Any units involving animals/horses MUST clean up their staging area before entering parade. YOU must also clean up behind your animal/horse along the parade route. If you do not have clean up you will be removed from the line up.
 11. All parade DIRECTORS, MARSHALS AND SECURITY PERSONNEL will have complete control of the line-up area and parade route. Any questions or problems should be directed to them.
 12. THE PARADE COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT OR EVICT ANY ENTRY THAT IS NOT IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE MARION POPCORN FESTIVAL.
- THESE RULES ARE MADE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF EVERY ENTRY AND WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED ON THE FULL PARADE ROUTE.

Every entry in the 2011 Popcorn Festival Parade is adding to the greatness of our ever-growing festivities, so please cooperate to the fullest. Safety is always first, so enjoy a great parade and have a good time.