



## **2018 HERITAGE DAYS PARADE OFFICIAL PACKET**

**This is your invitation to participate in the annual  
Heritage Days Parade  
scheduled for Sunday, June 24, 2018 at 3:00p.m.  
in downtown Belvidere.**

**This year's theme: "MILESTONES"**

The Heritage Days Parade is filled with fun and enjoyment for all ages. It travels through Downtown Belvidere along State Street **beginning at Logan Avenue and finishes at Harrison Street.**

### **PARADE FLOAT CONTEST**

This year's theme: "Milestones"

PRIZES will be awarded to the Best Floats as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Place - \$500

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$250

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - \$100

**We are encouraging participants to enter floats this year. A float is defined as a trailer, which is pulled by a tow vehicle. Judging is based upon originality, float design and overall appearance.**

Registration Deadline: Friday, June 15, 2018

Please return the entry form to City Hall no later than noon on Friday, June 15, 2018. You will receive the parade line-up information (including the parade route and staging area map) by e-mail AFTER the June 15<sup>th</sup> registration deadline.

Staging Information:

Staging of the parade entries will begin at 1:30p.m. on parade day, June 24th.

The parade will begin promptly at 3:00p.m.

We hope you'll be a part of this year's Heritage Days Parade. If you have any questions, please contact staff at (815) 544-2612.

## **2018 HERITAGE DAYS PARADE**

### **Parade Rules:**

- ✓ All entries are subject to approval of the Parade Manager.
- ✓ All vehicles must be decorated. All units are encouraged to follow the parade theme: "Milestones"
- ✓ All participants must obey Parade Marshals at all times.
- ✓ Coupons, candy or other items may be passed out to spectators on roadsides, hand-to-hand ONLY. For safety reasons, throwing candy or other objects into the crowd is NOT PERMITTED.
- ✓ No littering or discarding of decorations or other materials on public streets or private property, including dumpsters.
- ✓ Heritage Day Parade allows live animal entries in the parade. No special requirements are in place; however, should air temperatures be extreme at parade time, we may be required to remove certain animals from parade participation. Please be certain all animals are current on their vaccinations and are wearing appropriate tags (if applicable) and provide ample fresh water for your animal(s). Also, please be prepared to immediately collect from the parade route any feces generated by your animal(s).
- ✓ Any violation of parade rules will result in immediate disqualification from the parade.

**It will be at the discretion of the chairman to turn away any entries he/she deems inappropriate.**

