



2017 Elkmont Lions Club Annual Christmas Parade

“Christmas on the Farm”

December 2, 2017

Start Time: 1:00 p.m.

Entry Registration and Information

PLEASE READ ALL MATERIALS INCLUDED IN THIS PACKET

To Parade Participant:

Preparation for the 2017 Elkmont Lions Club Annual Christmas Parade is off to a great start! The theme for this year is: *“Christmas on the Farm”*

Thank you for your interest in participating in the parade, we look forward to working with you to provide a safe and enjoyable family event for everyone. Float and car entries will be judged before the start of the parade for cash prizes.

This packet contains the information necessary to participate in the parade. Entry fees, prizes, parade route, times and line-up locations area given. Parade rules and safety regulations are explained.

The Elkmont Lions Club is the primary sponsor of this year’s parade and is the headquarters for all correspondence and parade information. Elkmont Lion’s Club members serving this year as parade coordinators are:

Dickey Hobbs	Phone: 732-4300
Bill Bryant	Phone: 732-3206
Charles Christensen	Phone: 732-2266
Larry Pylant	Phone: 732-4493

We will be glad to assist you with any additional information if necessary.

Parade Coordinators
Elkmont Lions Club

ENTRY FEES

		Late entries
Entry fee:	\$20	\$30
Tractor:	\$20	\$30
Fire Trucks:	NO FEE	

Entry form deadline is Friday, November 2, 2017 @ 4:00 p.m.

(Entries submitted after the deadline will be accepted; a \$10 late fee will be charged in addition to the entry fee*.)

Make checks payable to: **Elkmont Lions Club** (There will be a \$30 fee on all returned checks.)

Return completed entry forms: OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT
with VEHICLE APPLICATION (if applicable) and entry fee to:

Elkmont Town Hall 18890 Upper Ft. Hampton Rd. Elkmont, AL 35620 256-732-4211	or	Citizens Bank & Trust 25530 Alabama Hwy 127 Elkmont, AL 35620 256-732-4602
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Return by mail to: Larry Pylant
 25902 Veto Road
 Elkmont, AL 35620

Forms will not be accepted without payment of entry fee.

CASH PRIZES

	Float Grand Prize \$225	
Float-1st Prize: \$175	Float-2nd Prize: \$150	Float-3rd Prize: \$100
Best Antique Tractor Entry: \$100	2nd Prize \$50	3rd Prize \$25

Entries to be judged must be in parade lineup by 12:00 noon. Judging begins promptly at 12:30 p.m.
No Exceptions!

Judges decisions will be determined by scoring on a point system based on:

1. **Originality** 2. **Workmanship** 3. **Portrayal of Theme** 4. **Artistry**

Entries will be rewarded for: **Good Construction:** all components firmly attached and secure
Visibility: name of sponsors and theme of float on both sides of entry
Costumes: complementing the theme of your float, **no participants wearing Santa Claus costumes will be allowed.**
There will be only one live “Official Santa Claus” in the parade.
Appropriate Dress – riders dressed for winter weather and placed so that their personal safety is guaranteed.

All floats must have a fire extinguisher on board.

<p>PARTICIPANT INFORMATION SHEET</p>

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"Christmas on the Farm"

Parade Date: Saturday, December 2, 2017
Start Time: 1:00 p.m.
Parade Route: Line up on Redus Street, turn right onto Highland Avenue, turn left on Upper Ft. Hampton Road, turn left on AL Hwy 127, and end at the Piggly Wiggly parking lot.

Parade Day Headquarters: Pettus Softball Field Building
Elkmont High School

- Parade officials will be easily identifiable and available for assistance.
- Restrooms will be in band room.
- Please treat these facilities with respect, so that they may be provided again next year.

Parade Line-Up Location: Redus Street

Entrances:

Floats, Single Car or Truck	Redus Street @ Vaughn Street intersection (next to water tank)
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Band and Walking Groups . . . Pettus Softball Field Parking lot

Horses at The Elkmont Municipal Park Parking lot

Vehicles, which are not entries in the parade, will not be allowed in the parade lineup area. Elkmont High School parking lots will be available for parade participants or their parents to park and walk to their group or float in the lineup area.

Judging: Entries competing for cash prizes must be in place by 12:00 noon. Judging begins promptly at 12:30 p.m. **No Exceptions!**

General Safety Information

It is your responsibility to make sure every member of your group and their parents are aware of and abide by parade rules. Please do not drop children off and expect them to find their group or float. Vehicles can be parked in Elkmont High School parking lots, then walk to your group or float and leave your child with a responsible adult.

Be sure materials used on your float will not produce litter on the parade route. If littering should occur, be prepared to pick up after the parade. The parade is planned as a litter free event sponsored in part by Keep Athens Limestone Beautiful.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

2017 Elkmont Lions Club Christmas Parade “Christmas on the Farm”

1. All floats and entries must be decorated in good taste depicting the parade theme.
2. Parade entries not meeting visual standards will be pulled prior to or during parade.
3. Entries will be removed by 12:30 if they are not decorated.
4. The use of inappropriate language is prohibited and will not be tolerated. Entries with inappropriate dress, music and/or behavior will be pulled prior to or during the parade. This decision is at the discretion of parade officials as well as law enforcement officers of the Town of Elkmont and Limestone County.
5. All entrants must obey law enforcement and instructions given from parade officials.
6. Do not remove or go around barricades. They are there for safety purposes. Violators may be fined.
7. No vehicles will be allowed in the parade lineup area without a parade entry pass.
8. **Four-wheelers, three wheelers, mini bikes or go-carts are prohibited from participating in the parade.**
9. All floats are required to have a fire extinguisher on board. Be prepared to show it to parade officials upon entering parade lineup area.
10. No vehicle can be over **15 feet high**.
11. No music other than traditional Christmas music can be played over public address or car stereo systems.
12. The consumption of alcohol before or during the parade is strictly prohibited.
13. Drivers of vehicles in the parade must be at least **18 years of age** or older, have a valid driver's license and auto insurance.
14. For parade safety, and to maintain smooth progression of the parade, do not under any circumstance, hand out, throw, or distribute any food, literature, coupons or souvenirs during the parade.
15. No cruelty to animals is permitted. Do not ride horses down the parade lineup area prior to start of parade.
16. **No Santa Claus costumes will be allowed on parade entries**, to do so will disqualify entry from being judged for cash prize. Only one “*Official Santa Claus*” will be included in the parade.

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OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Entry Name: _____

Name of Organization: _____

Director/Leader: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____

City/State _____ Zip Code: _____

Type of Entry: () Youth () Civic () Commercial () Religious () Other _____

Area of Limestone County that your group represents (Elkmont, Athens, etc.): _____

Please check the appropriate description for your entry:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Majorette | <input type="checkbox"/> Walking Group | <input type="checkbox"/> Antique Tractor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cheerleader | <input type="checkbox"/> Horse | <input type="checkbox"/> Girl Scout #: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dance | <input type="checkbox"/> *Car | <input type="checkbox"/> Boy Scout #: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Band | <input type="checkbox"/> *Truck/Float | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

*Will require vehicle registration.

Will your entry be playing music? () Yes () No

Do you plan to be judged for cash prizes? () Yes () No

If entering a float, please list the total length of float being entered, including the vehicle pulling the float:

Total length of entry: _____ ft.

INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

In exchange for the right to participate in the 2017 Elkmont Lions Christmas Parade (“the parade”), the undersigned, a duly authorized representative of _____, an organization participating in the parade (“the organization”) agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Elkmont Lions Club, Lions International, the Town of Elkmont, County of Limestone, and related entities, all agents, employees, and volunteers of said organizations from any claim or expense of whatever kind of nature arising out of activities as a parade participant of the undersigned organization and any of its representatives or individual participants. This indemnification and hold harmless agreement shall be governed in all respects under the laws of the State of Alabama.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

VEHICLE APPLICATION

(Each vehicle being driven in the Parade MUST fill out one vehicle application.)

Name of Driver: _____

Daytime Phone#: _____ Evening Phone #: _____ *Cell#: _____

***Driver will have phone with him/her during the day of the parade.**

We must have a legible photocopy of all licenses and insurance information.

No one will be allowed to drive or pull a float without providing these documents.

Is the driver of the vehicle also the owner of the vehicle? () Yes () No
(If no, please provide vehicle owner information)

Description of the vehicle:

MAKE: _____ MODEL: _____ YEAR: _____ COLOR: _____

Is this vehicle pulling a float? () Yes () No

Is this vehicle pulling a trailer? () Yes () No

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In exchange for the right to participate in the 2017 Elkmont Lions Club Christmas Parade (“the parade”), the undersigned, who is the driver of that certain vehicle, as mentioned herein above, and/or a duly authorized representative of _____, an organization participating in the Parade (“the Organization”) agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Elkmont Lions Club, Lions International, the Town of Elkmont, the County of Limestone, and all related entities, all agents, employees and volunteers of said Organization from any claim or expense of whatever kind or nature arising out of activities as a driver of that certain vehicle, as mentioned herein above, and/or a parade participant of the undersigned Organization and any of its representatives or individual participants. This indemnification and hold harmless agreement shall be governed in all respects under the laws of the State of Alabama.

Owner/Driver: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____

Vehicle Liability
Insurance Company: _____ Policy Number: _____

PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

The undersigned agrees as condition to participate in the Elkmont Lions Club Christmas Parade, held Saturday, December 2, 2017 to:

1. Obey all instructions given by parade officials, marshals, the Town of Elkmont Police Department and the Limestone County Sheriff's Department.
2. Obey all laws for the proper operation of a motor vehicle including, but not limited to, no drinking of alcoholic beverages or being under the influence of mind altering substances
3. Be at the assembly point designated for your unit no later than 12:00 noon on December 2, 2017

We understand and agree that if we do not comply with the rules of the parade, and the instructions given to us by parade marshals, officials, the Town of Elkmont Police Department, or the Limestone County Sheriff's Department our participation in the parade will be terminated and we will not be permitted to continue in the parade.

Furthermore, in exchange for the right to participate in the 2017 Elkmont Lions Club Christmas Parade, ("the Parade"), the undersigned, a duly authorized representative of _____, an organization participating in the Parade ("the Organization") agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Elkmont Lions Club, Lions International, the Town of Elkmont, the County of Limestone, and related entities, all agents, employees and volunteers of said organization from any claim or expense of whatever kind or nature arising out of activities as a parade participant of the undersigned Organization and any of its representatives or individual participants. This indemnification and hold harmless agreement shall be governed in all respects under the laws of the State of Alabama.

Name of Organization: _____

By: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____