

The 58th Annual Newtown Labor Day Parade is Coming!

Newtown Labor Day Parade PO BOX 746 Newtown CT. 06470

Greetings From The Newtown Labor Day Parade Committee!

This year's parade will take place on Monday September 2nd 2019. The line-up will begin at 8:00am and the parade is scheduled to kick off at 10:00am.

We thank you for your past participation and look forward to having your group/organization join us again this year for what is promising to be a great event!

This year's theme will be "Volunteers Keeping Our Community Strong"

It is an honor and a privilege to introduce to you this year's Grand Marshal for the 58th annual Newtown Labor Day Parade, Mr. Bill Halstead longtime chief of the Sandy Hook Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department. Mr. Halstead's joined the fire house in 1965 at the age of 16 following a long family legacy of both men and women volunteer firefighters and auxiliary members. In 1978 he became chief of The SHVFRD a position in which he still sits today.

In 1984 Mr. Halstead joined the towns Fire Marshalls Office serving as deputy chief before becoming head Fire Marshall in 2001 a position he held until retirement in November of 2017. He has been inducted into the Firefighters Hall of fame and is also 2nd Vice President of the Connecticut Fire Association.

In the midst of all his accomplishments he was also a paid Fire Chief and Grounds Manager at Fairfield Hills for 25 years until July of 1997 when Fairfield Hills was closed down.

Since his retirement Mr. Halstead has held his position as chief of the SHVFRD he is also Director of Emergency Management for the town of Newtown a part time position he took before 9/11.

Please complete and return you application NO LATER than August 10th 2019

In an effort to streamline the Parade and to ensure everyone's safety as well as following guidelines from The Newtown Police Department, the parade committee has updated its rules and regulations. Please be sure to review them carefully and share them with your organizations.

CREATIVE FLOATS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED BUT NOT NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE.

- NO 18 WHEEL VEHICLES
- NO MORE THAN 3 VEHICLES REPRESENTING YOUR ORGANIZATION (EMERGENCY VEHICLES EXCLUDED
- NO THROWING CANDY FROM A MOVING VEHICLE
- LIMIT OF 20 MARCHERS PER ORGANIZATION IF MORE PLEASE PUT THEM ON A FLOAT OR FLATBED
- PLEASE LIMIT YOUR ROUTINES AT THE GRANDSTAND TO 2 MINUTES
- COMMERCIAL ENTRIES ARE REQUEST TO MAKE A 200.00 DONATION TO SUPPORT THE PARADE
- THERE IS NO PARTICIPATION FEE FOR SCHOOLS, DANCE, KARATE ETC.
- THE PARADE COMMITTEE IS SEEKING CRAETIVITY FROM ALL ENTRIES JUDGING & AWARDS ARE GIVEN
- **THE PARADE TAKES PLACE RAIN OR SHINE UNLESS THERE IS EXTREME WEATHER. KEEP IN MIND WE CANNOT CONTROL THE TEMPERATURE OUTDOORS ON LABOR DAY FINGERS CROSSED FOR A PERFECT DAY OF WEATHER.**
- REMEMBER THE THEME “ **VOLUNTEERS KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY STRONG**”

If you have any further questions please feel free to reach out to Melissa Kopcik your parade coordinator at the number and email listed below.

Melissa Kopcik

475-444-3126

participate@newtownctlabordayparade.org

Newtown Labor Day Parade Application

ORGANIZATION NAME _____

EMAIL _____

CONTACT NAME & ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

PARTICIPATION FEE **200.00 INCLUDED** _____

WAIVER REQUESTED WITH REASON _____

NUMBER OF MARCHERS _____ WILL YOU HAVE MUSIC _____

WILL YOU HAVE A FLOAT _____

So we are able to Judge you in the following categories **PLEASE CIRCLE** all that apply.

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| 1. Best Float | 6. Best New Entry |
| 2. Best Musical entry Senior or Junior | 7. Most Fitting Parade Theme |
| 3. Most Patriotic | 8. Most Colorful Entry |
| 4. Best School | 9. Most Crowd Pleasing Rooster Award |
| 5. Best Fire Company | 10. Best Non-Musical Float |

Thank you and we look forward to partnering with you in making the parade a fantastic event. **Please don't forget to include you Emcee Notes on the next page.** Without them you will not be recognized.

I the undersigned representing _____ understand and acknowledge the rules and regulations set in the attached letter.

Signature _____ Date _____

Organization Name _____

PLEASE GIVE US A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF YOUR GROUP OR ORGANIZATION TO BE USED BY OUR EMCEE'S.

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IF YOU NEED MORE INFORMATION OR WOULD LIKE TO EMAIL US YOUR APPLICATION PLEASE VISIT US AT:

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