



The Brown County Lions Club  
Invites  
YOUR participation in

THE 56TH ANNUAL SPRING BLOSSOM PARADE  
Saturday, May 4, 2019  
THEME: "Brown County Blooms"

Please consider this your personal invitation to participate in what has become one of the most anticipated events of the year here in Brown County. There is no entry fee. Registration, waiver form and parade manual are enclosed.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: April 15 (register early!).** Parade line-up assignments will be based on proper flow and movement of the Parade and ease of staging, spacing, and safety. (See Parade Manual for complete registration information and the Special Notes on the back of this form.) Parade dignitaries will be placed toward the front of the Parade. Although we would prefer to receive your waiver form at the time of your registration, we realize that is not always possible. If you are unable to submit it early, please remember to bring the completed waiver form, signed by all who will be marching or riding in the parade, with you when you come to check in on Parade Day. When we receive your registration form, we will send you a confirmation with more information.

We are always interested in improving the way we organize the parade, and the thoughts of past participants are especially important. You will notice we have included a section on the registration form for you to share your comments and suggestions. While this is not a mandatory section to complete, we encourage you to include your ideas so we can better serve your needs.

If you know of another person or group who might be interested in participating, please feel free to copy the enclosed forms for them. Forms are also available on the Lions' website. Go to [www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/browncounty](http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/browncounty) or put "Brown County Lions Club" in your search engine and find us. Direct any questions about registration to Gene at 812-988-6865 or email him at [niednagel@comcast.net](mailto:niednagel@comcast.net).

We look forward to seeing you on the parade grounds May 4.

ENCL: 1. Registration Form. 2. Parade Manual. 3. Waiver Form.

(Over for More Info)



**REGISTRATION FORM**  
**56th Annual Spring Blossom Parade**  
**Saturday, May 4, 2019**  
**Theme: "Brown County Blooms"**

**CHECK-IN** starts at 8 a.m.

**JUDGING** starts at 9:30 a.m.

**PARADE** starts at 11 a.m.

Group, organization, or person participating (This is your official entry name *Required*):

Contact person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

In the space below, indicate the type of unit you will be having and how many individual vehicles, animals, and/or walkers are in the unit.\* This is important for your staging.

*(You may attach an extra sheet if you need to give us details of your entry)*

UNITS THAT <b>WILL BE</b> JUDGED	#	UNITS THAT ARE <b>NOT</b> JUDGED	#
Animal/s and Type:		Emergency vehicle/s:	
Auto: Antique (1940 and earlier)		Political Entries	
Auto: Classic (1941 and later)		Clown/s: On foot ___ Riding ___	
Performing group: On foot ___ Riding ___		Tractor/s	
Adult Float: Animal-pulled ___ Motorized ___		Other/Notes:	
Youth Float: Animal-pulled ___ Motorized ___		Does your entry have music? YES NO	
Youth: Walking _____ Other _____		Does your entry show weapons? YES NO	
		Rules apply to firearms, real or dummy. *	

\*\*\* Did you let us know the number and size of all vehicles in your parade entry?

\*See Parade Manual

What would you like the announcer to say about your unit? \_\_\_\_\_

Judging will be on execution of theme, workmanship, originality, precision (performing groups), and overall appearance.

Comments/suggestions for staging the parade? \_\_\_\_\_

Mail registration form by April 15, 2019, and waiver, if completed, to:

Brown County Spring Blossom Parade  
 7560 N. Blue Heron Drive  
 Unionville, IN 47468

OR: Scan and email to Gene at  
 niednagel@comcast.net

# Spring Blossom Parade Manual 2019

Please distribute this Manual to all your parade participants

The Spring Blossom Parade, sponsored and organized by the Brown County Lions Club, is for participants of all ages to have fun, celebrate our community, state, and nation, and honor the work and contributions of local citizens. Entries should incorporate the parade theme into the design of their Parade Units in a manner appropriate for viewing by all age groups. The annual Parade steps off at 11 a.m. on the first Saturday of May in downtown Nashville, Indiana. **Questions?** Call or email Gene, 812-988-6865, [niednagel@comcast.net](mailto:niednagel@comcast.net).

**APPLICATIONS & REGISTRATION:** By applying to participate in the Spring Blossom Parade, the signatory and all participants in that unit agree to abide by all of the Parade Rules and Regulations. Applications will be sent to last year's participants and must be submitted by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Each section must be filled out completely. The Lions Club will make every effort to communicate with Parade entrants about the status of their entry, including notice of incomplete information and sending confirmation of registration and detailed instructions for all Parade participants. Incomplete forms CANNOT be processed. Those who arrive at the Parade with incomplete registration on file will need to complete all necessary paperwork and will be refused permission to participate if the Unit cannot be staged because of rule requirements or safety issues. Applications must be submitted by mail or email to the parade registration office on the registration form.

**LEGAL WAIVER:** All participants, in consideration of participation in this event, agree to indemnify, hold harmless and release the Town of Nashville, the County of Brown County, the Brown County Lions Club, its agents and employees, from any and all liability for any injury or damage which may arise out of or in any way be connected with participation in the Spring Blossom Parade. A Waiver of Liability Form must be submitted.

**ENTRIES:** Please follow the Parade entry directions set forth in the application. Parade entry descriptions should include information about the entry suitable to be read by the announcer at the reviewing stand at the Courthouse. The Lions Club reserves the right to edit the description of your unit to fit allowable length and tone of the Parade. Changes to the Parade entry description must be submitted to the Lions registration address by the registration deadline. No entry will be allowed that conveys any message viewed as obscene or inappropriate for a general audience of all ages by the Parade marshals. Additions to parade entries of persons or vehicles must be made before the registration deadline, so allocation of proper Parade spacing can be guaranteed. Late notification of changes may result in loss of Parade Unit position.

**MUSIC, SOUND, SIRENS:** All entries must indicate if they have music or sound amplifying systems, and shall maintain a volume that will not interfere with other entries, especially those with animals. If a unit is informed by the Parade marshal(s) or the police that the noise generated by their unit is too loud; they shall immediately turn the volume down or take other steps identified by the marshals or the police. Sirens are not to be used on the parade route except to indicate an emergency.

**RIDING, CHILDREN:** Entries with children under the age of 18 must also have parents or other adult chaperones alongside to provide supervision. Applicants are required to ensure the safety of persons riding on the floats, including adequate safety devices for riders. Persons riding on floats or flatbed trucks must be seated if there are no protective restraints. All persons riding in vehicles must be seated. All tractors and other motorized machinery must have only one person on each factory designed seat; no one may ride on fenders or drawbar. The applicant is required to comply with all applicable laws to ensure everyone's safety.

**FLOW & BREAKDOWNS:** During the Parade, maintain movement at all times unless the Parade pauses at the reviewing stand or for performances scheduled in the registration. If your vehicle or float becomes disabled, pull off to the side before attempting repairs. Because the Parade closes down most of the streets and the highway through downtown Nashville, the parade must flow smoothly and quickly. Parade officials and police officers will be located throughout the Parade route to give directions and offer assistance. Please review the Parade route before the parade to anticipate any problems that might arise with safety or maneuvering room.

## WAIVER OF LIABILITY

I/we the undersigned understand that participating in the Spring Blossom Parade activities involves some personal risks. I/we accept these risks and agree to hold harmless the Brown County Lions Club and any participating organizations and their members. I/we also relieve any person involved with the Spring Blossom Parade activities from any individual liability in the unlikely event that injuries or damages are incurred.

Group, organization, or person participating (This is your official entry name **Required**):

Contact person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

All participants in the parade **must sign** this waiver below. If the participant is a child, a parent or legal guardian's signature is also required. Failure to meet this requirement will result in exclusion from parade activities. The contact person above has read and agrees to all parade policies/information in the Spring Blossom Parade Manual and other registration documents and agrees to share this information with all parade participants.


Dated \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE:** Law enforcement authorities have reiterated the prohibition against parade participants riding outside motorized vehicles, including those standing on tractors.