

53rd Turtle Days Parade

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6 p.m.

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It's that time of year again – to sign up for the 53rd Annual Turtle Days Parade. This year's parade begins at 6 p.m. on Saturday, June 21. Line-up is the same as usual – at Dana and BRC, south of Churubusco on U.S. 33. Line up begins at 3 p.m. For your convenience Port-A-Potties are available and three restaurants are near the line-up area for refreshments.

We have made some changes to the parade following discussions with community leaders and the Churubusco Police. The following guidelines have been put in place to protect participants, spectators and properties.

1. All animal entries will be at BRC and should use the right lane only for entrance. Each entry must provide it's own clean-up crew. The crew's job begins the moment of arrival and continues along the ENTIRE parade route.
2. Only parade entries will be allowed in the Dana parking lot and should use left lane. No drop offs or extra vehicles are permitted at DANA and should use right lane and park cars at BRC away from the animals.
3. Parade drop offs (those participants not arriving with their entry) should plan to use the right lane, park at BRC and walk the participant to Dana to meet their group.
4. Large groups should plan to congregate at a different site other than parade line-up and arrive at Line-up as one group. For example – 4-H Clubs should meet at the Town Hall and walk or ride as one group to DANA. Other areas that are available to meet are: Churubusco Child Care Center, Smith-Green Community Schools; any bank, church or business.
5. Littering of any kind at Dana, BRC or along the parade route is forbidden. We have instituted parade officials along the entire route to monitor this. Trash bags will be provided with your map and number upon arrival at line-up. Those who litter will be ejected from the parade immediately and will not be invited back.
6. By order of the police no candy, flyers, gifts, etc., can be thrown from parade entries. Please walk beside your entry and hand items to spectators. Violators will be ejected from the parade immediately and will not be invited back.
7. Parade entries may only stop at the judge's stand to perform. There is a maximum of four minutes for each performing group. Stopping along the parade route to perform will not be permitted.
8. No water devices (i.e. squirt guns, water balloons, etc.) will be tolerated. Violators will be ejected from the parade immediately and will not be invited back.
9. Rain or Shine the parade will go on. In case of severe weather, the police will advise.
10. Prizes are awarded at 10 p.m. on Saturday in the entertainment tent.

Prize Money Awards

- Marching Bands – Plaques will be presented for first, second or third places.
- Color Guards – Walking and Mounted Units will be judged on appearance and performance. First place receives \$25; Second, \$15 and Third, \$10.
- Floats – All floats are eligible for judging. Two divisions – Commercial and Non-Profit (Prizes awarded for each division) First place receives \$75; Second, \$50 and Third, \$35.
- Novelties or Fun Units – All decorated entries are eligible for judging. Two divisions – Groups of less than six and groups of six or more (Prizes for each division. First place receives \$40; Second, \$30 and Third, \$20.
- Drum and Baton Corps (Two divisions – Middle and/or High School and Elementary School Age) Prizes for each division. First place receives \$25, Second, \$15 and Third, \$10.
- Antique and Classic Cars – First place receives \$25, Second, \$15 and Third, \$10.
- Horse and Pony Units – Groups and Individuals. First Place receives \$25, Second, \$15 and Third, \$10.
- Youth League – First place receives \$25, Second, \$15 and Third, \$10.

ENTRY FORMS MUST BE TURNED IN BY 6 P.M. ON SUNDAY, JUNE 15, 2003. Send or deliver to The Plasterers, 239 West Whitley Street, Churubusco, IN 46725. Fax to (260) 244-7598. Forms can also be submitted from the Turtle Days website (see above for address).

Forms received after 6 p.m. on June 15 will be added to the parade but entries will not be judged or announced and will be at the end of the parade.

Entry Form

Group or Entry Name _____
Contact Name _____ Phone () _____
E-mail _____
Mailing Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Type of entry (Must Indicate) _____ Walking Unit _____ Float _____ Car or Pick-up Truck
_____ Semi-tractor trailer (or same size) _____ Animal (specify) _____
IMPORTANT – How many vehicles in your unit? _____
Description of Entry _____

Category to be judged in (See Prize Money Award Section _____)

Release of Liability (Must be signed before Entry)

As entrant(s) for the 2003 53rd Annual Turtle Days Parade, I (We) release the Churubusco Turtle Day's Association and the Town of Churubusco and all others involved with the Turtle Days Festival from any liability which might be incurred from injury, loss or theft.

Signature _____ Date _____

2003 Theme is Oscar Cooks. Our Grand Marshals are Stan and Doris Horne, award-winning chefs from Churubusco. Extra points go to those using that theme.

PS. It is advised to make copies of the rules and give to participants in your entry. Trash bags and copies of the rules will be given to each entry on parade day, along with a map of parade route parking.
