

**Norwalk Lions Club
48th Annual July 4th Parade**

APPLICATION FORM

Date: Wednesday, July 4, 2018

Registration: 9:15 A.M. at the intersection of E. Main & Prospect Streets

Formation: starts at the intersection of Wooster & E. Main Streets east to Milan Ave., including side streets to the north

Parade Starts: 10:30 A.M. The parade route is less than 2 miles in length and ends at the south parking lot of the Huron County Fairgrounds.

Applicant Name _____

Contact Name & Phone _____

Contact Address, City _____

Type of Entry _____

Number of Members in the Group if Marching _____

Length of Unit _____

AWARD CATEGORIES:

Commercial Floats	Horse Units	Church Float
Civic Floats	Drill Team Units	Truck Unit
Marching Units	Clowns	Most Unusual Entry
Antique Automobiles	Fire Department	Best Theme Unit
Newspaper Vans		

Please complete and return this application form to the Norwalk Lions Club as soon as possible, but not later than June 15, 2018. Thank You.

**NORWALK LIONS CLUB
P.O. BOX 92
NORWALK, OH 44857**

May 11, 2018

**You Are Invited!!
The Norwalk Lions Club Parade
Wednesday, July 4, 2018**

**Theme: Celebrating Service & Inspiration
Lt. Col. David Ditz, Army National Guard, Parade Chair**

Units will be judged in front of the Court House

at the corner of E. Main & Benedict Ave. You have a maximum of a 2-minute program in front of the judges. **Then keep moving the parade along so there are no gaps in between the units.

Your Parade Number will be mailed 1 week before the parade.

Please keep your card and put it on the driver's side windshield so the judges can see it.

SAFETY FIRST!!

- **Pass out candy. Do not throw from the Unit** for the safety of our children!
- Do not spray water at parade watchers.
- ALL bicyclists must wear helmets.

**Again...please close the gaps in the parade. Some of the parade watchers think the parade has ended when there is only a gap.

At the end of the parade when you have arrived at the fairgrounds on Fair Road

you have two options: keep going down Fair Road OR pull way into the south parking lot to prevent congestion and possible injury to the kids who walk around there.

Thank you for your interest. Please add your comments or suggestions.

Sincerely,

The Parade Committee:

John Flickinger, chair

Jay Ewell

Linda & Jim Bersche

Ken Leber

Ed Leroux

Sheila Baldwin

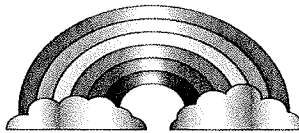
Clarence Poole

Jeff Little

Wayne Babcanec

Keith Kovarik

PS Enclosed are 6 raffle tickets we hope you will sell or purchase to support Inspiration Station. Please return the money and stubs with your application. Many Thanks.



Inspiration Station
105 Jefferson Street
Norwalk, Ohio 44857

Inspiration Station is a homework club and tutoring program focused on, but not limited to, Hispanic elementary school age children in Norwalk.

- Hispanic Community in Norwalk.
 1. Population: 6% (1221) to 9.4% (1603) depending on source of information
 2. Jefferson Street trailer park (1940's) is lowest cost trailer park of the Hispanic trailer parks
 - a. Trailers are owned by residents - \$1000 to \$5000 per trailer
 - b. Lot rent is \$168/mo. plus utilities
 3. Blue collar family oriented community

- Started tutoring in a student's home in September of 2016
- Currently tutoring 30+ children from Norwalk Public Schools and St Paul's Catholic schools
- Jefferson Street Trailer Park has 100 school age children
- Tutoring two sessions at the library on Mondays and Wednesday at 4:30pm and 5:30pm
 1. Tutoring parents in conversational English while students are tutored in school subjects
 2. Summer program concentrates on the basics: reading and math
 3. Transportation issues at the library
 4. Growing to meet the demand

- Tutoring two sessions at Jefferson St. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4:30pm and 5:30pm
 1. Current building is too small (15' x15')
 2. Use a tent to accommodate overflow

- Hispanic children in Norwalk:
 1. Most children live in a total Hispanic environment for their first 4-5 years.
 2. Parents lack the skills to help their children with homework
 3. Hispanic children are more likely to repeat the early grades.
 4. Kinder-Casa (16/yr) and Head Start (21/yr) address Hispanic children in their preschools.

- New Building:
 1. 105 Jefferson Street – solves transportation issues – children can walk to building
 2. Refurbishing old office area: walls, furnace, electrics, plumbing, doors, drainage, etc.
 3. Project is about half complete.
 4. Hispanic community is “buying into” the project and feels “ownership”

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