

**BLOSSOMTIME FESTIVAL YOUTH PARADE  
ENTRY FORM  
THURSDAY, May 1, 2008, 5 p.m.  
DICKINSON STADIUM  
(Football Field)  
St. Joseph High School**

**Sponsor: Starks & Menchinger Family Funeral Home  
Awards: Twin City Awards & Trophies**

**Theme: "Blossomtime Cruises the World"**

CONTACT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

As the official contact person for this entry, I accept responsibility for any vandalism incurred by the youngster(s) in this unit.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Please sign)

SCHOOL/GROUP REPRESENTING \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE CHECK YOUR ENTRY CATEGORY:

**# OF MEMBERS IN UNIT** (must have) \_\_\_\_\_

( ) FLOAT - DIVISION A ( ) B ( )

( ) BAND - Director \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

( ) SCOUT Troop Boy/Girl (circle one)  
Troop # and Community \_\_\_\_\_

( ) 4-H UNIT # and Community \_\_\_\_\_

( ) POM PON GROUP School \_\_\_\_\_

( ) CHEERLEADING TEAM

( ) PETS (what type) \_\_\_\_\_

( ) COSTUMED INDIVIDUAL

( ) COSTUMED GROUP

( ) DECORATED WAGON/BIKE/DOLL/CARRIAGE

( ) OTHER (please explain) \_\_\_\_\_

**NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES ARE ALLOWED IN THE YOUTH PARADE**

**DEADLINE FOR ENTRY: MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2008**

**(Line up information will be sent to you after the deadline date.)**

**BLOSSOMTIME FESTIVAL**

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# **2008 BLOSSOMTIME FESTIVAL YOUTH PARADE**

**THEME:** "Blossomtime Cruises the World"

**DATE, TIME, LOCATION:** Thursday, May 1, at 5 p.m. Dickinson Stadium, St. Joseph High School

**ENTRY FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE:** [www.blossomtimefestival.org](http://www.blossomtimefestival.org) or by calling the Blossomtime office at 926-7397.

**GENERAL RULES:** Entry is open to any youth in southwest Michigan from pre-school through Junior High/Middle School age. All entries must be in the Blossomtime Festival office by **5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 21**, if they wish to be judged. Those arriving after that date will be placed at the rear of the line up and will not be judged. Any individual or group not following rules/directions will be asked to leave the line up.

## **NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE PARADE.**

**REGISTRATION:** There will be more information to follow on line up where and when.

**BANDS:** Will be judged on marching, clarity of sound, and overall appearance. The winning entry in this category will appear in the Grand Floral Parade on Saturday, May 3rd.

**MARCHING UNITS:** Will be judged on preciseness of marching and general appearance.

**PETS:** Entrant and pet will be judged as a unit and on the basis of originality, cleanliness and use of the Blossomtime Festival theme. (Must have baggies for refuse clean up.)

**FLOATS Division A:** May be no larger than 7' x 7'. No more than six youngsters may pull one float. Four additional may be involved riding or walking: a total of 10 participants. Encourage youngsters to build as much of the float as possible. The winning entry (float only) in this category will appear in the Grand Floral Parade on Saturday, May 3rd on a float bed provided by Blossomtime. Limit 4 youngsters to ride on the float.

**FLOATS Division B:** May be no larger than 5' x 5'. No more than four youngsters may pull one float. Two additional may walk or ride: a total of six participants. Encourage youngsters to build as much of the float as possible.

**SCHOOL FLOATS:** This is for a float not fitting any other category: art class project, etc.

**A SPECIAL NOTE TO PARENTS:** **Only one adult** may walk on the sidelines with your child's unit during the parade. If you do not walk the parade route, be sure to select a pre-determined location to meet your child after the parade. This is an exciting day for your youngster. Please help make it safe by checking your child's entry. Please follow the posted parking instructions and the directions of the police on the premises. **Safety first!**

**AWARDS:** Band awards will be given out immediately following the parade at the Reviewing Stand. All other awards will be given out as entries pass the judge's stand. Awards will be given only to those signing the entry form and I.D. will be required.

**ONLY THE WINNING SCHOOL BAND AND CLASS A FLOAT WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GRAND FLORAL PARADE ON SATURDAY, MAY 3, 2008. MARSHALING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE GRAND FLORAL PARADE WILL BE GIVEN TO THE WINNERS FOLLOWING THE YOUTH PARADE.**

# PLEASE TELL US ABOUT YOUR ENTRY

The following information will be used by our Parade Commentator/Radio Station and will be given to the press, should your entry be a winner:

Entry number: \_\_\_\_\_  
(To be assigned by the Blossomtime Festival office.)

Official name of entry:

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Please describe your entry:

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Entry history (if applicable):

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Age range of participants:

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Tell us more!

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**THANKS!**