



46th INTERNATIONAL HOMECOMING FESTIVAL PARADE

August 10th, 2019

Start Time: 12:00 pm U.S. 1:00 pm CDN

Dear Parade Participant:

The **46th International Homecoming Festival** will be held in **Calais** and **St. Stephen** from August 7th – August 11th and this year's theme is **Country Music Through the Years**. The International Homecoming Festival Parade will start at **1:00pm Canadian, 12:00pm American** time on **Saturday, August 10th** beginning at the **Ganong Factory – 1 Chocolate Drive with a 2nd insertion point at the Garcelon Civic Center for entrants who cannot walk the full route**. Entrants will be lined up when they arrive and we ask that you please follow all the instructions given by the marshals. Parade ends in the vicinity of the **Calais Motor Inn**. There will not be any available parking for personal vehicles at the Ganong Factory.

Enclosed is a copy of the entry form that must be returned to the Festival Committee no later than **August 7th, 2019**, along with the \$10 entry fee. We ask that American entries are submitted to Calais City Hall and Canadian entries are submitted to St. Stephen Town Hall. Awards will be presented for Best Use of Theme, Best Display of Community Spirit and Best Overall Float. Floats must cross the border to be eligible for an award. We also ask that entrants please check signage posted for the "Gentle Zone" (no sirens and lower volume of music) on both sides of the border. Winners will be notified at the end of the parade and are asked to proceed to Memorial Park for the presentation of awards and photos.

Please take note of the "regulations" which govern a parade entry that appear on the form. Violation of these regulations jeopardizes the safety of the parade observers and puts the Festival at risk of legal action or the parade discontinued. Politicians walking in the parade are asked to be mindful of the parade's pace – and not cause gaps as you greet your constituents. We do regret the restrictions, but a safe parade demands the regulations be followed. Please note that parade participants are expressly **FORBIDDEN FROM THROWING** candy or any other items from any vehicle or float.

In the "Spirit of 46 years of International Friendship, Goodwill, Co-operation & **Homecoming**", we thank you for your participation in the past and hope to see you in the parade again this year.

Please return entry forms no later than August 7th to roxanneredding@gmail.com; or mvest@town.ststephen.nb.ca

St. Stephen Town Hall
73 Milltown Blvd.
Suite 112
St. Stephen, NB E3L 1G5

or

Calais City Hall
11 Church Street
PO Box 413
Calais, ME 04619

Sincerely,

Michelle Vest & Roxanne Redding
Festival Co-Chairs



INTERNATIONAL HOMECOMING FESTIVAL PARADE
Parade Date: Aug 10th, 2019
2019 PARADE ENTRY

Name of Organization or Business: _____

Type of Entry: _____ *****(Please note, all floats will be starting from Ganong factory)*****

Check if applicable: Music _____ Walkers _____ Distributing Candy, fliers, etc. _____

Size of Entry/Estimated length: _____

Special Needs: _____

Starting point for walkers: Ganong _____ Garcelon Civic Center _____

Will you be crossing the Border: Yes _____ No _____

Note: If "Yes", please complete the "List of Parade Participants" included in this package.

REGULATIONS

1. Driver has appropriate license for vehicle
2. Nothing is to be sprayed, thrown or shot from vehicles or floats
3. No Demonstrations or performances that require the parade to stop
4. All handouts, candy included must be passed out by walkers in the parade
5. Violators of the regulations will be removed at the next side street
6. Transports are no longer allowed on Main Bridge
7. "Gentle Zone" will be marked on both sides of the border and please follow applicable signage

FEES

\$10 Paid _____ YES Method of Payment _____ Entry # _____

BY SIGNING THIS ENTRY FORM, I AGREE TO UPHOLD THE REGULATIONS.

CONTACT PERSON: _____ PHONE NO: _____

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT: _____ DATE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS/CHEQUES PAYABLE TO: INTERNATIONAL HOMECOMING FESTIVAL on the American side and TOWN OF ST. STEPHEN on the Canadian side

Parade starts at 1:00 pm (CDN), 12 noon (US) **beginning** at the Ganong factory for floats (and walkers by choice) or the **Garcelon Civic Center** for walkers only and ending at **Calais Motor Inn**. Be at assembly area approx. **45 Min** before start of parade. **Please follow the instructions of the Marshals for parade line up when you arrive.**

RETURN ENTRY FORM BY **AUGUST 7TH** to mvest@town.ststephen.nb.ca ; roxanneredding@gmail.com or direct to:

TOWN OF ST. STEPHEN: 73 MILLTOWN BLVD. SUITE 112 ST. STEPHEN, NB E3L 1G5
CALAIS CITY HALL: 11 CHURCH STREET PO BOX 413 CALAIS, ME 04619

CANDY **MUST NOT** BE THROWN FROM VEHICLES AND FLOATS.



CUSTOMS REQUIREMENTS
INTERNATIONAL HOMECOMING FESTIVAL PARADE
August 10th 2019 Start Time: 1:00 pm CDN / Noon US

1. All participants 16 years of age and older are required to have their passport or other WHTI compliant document with them.
2. Children under 16 are required to have proper identification, preferably a birth certificate.
3. If you have children other than your own in the parade, you should have a permission slip from their parent or guardian.
4. The person in charge of each entry must ensure that no one that has not been pre-screened, joins their entry between the starting place and US Customs.
5. A list of all **participants**, including the **driver** must be attached to the **parade application** and received by the parade committee by **August 7th**. Please type or print in block letters on all forms. Keep a copy of the list for yourself and have it with you on parade day. If you have 20 people in your group but you are not certain who will be in the parade, list them all. If only 15 show up that is not a problem. If you have 2 possible drivers list them both, then you are covered regardless of which one drives in the parade.

This sounds complicated but I assure you things will go well as we are working in a very cooperative manner with custom officials.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call:

Roxanne Redding & Michelle Andersen Vest
Festival Co-Chairs

1-(207)-214-8469 roxanneredding@gmail.com

1-(506) 467-1428 mvest@town.ststephen.nb.ca



LIST OF PARADE PARTICIPANTS – 2019

Name of Group or Organization: _____

Supervising Adults: _____ Phone: _____

I certify that I have obtained parental or legal guardian consent for each participating child

Signature of Supervising Adult: _____ Date: _____

Name	Address	Phone #	Date of Birth	POB/CTZN	Name of Parent or Legal Guardian if under 19 years of age
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