

You are cordially invited to participate in the Annual  
Ridgely Lions Club

**STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL AND PARADE**  
**Sunday, May 24th 2026**

Trophies will be awarded for the following categories:

Best Representation of the Strawberry Festival Theme

**Best Representation of Patriotic Theme-New**

Best Float/ Best Appearing Ambulance

Best Appearing Tanker/ Best Appearing Engine

Best Overall Appearing Fire Department

Best Appearing Brush Truck

Best Appearing Tractor

Best Classic Car/Best Antique Car

Best Classic Truck/Best Antique Truck

Best Commercial Vehicle

Best Appearing Queen, Junior Miss, Little Miss, Mr.

Best Equestrian Unit

Best Marching Group

Best Appearing Motorcycle

**Best Veterans Group or Float-New**

**Best representation of 250th Anniversary of United States of America-New**

All entries will receive dash plaques. Participants are encouraged to display a strawberry or patriotic theme. **Veteran groups are encouraged**

To register for the parade, please email the required information specified below to:  
[rlcstrawberryfestival@gmail.com](mailto:rlcstrawberryfestival@gmail.com) (all lower case is fine)

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Or if you wish, fill out the form below, detach, and mail it to Ridgely Lions Club, PO Box 143 Ridgely, Md. 21660.

7. Name of person representing the parade entry. (Note: Separate information should be completed for each subunit in the organization) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Address \_\_\_\_\_

3. Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

4. Parade Entry \_\_\_\_\_

5. Descriptive information \_\_\_\_\_

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## Line Up Instructions

- (1) Pre-registered entrants should plan to “sign in” on parade day between 10:30  
And 11:30 AM Sunday.
- (2) The parade will begin precisely at 12:00 Noon
- (3) Sign in will occur at the corner of Bell Street and Central Avenue in the Summit  
Community Bank parking lot
- (4) At sign-in each unit will be assigned a location for assembly and position in the  
Parade
- (5) Parade assembly will occur along the south side of Bell Street facing Central  
Avenue east. Numbered flags will be placed in the assembly area to indicate  
each participant’s assigned position.  
Please make every effort to keep your vehicle(s) within the confines of the space  
Assigned
- (6) Marching units will be assigned staging positions in the grassy area between Bell  
Street and Railroad Avenue.
- (7) The parade route will progress south on Central Avenue, turn right on Fourth  
Street and conclude at Martin Sutton Park.
- (8) Candy will be allowed to be tossed into the spectator viewing area. However be  
**watchful of kids** entering the roadway to retrieve the candy

Please contact Jerry Sutton at 443-786-0848 with any questions