ROMULUS PUMPKIN FESTIVAL
PARADE OF LIGHTS
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2018
8:00 p.m.

Free for all entries! No preregistration required!
Cash prizes for the winner in each category!

Six Categories:
Commercial • Motorized • Non-Motorized (People/Animal Powered)
Classic Cars • Live Music • Schools

All entries and participants must be decorated with working lights - the more the better!

Line-up begins at 6:30 p.m. at Romulus City Hall.
(11111 Wayne Road)

FOR APPLICATIONS AND A COMPLETE SET OF RULES:
www.romulusrotary.net
The Romulus Rotary Club presents the **2018 Romulus Rotary Club Parade of Lights**. The parade is scheduled for Friday, September 21, 2018 at 8:00 p.m., rain or shine and is **free** to enter. We are encouraging everyone to capitalize on the nighttime aspect of the parade by lighting up the entries.

*No entries will be allowed to participate without an abundance of lights.*

*Glow sticks are NOT sufficient lighting for a float or its participants.*

Please be imaginative and remember this is not just another parade, this is your opportunity to shine!

Staging will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall parking lot located at Wayne and Goddard roads (11111 Wayne Rd.). **All** participants must enter through the east drive off of Goddard road (*note: the Wayne road driveways will be closed to all incoming traffic*). You will be given your line-up spot at this time. In order to keep the traffic at City Hall to a minimum, please do not have your group meet at City Hall. **Only your entries (floats, vehicles, etc.) should come to City Hall.** All other participants are encouraged to park at the Romulus Progressive Club near “five points” (11580 Ozga St.) and take the provided shuttle service to City Hall to meet your group. This will help reduce congestion during lineup and have your vehicles at the end of the parade. Vehicles not actually participating in the parade will be allowed in the staging area only to drop off participants and then will be directed elsewhere for parking.

There will be festivities, hot dogs and soda available at the Progressive Hall for participants after the parade. We look forward to another bright and fun Parade of Lights!

Entries will be organized into six different categories. Voting for the public’s favorite for each category will take place in-person during Pumpkin Festival weekend at the Romulus Rotary Club booth. Winners will be announced on Sunday, September 21, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. and will be invited to a Romulus Rotary Club meeting to be awarded their $100 prize.
Parade Entry Categories:

1. **Commercial** – Any float entry advertising a business will be considered in this category. This might also include any entry that has paid employees helping in the creation of the float.

2. **Motorized** – Any non-commercial float entry that is motor powered. This would include churches, family floats, and non-profit organizations.

3. **Non-Motorized** – Any non-commercial float entry that is NOT motor powered. This might include horses, bikes, or groups of people walking in the parade.

4. **Classic Car** – Any classic car, including trucks, buses and other forms of transportation.

5. **Live Music** – Marching Bands and/or floats with live music/entertainment.

6. **School** – Any entry that might be created and affiliated or advertised as a school. This might include the Romulus High School, Barth Elementary, Halecreek Elementary, Summit Academy, etc.

A violation of any of the following rules may result in you and/or your organization being banned from current or future parades.

Rules for parade participation:

1. Each unit must be decorated with working lights. This includes support vehicles and persons. Vehicles with headlights that remain on are asked to please cover them during participation (black electrical tape works well). Headlights distract other participants and judges. Music is welcomed. **Glow sticks are NOT sufficient lighting for a float or its participants.**

2. Objects (candy, flyers, etc.) **can NOT be thrown** along the parade route.

3. Distribution of literature during the parade is prohibited.

4. Political campaign entries will not be allowed – this will be strictly enforced.

5. Animal units must provide their own “clean-up” detail behind their unit.

6. A parade official will instruct you to stop your vehicle in front of the announcer’s booth for a few brief moments of commentary. Limit shows and performance in front of the announcer’s booth to 30 seconds.

7. Show boating and intentional gaps in the parade will NOT be tolerated. Observe and obey parade officials to prevent gaps and spaces. Please do not crowd the unit in front of you. Be observant.

8. Please follow all directions given to you by parade officials.

Come with a smile on your face, a song in your heart, lights on your float, and be ready for a fun, fun time!

For more information visit the Romulus Rotary website and follow the links to “Parade of Lights”.

**Romulus Rotary Parade of Lights**
PO Box 74485
Romulus, MI 48174
[www.romulusrotary.net](http://www.romulusrotary.net)

**Entry Deadline:** September 21, 2018

*Pre-registration is appreciated by the deadline above. However, entries may also register the day-of by bringing this completed application to the line-up at Romulus City Hall beginning at 6:30 p.m. and arriving no later than 7:30 p.m.*
This free application for participation is hereby made for the Romulus Rotary Club Parade of Lights, to be held on September 16, 2016. I agree to hold the Romulus Rotary Club, its members, officers and directors harmless from any liability including damages, fees, expenses resulting to any person or persons, including myself, my equipment, or my animal (horse, dog, etc.), by reason of participation in said parade.

**CONTACT INFORMATION (Please Print)**

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NOTE: If participant is under 21, this agreement must be signed by a parent/guardian.

**CATEGORY OF ENTRY**

Which category does your float entry fall under?

- _____ Non-Motorized (People/Animal Powered)
- _____ Motorized
- _____ Commercial
- _____ School
- _____ Classic Car
- _____ Live Music

**NUMBER OF PEOPLE**

How many people will be with your parade entry? _____

**INFORMATION FOR INTRODUCTIONS**

The following information will be used by the Parade Announcer. Factual details should include: size, uniform description, awards won, participation record, etc. Please write as if it were being read by the announcer.

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