

## 120<sup>th</sup> Old Home Day Celebration on Saturday, August 17, 2019. The parade will start at 10:15 a.m.

This year's Old Home Day will be a special one as the community of Nutfield will be celebrating its 300th anniversary. The large tract of land the first settlers arrived at in 1719 was covered with chestnut, oak, and similar trees, and went by the name "Nutfield." Just three years later—June 21, 1722—a town charter was granted to Nutfield, and they changed the name to "Londonderry" in honor of the Irish town that had been the previous home of many of them. The First Settlers arrived in the Nutfield Grant and established the community that eventually became the towns of Londonderry, Windham, Derry, and the Derryfield neighborhood of Manchester

Londonderry is one of a handful of communities that have faithfully observed Old Home Day on the third weekend in August since 1899. The Governor of New Hampshire first established Old Home Day as a means for former residents and friends to celebrate a community reunion, and the accomplishments of the citizens of New Hampshire.

From our Middle School, the parade passes the High School, Central Fire Station, Leach Library, apple orchards and our historic Town Common.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

The Old Home Day Parade is the largest town parade traditionally held each year on the third Saturday of August. Approximately 6,000 spectators line up along the 1.2-mile parade route on Mammoth Road to watch the parade. The parade begins at the Londonderry Middle School and ends at Mack's Apples. It is scheduled to start promptly, *RAIN OR SHINE*, at 10:15am. If you or members of your organization are interested in participating then please review the general rules listed below and mail a completed registration form on or before August 1, 2019.

#### **PARADE RULES:**

✓ Completed registration forms must be received on or before August 1, 2019

#### **PARADE RULES Cont.:**

✓ All motor and float units shall form in their assigned assembly area not later than 8:30am and all non-motor units shall form in their assigned assembly area not later than 9:30am.

- ✓ Throwing objects to spectators along the parade route is absolutely prohibited. You may hand items to spectators, this is Londonderry Police Policy, and it is for the protection and safety of parade spectators.
- ✓ Absolutely no parking at the Londonderry Middle School (parade assembly area).
- ✓ Motorized units of any kind shall not be allowed to return to the start of the parade using the parade route until the parade is completed.
- ✓ Use of spray or foam material is prohibited.
- ✓ The Committee shall have the right to limit the size of or reject any participant group if it deems that it is in the best interest and spirit of the Old Home Day Celebration.
- ✓ All parade participants must keep up with the pace of the parade. Failure to maintain a reasonable pace will result in participant removal at an appropriate location.
- ✓ Participants with permission from the Parade Coordinator may be given an opportunity to perform at the reviewing stand only.
- ✓ Failure to comply with any parade rules or direct orders from the Parade Coordinator or Committee members may result in direct expulsion from the parade.

We look forward to your participation in our annual Old Home Day Parade. Old Home Day Parade and Committee Members will be wearing same colored T-shirts and will be stationed throughout the route to assist with any problems.

Sincerely,

Kathy Wagner

Parade Chairperson

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# August 17, 2019 Old Home Day Parade Registration Form

Organization Name:
Mailing Address:
Telephone Number:
Primary Contact:
Email Address:Fax Number:
Please check all that apply, and fill in information as needed.
We will have a float & spotters for floats with children riding on them
We will have vehicles # - Type of Vehicle(s)

Please describe your organization below and continue on the back if you require more space. This information will be used to announce your organization from the viewing stand. You need to return this form to the Old Home Day Parade Committee at the address listed below.