BARREN INC.
Barren County Chamber of Commerce
Your Partner for Business Growth

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2026 Christmas Parade

Date
December 5th, 2026 @ 6:00 PM (Central Time)
(Rain, Sleet or Snow)

Theme
Stars, Stripes & Silent Nights

Grand Marshall
1-623rd Field Artillery Regiment

General Information

Please complete the application form and email to Erin Hiles at erin@barreninc.com.

Please review the rules and regulations for the parade. This application, along with a $30 entry fee FOR EACH VEHICLE must be received by Friday, October 30th, 2026. After Friday, October 30th, an entry fee of $60 will be charged. Entries must be paid via cash or check.

There must be an application filled out for each entry you are putting in parade.

Absolutely no applications will be accepted after Friday, November 20th at 4:00 pm.

The parade is limited to 150 entries. Spots will be filled in the order completed applications and payments are received. Once the parade reaches capacity, additional applicants will be placed on a first-come, first-served waitlist.

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PARADE APPLICATION

Name of Entry: _____ **Company Name:** _____

Contact Person Name & Title: _____

Email Address: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Payment Information: ☐ **Check** ☐ **Cash**

DIVISION & VEHICLE DETAILS

Please select your division (Check one)

( ) Large Business-Over 50 employees
( ) Small Business-Under 50 employees
( ) Scouts
( ) School or School Group
( ) Fire Trucks
( ) Club or Organization
( ) Church or Church Affiliated Group
( ) Family or Individual
( ) City, County, Government Office (not eligible for judging)

Our entry can be best described as follows (Check all that apply): Please tell us if you are bringing truck and trailer. Avg. Length of Car = 15 ft. Avg. Length of Truck = 20 ft.

( ) 2-Wheeled Trailer Pulled By _____
( ) 4-Wheeled Trailer Pulled By _____
( ) Semi-Truck/Trailer
( ) Flat Bed Truck

( ) Personal Vehicle (not eligible for judging)
( ) Walking (not eligible for judging
( ) Utility Vehicle (not eligible for judging)
( ) Other Describe) _____

Overall length of the entry?_____ Ft. Do you want your float judged? Yes____ No____

Please be as accurate as possible in the length of your entry. Entries that are over in length by 5 or more feet will be turned away at check-in.

The 2026 Christmas Parade Rules and Regulations are included in this application for your reference and review. By signing, you agree that you have read all of the 2026 Christmas Parade Rules and agree that all participants involved with your parade entry will abide them.

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MEDIA INFORMATION

All units must fully complete the media information

Have you entered past parades?_____ If so, how many years of parade participation?_____

Have you won awards in past parades?_____ If so, please list

Our parade is broadcast live on television, taped for delayed viewing, and broadcast by at least 2 radio stations. Therefore, we request that detailed information is furnished to us, so we can provide all media with quality information. Barren Inc. is not responsible for any entry that is not mentioned by radio or television.

Give a 35-40 word description of entry for media commentary, be specific. If there is anything special about your float that you would like mentioned, please list below. (Please note if you exceed 40 words we will cut off the description at the 41 word mark)

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By signing below, you agree to release the media information provided above to local media broadcasts.

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(Signature of person in charge of entry)

JUDGING & AWARDS

All entries will be judged if you choose to. Entries will be judged in each division (excludes government) listed on the entry application.

Winners in each category shall receive the following:

- First Place-Banner to Display on Float
- Runner Up-Banner
- Third Place-Banner

In addition, a “GRAND MARSHAL AWARD” winner will be selected from the first place winners in each division. The winner of the “GRAND MARSHAL AWARD” will receive an additional “Grand Marshal” banner to display on their float.

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RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Candy can be handed out along the route; however, you are NOT permitted to toss it into the crowd.

2. ONLY the 1st 150 UNITS WILL BE ADMITTED INTO THE PARADE – There will be a limit of 2 units per company or individual. YOU MUST SPECIFY IF YOU ARE BRINGING A TRUCK AND TRAILER! WE HAVE TO KNOW THE LENGTH OF THE TRAILER. If you say truck and come with truck and trailer you will be turned away.

3. The headlights of all units must be turned OFF during the parade. If the lighting for your unit is wired into the headlight circuit or if your headlights cannot be turned off, the headlights of the unit must be covered.

4. All units using portable generators shall have a working fire extinguisher and an ample supply of fuel aboard before entering the staging area. No fueling shall be allowed along the parade route.

5. No smoking shall be allowed in or on any unit from the time the unit arrives at the staging area until it reaches the end of the parade route.

6. Horn blowing shall be reserved for members of the bands in the parade. Please, no horns or sirens!

7. All units MUST be decorated for Christmas except for dignitary units, military units, and bands, which shall be exempt from this rule.

8. Each entry MUST be decorated and MUST have Christmas lighting. If your entry does not have decorations or lighting, you will not be allowed to participate in the parade.

9. All music or singing must be songs of the theme or the Christmas season.

10. No motorcycles, dirt bikes, mini-bikes, ATVs, or lawnmowers are allowed in the parade. You may display these vehicles on floats, but they may not be driven in the parade.

11. Only ONE unit per application per entry fee. Additional units that arrive on the day of the parade will be turned away.

12. NO LIVE SANTAS ON ANY FLOAT except the Chamber of Commerce Santa float.

13. Please refrain from making, processing, or preparing food on the route. Pre-packaged items are ok to hand out.

14. Hateful language or behavior toward staff, volunteers, fellow participants, or anyone else will not be tolerated. Any reported incident will result in immediate removal from the parade lineup.

16. The Glasgow High School and Glasgow Middle School parking lots are reserved for floats only. Participants should park in the grassy lot on the high school side and walk to their floats. Drivers of unauthorized vehicles parked in the float lots will be asked to move. Vehicles that are not moved after a warning will be towed.

15. "Stars, Stripes & Silent Nights" celebrates America's 250th anniversary through classic Americana, national landmarks, military service, American history, and holiday traditions. We want participants with differing political views to enjoy the parade together, so entries should avoid current politics. Floats featuring current political figures will not be permitted and will be turned away at check-in. Historical figures such as George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, and Benjamin Franklin are welcome.

****If any of the above rules are broken, you may not be allowed to participate in future parades. ****

By signing below, you state that you have read, understand, and agree to abide by the above rules and regulations of the Christmas parade.

Name (Please Print): _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____