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**APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR
PURCELLVILLE'S ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY PARADE**

PURCELLVILLE, Va. May 22, 2018 — The Purcellville Volunteer Fire Company and the Town of Purcellville are pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted to participate in the annual Independence Day Parade. There is no cost to participate. Completed applications are due June 25. The parade will kick off at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 4th. Show your patriotic pride with family, friends, and neighbors and join in America's birthday celebration! [Applications can be downloaded online on the Holiday Events and Activities page of the Purcellville website.](#)

"Stars and Stripes" has been selected as the 2018 parade theme. Participants are encouraged to include a creative patriotic theme, music, special effects, and other crowd-pleasing elements to their parade entries. The top three patriotic entries will receive a ribbon and a banner to display throughout the parade. Winners will be chosen by the Independence Day Parade Citizen Volunteer group. Again this year, *The Purcellville Gazette* will hand off the "Liberty Cup" which is currently in the possession of the 2017 top winning entry, the Makersmiths, to the new 2018 winner.

The parade route starts on Orchard Avenue, turns right onto Main Street, followed by a left onto Maple Avenue, and concludes at Loudoun Valley High School. The parade route will be closed from approximately 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. to through traffic. As a convenience for families with small children or those with sensitive hearing, a "quiet zone" will be designated on Main Street along the parade route. Marked by signage, the quiet zone is a section of the parade route void of canon fire, sirens, and loud music from participants.

For additional information, please contact Donnie Embrey with the Purcellville Volunteer Fire Company at 703-727-7191 or FORESTFFEMBREY@AOL.COM.

The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

Purcellville is an award-winning town of over 9,000 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 40 miles west of Washington, DC. Having received the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities, Purcellville continues to be honored for its green initiatives with most recently being the Tree City USA recipient for the 10th year. The Town was reaffirmed as a AAA rated community by S&P Global Ratings, the highest credit rating possible, and is recognized as one of the safest towns in Virginia. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, Purcellville has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiques, entertainment, farmer's markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at www.purcellvilleva.gov.

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