

Walkersville Volunteer Fire Company Inc
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2026 Annual Fireman's Carnival
Monday June 29, 2026 to Saturday July 4, 2026
Fireman's Parade, Friday July 3, 2026 at 4:15 pm

May 20, 2026

Dear Friends,

In conjunction with America's 250th anniversary, the Walkersville Volunteer Fire Company is proud to announce that once again we will be having a parade this year to coincide with our annual carnival. **We will hold the parade on Friday July 3rd and it will move promptly at 4:15pm. Line up will begin at 3:00pm. There will NOT be a rain date for the parade.**

We would like to extend an invitation for you to participate in this year's parade.

The route this year will begin on S. Glade Rd at the Railroad tracks. It will then turn Right onto E Frederick Street and proceed to the carnival grounds. There will be parking for apparatus available on the grounds. **The Judge's Stand will be located on the apron at Co. 24.**

We ask that you approach and line up for the parade along Glade Road and access it from Devilbiss Bridge Road. We will have staff and fire police to direct you.

Devilbiss Bridge Road can be accessed from MD 194 or Dublin Road. **Fire Apparatus & Equipment will be placed on a first come, first served basis in order of arrival behind Battalion 4 units.** Other entries will be placed at the discretion of the parade committee as they arrive. VIP's and non-fire equipment may be staged in other areas along the route prior to placement. We encourage you to RSVP so we can properly plan on your participation.

We would appreciate you signing and returning the enclosed form by Monday June 22, 2026. You can email the form to: walkersvilleparade1124@gmail.com or mail attention "2026 Parade Committee" 79 W Frederick St Walkersville, MD 21793

We have enclosed a list of prizes to be awarded and the parade rules. Prizes & winners will be awarded at 9:00pm at the stage on the carnival grounds.

Questions can be addressed to:

Topper Cramer: (301)-748-6760

Jeremy Heflin: (301)-401-3604

We look forward to seeing you at this year's parade!

2026 Walkersville Parade Prize Categories

The following will receive plaques for first (1st) and second (2nd) place:

- Best appearing engine
- Best appearing rescue squad / rescue engine
- Best appearing truck
- Best appearing ambulance
- Best appearing brush truck

Non-Profit Group Floats or Displays

- \$250
- \$150
- \$100

Commercial Floats or Displays

- \$200
- \$100

Special Judges Awards

- \$100
- 2 @ \$50

Best Appearing Majorette / Cheer / Dance Group

- \$100
- \$75
- \$50

Special Non-Profit Group Awards (antique vehicle, tractor, animal, etc)

- 6 @ \$50

Best appearing Company in Frederick County

- \$250

Best appearing Company outside Frederick County

- \$250

Best appearing Antique Fire Equipment

- \$100

Company traveling the longest distance

- \$150

2026 Parade Rules

1. All marching units must be in uniform.
2. No spot drilling is permitted unless the unit is in forward motion.
3. The sounding of horns or sirens is prohibited and will result in disqualification.
4. Flaming batons are not permitted.
5. No organization may receive more than one prize.
6. Judges' decisions are final.
7. Winners will be announced at 9:00 PM at the stage on the carnival grounds.
8. No participant under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be permitted in the parade.
9. There shall be **no consumption of alcohol or drugs** while in the line of march.
10. All units registered by a fire company must be owned and operated by that fire company.
11. Antique vehicles must be at least 25 years old and may be privately, commercially, or fire company owned.
12. Unsafe vehicles will not be permitted to participate.
13. All units will be judged; judges' decisions are final.

Horse Entries

1. Any horse entry must provide a designated "follow-behind pooper scooper" to immediately clean up after the animal.

Line-Up Guidelines

1. During line-up, please avoid blocking roadways or driveways whenever possible.

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Please complete and either email to: walkersvilleparade1124@gmail.com or mail attention:
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We will attend the 2026 Fireman's Parade: _____ **YES** _____ **NO**

Fire/EMS/Rescue Apparatus: _____

No. of Units: _____

Marching Unit/Band: _____

Majorette Group: _____

Float: _____

Antique Car: _____

Business Entry: _____

Other Entry: _____

Name of Organization: _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip Code: _____

Phone Number & Contact Person: _____

Email: _____

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