



“Unlike any Udder for 77 Years”  
Harvard Milk Days™ 2018  
Saturday, June 2, 2018

Instructions for Parade Participants

Mark Dion – Parade Chairman

The assembly ground for Milk Days parade is the parking lots surrounding the Harvard High School, Jefferson School and selected adjacent side streets. The address for the High School is 1103 N. Jefferson St. Harvard, IL 60033.

Please allow extra time to arrive in case of road construction. All entries are to report at the back of the Harvard High School on Garfield Street. A tent will be set up for sign-in. Please line up no later than 11:00 a.m. for judging. Look for signs that point the way to Parade Registration. Starting time for the parade is 1:00 p.m. rain or shine. Your entry number will be given to you at check in. Please display your number near the front on the right side of the entry. You must have your entry number to proceed in the parade.

Only parade entries will be allowed to park in the school parking lots and side streets. Personal parking is available at the Harvard Jr. High, 1301 N. Garfield St. and Diggins Memorial Library, 900 E. McKinley St. There will be traffic assistance to direct you to these locations.

We will have a group on hand at the assembly ground for your convenience and they will assist you in lining up for the parade. As in the past, this year's groups of helpers are volunteers. We ask that you show them respect and kindness for they are there to help you.

Equestrian entries will assemble at the Jr. High School and need to leave the assembly area as clean as it is on arrival.

No candy or other items are to be thrown from your parade entry. Walkers may hand out these items to the crowd. Absolutely no squirt guns are allowed. If you are a performing unit, please notify the Milk Day Office in advance if you plan on stopping in front of the reviewing stand. All other entries are not to stop. All political vehicles are to keep moving, even with walkers (walkers can catch up). No alcoholic beverages are allowed on any parade entry or before the parade starts. Remember, you are on school property and there could be legal ramifications if you choose to bring alcohol onto school property. Please cooperate with us on these matters.

The parade will disband at Ratzlaff and Thompson Streets on the east side of Milky Way Park. Busses should park at the eastern entrance to collect entry members. Directions will be provided at check in and are attached to this document. Should you have questions, please respond to this e-mail as soon as possible.

We thank you for your interest in our parade and hope that it will be an enjoyable day for all who participate.

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# **Support Vehicle Directions to move from drop-off point (A) to pick-up point (B)**

**Route number 1:** This is the most direct route but can only be used until 12:15 pm  
From the high school (A), travel SOUTH on Garfield St. to the stop sign on Rt. 173 (Diggins St.). Turn RIGHT (WEST) on Rt. 173 and go to the STOPLIGHT (4 blks). At the stoplight, continue on Diggins St., follow the curve to the stop sign and turn right on to Diggins St. Cross over the railroad tracks and turn left on Ratzlaff St. Go south over the tracks and turn right into the East entrance to Milky Way park.

**Route number 2:** Use this route until 12:15 pm if you are a large bus or vehicle that can't make sharp turns.  
From the high school (A), travel SOUTH on Garfield St. to the stop sign on Rt. 173 (Diggins St.). Turn RIGHT (WEST) on Rt. 173 and go to the STOPLIGHT (4 blks). At the stoplight, turn LEFT (SOUTH) onto Route 14 and travel SOUTH crossing over the railroad bridge to the stoplight. Turn RIGHT (WEST) on Rt. 173, travel approx. 1 mile to Lawrence Rd. Turn RIGHT (NORTH) onto Lawrence Road and travel past the fairgrounds, cross over the railroad tracks and turn RIGHT (EAST) onto Diggins. Head east approx. 0.4 miles and turn south on Ratzlaff St crossing the railroad tracks and turning right into the East entrance to Milky Way Park. Tell the ticket takers that you are waiting to pick up your group.

**Route number 3:** This route will take you around most of the traffic congestion. Leaving from the high school travel north on Garfield St. to the stop sign at Route 14. Take a right on Route 14 and travel north approximately 1½ miles to Oak Grove Rd. Take a left and head west on Oak Grove Rd. Continue west approximately 2½ miles to the village of Lawrence. At the stop sign turn left and head south onto Lawrence Rd. Travel about 1 mile on Lawrence Rd. to the stop sign at Ramer Rd. Turn left onto Ramer Rd. which will change to Diggins St. Continue to Ratzlaff St. where you will turn right and head south on Ratzlaff St crossing the railroad tracks and turning right into the East entrance to Milky Way park. Tell the ticket takers that you are waiting to pick up your group.

See map on next page.



