STRATFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL PRESENTS Event **ALL FESTIVITIES WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY, JULY 4TH** RAINDATE: SATURDAY, JULY 5TH 10:00 PARADE WILL BEGIN 10:00 AT YELLIN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL (111 WARWICK RD., STRATFORD) PARTICIPANTS ARE ASKED TO LINE UP AT YELLIN SCHOOL AT 9:15 AM \*JUDGING WILL BEGIN AT 9:30 (ALL ORGANIZATIONS, CHURCHES AND BUSINESSES ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE) PARADE ROUTE: WARWICK RD TO LONGWOOD RD, LEFT ON WINDING WAY, LEFT ON BONNIE AVE, LEFT ON TEMPLE AVE, RIGHT ON WARWICK RD, LEFT ON WEST HARVARD AVE, RIGHT ON VASSAR AVE. TO MANCINI FIELD. PLEASE JOIN US FOR CONTESTS, INFLATABLES, GAMES, FOOD AND FUN AT MANCINI FIELD **IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PARADE** \*SORRY, PETS CANNOT PARTICIPATE BUT REGISTERED SERVICE DOGS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME. PRIZES AWARDED FOR: BEST DECORATED TEAM/ORGANIZATION'S FLOAT **BEST DECORATED WAGON/STROLLER BEST DECORATED BICYCLE** IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT COUNCILWOMAN DAWN MARTIN: DAWNMARTIN@STRATFORDNJ.ORG

From the Desk of Councilwoman Dawn Martin Director of Public Events Borough of Stratford

The 4th of July is quickly approaching, and we're excited to continue this beloved tradition with our community! We invite residents to come together and take part in the day's festivities. Following the parade, please join us at Mancini Field for a community ceremony, prize presentations, food, and family-friendly activities.

Below is important information to help you plan your holiday celebration. If you have any questions, feel free to email Dawn Martin at dawnmartin@stratfordnj.org.

#### Parade Details:

- Start Time: 10:00 AM
- Route: The parade will follow the same route as in previous years:
- Begins on Warwick Rd → Longwood Rd → Left on Winding Way → Left on Bonnie Ave → Left on Temple Ave → Right on Warwick Rd → Left on West Harvard Ave → Right on Vassar Ave → Ends at Mancini Field.

#### Parade Participants:

- All groups and organizations participating in the parade should arrive at Yellin Intermediate School by 9:15 AM judging will begin at 9:30.
- Please arrange for your group to meet at an alternate location (such as the Swim Club or the front of John Paul II) before heading to Yellin. This helps minimize traffic at Yellin as floats and vehicles enter the lot.
- Children participating with decorated bikes, wagons, or strollers are welcome and should be accompanied by an adult. Please also bring water to stay hydrated.
- Jeeps, firetrucks, and the Rowan PD will meet at the John Paul II parking lot.

## Important Note on Parade Participation:

- Pets are not permitted in the parade; however, registered service dogs are always welcome.
- To ensure an inclusive, family-friendly atmosphere, we kindly ask that political organizations and representatives not participate in the parade. We appreciate your understanding as we focus on unity, community spirit, and fun for all.

## Safety & Support:

- The Stratford Police Department will be present to assist with crosswalk safety.
- Borough Council members will be stationed at the entrance of Yellin School to help direct teams and organizations to their designated staging areas (also noted on the attached map).





Thank you for making this another memorable holiday for our community!





# **Calling All Convertible Owners!**

We're getting ready for Stratford's 4th of July Parade and need YOUR help to make it amazing!





Do you have a convertible? We'd love for you to drive a local hero or pageant contestant in the parade!

If interested, please contact Councilwoman Dawn Martin:dawnmartin@stratfordnj.org



# 🞇 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! 🕮

Help us bring the fun to Mancini Field this 4th of July! We're looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help run games and activities immediately following the parade at Mancini Field. It's a great way to get involved in the community and be part of the holiday excitement!

Whether you can help for an hour or stay for the whole event, we'd love to have you on the team.

📩 Interested?

Email Councilwoman Dawn Martin: dawnmartin@stratfordnj.org to sign up or get more info.

Let's make this 4th of July unforgettable together!