

PAWNEE
PRAIRIE DAYS
PARADE

Celebrating America's 250th!



SATURDAY, MAY 30TH

at 5 P.M.

The Pawnee Prairie Days parade will introduce a revised selection of award categories this year, intended to encourage creativity, enhance community engagement, and honor Pawnee in recognition of the nation's 250th anniversary.

You may choose to have your parade entry in one of the 5 categories. The parade award categories for 2026 include:

_____ Stars & Stripes Float Award: Honoring the most creative and visually striking use of red, white, and blue.

_____ Most Creative Human-Powered Entry (including pets): Celebrating walkers, families, youth groups, bicycles, and pet-friendly entries.

_____ Most Creative Small-Wheels Entry: Highlighting imaginative use of UTV's, scooters, golf carts, and other small-wheeled vehicles.

_____ Classic Vehicles

_____ Antique Tractors

- Judges Choice – Celebrating America’s 250th Birthday: A special award Selected by the Pawnee Prairie Days Parade Committee for overall excellence.

These categories are designed to celebrate Pawnee’s creativity, pride, and community spirit. We warmly invite churches, civic groups, class reunions, businesses, families, friends, and farms to join the fun and help tell our nation’s story as we celebrate America’s 250th anniversary. First-place and runner-up winners in each category will receive cash prizes by mail. Participation in an award category is completely optional—you’re welcome to be part of the parade either way. Please note that all judges’ decisions are final.

Parade check-in and line-up will begin at Pawnee High School and will follow last year’s route. Please plan to arrive by 4:30 p.m. Rain may cancel the parade. If you are bringing horses, please be sure to provide a clean-up crew and complete the village release form.

If you have any questions or would like entry information, please contact Phil Clarke at (217) 741-7681.

Pawnee Prairie Days Parade Entry Form

Saturday, May 30, 2026

Check-in and line-up: 3:30–4:30 p.m. Parade begins: 5:00 p.m.

Theme: *“Celebrating America’s 250th”*

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone: _____ E-Mail _____

Entry type (please check one):

Would you like to be considered for a cash award? _____ Yes or _____ No

If yes, please tell us which unit should be considered:

If you win a cash award, we will mail it to the address listed on your registration form.

You may enter your parade entry in one of five award categories for 2026:

_____ Stars & Stripes Float Award: Celebrating the most creative and eye-catching use of red, white, and blue.

_____ Most Creative Human-Powered Entry (including pets): Recognizing walkers, families, youth groups, bicycles, and pet-friendly entries.

_____ Most Creative Small-Wheels Entry: Showcasing imaginative use of UTVs, scooters, golf carts, and other small-wheeled vehicles.

_____ Classic Vehicles

_____ Antique Tractors

By submitting this registration, I/we understand and agree that participation in the Pawnee Prairie Days Parade is at our own risk. I/we release and hold harmless the Pawnee Prairie Days Association, the Village of Pawnee, and their employees, agents, and volunteers from claims for injury, death, property damage, loss, or expense arising from participation in the parade.

I/we also understand that the Pawnee Prairie Days Association, the Village of Pawnee, and their employees, agents, and volunteers are not responsible for reimbursement, compensation, indemnification, or damages if the parade is canceled or changed for any reason, including weather, power outages, or police action.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please mail your entry to: Pawnee Prairie Days, PO Box 346, Pawnee, IL 62558
Or drop it off at Snelling-Chevalier Real Estate Phone: 217-741-7681 Please note: rain may cancel the parade.