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PETERSHAM TO HOST JULY 4 PARADE

PETERSHAM—The Town of Petersham is pleased to bring back a favorite tradition—the July 4 Parade!

The parade is the first held since the pandemic began in 2020 and the Petersham Parade Committee has been working to revitalize this popular event after its long hiatus. The parade officially begins at 10 a.m., however breakfast snacks and beverages will be available on the Common beginning at 9:30 a.m. Live music by Drew Paton also is featured from 9:30-11:30 a.m. on the town’s bandstand.

The parade route begins at the historic and picturesque Town Common and travels the “Olde Maid’s Mile,” a one-mile residential loop that circles back to the town center.

The parade line-up includes a color guard, Grand Marshal “Smilin’ Ernie” Richards, decorated horses and members of the New England Equestrian Center of Athol, Petersham historical figures, participants from the Petersham Grange and the Orthodox Congregational Church, Candidate for State Representative Aaron Saunders, antique cars, ATVs, motorcycles, and fire trucks for the conclusion.

The forecast looks great with sunshine and blue skies ahead. Bring a lawn chair to sit along the sidewalks and enjoy. Everyone is welcome!

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Photo Caption:

Antique vehicles from the Petersham Fire Department; Petersham parade participants on the historic

Town Common; Members of the Petersham Grange enjoy a tractor ride; Historical figures from the Petersham Historical Society; Folks of all ages enjoying the parade. (Photos courtesy Nancy Allen.)



