



Heritage Days Balloon Festival

Balloon Launch and Glow

6 to 10 p.m.

Car Show: 3-8 p.m.; Bed Races: 7 p.m.

Saturday, June 17, Huntington North High School

*Jump under the sheets and
Roll down the streets*

Huntington Heritage Days 2017 Bed Race!



Businesses, families, churches, clubs, and more are invited to participate. Each team will have four runners/pushers, a rider in pajamas, and a decorated bed

There is a \$25 fee to participate

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Cash Prizes to the Top 3 Finishers

1st Place: \$300; 2nd Place: \$200; 3rd Place: \$100

Applications due by Friday, June 9

For more information, contact the Huntington County Chamber of Commerce at (260) 356-5300 or visit the website at www.huntingtoncountychamber.com and see the events section of the calendar for registration forms, a list of rules, and details for bed construction.

Heritage Day's Bed Race

Race Date: Saturday, June 17, 2017

Location: In front of Huntington North High School (immediately following the balloon launch)

Race Deadline: Beds may enter up to the start of the first race.

Race Time: Approximately 7 p.m., after liftoff of the Hot Air Balloons which depends on the weather, etc.

Race Fee: \$25 per bed

Race: Double Elimination

The Huntington County Chamber of Commerce will hold a bed race this year during the Heritage Days festivities. Businesses, families, churches, clubs, etc. are welcome to participate. All ages may take part in the event but because of its fast-paced nature it is recommended that children under the age of 15 be accompanied by a parent or older sibling who will play a part in the race and be on the same team. Participants are required to wear good running shoes. Flip-flops, sandals, or bare feet will not be allowed. All participants must sign a waiver relinquishing the Huntington County Chamber of Commerce and the City of Huntington of all responsibility.

RULES OF THE RACE

1. Each team must have five (5) people to a team to include four (4) runners and one (1) riding on the bed.
2. Pajamas will be provided for the rider(s) to wear over their regular clothing.
3. The race will be held at Huntington North High School in front of the school prior to the return of the balloons and the balloon glow. The beds will leave the starting line with four (4) pushers and one (1) rider on the bed wearing pajamas. Juergens Do-It Center will provide all pajamas. Halfway through the block, the beds must come to a complete stop in the designated area and successfully complete a "Chinese Fire Drill" then must continue to the end of the block. Once the bed is at the end of the block and at a complete stop, the rider must exit the bed and remove the pajamas and then hand them to one of the pushers. The pusher must completely and correctly put on the pajamas while the team is positioning to run back toward the finish line (which was the starting line). The team may turn the bed 180 degrees during the pajama change or just "about face" and push the bed backwards back to the finish line once the dressed rider is completely and safely back on the bed. When at the half way point of the block, another "Chinese Fire Drill" must be successfully executed before continuing on to the finish line. **Note:** the "drill" is intended to slow the overall speed of the race for safety (not to mention it can be just darn entertaining).
4. All members of the team must be in contact with the bed at all times, except when the pajama exchange is made and during the "drill."
5. This will be a "Double Elimination Race." Two beds will race at once. Winners of a race will race the winner of another race, etc. The last winner of the final race will receive the award.
6. All teams will need to display their name on the bed so that it may be visible to the audience.
7. Participants are encouraged to decorate themselves and/or the bed to provoke outlandish, silly, sponsored or socially relevant themes.
8. The use of distraction devices such as water guns, horns, water balloons, megaphones, whistles, etc. are approved and recommended to use. All such devices must be used in a respectful manner and not to harm or degrade contestants and/or the audience.
9. The judge's decisions are final.

NOTE: Your safety is very important to us. Please wear good running shoes. Accidents may occur such as falling down on pavement, scrapes, bruises, tripping, collisions, etc. Safety gear to avoid such hazards is recommended.

BED CONSTRUCTION

- a. The frame of the racing bed does not need to be of an original bed but it must mimic a real bed in appearance by having a headboard and footboard.
- b. Beds are to have a minimum of four wheels, so situated to make the bed stable and safe.
- c. Wheels of any size may be used. You may have swivels, steering, or permanently fixed wheels. **Hint:** fixed wheels are more than adequate.
- d. The bed cannot have any means of propulsion or brakes other than provided by the runners. Human power only. No motors are allowed.
- e. Beds may not be pulled, only pushed from the sides and/or back.
- f. The bed may have push bars, though may not exceed the overall width of the bed.
- g. The mattress and/or box spring must be a manufactured adult-sized bed, i.e. twin, double, queen, or king. The minimum mattress/box spring dimensions must be no smaller than 35" x 71." This will be strictly enforced. No youth beds, cribs, bed of roses (ha ha), or of the like.
- h. Mattresses must be at least 1.5" thick and outfitted with one blanket and one pillow.
- i. Any violations of the bed construction guidelines will cost your team a 3 second delay at the start – per violation.



Heritage Days Bed Race

Entry Form

Return entry form to:
Huntington County Chamber of Commerce
305 Warren Street, Huntington, IN 46750
For more information e-mail: info@huntington-chamber.com

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PLEASE SUBMIT THIS FORM FOR ENTRY

Name of group: _____

Captain/Contact Person: _____

Phone #1: _____ Phone #2: _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Secondary Contact Person: _____

Phone #1: _____ Phone #2: _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

HERITAGE DAYS BED RACE WAIVER OF LIABILITY

**THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED BY ALL THOSE PARTICIPATING IN THE EVENT
AND RETURNED TO BED RACE OFFICIALS BEFORE THE RACE BEGINS**

In consideration of the acceptance of my application/entry form for the Heritage Days Bed Race, I hereby release all associated groups: Huntington County Chamber of Commerce, the City of Huntington, and any person officially or unofficially connected with this competition from all liability for any injuries or damages whatsoever arising from this competitive event.

Please sign your name and date on the lines below

Participant #1 Name: _____ Date: _____

Participant #2 Name: _____ Date: _____

Participant #3 Name: _____ Date: _____

Participant #4 Name: _____ Date: _____

Participant #5 Name: _____ Date: _____

Additional Participant: _____ Date: _____