Kites on the Green
Saturday, May 3, 2014 beginning at 2:00 p.m.
Johnston Commons/Johnston Public Library, 6700 Merle Hay Road

REGISTRATION INFORMATION
The City of Johnston is proud to present the first annual "Kites on the Green" festival. For more information, please go to www.cityofjohnston.com/upcomingevents, email jschmitz@cityofjohnston.com or call 515.727.8091.

Registration Information: One registration form per kite per category. If you need additional registration forms, they are available on the website listed above. You may also pick up and drop off completed registration forms at the Johnston Public Library or Johnston City Hall. You may also mail in your registration form to: City of Johnston, Kites on the Green, PO Box 410, Johnston, IA 50131.

Registration Deadline: Pre-registration is requested and due by May 2. Walk-in registrations will be allowed from noon until 1:00 p.m. on the day of the festival at the Johnston Public Library at the Kite Contest Booth.

Start Time: All participants must check in at the Kite Contest Booth by 1:00 p.m. the day of the event. We advise participants to arrive and register/check-in early in order to test their kites at the field before competitions begins. The fields must be clear by 1:45 p.m. An award ceremony will follow immediately after conclusion of all contests.

Registration Fee: There is **NO** fee to participate, however, a single kite can only win a maximum of one award.

Participant Name:_____

Address:_____

Phone Number:_____ Email:_____

Division: ____Beginner (3rd grade and younger) ____Youth (grade 4-7) ____Teen (grade 8-12) ____Adult

What category do you plan to fly your kite? Check based upon type of kite you plan to enter and which contest you want to fly your kite. (If you want to fly a second kite in a different category, you must complete another form)

Purchased Kite (or kite kit)
____largest kite
____most beautiful kite
____most innovative kite
____smallest kite
____most "green" kite
____highest flyer

Homemade Kite
____largest kite
____most beautiful kite
____most innovative kite
____smallest kite
____most "green" kite
____highest flyer

Waiver: I, the undersigned, by participating (or having a child that is participating) in the Kites on the Green activities, agree to:
-Engage in and promote safe, responsible flying and to adhere to all event safety rules.
-Adhere to all contest rules.
-Acknowledge that kite flying may involve risk of serious injury and/or economic losses from my actions or those of others.
-Assume these risks and waive and release the City of Johnston, all sponsors, employees and all other volunteers from any and all acts, injuries, or damages arising out of my participation or the participation of my child(ren).
-Understand that judges' decisions are final.
-Be responsible for cleaning up any debris resulting from participation in this kite festival.
-In case of emergency every effort will be made to notify parents. I hereby authorize the event staff and volunteers to secure such emergency medical care and / or treatment as my child might require while participating at this event. Event staff or volunteers may call an ambulance and have my child taken to the nearest hospital emergency unit if they believe an emergency situation exists. I agree to pay all the costs and fees for any emergency medical care or treatment for my child as secured under this consent.

Signature of parent_____ Date _____ 2014

Photo Release
I grant to the City of Johnston the right to take photographs of me and my family in connection with this event and publish the same in print and/or electronically. I agree that the city of Johnston may use such photographs of me with or without my name and for any lawful purpose, including, for example, such purposes as publicity, illustration, advertising, and Web content.

Signature of parent_____ Date _____ 2014

RETURN FORM PRIOR TO MAY 2 – City Hall, Johnston Public Library or mail to City Hall, Kites on the Green, PO Box 410, Johnston IA 51031

Contest Rules and Criteria

•Registration must be received at the Kite Contest Booth between noon and 1:00 p.m. on May 3, 2014, the day of the festival. Pre-registration is preferred.
•Participants must check in by 1:00 p.m. at the Kite Contest Booth on the day of the festival.
•Contests begin at 2:00 p.m. and will continue until all contests are concluded.
•Participants may practice flying their kite at any time in the designated practice area.
•A kite can enter all appropriate kite contest categories, but a single kite can only win one award per category.
•Depending on the number of participants, kites would be flown in mass ascension in small groups or may be flown one person at a time. Judges will make decision based upon wind, contest and number of participants.
•Youth, teen and adult contestants are entitled to one helper to assist ONLY with launching the kite. Beginner division kites may be flown with assistance from one other person.
•Each participant is responsible for cleaning up any debris resulting from his or her participation in the kite festival.
•An award ceremony will follow immediately after the conclusion of all contests.
•Judges' decisions are final.
•Festival organizers reserve the right to exclude any activity or person whose behavior is considered inappropriate, objectionable or unsafe.
•After the competition, everyone is urged to continue flying his or her kite.
•Events and times may be changed or modified due to the weather and/or wind conditions. Flexibility is the key for everyone's happiness.
•All kites that are anchored for display or demonstration must be marked with safety tape at eye level and two feet above the ground. Kites must be supervised at all times.
•Judges reserve the right to mark and measure line extended in case of dispute for highest-flying contest.
•No fishing line allowed as kite string (dangerous as may snap)
•Wire or metallic string will not be allowed in the construction of the kite, tail or flying of the kite.

Divisions

Beginner Division (grades 3 and younger); Youth Division (4th -7th grade); Teen Division (8th-12th grade) and Adult Division

Categories

Purchased Kite Contest Category (kite or kite kit purchased commercially) and Homemade

Contests –

Minimum 10 feet of line and flight time of 10 minutes (teen/adult) and 5 minutes (beginner/youth) required for all contests. Judges may adjust flight time due to wind.

-Largest kite-measure for size (not including tail)
-Most beautiful-best use of color and design, unusual design or creative design, flight performance and the ability to attract and hold judge's attention
-Most innovative-originality of concept, flight performance, design and construction; ability to attract and hold judge's attention
-Smallest kite-measured for size (not including tail)
-Most "green" kite-made from recyclable items, environment friendly; use of innovative materials
-Highest flying kite-that kite, which reaches peak vertical distance

Spectators

Spectators are welcome and encouraged. Bring your family and friends along with you. Participants and spectators need to provide their own blanket or chair.

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