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GAEL OF THE YEAR



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2013
42nd Annual
St. Patrick's Parade of Washington, D.C.
The Nation's Parade
"Service to the Stars and Stripes"

United States National Anthem	TSgt Emily Wellington US Air Force Band
Irish National Anthem	TBD
Invocation	Rev. Msgr. Salvatore Criscuolo
Master of Ceremonies	Dan Sipe
Embassy of Ireland	Mr. Kevin Conmy Deputy Chief of Mission
Grand Marshal	Admiral Mike Mullen, USN (Ret)
Gael of the Year	Col John Joseph (J.J.) Kelly, USA (Ret)
Division Marshals	Katie Ledecky Col Douglas Dillard, USA (Ret) Col William R. Halpin, USA (Ret)



PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION

IRISH-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH, 2013

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

For more than two centuries, America has been made and remade by striving, hopeful immigrants looking for a chance to pursue their dreams. Millions among them were born in Ireland, separated from our shores but united by their belief in a better day. This month, we celebrate the Irish-American journey, and we reflect on the ways a nation so small has inspired so much in another.

Generations of Irish left the land of their forebears to cast their fortunes with a young Republic. Escaping the blight of famine or the burden of circumstance, many found hardship even here. They endured prejudice and stinging ridicule. But through it all, these new citizens never gave up on one of our oldest ideas: that anyone from anywhere can write the next great chapter in the American story. So they raised families and built communities, earned a living and sent their kids to school. In time, what it meant to be Irish helped define what it means to be American. And as they did their part to make this country stronger, Irish Americans shared in its success, retaining the best of their heritage and passing it down to their children.

That familiar story has been lived and cherished by Americans from all backgrounds, and it reaffirms our identity as a Nation of immigrants from all around the world. So as we celebrate Irish-American Heritage Month, let us retell those stories of sweat and striving. And as two nations united by people and principle, may America and Ireland always continue to move forward together in common purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BARACK OBAMA, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim March 2013 as Irish-American Heritage Month. I call upon all Americans to observe this month with appropriate ceremonies, activities, and programs.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-eighth day of February, in the year of our Lord two thousand thirteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-seventh.

BARACK OBAMA



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GRAND MARSHAL

ADMIRAL MIKE MULLEN, USN (RET)

Admiral Mike Mullen is a native of Los Angeles California and third generation Irish-American. His great grandmother hails from the Parish of Kiltullagh in County Roscommon.

He attended the U.S. Naval Academy on a basketball scholarship graduating in 1968.

After graduation, he served aboard the destroyer USS COLLETT which took part in combat operations off the coast of Vietnam. During his career, Admiral Mullen held leadership positions aboard six other warships, including command of the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON Strike Group. He has a Master of Science degree in Operations Research, and completed the Advanced Management Program at the Harvard Business School.



Admiral Mullen served as the 17th Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the President's principal military advisor, from October, 2007 until September, 2011. From 2005 to 2007, Admiral Mullen was the 28th Chief of Naval Operations, the Navy's highest ranking officer.



As Chairman of the Joint Chiefs, he was instrumental in integrating Special Operations forces into U.S. military activities, including presiding over the military's role in targeting Osama Bin Laden. He guided the U.S. Armed Forces through difficult phases in both the Afghanistan and Iraq wars, and oversaw humanitarian operations from Haiti to Japan.



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He built critical relationships with some of the most complex actors in the international community such as Russia, China and Pakistan. Admiral Mullen's dedication to the diversity and integrity of the U.S. Armed Forces informed his decision to support repeal of the Don't Ask, Don't Tell policy.

Passionate about the health and welfare of our troops and military families, as well as their connection to the American public, he and his wife, Deborah, continue to devote much of their time to advancing important support initiatives, including survivor benefits, suicide prevention, mental health, wounded care, homelessness, and veteran employment and education.

For his outstanding military service to our Nation and continued dedication to support those who serve, the St. Patrick's Parade Committee of Washington, D.C. is proud to honor Admiral Mullen as the 2013 Grand Marshal.



DID YOU KNOW?

22 United States Presidents have Irish roots. Beside their name is the County in which their ancestors lived.

George Washington - Cork
James Madison - Clare
Andrew Jackson - Antrim
James Polk - Donegal
James Buchanan - Tyrone
Andrew Johnson - Antrim
Ulysses S. Grant - Tyrone
Chester Arthur - Antrim
Grover Cleveland - Antrim
Benjamin Harrison - Down
William McKinley - Antrim

Theodore Roosevelt - Donegal
Woodrow Wilson - Tipperary
John F. Kennedy - Wexford
Richard Nixon - Antrim
Gerald Ford - Monaghan
Jimmy Carter - Derry
Ronald Reagan - Tipperary
George H.W. Bush - Down & Wexford
William Clinton - Fermanagh
George W. Bush - Down & Wexford
Barack Obama - Offlay



GAEL OF THE YEAR **COLONEL J.J. KELLY, USA (RET)**

John Joseph (J.J.) Kelly was born in Dover, NJ, and raised in Rockaway, NJ. He attended the United States Military Academy in West Point, New York and was commissioned upon graduation. He currently resides in Springfield, Virginia, with his wife of 47 years, the former Kaye Rasmussen. They have three children and seven grandchildren.



J.J.'s great grandparents, John Francis Kelly and Catherine Geany were young children when they emigrated from County Cavan and New Castle West, County Limerick in the mid-1800's. They met in Boonton, NJ, and were married there. John Francis and Catherine went west, looking for gold, but were robbed of most of the gold they had found on their way back to New Jersey.

Throughout his 25+ year military career J.J. served in overseas assignments in Germany, Belgium, Vietnam, and Korea. Stateside posts included Fort Sill, OK; El Paso, TX; Fort Hood, TX; Norfolk, VA; and The Pentagon, Washington, DC, attaining the rank of Colonel. His personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, and Air Force Commendation Medal.

Community service is a large part of J.J.'s life. He has been active in the Knights of Columbus for over 25 years, having served as Grand Knight for two separate councils, and had two separate terms as District Deputy. He is a Knight in the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem and is the Executive Secretary of the



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Ballyshaners, Inc. Nonprofit organization, sponsors of the Alexandria, Virginia, St. Patrick's Day Parade and the Alexandria Irish Festival.

His involvement in the Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) began in 1982, spanning over 25 years of involvement at Division, State and National level. He was State President from 2003 to 2005. He now serves the Order as National Chairman for Veterans Affairs, working to help in any way possible, those veterans from past, current and future wars and conflicts.

The AOH is the oldest and largest Irish Catholic organization in the United States. The AOH holds annual dances, concerts, and parades sponsored at all levels of the Order raise millions for charity while providing a showcase for the positive contributions the Irish have made in every walk of American life. Divisions and Hibernian Halls across the country have traditionally provided a welcome for new immigrants.

For his dedication to supporting and helping our troops at home and abroad, the St. Patrick's Parade Committee of Washington, D.C., is proud to honor Colonel J.J. Kelly (Ret) as our 2013 Gael of the Year.



DID YOU KNOW?

There were several Irishmen in Christopher Columbus crew. But the one who stands out most is Patrick Maguire. In 1492, Irish-born Maguire was the first crew member of Christopher Columbus' to set foot on North American ground.

The White House was designed by an Irishman, Mr. James Hoban. Kilkenny-born Hoban, studied architecture in Dublin, and is believed to have based his plan for the U.S. presidential home on Ireland's Leinster House, now home of the Dail Éireann.

<http://www.irishcentral.com/roots/Irish-American-trivia-10-patriotic-facts-about-the-Irish-in-America.html>



DIVISION MARSHAL - KATIE LEDECKY



Olympic Gold Medalist swimmer Kathleen (Katie) Ledecky was born with the luck of the Irish on St. Patrick's Day in 1997 in Washington, D.C. Katie was named after her Irish grandmother, Kathleen O'Connor Hagan, and her Irish aunt, Mary Kathleen Keogh, and today is Katie's 16th birthday.

Katie is a graduate of the Little Flower Catholic School in her home town of Bethesda, and is currently an honors student as a sophomore in high school at the Stone Ridge School of the Sacred Heart.

Katie began swimming year-round at age 6 and was soon recognized as one of the area's finest young swimmers, winning the Potomac Valley Swimming Outstanding Athlete award for five consecutive years. At the age of 15, Katie won a race at the U.S. Olympic Trials held in Omaha, Nebraska, which qualified her to swim the 800 Meter Freestyle event at the 2012 Olympic Games held in London last August. Katie not only became the youngest member of the United States Olympic swim team, she became the youngest American athlete to participate in any sport at the 2012 Summer Olympics.

In her Olympic event, Katie faced a tall order in that she had to swim against the defending Olympic and world champion in the 800 Meter Freestyle, 23-year old veteran distance swimmer Rebecca Adlington of





DIVISION MARSHAL - KATIE LEDECKY

Great Britain who was swimming before her home crowd and with British royals in attendance. With youthful exuberance and pluck, Katie took the race out fast and never looked back. She swam her race so fast that she won by more than four seconds, breaking the American record in the event which had been set by legendary Olympic champion Janet Evans in 1989, eight years before Katie was born. Katie became the youngest swimmer ever to win the 800 Meter Freestyle event at the Olympics and became the second youngest American swimmer ever to win a Gold Medal at the Olympics.

Katie's remarkable Gold Medal swim was recognized by USA Swimming and the USA Swimming Foundation as both the "Performance of the Year" and the "Breakout Performance of the Year", in a year in which the U.S. Olympic team had what many consider its finest Olympics ever, garnering a total of 31 medals.

Katie hopes to continue to swim in major national and international swimming competitions. In December 2012, Katie followed up her Olympic performance by capturing the U.S. short course national titles in the 500 Yard Freestyle and the 1650 Yard Freestyle, and led her local swim club (the Nation's Capital Swim Club) to a National Team Championship. Katie has been named to the U.S. National Swim team, is the holder of numerous National Age Group records and Potomac Valley Swimming Age Group Records, and continues to swim with her high school swim team.

For her Olympic accomplishments representing the United States, the St. Patrick's Parade Committee of Washington, D.C. is proud to honor Katie as a 2013 Division Marshal.





DIVISION MARSHAL

COLONEL DOUGLAS C. DILLARD, USA (RET)



Colonel Dillard currently holds the office of National President, Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge Association, Inc. He also is President of the 551st Parachute Infantry Battalion Association of WWII.

Colonel Dillard entered the service as an enlisted man on July 3, 1942. He received basic training, then Parachute training at Fort Benning, GA, and was deployed to Panama for an airborne operation to capture the island of Martinique. His battalion returned to the US and retrained for European warfare, then deployed to Italy. His unit jumped into Southern France on August 14, 1944, and was the first unit to capture a German Major General in his command post.

After the Southern France campaign, his unit moved to Northern France and was assigned to the XVIII Airborne Corps and attached to the 82nd Airborne Division. The Unit participated in the Battle of the Bulge where it was destroyed by German artillery and small arms fire while engaged in continuous attacks from January 3-8 January, 1945. Colonel Dillard's unit was awarded the Presidential Unit Citation for its combat heroism in the Battle of the Bulge.

When the war ended Colonel Dillard had progressed through the ranks to become 1st Sgt of his company. Colonel Dillard remained in the Army and served in the 82nd Airborne





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Division, then Korea where he worked behind the Chinese Lines with Korean Partisans, then service in Vietnam with the IV Corps Military Advisory Group in the Mekong Delta. Colonel Dillard served on active duty for 35 years, in both the Infantry and Military Intelligence Branches. He retired in September 1977.

He holds many awards from the US Army, Department of Defense, Korea and France. He is a graduate of the University of Maryland with a Bachelors Degree, Boston University with a Master Degree and was a PH.D. candidate at the Catholic University of America. He has been inducted into the Military Intelligence Hall of Fame and has the Order of St. Maurice, rank of Centurian from the National Infantry Association and is a master parachutist with the Combat Infantry Badge with Silver Star.

For his outstanding service to the United States of America and for keeping America aware of the sacrifice of our veterans, the St. Patrick's Parade Committee of Washington, D.C. is proud to honor Colonel Dillard (Ret) as a 2013 Division Marshal.





DIVISION MARSHAL

COLONEL WILLIAM R. HALPIN, USA (RET)



Bill is a retired U.S. Army infantry and intelligence officer with experience at all levels from Special Forces Operational Detachment Alpha in Vietnam to theater and national headquarters including service as an Army Attaché and brigade-level commander.

After six years on active duty, he spent the balance of a 31-year career in the Army Reserve, at various times assigned to the Joint Special Operations Agency, the US Special Operations Command, the US European Command, the Defense Intelligence Agency, and the Army Intelligence and Security Command. He was inducted into the Infantry School Hall of Fame, received numerous awards for meritorious service and combat heroism, including the prestigious Knowlton Award for Career Excellence. He retired as a Colonel (O-6). After leaving active duty, Bill served in a specialized Army program for nearly three decades, including 20 years at posts overseas. Later, he held the Wilson Chair for Intelligence Studies at the National Intelligence University and taught at CIA, DIA, NSA, and Senior Service Colleges. He has been published in the Defense Intelligence Journal and CIA's Studies in Intelligence.

Bill is a Rhode Island native and third generation Irish-American. He joined the Ancient Order of Hibernians in 1985 during a three-year assignment in the Washington area. As a Hibernian, he has served on multiple committees and held numerous elected offices, including six years as the President of two Virginia Divisions, first in Loudoun County and today in Fredericksburg. At the state level, he served on the Virginia AOH State Board as State Historian, State Treasurer, and he is the Veterans Affairs Chairman. He was honored to be selected as Virginia's Hibernian of the Year in 2003 and received the Virginia AOH St Columcille award in 2011.



DIVISION MARSHAL

COLONEL WILLIAM R. HALPIN, USA (RET)

As Veterans Affairs Chair, he is collaborating with others to fund and erect a memorial to Irish nationals who died in active service to the US Armed Forces in the Vietnam War. This memorial, to be erected in Ennis, County Clare, Ireland, will contain the names and dates of service of Irish men and women who served and lost their lives in Southeast Asia. The project is being undertaken in cooperation with the Ennis Town council. The plan is to dedicate the memorial on November 11, 2013, as part of The Gathering Ireland 2013.

As a member of the Society for the Study of Nineteenth Century Ireland, Bill presented a paper on Fenian Brotherhood activities in Europe 1866-71 at Queens University Belfast in the north of Ireland. He has contributed to several books pertaining to Irish and Irish-Americans in the U.S. Civil War and is completing the biography of General William G. Halpin, an Irish immigrant, Civil War regimental commander, and leader in the Fenian Brotherhood.

Bill completed his undergraduate degree at Bryant University, graduate degree at Boston University, and is a graduate of the Armed Forces Staff College and the U.S. Army War College. He also completed national intelligence and security policy programs at Harvard University, the Federal Executive Institute, and the Department of State.

In recognition of his service to the United States of America and documenting Irish and Irish American history, the St. Patrick's Parade Committee of Washington, D.C. is proud to honor Colonel William Halpin, USA (ret) as a 2013 Division Marshal.





PARADE PARTICIPANTS - AS OF 3/5/13

BANDS - MARCHING

Baltimore City Entertainers Marching Band., MD
Canyon High School Marching Band, New Braunfels, TX
Dominion High School Marching Titans, Sterling, VA
Great Mills High School Marching Band, Great Mills, MD
Mass Destruction Marching Band, Baltimore, MD
Washington Showstoppers Community Band
William C McGinnis Middle School Marching Band, Perth Amboy, NJ

BANDS - PIPE & DRUM

District Of Columbia Fire Department Emerald Society
Pipes & Drums

GROUPS - DANCE

Aoibhneas an Rince Irish Dancers, VA
Boyle School Of Irish Dance, VA
Celtic Rhythm School of Dance, VA
Culkin School Of Traditional Irish Dance, MD
Duffy School Of Irish Dance, MD
Fraternidad Cultural Pachamama, VA
Fraternida Tunkus Kay'Sur, MD
Hunt School of Irish Dance, MD
Hurley School Of Irish Dance, MD
Maple Academy Of Irish Dance, VA
Morenada Central USA, VA
O'Neill-James School Of Irish Dancing, VA
Tinkus San Simon, VA
Tinkus Surkay USA, MD
Tinkus Tiataco USA, MD



PARADE PARTICIPANTS - AS OF 3/5/13

GROUPS - MILITARY

4th Battalion, 3rd US Infantry Regiment - The Old Guard

4th Battalion, 3rd US Infantry Regiment - The Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps NCOIC

Air Force Marching Platoon

Armed Forces Color Guard NCOIC

Army Marching Platoon

Coast Guard Marching Platoon

Marine Marching Platoon

Navy Marching Platoon

United States Air Force Band

Veterans Of The Battle Of The Bulge, WW II. WWII Vehicles provided by the Washington Area Collectors Of Military Vehicles. Tim Ketchum

GROUPS - ORGANIZATIONS

Ancient Order Of Hibernians State Board of DC

Ancient Order Of Hibernians Commodore John Barry Division

Ancient Order of Hibernians Father William Corby Division

Ancient Order of Hibernians Monsignor Bradican Division (Float)

Brookland Club And Cairde Gaels (Float)

Calvert-Arundel Swordsmen

Chesapeake Irish Terrier Club

DC Daughters of the American Revolution

Emerald Society Firefighters Of Washington, D.C.





PARADE PARTICIPANTS - AS OF 3/5/13

GROUPS - ORGANIZATIONS (CONT'd)

Fraternal Order of Police - DC Lodge #1
Greenbelt Dog Training Parade Drill Team
Irish American Club of Washington, D.C.
Irish Northern Aid
Knights of Columbus, Fr. Rosenteel #2169
Ladies Ancient Order Of Hibernians Division 9
LGBT Contingent
Loyal And Patriotic Order Of Irish-American Reaganites
Miss District Of Columbia 2012, Allyn Rose
Miss Maryland Teen, Lauren Jones
National Ms Pageants - National Ms. 2012 Jennifer Weldron &
National Miss Pennsylvania Amber Smith
Police Emerald Society. The Family Behind the Badge
Potomac Valley Irish Wolfhound Club
Rose Of Tralee, Washington, DC, 2012 Rose of Tralee, Briana Apgar

GROUPS - SPORTS

Capital Rowing Club (Float)
DC United Mobile Unit with Talon
Washington DC Gaels (Float)





PARADE PARTICIPANTS - AS OF 3/5/13

GROUPS - YOUTH

8th & I Young Marines, Washington, DC
Col. Wesley Fox Young Marines, VA
Friendly High School Navy JROTC, MD
Northwestern High School Navy JROTC, MD
Oxon Hill Young Marines, Temple Hills, MD
South Lakes High School Army JROTC, Seahawk Battalion, VA
The Little Gym Twisters
US Naval Sea Cadet Corps, Alexandria Division, VA

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Alexandria Virginia Fire Department
District of Columbia City Council
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Emergency Management Agency
District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department
Fairfax County Police Honor Guard
Fairfax County Police Motor Squad
Greenbelt Police Department
Maryland National Capitol Park Police Mounted Unit,
Prince Georges County Division.
Metro Transit Police Department
Metropolitan Police Motorcycles (In "V" Formation)
With Color Guard
Montgomery County Police Motorcycle Unit.
Pentagon Police Department Honor Guard Team, Virginia.
Police Department Dare Vehicle,
Prince George's County Office of the Sheriff
Prince George's County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard
United States Department of the Interior
United States National Park Service Horse Mounted Unit
United States National Park Service Park Police



PARADE PARTICIPANTS - AS OF 3/5/13

NOVELTIES

Caed Mille Failte - The Moore Family

Dubliner Restaurant (Float)

Fighting Curran Brothers (Float) 1947 Antique Truck And 1926 Fire
Truck. Presenting The Bowie Baysox's Louie And His Irish Brigade
Irish Channel (Float)

Jim Moyer Circus Club

Kapitol Klowns, Alley 6 of DC & MD

Kena Shriners, Kena 500 Mini-Corvettes

Leprechaun, Donald Patrick Ryan, VA

McCarthy Clan (Float)

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The Potomac Wheelmen





PARADE PARTICIPANTS - AS OF 2/24/13

VEHICLES - ANTIQUES AND FIRE APPARATUS

1903 Curved Dash Oldsmobile, Owner Bob Geier

1951 Open Cab Fire Truck, Knights of Columbus,
Owner Edward Douglas White

1962 Ford Central Pumper and 1972 Chevy Ambulance

1964 White American LaFrance Pumper Fire truck.

Owner Joe & Sandy FitzGerald

1966 American LaFrance Fire Engine., Owner Earl Clime

1968 Hahn 750 Pumper, Owner Malden Miller

1968 Pirsch Pumper Truck. Operator William M. FitzGerald

1969 American LaFrance Pumper. Owner the Dowd Family

1973 Seagrave Hook and Ladder Fire Truck. Corcoran Family

1979 Riversdale Maryland Mini Pumper 7, Owner the Blazek Family

1979 Mack CF-600 Pumper, Owner the Higgins Family

District Of Columbia Fire Department Firefighting Apparatus

Engine 16, Truck 2, Rescue Squad 2, Medic 2 & Ems8.

Trucks 4 & 13 Form The Ladder Arch At 15th And Constitution

Old Dominion Historical Fire Society, Northern Virginia.

VEHICLES - CAR CLUBS

Changin Lanez DMV

Hustle Heavy Lifestyle Auto Club

Queens And Kings Ryderz

Northern Virginia Corvette Club

Virginia-Maryland Solstice/Sky Club





DID YOU KNOW?

St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, was born in Britain. He was captured and taken to Ireland as a slave as a boy. He escaped after six years, but returned to Ireland as a missionary in his 30's. His mission in Ireland lasted thirty years: establishing monasteries, setting up schools, and building churches. St. Patrick's Day is celebrated on the date of his death, March 17, 461AD.

There are only two surviving written documents, both letters, that are credited to Saint Patrick. One is an account of Saint Patrick's life and his work with the church. Known as the "Declaration", this letter describes the vision that told him to go back to Ireland. The second letter was written to the soldiers of Coroticus informing them that Patrick was excommunicating soldiers who raided Ireland and took citizens into slavery.

Legend credits St. Patrick with using the native shamrock to teach the Irish about the doctrine of the Holy Trinity. Green was worn in reference to the shamrock in honor of St. Patrick as early as the 17th century, though St. Patrick's vestments were blue.



The robes and ribbons of the Order of Saint Patrick, established in 1783 as the senior order of chivalry in Ireland, are also blue. The modern Irish coat of arms and the standard of the President of Ireland, is a golden harp with silver strings on a royal blue background.



2012 AWARDS

Category	Winning Group
Best Local Band Irish American Club Award	James Hubert Blake High School, Silver Spring, Maryland
Best Visiting Band Parade Committee	Sapulpa Chieftans Marching Band, Sapulpa, Oklahoma
Best Band Parade Committee	Conestoga High School Marching Pioneers, Berwyn, Pennsylvania
Best Musical John O'Beirne Memorial Award	District of Columbia Fire Department Emerald Society Pipes and Drums, Washington, D.C.
Best Adult Marching Unit Vincent Finn Memorial Award	Veterans of the Battle of Bulge, World War II
Best Marching Unit Patrick E. Lee Memorial Award	Oxon Hill Young Marines, Temple Hills, Maryland
Youth Marching Unit Jack Gallagher Memorial Award	U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps, Alexandria, Virginia
Best ROTC Unit In Honor of Those Who Serve	South Lakes High School Junior ROTC, Reston, Virginia
Best Pipe Band Joseph A. Donnelly Memorial Award	Northern Virginia Firefighters Emerald Society
Best Antique Car Pat & Flo Cady Memorial Award	1950 Paddy Wagon Metropolitan Police - Richard Espinosa
Best Antique Fire Apparatus W. Howard "Howie" McClennan Award	1937 Seagrave Fire Engine - Timothy Jones and Family
Best Dance School The Fahey & Mann Families Award	Hunt School of Irish Dancing, Crofton, Maryland
Best Performing Group John & Anna Donnelly Memorial Award	The Boyle School of Dance, Alexandria, Virginia
Best Theme Ginny Kelly Appreciation Award	D.C. Central Kitchen, Washington, D.C.
Best Pet Unit Mary Elizabeth Walthall Memorial Award	Potomac Valley Irish Wolfhound Club
Always A Pleasure Stephen P Lynch Memorial Award	The McCarthy Clan



2012 AWARDS

Category	Winning Group
Best Novelty Emerald Society Firefighters of Washington DC	Washington Nationals-Screch and Presidential Mascots
Best in Parade O'Neill-James School of Irish Dance	Commodore John Barry Division Ancient Order of Hibernians, District of Columbia Board
Marshal's Award - Enthusiasm	Washington, D.C. Gaels Sports Club
People's Choice P.G. County Firefighters Emerald Society	Shriners International - Kena 500 Mini Corvettes, Fairfax, Virginia



THANK YOU

Alice's Friends of the Parade

Beagle Rescue of Southern Maryland	Pembrooke
Kelly, Jake, Brook, Shaynah & Reece Bickers	Gladys & Lucy Touhey
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Peggy Dee	Pete Touhey and Joanne Lumsden
Walter and Marie Durkan	Katie Wyrsh
Cecelia Doyle Farley	Mary Ann Wyrsh
PJ and Sue Fitzgerald	
Family of Martin and Barbara Flaherty	<u>In Loving Memory</u>
Alice Murphy Johnson	Catherine Clancy Brady
Brendan and Nora Johnson	Pat and Flo Cady
Colleen Johnson	Margaret O'Brien Dee
Sister Kathleen Johnson, CSC	John Patrick Dee
Pat and Jean Johnson	Maureen I. Johnson
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Jack and Joan McAuliffe	Wilbur and Kathryn Lynch
McCaw Family, Silver Spring	William P. Lynch
Bob Monaghan and Family	Jim Touhey



THANK YOU - PARADE COMMITTEE & MARSHALS

The St. Patrick's Parade of Washington, D.C. is staffed by a dedicated group of volunteers who invest many hours year round to raise funds and manage the myriad of logistics to produce the Parade each year.

The Committee extends its thanks to the D.C. Police Emerald Society for volunteering their time to work behind the scenes to marshal the parade. We can't step-off without you!



DID YOU KNOW?

The first St. Patrick's Parade in Washington, D.C., was held in 1971 and traveled along Massachusetts Avenue from Dupont Circle to the statue of Robert Emmet. In 1974, the Constitution Avenue route was established and the march became a full-scale Parade featuring traditional pipe bands, Irish dancers, military, police and fire processions, marching bands, ornate floats, and more.



THE GATHERING



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