

ST. PATRICK'S PARADE OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

43RD ANNUAL PARADE -- SUNDAY MARCH 16, 2014

SELFLESS SERVICE



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GRAND MARSHAL



CECELIA FARLEY

GAEL OF THE YEAR

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43rd Annual St. Patrick's Parade of Washington, D.C. The Nation's Parade

"Selfless Service"

United States National Anthem MU1 Kenny Ray Horton

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Irish National Anthem Zachary Harmon

Invocation Fr. Jack Hurley

Master of Ceremonies Bert Weiss

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Deputy Chief of Mission

Grand Marshal Reverend Monsignor Salvatore A. Criscuolo

Gael of the Year Cecelia Farley

Division Marshals Megan Molloy
Kristin Leary

Matthew O'Hare

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IRISH-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH, 2014

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

A PROCLAMATION:

Centuries after America welcomed the first sons and daughters of the Emerald Isle to our shores, Irish heritage continues to enrich our Nation. This month, we reflect on proud traditions handed down through the generations, and we celebrate the many threads of green woven into the red, white, and blue.

Irish Americans have defended our country through times of war, strengthened communities from coast to coast, and poured sweat and blood into building our infrastructure and raising our skyscrapers. Some endured hunger, hardship, and prejudice; many rose to be leaders of government, industry, or culture. Their journey is a testament to the resilience of the trish character, a people who never stopped dreaming of a brighter future and never stopped striving to make that dream a reality. Today, Americans of all backgrounds can find common ground in the values of faith and perseverance, and we can all draw strength from the unshakable belief that through hard work and sacrifice, we can forge better lives for ourselves and our families.

The American and Irish peoples enjoy a friendship deepened by both shared heritage and shared ideals. On the international stage, we are proud to work in concert toward a freer, more just world. As we honor that enduring connection during Irish-American Heritage Month, let us look forward to many more generations of partnership. May the bond between our peoples only grow in the centuries to come.

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 2014 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 fourteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-eighth.

BARACK OBAMA





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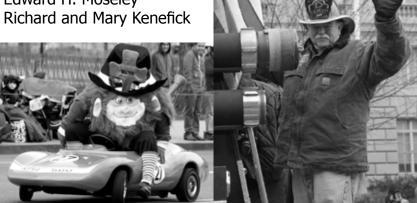


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GRAND MARSHAL - REVEREND MONSIGNOR SALVATORE A. CRISCUOLO



Reverend Monsignor Salvatore A. Criscuolo is the pastor of St. Patrick's Catholic Church and an established hero to all law enforcement, firefighters, and first responders in the Metropolitan Washington, D.C. area. Monsignor Sal, as he is known by his multitude of friends, was born in New Haven, Connecticut, the son of Salvatore and Raffela Criscuolo. His sister Marie, and her husband Dr. Richard Shaw, will ride with him in the parade.

As a youth, Monsignor Sal attended St. Bernadette's Grammar School and Wilbur Cross High School in New Haven, Connecticut. He later attended St. Mary's College in St. Mary's, Kentucky where he received his degree in 1972. From there Monsignor Sal entered Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmetsburg, Maryland and graduated in 1978. He was ordained a priest at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle in Washington, D.C. by Cardinal William Baum on January 21, 1978.

Monsignor Sal's "New Career" began in 1978 with his assignment to Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in Takoma Park, Maryland. It was here that he began working as a Chaplain with the Takoma Park Fire and Police Departments. In 1984 Monsignor Sal became the Associate Pastor at the Church of the Assumption in Washington, D.C. In 1986 he was transferred to Our Lady Queen of Peace in Washington, DC, and asked to assist Monsignor Dooley, the Chaplain to both the DC Fire and Police Departments. Later in 1986, Monsignor Sal assumed the duties of Chaplin for the D.C. Fire and Police Departments. In 1989 Monsignor Sal was transferred in residence to St. Ignatius Parrish in Oxon Hill, Maryland by Cardinal James Hickey, and designated as Chaplain to all first responders in Washington, D.C.

Since then, Monsignor Sal has dedicated himself to spiritually assisting those who put their lives on the line daily in service to the



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public. It was not unnatural to see then Father Sal, race by on his police motorcycle heading into harm's way to assist his flock. On the police radio, Monsignor Sal's handle (call number) is "H-1" for "Holy One." During this time of service Monsignor Sal's selflessness was constantly exhibited through his concern and caring for his entire flock of first responders. He officiates at weddings for their children and at the funerals for those who have given their lives in the line of duty.

In 2000, in recognition of his Selfless Service, he was named a Prelate of Honor by Pope John Paul II, with the title of Monsignor. In 2001, Monsignor Sal began residing at St. Patrick's Church in Washington, D.C., and in 2004 was named Pastor of St. Patrick's Parrish by Theodore Cardinal McCarrick.

Monsignor Sal has served as the Chaplain for the D.C. Metropolitan Police, the D.C. Fire and EMS Department, the FBI, the U.S. Secret Service, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the U.S. Park Police, the U.S. Capitol Police, the D.C. Police Emerald Society, the D.C. Fire Emerald Society, and a multitude of other organizations.

He has served as the Chaplain for Concerns of Police Survivors, an organization that reaches out to the spouses and families of slain law enforcement officers in a concerted effort to ease the pain of their loss.

Monsignor Sal has shined as a bright star in the darkness for many. He is loved by his flock and they all consider him a close friend as well as their spiritual leader. Monsignor Salvatore A. Criscuolo epitomizes the theme of the 2014 St. Patrick's Day Parade, "Selfless Service."



GAEL OF THE YEAR CECLIA FARLEY



Cecelia Farley was born Cecelia Doyle in the townland of Craanford, in the town of Gorey, County Wexford, Ireland. She is the daughter of James and Jane Doyle and was raised on the family farm with her eight younger brothers and sisters. She attended Catholic school in Wexford and later worked in as a hairdresser in Dublin.

In 1962 she immigrated to the United States and initially worked as a hair dresser at Elizabeth Arden Beauty Shop on Connecticut Avenue. She met her new friends at Matt Kane's Irish Pub. According to Cecelia, Matt Kane's was a wonderful place to go as it was a meeting place for the newly arrived Irish and Matt kept an eye on the them to ensure they were safe and doing well. She also attended The Irish American Club dances which took place four or more times a year.

In 1964, Cecelia married her wonderful husband Frank Farley. She met Frank at St. Matthew's Cathedral Club House, where she resided at the time under the watchful eye of her housemother, Mrs. Galvin. Cecelia and Frank have three children, Thomas, Jeanette, and James, and the love and affection of nine grandchildren. Cecelia and Frank became active volunteers in the Irish Community. Cecelia later became employed at the Casa de Montessori School in Colesville, Maryland, and devoted her time and spirit to helping children grow and develop. Sadly, Frank passed away after 42 wonderful years of marriage to Cecelia. He was a wonderful man, and highly supportive of all Cecelia's dedicated efforts.

Cecelia's first volunteer activity was answering letters of condolence on behalf of Jackie Kennedy following the death of President John F. Kennedy. Her selfless work continued in the Irish Community, as a

GAEL OF THE YEAR CECELIA FARLEY

member of the Irish American Cultural Institute, and as a member of The Irish American Club where she worked tirelessly in 1971 to initiate the first St. Patrick's parade in Washington, D.C., in which she participated as a marcher. She continued to volunteer as an Irish American Club member and a member of the St. Patrick's Parade Committee in various positions for over 40 years and has served as both president of the Irish American Club and Chairman of the St. Patrick's Parade Committee. During this period she also served as an active member of the D.C. Police Emerald Society, coordinating with the Emerald Society their involvement in organizing the parade line-up. Cecelia retired from her position at the Casa de Montessori School in 1996, but her dedicated support of community efforts continued.

Cecelia has been repeatedly recognized for her tireless efforts and service to the Irish community. She has been recognized by The Irish American Club and honored at the Annual Irish Feis dance competition. Celelia was the Police Emerald Society's Woman of the Year based on her active support of several Law Enforcement groups throughout the years. She has been honored by the National Association of Law Enforcement Emerald Societies for her worthwhile and dedicated service to the furtherance of the goals of the National Conference, and she has holds the position of Chairman Emeritus on the board of the St. Patrick's Parade Committee of Washington, D.C. based on her selfless and dedicated service to the St. Patrick's Parade of Washington, D.C. and the Irish Community for over 40 years.

Cecelia and the Farley family have always been there for the Irish American Community, opening their doors to travelers from Ireland and Northern Ireland. Based on her lifetime of selfless service to all, Cecelia's caring and dedicated service has earned her recognition as the unofficial Irish Ambassador of Good Will for the Metropolitan Washington, D.C. area. We are proud to honor Cecelia as our 2014 Gael of the year.



DIVISION MARSHAL - MEGAN MOLLOY



Ms. Molloy is Co-Chair of the American Ireland Fund's Washington, DC Young Leaders and has been involved with

the organization since 2008. She recently celebrated her two year anniversary as Director of Marketing and Communications for EagleStone Tax & Wealth Advisors, a tax, investment management and financial planning firm based in Rockville, MD. At EagleStone, Ms. Molloy focuses primarily on brand management, community relations, client communication and new business development.

A Washington, D.C. area native, Ms. Molloy attended Paul VI High School in Fairfax, VA. She earned her MBA from the University College Dublin, Michael Smurfit Graduate School in 2011 and her BA from Mount Saint Mary's University (Emmitsburg, MD) in 2000, where she was a Division I scholarship athlete in both soccer and lacrosse. She is currently serving a four year term on the Mount Saint Mary's President's Council. Ms. Molloy is also on the Board of Court Appointed Special Advocates - Montgomery, whose mission is to advocate for the placement of abused and neglected children in safe, permanent homes and for the highest quality of care while they are under the court's jurisdiction.

Ms. Molloy is passionate about her work with the American Ireland Fund and credits the organization for providing her an opportunity to connect with and support the Washington, D.C. Irish Community and the Irish diaspora. Ms. Molloy participated as



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a judge in last year's Washington, D.C. Rose of Tralee event, and was honored to be named to the 2013 Irish Echo's 40 Under 40 list. She enjoys spending time with family and friends, attending concerts, loves Crossfit, outdoor activities, and running races/triathlons.

The St. Patrick's Parade Committee of Washington, D.C, is delighted to honor Megan Molloy as a 2014 Division Marshal.



DIVISION MARSHAL KRISTIN M. LEARY



Kristin M. Leary was born and raised in Concord, Massachusetts and is a third generation Irish-American. Her grandfather, John Francis Leary, was born in Massachusetts after the rest of the O'Leary family emigrated from County Cork. Her middle name honors her paternal grandmother, Margaret Calhoun, whose family also immigrated to the United States from

Ireland. She is also proud of her Austrian and French heritage on her mother's side.

Ms. Leary is Co-Founder and U.S. Director of the Frederick Douglass/ Daniel O'Connell Project, developed with Ireland-based author and human rights activist Don Mullan. The Project's mission is rooted in Frederick Douglass's transformative visit to Ireland in 1845-46, during which he was both enlightened and inspired through his friendship with the Irish people, including the "Liberator," Daniel O'Connell, who is still honored in Ireland today for his role in Catholic emancipation and his fierce opposition to slavery. The Project is a legacy to the leadership of the two men and the causes they championed. It seeks to strengthen and deepen the understanding of the historical context underlying the strong bonds of friendship between Ireland and the United States through dialogue, symposiums, and cultural exchange.

Next month at Iveagh House in Dublin, Ireland, the Douglass/ O'Connell Project will celebrate its inaugural "Douglass-O'Connell Address," to be delivered by U.S. civil rights icon Congressman John Lewis (D-GA). Sponsored in partnership and cooperation with the Irish government and The Faith & Politics Institute, the Address will be shared in coming years amoung the United States, Ireland, and Northern Ireland.

DIVISION MARSHAL KRISTIN M. LEARY

For more than six years, Ms. Leary has served on the Board of Directors of the nonprofit Washington Ireland Program for Service and Leadership ("WIP"), which brings university-aged students from both Ireland and Northern Ireland to Washington, D.C. each summer for internships and leadership training. WIP was founded by Carol Wheeler, Washington, D.C. St. Patrick's Day Parade 1993 Gael of the Year, and is celebrating its 20th Anniversary in 2014. The program has grown to become one of the most prestigious and sought-after leadership programs in Ireland, and many WIP alumni are now playing important leadership roles in civic, political, media, science, and academic life.

A graduate of Boston College and The Catholic University of America's Columbus School of Law, Ms. Leary began her career on the staff of the late U.S. Senator Edward M. Kennedy (D-MA). Her nearly two decades' experience in Washington, D.C. has focused on building coalitions around policy issues among diverse groups. She has served in senior positions at the Bipartisan Policy Center, the Podesta Group, and the United Mine Workers of America (AFL-CIO). She has considerable national political campaign experience, from the 1996 Clinton/Gore reelection campaign to the 2012 Obama/Biden campaign, and is a member of the bars of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the United States Supreme Court. Ms. Leary lives in Washington, D.C. and travels frequently to Massachusetts and New Hampshire to visit her mother Jean (Laux) Leary, sister Cara Richard, brother Robert Leary, Jr., and nephews Davis and Gavin Richard and Robert F. Leary III.

The St. Patrick's Parade Committee of Washington, D.C. is proud to honor Kristin Leary as a 2014 Division Marshal.





DIVISION MARSHAL MATTHEW J. O'HARE



Matthew J. O'Hare is the president and owner of Benchmark Pool Management,

Incorporated. Benchmark Pool Management has served the suburban Washington community with quality lifeguards and professional swimming pool management solutions for the past five years. Benchmark Pool Management, Inc. also provides seasonal employment opportunities for nearly 70 high school and college students at a number of community pool associations in Prince George's and Anne Arundel counties in Maryland.

Matt was born on June 24th 1984 in Ogdensburg, New York, and moved to the Washington DC area six months later when his family relocated to College Park, MD. A proud sixth generation Irish American, Matt is the second of three children of John J. and Ann Marie O'Hare. He is a graduate of DeMatha Catholic High School in Hyattsville, Maryland. While attending DeMatha, Matt had the opportunity in the summer of 2001 to earn a full scholarship to the Irish American Cultural Institute's "Irish Way" program and spent six weeks studying Irish history and customs in Ireland. His stay in 2001 also included a week with an Irish family with whom he still remains friends. In 2011, Matt spent a week in Ireland visiting new and familiar locations and to attend the wedding of a close friend. Matt attended Saint Bonaventure University in Olean, New York before transferring to the University of Maryland.



Matt is very active in community affairs in Prince Georges County, Maryland. Matt is the immediate past Grand Knight of Prince Georges Council #2809, Knights of Columbus where has served the Council in a variety of elected and appointed positions. He is the only Grand Knight under the age of 30 to be elected in the seventy five year history of the council. A Fourth Degree Knight of Columbus, Matt is also a member of the Archbishop Curley Fourth Degree Assembly. Matt is a successful youth baseball coach. Leading his College Park Boys and Girls Club 13 -15 boys baseball team to five consecutive playoff appearances, Matt's teams have won two consecutive county championships in 2012 and 2013. For these coaching efforts he was named a College Park Boys and Girls Club and a Prince George's County Boys and Girls Club Man of the Year in March 2013.

Matt is a proud supporter of the St. Patrick's Parade of Washington, D.C. and is honored to be selected a 2014 Parade Division Marshall.



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PARADE PARTICIPANTS - AS OF 3/6/14

BANDS - MARCHING

Baltimore Twilighter Marching Unit, MD
East Ramapo Marching Band, Nanuet, NY
Dominion High School Marching Titans, Sterling, VA
Great Mills High School Marching Band, Great Mills, MD
Londonderry High School Lancer Marching Band & Colorguard, NH
Martinsville High School Marching Band, VA
Mass Destruction Marching Band, Baltimore, MD
Randolph-Macon Acadamy Band, Front Royal, VA
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 Shields of Montgomery Pipe & Drums

GROUPS - DANCE

Aoibhneas an Rince Irish Dancers, VA
Boyle School of Irish Dance, VA
Culkin School of Traditional Irish Dance, MD
Duffy School of Irish Dance, MD
Fraternidad Cultural Pachamama, VA
Hunt School of Irish Dance, MD
Hurley School of Irish Dance, MD
Maple Academy of Irish Dance, VA
O'Neill-James School of Irish Dancing, VA
San Simon, USA, VA
Tinkus San Simon, VA
Tinkus Surkay USA, MD



GROUPS - MILITARY

United States Air Force Band

United States Air Force Marching Platoon

United States Armed Forces Joint Color Guard

United States Army 4th Battalion, 3rd US Infantry Regiment

The Old Guard

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

United States Army Marching Platoon

United States Coast Guard Marching Platoon

United States Marine Marching Platoon

United States Navy Marching Platoon

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

GROUPS - ORGANIZATIONS

Ancient Order of Hibernians State Board of DC and the State Board of Virginia

Ancient Order of Hibernians Commodore John Barry Division

Ancient Order of Hibernians Father William Corby Division

Ancient Order of Hibernians, Col. John Fitzgerald Division

Brookland Club and Cairde Gaels

Calvert-Arundel Swordsmen

Chesapeake Irish Terrier Club

Emerald Society Firefighters of Washington, D.C.

Fraternal Order of Police - DC Lodge #I

Greenbelt Dog Training Parade Drill Team

Irish American Club of Washington, D.C.

Irish Northern Aid

Falun Dafa Practiioners Group

Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians Division 9

Loyal And Patriotic Order of Irish-American Reaganites

Miss District of Columbia 2014, Ciera Nicole Butts



GROUPS - ORGANIZATIONS (CONT'd)

Miss DC's Outstanding Teen 2014, Dominick Pink
Miss District of Columbia 2013, Bindhu Parmathi
Miss DC's Outsanding Teen 2013, Logan White
Miss Teen Southport Oak Island, NC
Police Emerald Society Honor Guard
Police Emerald Society - The Family Behind the Badge
Rose of Tralee, DC, 2013 Rose of Tralee, Lauren Debueriis

GROUPS - SPORTS

Capital Rowing Club (Float)
DC Divas Football
Washington DC Gaels (Float)

GROUPS - YOUTH

Battlefield Young Marines, VA
Friendly High School Navy JROTC, MD
Oxon Hill Young Marines, Temple Hills, MD
South Lakes High School Army JROTC, Seahawk Battalion, VA
US Naval Sea Cadet Corps, Alexandria Division, VA



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District of Columbia City Council, Vincent Orange

District of Columbia Homeland Security &

Emergency Management Agency, Director Chris Geldart

District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department,

Assistant Chief Patrick Burke

District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Motorcycles with Color Guard

Fairfax County, VA Police Honor Guard

Fairfax County, VA Police Motor Squad

Greenbelt, MD Police Department

Northern Ireland Bureau, Norman Houston

Maryland-National Capital Park Police Mounted Unit, Montgomery County Division

Metro Transit Police Department, Chief Ronald Pavlik

Prince George's County, MD Police Department,

Deputy Chief Henry Stawinski

Prince George's County, MD Office of the Sheriff, Sheriff Melvin High

Prince George's County, MD Sheriff's Office Honor Guard

United States National Park Service Police Mounted Patrol Unit

Wicklow County Council, Councilor John Ryan, Chairman

Wicklow County Ireland





NOVELTIES

Annapolis Irish Rowers

Caed Mille Failte - The Moore Family

Downs Family Mobile Unit

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)

Kena Shriners, Kena 500 Mini-Corvettes

McCarthy Clan (Float)

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The Potomac Wheelmen

Potomac Valley Irish Wolfhound Club

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Woody Wilson

VEHICLES - ANTIQUES AND FIRE APPARATUS

1800 Hand-Pumped Fire Engine

1951 Open Cab Fire Truck, Knights of Columbus, Arlington, VA.

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

1965 DC Police Cruiser, owner Robert Hathaway

1968 Hahn 750 Pumper, owner Malden Miller

1968 Pirsch Pumper Truck, operator William M. FitzGerald

1969 Open Cab Crown Coach, owner Steve Johnson

1973 Seagrave Hook and Ladder Fire Truck, owned by the Corcoran Family

1974 Mack Engine 63 w/1000 Gallon Pump

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 & EMS 8.

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

1982 Seagrave Pumper, owner Donald L. Strine

1988 DC Metropolitan Police Plymouth Gran Fury owned by Officer Charles Viggiani

Chesapeake Antique Fire Apparatus Association
Old Dominion Historical Fire Society, Northern Virginia

VEHICLES - CAR CLUBS

Changin Lanez DMV DMV Mopar Elite Northern Virginia Corvette Club Virginia-Maryland Solstice/Sky Club



DID YOU KNOW?

Saint 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, 461.

There are only two surviving written documents, both letters, that are credited to Saint Patrick. One is an account of his 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.



2013 AWARDS

Category	Winning Group
Best in Parade	South Lakes High School Army Junior ROTC, Reston, Virginia
Best Local Band	Washington Showstoppers Community Marching Band, Washington, D.C.
Best Visiting Band	Canyon High School Marching Band New Braunfels, Texas
Best Band	Dominion High School Marching Titans Band, Sterling, Virginia
Best Musical Group	William C. McGinnis Middle School Marching Band, Perth Amboy, New Jersey
Best Adult Marching Unit	Emerald Society Firefighters of Washington D.C.
Best Marching Unit	Mass Destruction Marching Band Baltimore, Maryland
Best Youth Marching Unit	Great Mills High School Parade Band Great Mills, Maryland
Best ROTC Unit	Colonel Wesley Fox Young Marines Chantilly, Virginia
Best Pipe Unit	District of Columbia Fire Department Emerald Society Pipes and Drums Washington, D.C.
Best Antique Car	1903 Curved Dash Oldsmobile Owned by Bob Greer
Best Antique Fire Apparatus	1969 Open Cab Crown Coach Owned by Steve Johnson
Best Dance School	Maple Academy of Irish Dance McLean, Virginia
Best Performing Group	Fairfax County Policy Department Motor Squad, Fairfax, Virginia
Best Theme	Aoibhneas an Rince Irish Dance South Riding, Virginia
Best Pet Unit	Chesapeake Irish Terrier Club Leesburg, Virginia



2013 AWARDS

Category	Winning Group
Always a Pleasure	O'Neill Development Chevy Chase, Maryland
Best Novelty Group	Leprechaun Donald Ryan Manassas Park, Virginia
Marshal's Award - Enthusiasm	The McCarthy Clan Washington, D.C.
Peoples Choice	Tinkus Tiataco USA Silver Spring, Virginia



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The Committee is staffed by a dedicated group of volunteers who invest many hours year round to raise funds and manage the myriad logistics to produce the Parade each year.

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





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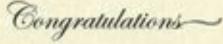
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MAYORAL PROCLAMATION





Irish-American Heritage Month

March 2014



As Mayor of the District of Columbia, it is my pleasure to entered congranulations to the Asscient Order of Hilbertians in America, which is the largest organization of Irish-Americans in the United States, the Ladies Assent Order of Hilbertians, and all other Irish-Americans, as you soldman Irish-American Heritage Month.



The Disertor of Columbia is honored to have the Irishs American community as an ownerful part of the oconomic, social, and cultural make-up of this city and grantly appreciates the contributions bish-Americans have made to makery. As you take this opportunity to reflect us your past accomplishments, we book forward to your continued support in helping to anhance the quality of life for the people of Washington, D.C.



On bolish of the residence of the District of Colombia, you have my less wishes for an expandide colebration.

Vincent C. Dray Mayor, Charrier of Columbia

