



The 24th Downtown Wilmington St. Patrick's Day Parade Takes Place on March 15, 2025;

Pat Naughton Appointed as Parade Grand Marshal

March 3, 2025, Wilmington, NC --- The 24th Downtown Wilmington St. Patrick's Day Parade steps off at 11 AM on Saturday, March 15, at Front and Hanover Streets. The Parade route goes down Front Street to Dock Street with a review stand at Front and Market. The review stand will be hosted by Gabe Ross of WECT.

Pat Naughton has been appointed Grand Marshal of the Parade, and will be accompanied by his wife, Colleen, and daughter, Caitlin. Pat has been a member for many years of the fraternal organizations Ancient Order of Hibernians and Knights of Columbus, including serving in officer positions in Virginia and currently in Brunswick County. Pat is also an active volunteer with WARM NC and with the NC State Extension Master Gardener Program.

Joe Costy, spokesperson for the Parade, stated that the appointment of this year's Grand Marshal represents the continuing efforts of the Irish-American community to expand its presence, awareness and outreach in the area and carry forward an ongoing tradition of education and service. The Parade has been described previously as one of the Top 10 St. Patrick's Day Parades in small cities in America. In addition to the Parade, an Annual Cape Fear Hooley, with live traditional Celtic music and dancers, is held. The Hooley serves as a fundraiser for the Parade expenses.

For more information:

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