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PRESS RELEASE

45th Annual Winter Park St. Patrick's Day Parade

WINTER PARK, FL, an internationally recognized, award winning city with multiple accredited agencies (February 9, 2024) The City of Winter Park's Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) and Winter Park Rotary Club are proud to present the 45th Annual Winter Park St. Patrick's Day Parade Saturday, March 2, at 9 a.m., in downtown Winter Park. Gather your family and friends and wear some green to enjoy the only St. Patrick's Day Parade in central Florida. This is one event you don't want to miss!

The parade will begin at Swoope Avenue and proceed south down Park Avenue to Lyman Avenue with Fr. Richard M. Walsh, Pastor of St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, serving as this year's Grand Marshal. This celebration is made possible by the generous support of event sponsors including the CRA, Winter Park Rotary Club, and the Irish American Cultural Society of Central Florida.

St. Patrick's Day began as an annual feast day to celebrate St. Patrick, the most commonly recognized patron saint of Ireland. The Irish have observed this day as a religious holiday for over 1,000 years, and it is recognized by people of other ethnicities. The day is widely celebrated by wearing green clothing and items such as shamrocks. According to Irish tradition, those who do not wear green on St. Patrick's Day face the risk of being affectionately pinched.

The Winter Park Rotary Club is part of Rotary International, an international service organization. Rotary International has over 1.4 million members in 34,000 clubs represented in over 200 countries. Serving the Winter Park community for over 75 years, the Winter Park Rotary Club is proud to continue the tradition of the St. Patrick's Day Parade. For more information about the Rotary Club, please access winterparkrotary.com.

For more information regarding the 45th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, please contact 407-579-3168, 321-303-5218 or butchinc@gmail.com.

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