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## 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Park St. Patrick's Day Parade

**WINTER PARK, FL (February 18, 2026)** The City of Winter Park's [Community Redevelopment Agency \(CRA\)](#) and the [Winter Park Rotary Club](#) are proud to present the **47<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Park St. Patrick's Day Parade Saturday, March 7, 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 Canton Avenue and proceed south down Park Avenue to Lyman Avenue. Cathy Quinlivan and Rosemary O'Maisenholder, longstanding members of the Irish-American Cultural Society of Central Florida which coordinated this parade for more than 35 years, will serve as this year's Grand Marshals. This celebration is made possible by the generous support of event sponsors including the CRA, [Winter Park Rotary Club](#), and [The Imperial on Park](#).

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](http://winterparkrotary.com).

For more information regarding the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, please contact Johnny Hurlburt at [407-579-3168](tel:407-579-3168) or [John.Hurlburt@FloridaMoves.com](mailto:John.Hurlburt@FloridaMoves.com).

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