



ancient order of hibernians
**st. patrick's
parade**

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Good Day!

We are thrilled to begin planning the 37th annual AOH St. Patrick's Parade. It is our pleasure to welcome your involvement in this annual community event on **Saturday, March 13, 2010** at 3:00 p.m.

The parade theme this year is "**Hooley in the Highlands**". Hooley means Party to the Irish! Please incorporate this theme into your unit. Awards will be presented for outstanding entries.

Rules & Regulations for the AOH St. Patrick's Parade have changed, so please read the enclosed guidelines *carefully*. You will see that there is a small fee for some parade units this year. As a 501c3 non-profit charitable organization, the Hibernian Cultural and Charitable Association supports a variety of charities in Louisville. Your involvement in the Ancient Order of Hibernians St. Patrick's Parade is *appreciated*, and your generosity to the charities of this community, especially in today's economy, is *treasured*. Please note that your parade unit fee is tax deductible.

Please fill out the Unit Application and mail with entry fee to the address below by **March 3, 2010**. We strongly encourage early registration to assure your spot in the parade. We are limited in the number of units that we can accept. Applications will not be accepted without payment.

You will receive **Unit confirmation** and **Staging location** information via email. You will receive your **Unit packet** in the regular mail before the parade.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (502) 802-4413. The 2010 St. Patrick's Parade Coordinator is Shelley Heavrin. She may be reached by cell phone at (502) 322-5401 or via email at stpatparadelouisville@gmail.com.

Thank you for your continued support of the St. Patrick's Parade!

Sincerely,

Mark Wakefield
President
Ancient Order of Hibernians

Application & check should be made payable and mailed to:

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2010 St. Patrick's Parade Rules & Regulations

Standing Rules for all Units:

- All units must be appropriate for a family event.
- No alcohol in any unit on parade route.
- No throwing items into the crowd (participants may **walk along** curb and **hand** items to attendees in the crowd).
- All entries must be in their designated area at the designated time.
- Detailed Unit information must be provided with application for judges & MC's.
- Please prepare your unit & walkers for cold weather and rain. Bring coats, parkas, towels, etc.
- AOH reserves the right to refuse or remove any unit.

Specific Entry Fees & Information:

BANDS

Entry Fee: \$0.00 FREE

- School Marching Bands, Live Bands, Pipe Bands, etc. are encouraged to add music to the parade!
- There will be an award for this category – remember the theme “Hooley in the Highlands”!

COMEDY

Entry Fee: \$20.00 per unit

- Creative, original units that add spice and excitement to the parade.
- There will be an award for this category – remember the theme “Hooley in the Highlands”!

COMMERCIAL UNITS

Entry fee: \$60.00 per unit

- Business entries that do not include a float, band, or comical unit.

ELECTED OFFICIALS/CANDIDATES

Entry Fee: \$60.00 per unit

- Elected Officials and Candidates with a unit in the parade.

EQUESTRIAN

Entry Fee: \$20.00 per unit

- Please make us aware of the needs, requirements, and limitations of your unit so that the animals will not be harmed and will be safe for the 5,000+ parade attendees. **Equine & Animal units MUST provide their own pooper scoopers.**
- There will be an award for this category – remember the theme “Hooley in the Highlands”!

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FAMILIES & CLANS

Entry Fee: \$0.00 FREE - We are the people's parade!

- There will be an award for this category – remember the theme "Hooley in the Highlands"!

FLOAT

Entry Fee: \$20.00 per unit

- Vehicle(s) pulling people.
- There will be an award for this category – remember the theme "Hooley in the Highlands"!

MARCHING

Entry Fee: \$20.00 per unit

- Group of people without a float.
- If you have **animals** with your marching unit, please make us aware of the needs, requirements, and limitations. **Animal units MUST provide their own pooper scoopers.**
- There will be an award for this category – remember the theme "Hooley in the Highlands"!

VEHICLE ENTRIES

Entry Fee: \$20.00 per club

- Includes: car clubs, single vehicles, antique vehicles (car, bus, truck, tractor), and multiple vehicles in one unit
- There will be 2 awards for this category – remember the theme "Hooley in the Highlands"!

You may NOT throw items to parade spectators. You are allowed to walk into the crowd and hand out items. We do this because it is unsafe and encourages children and other attendees to run into the parade route. It is your responsibility to make your entire unit aware of this rule. You may need to bring extra walkers to hand out your items to the crowd. Your unit will be removed from the parade if you are throwing items.

Thank you for marching in the St. Patrick's Parade on March 13, 2010!



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