

2023 Fourth Annual Woodland Park Saint Patrick's Day Parade

When: Saturday, March 11th, 2023. The parade begins promptly at noon.

Theme: Anything Saint Patrick's Day, Irish, Wearin' O' the Green!

Beneficiary: A Teller County Non-Profit organization chosen by this year's Parade Grand Marshal – TBD. All proceeds from the parade will benefit this organization and their activities in our community.

Entry Line Up Time: 10:30 – 11:30 am. Check-in is located at the table near the main pavilion & bathrooms in Memorial Park. Look for the banner. You will receive your number at this time. Line up positions will be emailed to the contact individual prior to the parade day.

Drop Off and Parking: Please use Pine Street to Memorial Park for participant drop off. For parking, use the lot across from City Hall, or the lot at the Senior Center building. If you prefer to park at the end of the parade, you may use the High School student parking lot. Please respect all of the local businesses at both ends of the parade and do not park in their lots.

Parade Route: The parade begins at the corner of Henrietta and Center, turns right at Fairview, left at Midland Avenue in front of the Cultural Center and Library, then turns right at Baldwin and continues to the 4-way stop at Baldwin and Pikes Peak/Panther Way. Your group/float must be able to make these turns.

After the Parade: Participants will turn left onto Panther Way and use the High School's loop around back to Baldwin. This way participants may exit the parade without intersecting or interrupting parade flow. Walking groups may use the parking lots at Gateway Elementary and the overflow lot on the right to disburse. Participants may also park at the High School student lot. **All traffic must use the one-way flow to exit.**

Parade Website: www.mountaineire.org/wp-st-patricks-day-parade.html Check here for updates or last-minute changes to the parade.

Fees: Entry fees (\$10 for organizations/individuals, \$0 for school groups and emergency services) go towards advertising, awards, and other parade expenses. The selected non-profit organization of the year receives any extra funds.

Deadline: Participant entries may be mailed (Mountain Eire Irish Dance, PO Box 1891, WP, 80866), emailed to mountaineire@yahoo.com, or hand delivered to the Human Bean in WP by Friday, February 24th, 2023. Any applicable entry fee must be paid to reserve your spot in the parade.

Parade Guidelines:

- Irish music and green/white/orange decorations are recommended but not required.
- Wrapped candies, beads, fliers, etc. may only be handed out by adult walkers and cannot be thrown. This is to ensure the safety of everyone watching the parade and the cleanliness of the parade route for our community.
- ALL participants with your group, whether walking or riding a float, must sign waivers. Feel free to make additional waiver forms. Submit your waiver(s) at the check-in tent prior to the start of the parade.
- Please respect our parade volunteers for the duration of the event and follow their directions.
- Please share all of this information with all people participating in your group.

Awards: Trophies will be awarded for: 1) Grand Marshal's Choice, 2) Most Creative, and 3) Most Irish. Groups will be judged at 11:30 am at staging, and awards will be presented at the Grand Stand in front of the Woodland Pavilion.

For additional information contact: Mickie Richardson (719) 210-4183

***** Participant Entry Forms are due no later than Friday, February 24th *****

PARADE ENTRY APPLICATION FORM (Please Print Legibly or Type)

Name of Organization:

Type of Entry: ___ Float, ___ Walking Group, ___ Marching Band, ___ Vehicle, ___ Other

Contact Person: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP _____

Contact Email: _____

Participant Description: (A brief 30 second or less description of your entry will be read as your group passes the grand stand)

Entry fee: (please check one)

_____ \$10 organization/individual

_____ \$0 School Group/emergency services

Type of payment: (please fill in) Check # _____ Cash Amount Paid _____ Please make checks payable to MEID.

Send application and payment to: Mountain Eire Irish Dance, PO Box 1891, WP, CO 80866.

Or hand-deliver application and payment to the Human Bean, WP

All participants riding on or walking with your entry must be listed on a parade waiver. Waivers must be submitted at the Check-in Table before the parade.