57th Annual
St. Patrick’s Day
Parade

Sponsored By
The Men and Women of the
Rockland County Ancient Order of Hibernians

Sunday, March 17, 2019
At 1:30 PM
Pearl River, New York

In Memoriam
On this Saint Patrick’s Day, we remember our dedicated and faithful Hibernian, John Scanlon, 1986 Grand Marshal of the Rockland County Saint Patrick's Day Parade and member of AOH Division 1, "The First." We also remember our beloved AOH Brother and AOH Pipe Band member, Peter Engel. Stepping out on the avenue just won’t be the same without him. May they both Rest In Peace.

Judges
Catriona Furlong, Ken Meyers, Terry Meyers, Sean Murphy, Tom Slattery and Msgr. Weber

General Committee
Chairwoman Emeritus - Mary O'Sullivan
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We must remember and support the people of Ireland and especially those individuals in the North of Ireland who strive on a daily basis for Peace, Justice and Unity.

Honor Battalion
Parade Commander: Corporal Megan Leavey, USMC (Ret.)
Orangetown Police Honor Guard
Rockland County AOH Banner
Town of Haverstraw Police Honor Guard
Rockland County AOH Edward V. Larkin Memorial Pipe Band
Grand Marshal: Joan Moore, LAOH Division #3
Aides to the Grand Marshal:
  Terry McGeever, LAOH County Board  Deacon John Kelly, AOH Div. #1
  Patricia Johnson, LAOH Div. #2    John Kelly, AOH Div #3
  Eileen Emsworth, LAOH Div. #3    Barry Tesseyman, AOH Div. #4
  Kristen O’Neill Veltidi, LAOH Div # 4
  Christopher Cawley, AOH Div #5
  Peggy Dwyer, Rockland County Feis
  Noreen Kelly, Rockland Irish American Cultural Center
  Philip Traynor, Rockland Gaelic Athletic Association
  Martin Reilly, Rockland County Police Emerald Society
  Gregory S. Hatzis, Rockland County Shields

Kerry Pipers
Rockland County Parade Chairperson: William Lee
Archbishop of New York: Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan
Deputy Counsel General of Ireland: Sean O hAodha
Consular and Administrative Attaché: Maire Ni Chriostal
National AOH Secretary: Jere Cole
National AOH Director: Daniel Dennehy
National AOH Organizer: Tim McSweeney
National AOH Political Education Chairman: Neil F. Cosgrove
National AOH Hibernian Hunger Chairman: Thomas Beirne
National AOH Immediate Past President: Brendan Moore
NYS AOH President: Victor J. Vogel
NYS AOH Vice-President: Tom Lambert
NYS AOH Secretary: John Manning
NYS AOH District 8 Director: Kevin P. Moore
NYS AOH Organizer: Kevin Cummings
NYS AOH Special Projects: Dermot O. Moore
Rockland County AOH President: John McGowan
Rockland County LAOH President: Lillian Murphy
AOH Chaplain: Msgr. Edward Weber
AOH Chaplin Emeritus: Msgr. John Mulligan
Dean of Rockland County: Msgr. Emmett Nevin
Rockland County Hibernian of the Year: Edmond O'Dea
Rockland County Businesswoman of the Year: Heather Bowie
Aide to the Grand Marshal, New York City: Daniel Donohue

Judiciary, Federal, State, County and Town Officials
Rockland County Police Emerald Society Pipes and Drums
Rockland County Police Emerald Society
Rockland County Sheriff’s Department Police Color Guard
Rockland County Sheriff’s Mounted Patrol

"To gain that which is worth having, it may be necessary to lose everything else."
(Bernadette Devlin, Irish Civil Rights Leader)

Port Authority Police Honor Guard
Port Authority Police Pipes and Drums
Korean War Veterans Association, Eagle Chapter
Color Guard and Members: American Legion Post 329
St. Raymond Academy Band
Color Guard and Members: Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 333
Rockland County Marine Corps League
American History Timeline
Jewish War Veterans of the USA
Ramapo Police Honor Guard
Rockland County Firefighters Pipes and Drums
Pearl River Fire Department
Rockland County Fire Fighters Emerald Society
Brewer Fire Engine Company No. 1
Pearl River High School Marching Band

First Battalion

Battalion Commander: Nadine Green, LAOH Division # 3, Pearl River
Warwick Fire Department Color Guard
Police Pipes and Drums of Morris County, NJ
LAOH Division Members #2, #3 and #4
St. Francis of Assisi Parish
Catholic Daughters
NYC Carpenters Pipes and Drums, Local 157
County Longford Association
Orangetown Patriots
St. Anthony’s School
Saint Dominic’s Catholic School of Religion
Clarkstown Scouts
County Cork Pipe Band
Respect Life, Inc.
Albertus Magnus High School – “The Catholic High School of Rockland County”
Women of Irish Heritage
Buddy Ball
Camp Venture
ARC
Second Battalion

Battalion Commander: Andrew Wiley, AOH Division #5, South Orangetown
FDNY EMS Pipes and Drums Honor Guard
FDNY EMS Pipes and Drums
AOH Members, Division #5, South Orangetown
South Orangetown Scouts
Rockland Irish American Cultural Center
Elevator Constructors Local 1 of NY/NJ Pipe Band
McBride Chapter INA
Clan Na Gael
St. Gregory Barbarigo School, Garnerville
Rockland County Sheriff's Correction Division Honor Guard
Hudson Valley Regional Police Pipes and Drums
Rockland Gaelic Athletic Association
FDNY Emerald Society Pipes & Drums
FDNY Emerald Society

Third Battalion

Battalion Commander: Donald McKallen, AOH Division #3, Pearl River
Paramus Police Department Honor Guard
Police Pipes and Drums of Bergen County
AOH Members Division #3, Pearl River
St. Margaret’s School, Pearl River
St. Margaret’s Parish and CCD, Pearl River
Sword of Light
Inishfree School of Irish Dance
St. Paul’s School
Pearl River School of Irish Music
County Offaly Association
Pearl River Scouts
Broesler School of Irish Dance
Paramus Catholic Marching Paladins
Clarkstown Police Honor Guard
Clarkstown Police PBA

Fourth Battalion

Battalion Commander: Gurran Kane, AOH Division #1, North Rockland
New York State Courts Officers Honor Guard
New York State Courts Pipes and Drums
AOH Members Division #1, North Rockland
New York State Nurses Association
Rockland County Pride Center
Pipes and Drums of the Police Emerald Society of Westchester
Police Emerald Society of Westchester
Kerrymen's P&B Association of New York
North Rockland Scouts
North Rockland High School “Red Raider” Marching Band
Ridgewood School of Irish Dance
Palisades Predator Youth Hockey Team
Helen Hayes Hospital
Manhattan College Pipes and Drums

Fifth Battalion

Battalion Commander: Evan Humphrey, AOH Division #4, Suffern
Westwood Volunteer Fire Department Color Guard
Bergen Irish Pipe Band
AOH Members Division #4, Suffern
New York State Department of Corrections
Rockland County Knights of Columbus
Sacred Heart School, Suffern
Ramapo Scouts
Verlin School of Irish Dance
County Sligo Men’s S & B Association, Inc
Iona College Pipes and Drums
Formation Committee
Orangetown Highway Department, James Dean, Superintendent of Highways

Trophy Donors
Annie A. and James P. Russell Memorial – Elementary School
Connie and Breda O’Sullivan Memorial – 2nd Place Large Pipe Band
In Memory of Piper Billy Kenney (Donated by the RCAOH Pipe Band) – 1st Place Small Pipe Band
Joe McKiernan Memorial – Irish Counties
Mary Franklin Memorial – High School Band
Neil O'Sullivan Honor Guard Memorial (Donated by various members of the LAOH) – Color/Honor Guard
Raymond W. Sheridan, Sr. Memorial – Special Organizations
Thomas P. and Bridget Kilgallen Memorial (Donated by Helen and Michael Murphy) – Veteran Organizations, Color Guard and Members
Timmy John O’Riordan Memorial (Donated by the Lee Family) – 1st Place Large Pipe Band
William A. Dwyer Jr. Memorial – 3rd Place Small Pipe Band
Society of Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick – Irish School of Dance
Luigi O’Grady’s Deli and Catering – Catholic Organization
Munno's Italian Deli – 3rd Place Large Pipe Band
In Memory of John O'Hara (Donated by Murty's Publick House) – 2nd Place Small Pipe Band
Thomas Argenti Memorial (Donated by the Fatigate Family) – Government Agency’s
TF Noonan’s – Irish Cultures Organizations

Acknowledgments
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to the following groups and individuals who helped make this parade possible:
Hon. Edwin Day, County Executive
Hon. Christopher Day, Orangetown Supervisor and Orangetown Town Board
Orangetown Parks & Recreation - Aric Gorton
Orangetown Highway Department - James Dean
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Use of their parking lot: IRG Realty, Pearl River, NY (Originally California)
The Ambulance Corps of Orangetown
Orangetown Paramedics
Our Town Rockland County Times
Rockland Journal News
The residents and local businesses of Rockland County and specifically Pearl River, who support
our parade

Special Thanks to Chief Kevin Nulty, Lt. Michael Shannon, Lt David Mellin and PO Michael
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New York State Park Police, the Rockland County Sheriff’s Department, Suffern Police
Department, South Nyack/Grandview Police Department, Clarkstown Auxiliary and Ramapo
Auxiliary for their cooperation and assistance in the putting on of the Parade.

For Irish Events in and out of Rockland County, check out Rockland County AOH County
Board, www.RocklandCountyAOH.com, LAOH County Board www.rclaoh.com, AOH Division
3, Pearl River www.praoh.org, AOH Division 4, Suffern www.suffernaoh.com

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Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick, Rockland County Chapter (logo)
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To view parade on-line, please visit www.RocklandCountyAOH.com.

Dedication
As we honor the Patron Saint of Ireland on his actual feast day of March 17th, we also
commemorate two significant landmarks in our heritage and culture: the 100th anniversary of the
Irish Declaration of Independence and the establishment of an Independent parliament, Dáil
On November 11, 1918 the World War I came to an end. The slaughter of a generation on the Western Front had been justified by the British as the fight that “small nations might be free.” In announcing his “Fourteen Points” American President Woodrow Wilson stated “National aspirations must be respected; people may now be dominated and governed only by their own consent. “The Irish people put these noble statements to the test. In the Election of 1918; they returned by 70% candidates who had pledged that if elected they would not take their seat in the British parliament but in the independent parliament of an Irish Republic. Among those elected was Countess Constance Markievicz (née Gore-Booth), a commander during the Easter Rising and the first woman elected to the British and Irish Parliament. Tragically, both Britain and President Wilson actions would renege on their noble words did not apply to Ireland and other colonies of the British Empire yearning to be free. As President Kennedy would later observe “Those who make peaceful revolution impossible will make violent revolution inevitable.”

The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians who are celebrating their 125th anniversary was founded in Omaha, Nebraska in 1894 as the “Daughters of Erin.” The primary purpose of the Ladies AOH was to protect young Irish immigrant girls coming to the United States by assisting them in securing employment and by giving them the opportunity to be with women who shared background and had overcome the same challenges they were facing giving them support and encouragement. The LAOH continues in this spirit today; aiding the aged, sick and needy in the spirit of their motto of Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity in the spirit of their Patron Saint Brigid of Ireland.

As befits a year when we honor the election of Countess Markievicz and the 125th Anniversary of the LAOH we are honored with two remarkable women as our Parade Grand Marshal Joan Moore and Parade Commander Cpl. Megan Leavey. From Granuaile, who defied Queen Elizabeth, to Dr. Kathryn D. Sullivan, who was the first American woman to walk in space, Irish and Irish American women have made history. This 57th Rockland St. Patrick’s Day parade is dedicated to them, and to the next generation of Irish American Women and the day when the descendants of Countess Markievicz will sit in a future Dáil Éireann representative of 32 counties.

As we celebrate the Patron Saint of Ireland, let us pray for a permanent peace with justice and respect throughout Ireland.

Beannachtaí na Féile Pádraig oraibh
God Bless America
God Save Ireland

Neil F. Cosgrove, Irish American Heritage Month Committee Chair