

# IRISH SPIRIT



ST. PATRICK SOCIETY  
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FEBRUARY 2018  
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## GRAND PARADE XXXIII WEEKEND



The festivities begin on Friday...

Photo Credit: Mark Hancock

### GATHERING OF THE CLAN LUNCHEON

Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup>  
Doors open at 11:00am | Lunch served at NOON  
RiverCenter, 136 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Davenport  
**Mississippi River Hall is on the north side of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street**  
Introducing the Irish Mother of the Year  
Naming of the Grand Marshal for the Grand Parade XXXIII  
Announcing the Scholarship Recipient

The SPS and RiverCenter have taken extra care and attention, planning, and special steps to make sure this year's Gathering of the Clan Luncheon is the most enjoyable luncheon to date. A great way to kick off the weekend!

#### GATHERING OF THE CLAN LUNCHEON – FRIDAY, MARCH 16<sup>th</sup> AT THE RIVERCENTER, DAVENPORT

Reservation Form

Menu: Traditional Corned Beef and Cabbage, Herb Crusted Tilapia, Roasted Baby Potatoes, Cole Slaw, Fruit Salad, Rolls  
Coffee, Iced Tea, Water, Full Cash Bar

Contact Vic Quinn at (563) 322-7505 or vicquinn2016@gmail.com with questions

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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Indicate total number of dinners:  
TOTAL NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please include the names of everyone in your party with this form.

\$20 with advance purchase – Pre-payment must be received by noon on Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup> or \$25 at the door  
Make checks payable to ST. PATRICK SOCIETY

Please mail this order form and check to:  
St. Patrick Society  
Attn: Gathering of the Clan Luncheon  
PO Box 4487  
Davenport, IA 52808

TOTAL REMITTANCE \$ \_\_\_\_\_



BOOK YOUR HOTEL ROOM FOR  
ST. PATRICK'S DAY WEEKEND  
JUST STEPS AWAY FROM ALL THE ACTIVITIES IN  
DOWNTOWN DAVENPORT!

Special rate of \$149 per night  
on Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup>  
through Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>

Check-in 3:00 PM | Check-out 11:00 AM

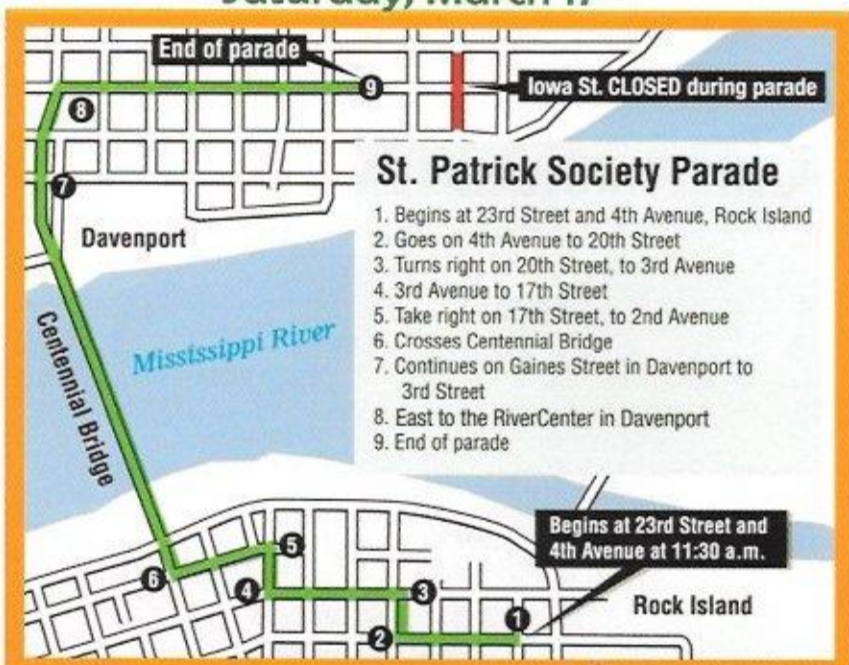
Limited Availability  
Must book by Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>

Scan this code to visit our website  
stpatssc.com for more details!



### Grand Parade XXXIII

Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>



#### 10:00AM Parade Mass

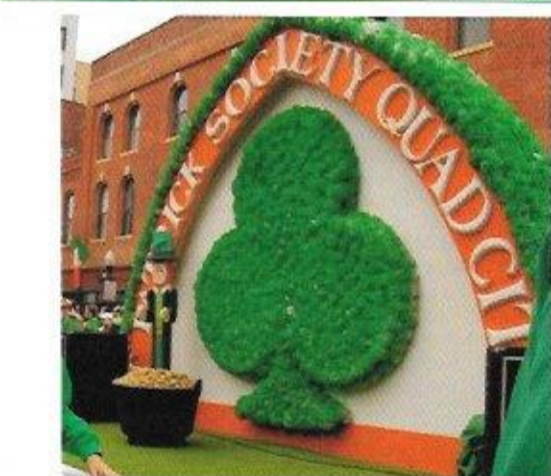
St. Mary's Church  
2204 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. Rock Island  
Coffee, Juice, & Donuts will be served in St. Mary's  
Church Hall, south of the church, from 9-11AM

#### 11:30AM Grand Parade XXXIII

Marching Begins, from Downtown Rock Island, IL  
across the Centennial Bridge to Downtown  
Davenport, IA ending at the RiverCenter  
Irish Mothers & Grand Marshals of Years Past will be riding in Trolleys

#### 1:00PM Post Parade Bash

RiverCenter – Mississippi River Hall  
North side of 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Davenport  
Irish music performed by The Don't Be Brothers Band,  
pipers and Irish dancers, presentation of trophies, food, drink,  
memorabilia, silent auction  
Admission is \$15 (your 2018 St. Patrick Society Membership)  
Kids Age 16 and younger are free!



The St. Patrick Society thanks Me & Billy for their Parade Route Sponsorship. We also thank the Carriage Haus, Kilkenny's Pub, and Mac's Tavern for their sponsorship of the parade beads, our own Irish Rosaries....

We are partnering once again with River Bend Foodbank to collect monetary donations from spectators along the parade route. You'll see their truck and volunteers in advance of the Grand Parade!



RIVER BEND FOODBANK  
Feeding the Hungry Since 1982

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Volunteers are always welcome! Complete our Volunteer Registry at <http://www.stpatssc.com/VolunteerSurvey.htm>

### In Memoriam



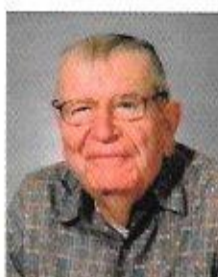
Jim O'Neill  
Grand Marshal Grand Parade XXI  
(12/22/37 - 1/15/18)



Peggy Van Camp  
(8/10/30 - 11/29/17)



Paul Murphy  
(8/20/48 - 11/9/17)



Fred Peeters  
(1/5/23 - 10/7/17)



Jackie Murphy  
(11/29/41 - 10/3/17)

The St. Patrick Society offers its condolences to the families of these Society members. All were a long-time presence at our Grand Parade and Erin Feis events, proudly celebrating their Irish heritage. We thank their families for memorials contributed in their honor.  
Your loved ones will not be forgotten.

#### FEATURED BOOSTER

We would like to thank the following featured booster for their continued support of the St. Patrick Society!

O'Rourke Motors  
101 Alexander Drive  
Tipton, IA 52722  
(563) 886-6184  
[www.orourkemolortonline.com](http://www.orourkemolortonline.com)

**Upcoming St. Patrick Society General Meeting**  
Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm  
Knights of Columbus  
1111 West 35<sup>th</sup> Street, Davenport  
Annual Meeting & Election of Officers  
\*Nominations to be sent to the Nominating Committee Chairman Mike Scannell

#### REMEMBER

The St. Patrick Society is a non-profit organization 501(c)3. Contributions to the Scholarship Fund are tax deductible!



Patrick Raymond DeVine, 90 years young, father of 10, grandfather to 27, great-grandfather to 15 with one on the way – and Grand Marshal for Grand Parade XXXIII on Saturday, March 17, 2018. Patrick, born in Clinton, spent his early years on his parents' farm in Lost Nation before moving to DeWitt, where he graduated from St. Joseph High School. After graduating he worked at J.I. Case. He

then served in the U.S. Army from 1950-53, stationed in Japan before deploying to Korea for the war. In 1953 he married Marie Lwlor of Davenport; they were together over 51 years until Marie's passing in 2004. Patrick was employed at Alcoa for 37 years, first as an equipment operator. After losing a leg in a work-related accident, he moved to the "hot line," retiring in 1993. He also served as the treasurer for the Aluminum Works International Union, Local 105, for 19 years. Patrick is a long-time member of St. Mary's parish in Davenport and has marched with the Peeters Clan in many Grand Parades. These words from his children probably sum it up best: "What he means to us and the person he is – strong and always took care of raising and supporting our entire family. And maintain his own adversities. He has, along with Mom, made us the people we are today. A loving, close, and caring family... didn't have a lot of money growing up but we were rich in love... he was always there to help us with our homework or tell a good story. Not once did I ever hear him complain about his physical disability... he has taught me that even through the tough times, God is with us and He will get us through those tough times."

#### 2018 St. Patrick Society Membership Application

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ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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\$15.00 Yearly Renewal – Make checks payable to the St. Patrick Society. Mail completed form and check to the St. Patrick Society, Attn: Membership, PO Box 4487, Davenport, IA, 52808.  
For inquiries, contact Mike Scannell at (563) 340-4808.