



Dear Friends,

Irishfest-La Crosse cordially invites you to join us in celebrating our Irish pride by participation in our **St. Patrick's Day Parade on St. Patrick's day!**

This special event will take place in downtown La Crosse, on Saturday, March 17th. We will assemble in the loop in Riverside Park at 11:00 a.m. and Step-Off at noon traveling 10 blocks mostly on Main Street through Downtown La Crosse. (We go, rain, shine, or snow.)

So, whether you come as an Irish-related unit, a band, a float, a proud Irish Clan, or just like to have fun, we would love to have you join us for this very special day.

Please review, complete, and return the attached parade participation form no later than March 6th. Shortly thereafter you will receive a parade line-up list and other information.

Start the day with a breakfast buffet & drink specials at Dublin Square, 8:00 – 11:00 a.m.

A post parade social is planned at the Eagles Club at 228 5th Avenue South immediately following the parade. We will have some free adult beverages (while they last), door prizes, an Irish fare of food featuring corned beef & cabbage, fish and chips, and also a children's menu. Musical entertainment with Paddy O'Furniture & Irish dancing also!

The Hunger Task Force of La Crosse will be in the parade and at the Eagles Club. Any donations of non-perishable food items or money to them would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, please visit our website at www.irishfestlax.org. If the information on the website doesn't answer your questions, please call Tim Sprester at 608-786-3729 or cell 608-792-9064 or email to Tspre4@charter.net. An alternate contact person is Tom Nolan at 608-769-2288, email wheelsltd@msn.com.

Please be part of our 5th annual St. Patrick's Day Parade through Downtown La Crosse. We have always had a wonderful time. It's not a parade without you!

In Irish Spirit,

Tim Sprester
Irishfest-La Crosse, Inc.



2012 La Crosse-Irishfest, Inc. St. Pat's Parade Entry Application

Date: Saturday, March 17, 2012

Application due March 6

Time: Arrival 11 a.m., Assemble in the loop of Riverside Park in Downtown La Crosse.

Step-off at Noon **Route:** East on State St. then right on 2nd St. then left (East) on Main Street from 2nd to 9th Street

Name of Group _____

Type (circle one): **Band** **Irish** **Community** **Commercial** **Clan**

Media **Clown** **Dance Group** **Elected Official** **Other**

Main Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

Cell #: _____ E-mail: _____

Number of Participants: Walking/Marching _____ Riding _____ Unit length _____

Will you have music? Live _____ Recorded _____ None _____

Description of Group or Organization (to be used at reviewing stand): _____

Agreement:

As a prerequisite to participation in the Irishfest-La Crosse St. Pat's Parade, the undersigned, as responsible party and representative for all participants in the aforementioned entry, knowingly and voluntarily assumes, on behalf of all participants, any and all risks inherent to participation in the Parade. Further, the undersigned waives on their behalf and all participants associated with this entry, any right to claims against Irishfest-La Crosse, Inc. sponsors, volunteers, agents or employees for any reasons including, but not limited to, loss of life, bodily injury, property damage and/or loss that may be sustained as result of participation in the Parade in any capacity- The undersigned acknowledges receipt of, and agrees on their behalf and all participants associated with this entry, to abide by all rules and regulations for participation in the 2012 Parade. Acceptance of this application and participation in the Parade is strictly subject to the discretion of Irishfest-La Crosse, Inc who reserves the right to reject any application for participation in or the right to enter or participate in the Parade. Only original signed applications will be accepted. Any photocopying or reproductions of an original application will be rejected.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please mail application to:

Tim Sprester W4295 Drectrah Road, La Crosse, WI 54601

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