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The 2022 Knox St. Patrick's Parade

**KNOXVILLE, Tenn. - March 12** - Coming back to the streets of Knoxville this March is the Knox St. Patrick's Parade. On Saturday, March 12, 2022 S Gay Street will be flooded with spectators, businesses, school groups and teams, marching bands, dancers and clubs all celebrating the Irish holiday. Knox St. Patrick's Parade is now openly accepting participation applications, volunteer applications and sponsorships.

The parade was founded by John and Pat McLaughlin in 1981 alongside the parade's charity The Green Puddle Fund. "In June of 1979, my husband, John, and I were sitting at a bar talking about a St. Patrick's Day Parade," said Pat McLaughlin. "It always bothered him that St. Patrick's Day was not recognized more. He always talked about organizing a parade, I just told him he was crazy." After her husband's death, Pat vowed to make John's dream of the parade come true.

Years later, the parade is still going on and has not only been sponsored by radio stations 100.3 The Wolf, Star 102.1 and Hot 104.5, but the parade has also been recognized by Visit Knoxville and WATE-TV. The parade is also supported by Catholic Charities of East Tennessee.

### **To Learn More About Knox St. Patrick's Parade**

Knox St. Patrick's Parade provides a website that can assist you in joining the parade, with parade information and details, as well as how you can help sponsor. Visit

[www.knoxstpatricksparade.com](http://www.knoxstpatricksparade.com) to learn more about their mission as well as to get in contact with their organizers.

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