

The Irish Society of the National Capital Region
Box 5112, Ottawa, ON K2C 3H4

November 25, 2007

YOU ARE INVITED

The Irish Society of the National Capital Region invites your group or organization to participate in our 26th annual St. Patrick's Day Parade to be held on Saturday March 15, 2008. The Parade is a major event within Irish Week 2008 (March 7th -17th). The Parade will start at 11:00 AM at Ottawa City Hall, proceed west along Laurier Avenue, south on Bank Street and finish at Lansdowne Park.

We have planned an exciting, fun-filled Parade for the entire community, with marching bands, floats, clowns, marching groups, and St. Patrick himself. As part of this year's Parade, **The Ottawa Food Bank** volunteers will be collecting canned and packaged food, as well as baby and household products and cash donations, during the Parade and at the "Irish Party", and we encourage all participants, spectators, and sponsors to support this worthwhile cause.

The "Irish Party" in the Civic Centre Salons at Lansdowne Park will follow the Parade. Further details concerning the Parade and Party are attached.

Your application should be submitted ASAP and no later than **February 20, 2008**, to:
Irish Society/NCR – Parade Application
Box 5112, Ottawa, ON K2C 3H4

or via FAX to 819.778.0657 (local call in Ottawa/Gatineau area). Application forms are also available on the Irish Society website (irishsocietyncr.com)

Due to the rising costs of the Parade and Party, we would appreciate if you could donate \$100 to help offset our costs. The costs of having to provide your own flatbed truck, generator, etc. would far exceed this nominal amount. Donations are payable to Irish Society/NCR (Parade), and may be mailed to Irish Society/NCR – Parade Application, Box 5112, Ottawa, ON K2C 3H4. We thank you for this support, as we strive to provide you with everything necessary for another successful St. Patrick's Day Parade and Party.

Our Applications Coordinator (Bryan Daly) may be reached at 819.778.0657, or e-mail at bdaly000@sympatico.ca. For further information concerning the Parade, Irish Week 2008, or The Irish Society/NCR, please check our website (www.irishsocietyncr.com)

Sincerely,

Seán Kealey
Parade Manager

Attachments
Parade Details
Parade Rules
Parade Application Form