

Your Guide to the 28th Annual Elmhurst St. Patrick's Day Parade

Elmhurst St. Patrick's Day Parade

Saturday, March 8 at Noon

*Starting at Wilson Street and Spring Road
Arrive early for the entertainment. See inside for Spring Road events.*





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Elmhurst St. Pat's Parade kicks off on March 8 at noon

The parade location

Every year, the parade Marches off from Wilson Street and Spring Road heading north, ending at the railroad tracks south of St. Charles Road.

The best parade in Chicagoland, the Elmhurst St. Patrick's Day Parade, is expected again this year to attract a large crowd here in the western suburb of Elmhurst. Ample parking, security and planning will make for comfortable viewing conditions for all family members. The parade features floats, marching units and animated characters along with local organizations, businesses and clubs along a mile stretch. Don't miss your chance to see more than 80 floats, Irish Dancers,

the Shannon Rovers, local team mascots, Benny the Bull, Southpaw and Tommy Hawk. Also featured are the Chicago Highlanders, Medinah Clowns, York High School Marching Band and the Elmhurst Armpit Orchestra, displaying the world's largest drum.

The parade is only the beginning to this festive, day for the food, music and fun is sure to continue as Elmhurst merchants, restaurateurs and friends welcome visitors for this special community celebration.

Parade route

The parade starts off from Wilson Street and Spring Road heading north, ending at the railroad tracks South of St. Charles Road.

Parade Grand Marshal for 2025

Elmhurst-Yorkfield Food Pantry

Elmhurst-Yorkfield Food Pantry (EYFP) is dedicated to providing food, compassion, and hope to our neighbors and children in need. EYFP began in 1983 out of a walk-in closet in the Yorkfield Presbyterian Church. Concerned church members sought to provide food assistance to struggling neighbors in the area. At that time, the pantry was able to serve about 25 families per week. As demand increased, so did the need for a new food pantry. EYFP opened the doors to its new 2,500 square-foot facility on January 2, 2016. The

ADA-compliant building offers clients a welcoming and dignified shopping environment.

EYFP is open during four shopping shifts per week, including evening and Saturday opportunities. Just like a grocery store, clients can choose the food items that match their family preferences. The pantry offers nutritious choices like meat, dairy, and produce, in addition to a large variety of non-perishable items, breads/pastries, and personal care products.

In 2023, the EYFP fed more than 32,000 people, giving out nearly 250,000 pounds of produce, 10,000 gallons of milk, and 9,000 dozen eggs.

Parade committee members

Chairman
Jim O'Connor
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The 2025 Elm Hurst Armpit Orchestra Queen is Valerie LaMorte! Come see her get crowned at the Elm Hurst American Legion T.H.B. Post 187 the morning of the parade, March 8.

ELMHURST ARMPIT ORCHESTRA FACEBOOK PHOTO St. Patrick's Day Parade

Past Grand Marshals of the Elmhurst St. Patrick's Parade

- 2024 – Community Bank of Elmhurst
- 2023 – Jack Island
- 2022 – Elmhurst Armpit Orchestra
- 2021 – parade cancelled
- 2020 – Roesch Auto Group
- 2019 – IC Catholic Prep
- 2018 – Elmhurst American Legion TBH Post #187
- 2017 – Mayor Steve Morley
- 2016 – Elmhurst University
- 2015 – Illinois Governor Bruce Rauner
- 2014 – State Senator Kirk Dillard
- 2013 – Elmhurst District 205 School Board
- 2012 – Kickoff For Kids
- 2011 – Elmhurst Children Assistance Foundation (ECAF)
- 2010 – Kiwanis Club of Elmhurst
- 2009 – Elmhurst Memorial Hospital
- 2008 – Congressman Peter Roskam
- 2007 – County Board Chair Dan Cronin
- 2006 – Spring Road Business Association
- 2005 – City Manager Thomas Borchert
- 2004 – Lt. James Ewald, local hero of War in Iraq
- 2003 – Four-term Mayor Thomas D. Marcucci
- 2002 – Kuester, Catalano, Pigoni-Ahlgrim, original parade organizers
- 2001 – Congressman Henry Hyde
- 2000 – Dan Gibbons, Dan Gibbons Turkey Trot
- 1999 – Joe Newton, York High School cross country, track coach
- 1998 – Illinois Attorney General Jim Ryan



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Spring Road Business Association coming events

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Easter Egg Hunt

Come join the Spring Road Business Association's annual Easter Egg Hunt and visit with the Easter Bunny. Thousands of candy-filled eggs will be scattered throughout the Wild Meadows Trace by the Gazebo on Spring Road for the egg hunt which starts PROMPTLY at 1 p.m. Don't be late to this event because it's over VERY quickly! The Easter Bunny will be on site.

Music at the Gazebo

Bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of musical entertainment as the sun sets for the day. Please note: These events take place on Elmhurst Park District property, so please refrain from bringing or consuming alcoholic beverages in the Park, per Park District policy.

Spring Road Fall Fest

From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., come to Spring Road, where fall activities will be underway in Wild Meadows Trace Park (by the Prairie Path, at the Gazebo). Enjoy carnival games, craft tables, a petting zoo, photo cutout boards, snack foods and drinks and much more.

Christmas Tree-lighting

From 6-7 p.m., come to the first Christmas tree-lighting ceremony in the Elmhurst community at the Gazebo on Spring Road. From 6-6:30 p.m., enjoy festive Christmas carolers, then at 6:30 p.m., Santa Claus arrives aboard a fire engine. After he arrives, the tree will be lit. Enjoy hot chocolate and cookies and a visit with Jolly Ol' St. Nick.

Sleigh Rides & Santa

From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., come to the Gazebo on Spring Road to see Reindeer on Parade. Decorated reindeer will be seen in the storefronts up and down Spring Road, sponsored by the local businesses. Enjoy an old-fashioned sleigh ride (or wagon ride, in the event of no snow) and a visit with Santa.

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