



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Saint Patrick's Day Parade



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**MOUNT HOLLY, NJ** – On Saturday, March 3, 2007, Mount Holly's St. Patrick's Day will start off with "The Shamrock" 4K Run sponsored by Buzz's Tavern. The race starts at 9 a.m. For additional information, log onto [www.buzzstavern.com](http://www.buzzstavern.com)

At 1 pm The Ancient Order of Hibernians, the oldest and largest Irish American organization in the United States committed to promoting Irish culture and civic and community work will hold its 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Saint Patrick's Day Parade, the first and only parade in the area celebrating Saint Patrick's Day. The parade which begins at Fairgrounds Plaza, runs down the length of High Street and ends at the Township Offices. It is a free event. Donations of canned and nonperishable food are being collected for the local food bank. This time of year is slow for donations and collection boxes will be located at the beginning and end of the parade route.

The Grand Marshall of the parade is Billy Briggs from Bordentown who owns Tirth na nog, an Irish pub in Trenton. Mr. Briggs is a member of the Ancient Hibernians and Irish Northern Aid. There will be traditional Irish pipe and drum bands along with Irish dance and cultural groups. Of course, Burlington County's own Miss Saint Patrick, Junior Miss Saint Patrick and Little Miss Saint Patrick will be on hand.

An after party is scheduled at Buzz's Tavern on the corner of Rancocas Rd. and King St. There will be Irish bands performing from 1 p.m. until 1 a.m. on two stages. The after party benefits the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Sponsored by Main Street Mount Holly, Commerce Bank, Burlington County College, and Guinness/Hub City Distributors. For more information on the parade, log onto [www.MountHollyParade.com](http://www.MountHollyParade.com). For more information about how you can support downtown revitalization in Mount Holly, log onto [www.MainStreetMountHolly.com](http://www.MainStreetMountHolly.com).