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Irish Parade sets sail March 8 with ABC7's Dolinsky at the helm

The annual Tinley Park Irish Parade will return for another year of fun when it steps off at 1 p.m. Sunday, March 8 from Central Middle School and marches north along Oak Park Avenue to 171st Street in Downtown Tinley.

The parade will feature approximately 80 floats, community groups, marching bands, local schools and businesses showing off their St. Patrick's Day spirit with colorful attire and lively music. The viewing area for the parade will be from 179th to 172nd streets.

The parade will be led by Grand Marshal and culinary reporter Steve Dolinsky, who has won 13 James Beard Awards for his radio and TV work. Dolinksy is perhaps best known as host of the "Hungry Hound" series that airs at 11 a.m. Fridays and 10 p.m. Saturdays on ABC7. He also is the co-creator and host of "The Feed" podcast with Chef Rick Bayless, and is the author of "Pizza City, U.S.A.: 101 Reasons Why Chicago is America's Greatest Pizza Town."

Immediately following the parade, attendees can stop by Zabrocki Plaza, 17375 S. Oak Park Ave., for a performance by the Medinah Highlanders Pipe and Drum Band, a photo op with the Oscar Mayer Wienermobile, and sponsor booths from Lisa Thomas Salon, Ken Anderson State Farm Insurance, Window Works and Vrdolyak Law Group.

The Village recently created an interactive virtual map at <u>https://arcg.is/1reOKb</u> containing details on many of the events going on that day, including all the delicious Irish fare and fun at the many Downtown Tinley restaurants.

Find out more about this event and others like it by visiting the Village of Tinley Park at <u>www.TinleyPark.org/SpecialEvents</u>.