



# MARCH 18, 2023

## EVENT INFORMATION

This is a quick update for all of you who were unable to attend our most recent general membership meeting.

I want to thank all of you who have volunteered to help in any way with Irish Day preparations, provided sponsorship monies, donated to the raffle, or agreed to work on the day of the event. This event couldn't happen without your generous support. Of course, we still need quite a few volunteers. If you can spare some time during the day (particularly in the afternoon) to work a barricade, help keep the trash cans emptied, man the MBA booth, or fill in where needed, we want you. We still need about 30 people. You can sign up online at <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/9040b4faaab2ea1fc1-2023> or email us at [info@visitmurphys.com](mailto:info@visitmurphys.com). We'll invite you to our volunteer party at Newsome Harlow on Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, enter you in a raffle for a few prizes, and thank you profusely!

**Main Street and the portion of Algiers from Scott Street to Church St. will be closed from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm.** Please remind your employees to park in locations off Main Street. Only vendors & entertainers will be allowed to bring vehicles on Main Street during the set-up period from 6-9 am. If you have private parking available to you, please let us know so we can provide you with a pass if you need to come through the Big Trees or Algiers & Scott Road closures. After 9 am, no vehicles will be allowed to enter Main Street. Algiers will be closed for the parade until noon and there will be very limited vehicular access during that time.

**Free parking will be available at Ironstone Vineyards**, courtesy of the Kautz Family and Ironstone Vineyards. The free shuttle will run from the parking area behind Alchemy & near the Black Sheep Tasting Room to Ironstone Vineyards from 9:30 am to 5:30 pm. Parking for the disabled will be available in the Masonic Hall parking lot. Lost and found items should be brought to us at the Native Sons Hall where we also be checking in volunteers. The Fire Department will be handling first aid and lost children at the corner of Main & Church next to Hovey.

**Vendors will be located along Main Street**, excluding the residential area. Susan Rudolph of the Murphys Volunteer Fire Department, our vendor coordinator, strives to locate vendors so that there is generous access to all our Main Street businesses. Organizing the vendors is a huge undertaking so please thank Susan and the Fire Department.

**The parade will begin at 11:00 am** at the corner of Algiers and Main Street and will continue all the way to the intersection at Big Trees Road. Staging will be in the Black Bart Theatre parking lot and the library parking lot which will not be available for public parking until after noon.

**Entertainers** will be located near the Murphys Hotel, in front of the Native Daughters, and at the patio by Moon Alley. There will also be jugglers, dancers, and others performing on the street throughout the day, weather allowing. The Murphys School of Music will be performing in the Park and the Community Club will have food and drink for sale. The MBA booth will be set up in front of the Native Sons Hall. We will not have a raffle this year.

**Event alcohol must be kept separate from that of our licensed businesses.** The ABC requires that no event alcohol be allowed inside any business. Tasting room, bar, or other alcohol should not be allowed outside of those establishments' licensed area. Please help us comply with these requirements.

Feel free to give me a call or e-mail me if you have any further questions. We'll be updating our online event information right up until Friday so please make sure we know if you'll be hosting music or other special activities that weekend. And, please, cross your fingers & toes and do a little jig for good weather!

Thanks again to everybody....have a great Irish Day!! May the luck of the Irish be with you.

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