

Village of Tinley Park

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Village announces Downtown Tinley Irish Parade winners

The Village of Tinley Park recently announced the 15 winners of its 16th annual Downtown Tinley Irish Parade, which took place March 8 along Oak Park Avenue and featured nearly 80 entrants.

Winners were judged in five categories, including “Walking Groups,” “Professional Floats,” “Amateur Floats,” “Performance Groups” and “Vehicle Entries.”

In the “Walking Groups” category, the Tinley Park Bulldogs placed first, V.F.W. Post 2791 placed second, and the Matthew Kocher Foundation placed third.

The “Professional Floats” category saw Orland Township take first, Heat and Frost Insulators Local 17 take second, and Winston’s Market take third.

In the “Amateur Floats” category, Chicago Gaelic Park won first place, Faith United Presbyterian Church won second place, and Family Martial Arts won third place.

“Performance Groups” category winners included the Chicago Stock Yard Kilty Band in first, the Medinah Highlanders in second, and Blackbird Academy of Irish Dance in third.

The final category, “Vehicle Entries,” included first-place winner NuWay Disposal, second-place winner Bettenhausen Automotive and third-place winner Tri-State Disposal.

This year’s judges included members of the various Village Commissions. Bob Hayes is on the Senior Services Commission, Sheri Reiplinger is on the Community Resources Commission, and Matt Sheedy is on the Environmental Commission.

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Caption: Chicago Gaelic Park won first place in the “Amateur Floats” category during the 16th annual Downtown Tinley Irish Parade on March 8.



Caption: Orland Township won first place in the “Professional Floats” category during the 16th annual Downtown Tinley Irish Parade on March 8.