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**Captain Paul Forsberg Named Grand Marshal for the 54th
Montauk Friends of Erin St. Patrick's Day Parade, Sunday March 20, 2016**



Montauk Friends of Erin named Montauk's Viking Fleet Captain Paul Forsberg as the grand marshal of the 54th annual Montauk St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 20. Capt. Forsberg is a 65 year resident and business owner in Montauk. He shares his memoirs in a book "Gone Fishin' with the Viking Fleet" (2013).

At 10 a.m. parade day, Montauk Chamber starts ladling out hot soup for sale in commemorative mugs. Montauk restaurants that donate soup are Montauk Yacht Club, Tillie's of Gurney's Inn, Duryea's Lobster Dock, Inlet Seafood, John's Pancake House and Sole East, just a few who will participate this year.

The parade starts at 11:30 a.m. with family-friendly floats and fun including green face-painting, grabbing foam shamrocks and shillelaghs to wave on the parade and collecting lucky beads and candy tossed from the floats of hometown businesses and fire trucks. Long Island bagpipe bands march in the parade which starts on Edgemere Street, to South Edison St and enters Main Street at the east end of town.

WLNG broadcasts live from the parade and via a live stream at <http://tunein.com/radio/WLNG-921-s30715/>

These events lead up to the big event:

- March 12, 5:30 – 8:30 pm: Montauk's Friends of Erin 11th Annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner at the Point Bar & Grill
- March 19, noon – 3 p.m. - Grand Marshal's Luncheon Montauk Yacht Club. Introduction and roast of Grand Marshal and presentation of his parade sash, top hat and shillelagh.
- March 19, 4- 8 p.m.: Friends of Erin Gala Cocktail Party at Gurney's Montauk. A buffet, open bar and live music and a Pot of Gold Raffle. It is one of the main events to fundraise for the Parade. For tickets and info, visit <http://www.montaukfriendsoferin.org/>

Visit our Facebook page for updates on the parade:

www.facebook.com/pages/montauk-chamber-of-commerce/296102421861

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Live from the parade route: <https://twitter.com/Montaukinfo>

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