



## **2010 ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS SAINT PATRICK'S DAY PARADE**

### **St. Patrick's Day Parade Grand Marshal James Holloran**

Jim Holloran graduated from St. Louis University (Engineering '64) and received his Juris Doctorate from the SLU School of Law ('68). Since then, he has been active in many legal and professional organizations such as the Board of Governors of the Missouri Association of Trial Attorneys, the Lawyer's Assn. of St. Louis and the American Board of Trial Advocates. He is a Fellow of the International Association of Trial Barristers, the Inner Circle of Advocates, and served on the Appellate Judicial Commission Eastern District of MO. In 1996 he received an Award of Honor from the Lawyer's Association of St. Louis. He has also been active in community and charity including the St. Louis Society for Children and Adults with Physical Disabilities; Loyola Jesuit Middle School; the Board of Directors of Vianney High School; and as a member of the Dean's Council, St. Louis U. Law School. He is also on the Golf Tournament Committees for Habitat for Humanity, Guardian Angel Settlement, Vianney, the Head Injury Foundation and the Dan Devereaux Foundation. Jim serves as Co-Chair of the St. Louis Society's Golf Tournament (John D. McGurk's Irish Pub is the Grand Corporate Sponsor) that has raised over \$750,000 since he became involved in 1999. He opened John D. McGurk's Irish Pub in Soulard in 1978 with an eye to bringing Irish entertainment to St. Louis. Since then, he has brought over 100 entertainers and musicians from Ireland to McGurk's, featuring traditional and classical Irish music. McGurk's is also host to numerous charitable events throughout the year. Holloran says he is "privileged to host these events because it is our way of giving back to the community." In 2007 Jim was named the Irishperson of the Year by the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

### **St. Louis City Police Officer William Noonan**

Bill Noonan was born November 23, 1964, to Robert (current Chief of Police in Wentzville, MO) and Mary Noonan and graduated from Jennings high school in 1983. In March of 1984 he enlisted in the U.S. Army. During his time in service Bill was awarded two Army Achievement Medals and the Army Commendation Medal. In 1987 he successfully completed the Noncommissioned Officers Academy in Butzbach, Germany. He was honorably discharged in March of 1988 as a Sergeant/E-5. In October of 1988 Bill joined the St. Louis Police Department. In the course of his career he was assigned the First and Fifth districts and also had assignments with Mobile Reserve and narcotics units and the Most Violent Offenders Programs. During this time he received seven Officer of the Month awards, Officer of the Year for 1995, nine department Awards of Excellence, eight Chiefs Letters of Commendation, and a Distinguished Service Award for the Violent Offenders Program from the U.S. Attorney's Office and a Meritorious Service Medal. In June of 2009 I retired after twenty years of service.

**St. Louis County Firefighter**  
**James Cook**

Jim Cook was born into a good Irish Catholic family in November, 1955, the son of James and Virginia Cook. He attended St. Aloysius Grade School in Spanish Lake and graduated from Rosary High School. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1973 and served three years with the 82nd Airborne Division attaining the rank of Sergeant. For the past 18 years Jim has been employed with the Florissant Valley fire District and currently holds the rank of Captain. It is no surprise that Jim went into public service. His great-great grandfather, grandfather and his father served a total of 85 years with the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department. Jim served twelve years as Vice President of the International Association of Firefighters Local 2665. Jim and his wife Terri live in Wildwood with their four children Dan, Katherine, Samantha and Claire.

**St. Louis Fire Department, Battalion Chief**  
**William Pollihan**

Bill Pollihan is the oldest of eight children. He attended Most Holy Name grade school and DeAndreis High School. He was active in the Boy Scouts and achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. He served in the U.S. Army Reserve, 1959-1965. Bill joined the Fire Department on St. Patrick's Day, 1963 and served on several Hook & Ladder crews. He was promoted to Captain in 1979 and Battalion Chief in 1989. He retired as Chief of District 3 in 1999. During his career he received a Meritorious Service Award, The John B. Dressler Life Saving Award, 2 letters of Commendation and 4 letters of Recognition. An avid competitive shooter, he qualified for the US Olympic trials (1984) and has won numerous medals in the World Fire & Police Games and St. Charles Golden Games. Bill and his wife Bernadine have 3 children and 5 grandchildren. He continues to be active with the Scouts as a merit badge counselor and the Knights of Columbus at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in New Melle, MO.

**St. Louis Country Police Officer**  
**Lisa Hale**

Lisa Hale became a St. Louis County Police Officer in August 2005. She graduated from Waynesville High School and in 1998 joined the Army National Guard. She was in the 35th Engineer Brigade for 10 ½ years. Officer Hale moved to St. Louis MO in 2001 when she was activated for Airport Security after the tragic events of 9-11. In 2004 she enrolled in the St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy and began her police career with the Lambert Airport Police Department where she served for one year. In 2007 was again deployed with her Army Unit to Baghdad Iraq and returned home to St. Louis in June 2008. September 2008 Officer Hale was married to Andrew Hale who is currently a Detective with the Florissant Police Department. On March 1, 2009, Lisa was seriously injured when her police car was struck by another vehicle while responding to an emergency call. She suffered 9 broken bones, had 2 surgeries and spent 16 days in the hospital. While on limited duty she returned to college, and in December 2009 received a BA in Criminal Justice Administration. Today Officer Hale is back on limited duty following another surgery on her ankle in February.

**Civic Leader**  
**Todd Waelterman**

Todd Waelterman is the Director of Streets for the City of St. Louis. A lifelong St. Louisan, he started his civil service career in May of 1989 as an engineer in the City's Board of Public Service. He was appointed Commissioner of Streets in January, 1994, a position he held for over 12 years. As Commissioner, he was responsible for the maintenance of the City streets, the floodwall and the levee. Mayor Slay appointed him Director of Streets in December of 2006. In his present position, he oversees five City departments, namely, Street Director's Office, Street Maintenance, Traffic Division, Refuse Division and the Tow Lot. In his 16 years with the Department of Streets, he has dealt with, among other things, major snow storms, flooding, the visit of Pope John Paul II, landfill issues and, the I-64 project. As Street Director, he works with coordinators of all the numerous parades, fairs and special events that take place in the City each year. Todd lives in the St. Louis Hills neighborhood with his wife Julie and their five children, twins Bret and Kyle, Erica, Ryan and Jamie.

**Labor Leader**  
**Gregory W. Booth**

Greg Booth was born August 15 1964 to William and Suzanne Booth. He is a descendant of the O'Conner's from Knock, the Smithy's from Navan and the Mahoney's from County Cork, Ireland. Greg attended St. Joseph Grade School and Duchesne High School (1982) and played soccer and football at both. In 1985 he entered into the rank and file members of the Electrical workers of St. Louis IBEW Local # 1 and completed a 4 year apprenticeship. Greg went on to work as a Steward Foreman and general foreman and then became an officer of local 1 (1993) at age 28. His father retired from Local 1 and his brother, Tom, is also a member of the IBEW. He is currently a Business Agent for Local 1 IBEW and current President of Tri-County Labor Club. He is one of the founders and charter members of Tri-County having served as executive Board member, Recording Secretary, Treasure, Vice President and President. Greg has served as President of St. Charles Public works Board for 10 Years and was appointed by Governor Holden to serve as Commissioner on the St. Charles County Sports Authority Commission. He served on Barnes Jewish Christian Hospital's Citizens Board for the New Progress Hospital in O'Fallon and was appointed by Mayor Len Pagano to serve on the City of St. Peter's Economic Development Task Force. He is currently serving on the Board of Directors for St. Charles County Habitat for Humanity and is a Graduate of 2003- 2004 Leadership Program of FOCUS St. Louis. Greg is also involved in community outreach programs through organizations such as Youth In Need, Women's Shelter, Healthy Communities, Crider Center, Catholic Charities and others. Greg has 2 daughters, Amanda Ann (deceased) and Hannah Rose, who will graduate from Lindenwood University this spring with honors.