

# Boston celebrates St. Patrick's Day with one of nation's largest Irish heritage events

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BOSTON (AP) — A throng of revelers lined the streets of South Boston on Sunday for the city's annual St. Patrick's Day parade, one of the nation's largest

celebrations of Irish heritage.

The parade drew crowds from across Massachusetts and beyond, with marching bands, floats, veterans' groups and local organizations making their way through the neighborhood.

Police lined the route as Irish dancers, bagpipers and Revolutionary War reenactors marched past cheering spectators.

Students stood on rooftops while residents leaned over porch railings of South

Boston's triple-decker homes waving and cheering. Along the sidewalks, spectators wearing green beads, shamrock hats and Boston Celtics gear crowded behind barricades, some waving Irish flags as the

parade passed.

One college student stood out in a fluffy green robe, while parents pushed toddlers in strollers draped with Irish flags.

This year's parade fol-

lowed a slightly different route through South Boston than in past years, part of planning by city officials to manage the large crowds expected for the annual celebration.

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deny having these classic sensations, only that he did not remember anything after becoming drowsy on a long bus ride. Wren-Lewis and his wife Ann, to their great misfortune, were the victims of a petty thief who had poisoned John with morphine-laced Cadbury's Toffees (a common happening in Thailand) on a bus ride in southern Thailand in 1983. Thanks to Ann, John eventually reached a hospital and doctors who were not optimistic about his survival. Later that night, however, John did come around and regained consciousness. And that is when he noticed something delightful, and incredibly strange. John, who had said belief in the supernatural was "a neurotic escape into fantasy," woke up with a radically altered consciousness, what he termed a "mystical consciousness" that brought about within him a mystical awakening. Of this awakening, John claimed his consciousness of himself and of everything else had changed in a tangible way. Not only in that moment in time but in every moment after that, as an acute awareness of the presence of a mystical realm and a Supreme Being at the center of it all, showering him with "the peace of God that passeth all understanding." Wren-Lewis would struggle to describe his heightened consciousness, saying that "Words like 'bliss' or 'joy' are inadequate and far too limited" to describe such a thing. Oddly, and pleasantly so, these feelings that he termed "God-like consciousness" remained present to him

for the rest of his life. Of it all, he said, "I suppose my NDE must have somehow shocked me into recognizing the Supreme so that my forgetfulness of 'who I really am' is now spasmodic rather than chronic." And it is herein, I must say, that the power of John Wren-Lewis's NDE lies because it was, in his own words, an awaking of "God Consciousness" that he described as being "thrust upon" him without desiring it, looking for it, or even believing in it. That, you might say, is a gross understatement.

John, along with a small group of like-minded scholars, was a major exponent of the "Death of God Movement" of the 1960s, which had taken Frederick Nietzsche's philosophical argument that "God is Dead" (exactly what this column argues against) and developed around it what came to be known as "Death of God Theology." God is dead theology made the argument that society had "outgrown" the concept that God actually exists,

and that modern society has outgrown the Christian concept of God, along with anything and everything of a mystical nature whatsoever. In its place, Death of God theologians argue for a faith based upon the potential of mankind and the realization that God is not needed, or so they say. At any rate, John Wren-Lewis, the renowned Death of God theologian, now found himself face to face with not only "God Consciousness," but an undeniable consciousness of God. The same John, who to this point had thought NDEs to be "exercises in vivid imagination," was now so utterly convinced to his core that he wondered how he would undo all that he had written and spoken against God. Wren-Lewis recalls after his NDE, "I envisaged making public recantation of my antimystical views and joining the formerly despised ranks of spiritual seekers." Not only did he recant all he had written about the death of God and what he had thought might be appropriate substitutes

for orthodox theism, he spent the remainder of his life lecturing and teaching about the reality of the mystical dimension where the "Consciousness of God" calls out from the mystical dimension to all human beings, "I Am He, and I Am not dead!"

Gloria in excelsis Deo!

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### PUBLIC NOTICE MASTER COMMISSIONER'S SALE

In order to comply with the orders of the Pulaski Circuit Court, the Commissioner will sell the property described in the following action on **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2026** at the hour of 1:00 p.m. This sale will be held at **207 S. RICHARDSON DRIVE, SOMERSET, KY 42501, (GODBY AUCTION CENTER BUILDING, PLEASE DO NOT CALL GODBY REALTY WITH QUESTIONS: THEY VOLUNTARILY AUCTIONEER FOR THE MASTER COMMISSIONER).** Said property shall be sold to raise the amounts hereinafter set forth, together with interest and the costs of the action, and (unless otherwise indicated) upon the following terms and conditions:

(A) At the time of sale the successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a deposit of 10% of the purchase price with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days. **In the event the successful bidder desires or elects to credit the balance, he or she will be required to post bond and furnish an acceptable surety thereon.** Said bond shall be for the unpaid purchase price and from **bear interest at the plaintiff's judgment rate per annum** the date of sale until paid. **IN THE EVENT THAT THE PURCHASER IS NOT PAYING THE FULL AMOUNT OF THE PURCHASE PRICE OF THE PROPERTY ON THE DATE OF SALE, ANOTHER PERSON MUST BE PRESENT ON THE PURCHASER'S BEHALF TO SIGN AS SURETY FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE PURCHASE PRICE.**

(B) Risk of loss of improvements shall be on the purchaser from date of sale.

(C) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all taxes or assessments upon the property for the current tax year (2026) and all subsequent years. All other delinquent taxes or assessments upon the property for prior years shall be paid from the sale proceeds **if properly claimed in writing and the holder(s) thereof is a party to the foreclosure. The Master Commissioner warrants only such title as is referred by Court order and does not guarantee that all taxes are paid.**

(D) The property shall otherwise be sold free and clear of any right, title and interest of all parties to the action and of their liens and encumbrances thereon, excepting easements and restrictions of record in the Pulaski County Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America or the defendant(s).

**1—10279 HWY. 27, BURNSIDE, Amount to be raised, \$4,571.08, PVA # 080-1-1-47**

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**4—4899 E. HWY. 452, EUBANK, Amount to be raised, \$7,992.92, PVA # 087-0-0-35**

**(The Mobile Home Situated on this Property is NOT Included in this Sale)!!**

**5—213 N. MAPLE ST., SOMERSET, Amount to be raised, \$55,924.78, PVA # 061-7-1-54**

**6—14989 N. HWY. 1247, EUBANK, Amount to be raised, \$105,784.10, PVA # 043-2-0-40**

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- The estate of Laura J. Stevens, 170 Old Rush Branch Rd. Somerset, KY 42501. Robin J. De Bello and John De Bello appointed Co-Executors on 2/5/2026, claims to be filed by 8/5/2026. Attorney Mark D. Knight, PO BOX 49 Somerset, KY 42502. 26-P-33
- The estate of Debra Kelly, 330 Lisabella Ln. Eubank, KY 42567. Robert Kowaleski appointed Executor on 2/5/26, claims to be filed by 8/5/26. Attorney Donald Wilkerson, PO BOX 716 Somerset, KY 42502. 26-P-49
- The estate of Betty Joyce Tarter, 2616 Highway 1664 Nancy, KY 42544. Timothy Tarter appointed Executor on 2/4/26, claims to be filed by 8/4/26. Attorney Ryan Morrow, PO BOX 1827 Somerset, KY 42501. 26-P-45
- The estate of Alice Virginia Barnes Fitzgerald, 383 E French Ave Burnside, KY 42519. Debra Mills appointed Administrator on 2/3/26, claims to be filed by 8/3/26. 26-P-03
- The estate of Mark Douglas McWilliams, 155 Forest Ridge Circle Bronston, KY 42518. Kyle McWilliams appointed Administrator on 2/10/26, claims to be filed by 8/10/26. Attorney Jill Haste, PO BOX 388 Somerset, KY 42502. 26-P-62
- The estate of Pamela Joyce Payton, 176 Surrey Way Science Hill, KY 42553. Kristen Payton appointed Administrator on 2/11/26, claims to be filed by 8/11/26. 26-P-75
- The estate of Charles David Wood, 50 Apple Ln Somerset, KY 42501. Richard Wood appointed Administrator on 2/11/26. Claims to be filed by 8/11/26. Attorney, Joseph Brand Venters, PO BOX 1749 Somerset, KY 42502. 25-P-604
- The estate of Erma Dene Padgett, 106 Gover St. Somerset, KY 42501. Rickie Padgett appointed Executor on 2/10/26, claims to be filed by 8/10/26. Attorney Jill Haste, PO BOX 388 Somerset, KY 42502. 26-P-66
- The estate of Margie Smith, 3790 Hwy 1664 Nancy, KY 42544. Orphus Smith appointed Executor on 2/12/26, claims to be filed by 8/12/26. 26-P-57
- The estate of Irene Glover, 129 Carroll St. Somerset, KY 42501. Larry Glover appointed Executor on 2/12/26, claims to be filed by 8/12/26. 26-P-37
- The estate of William C. Wills, 272 Muncy Ln Somerset, KY 42503. Jacqueline Mathewy appointed Executor on 2/12/26, claims to be filed by 8/12/26. 26-P-30
- The estate of Larry Douglas Wright, 1171 Lewis Bray Rd. Burnside, KY 42519. Darrell Wright appointed Administrator on 2/12/26, claims to be filed by 8/12/26. 26-P-27
- The estate of Brenda Kay Shelton, 184 Waitsboro Landin, Bronston, KY 42518. Nora Morrow appointed Administratrix on 2/17/26, claims to be filed by 8/17/26. Attorney Bruce Singelton, PO BOX 1233 Somerset, KY 42502. 26-P-70
- The estate of Evelyn Taylor, 1490 Ferry Rd Somerset, KY 42503. Judy Hansel appointed Administratrix on 2/18/26, claims to be filed by 8/18/26. Attorney Penny Hines, 504 E. Mt Vernon St Somerset, KY 42501. 26-P-65
- The estate of Cecil Clarence Nevels, Jr. 411 Boatdock Rd. Somerset, KY 42501. Malynda Alexander appointed Administratrix on 2/17/26, claims to be filed by 8/17/26. Attorney Donald L. Wilkerson, PO BOX 716 Somerset, KY 42502. 25-P-205
- The estate of Susan K. Flynn, 769 Ard Ridge Rd. Nancy, KY 42544. Wayne D. Flynn appointed Administrator on 2/17/26, claims to be filed by 8/17/26. Attorney Donald L. Wilkerson, PO BOX 716 Somerset, KY 42502. 26-P-69
- The estate of Robert Wayne Stogsdill, 213 Garnet Court, Somerset, KY 42503. Duane Stogsdill appointed Administrator on 2/17/26, claims to be filed by 8/17/26. Attorney James Taylor, PO BOX 535 Whitley City, KY 42653. 26-P-19
- The estate of Judy Vanhook, 2350 Hwy 3264 Science Hill, KY 42553. Douglas Jonathan Leach appointed Administrator on 2/17/26, claims to be filed by 8/17/26. 26-P-44
- The estate of William Lyle Havens, 1588 Price Valley Rd. Somerset, KY 42501. Jackie Havens Widmer appointed Administratrix on 2/17/26, claims to be filed by 8/17/26. 26-P-73
- The estate of Charles Davis, 1554 Patterson Branch Rd. Somerset, KY 42503. Kasey Hammock appointed Administratrix on 2/17/26, claims to be filed by 8/17/26. 26-P-47
- The estate of Myrtle Liford, 150 Meadow Point Dr Somerset, KY 42503. Connie Gatio appointed Executrix on 2/26/26, claims to be filed by 8/26/26. Attorney, Ryan D. Morrow, PO BOX 1827 Somerset, KY 42502. 26-P-94

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blessed. Jesus declared, "I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture." There's not a day that we don't use a door in some capacity — bathroom door, bedroom door, house door, car door, office door, church door, among so many others. A door is an exit, as well as an entrance. Jesus takes us out of and leads us into. We pass through Christ by faith, out of bondage into freedom. Reminding a believer of their past is like robbing a house they used to live in. They don't live there anymore. Thank God we are now part of the family of God.