



SEATTLE'S GREEN STRIPE LAYING

*named in memory of John Doyle Bishop
7 pm - 8 pm, FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2015*

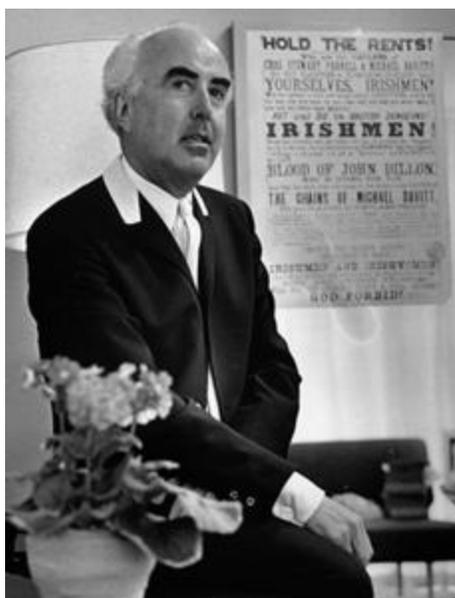
The Green Stripe is a mini-Parade to put a green stripe down the center of 4th Ave, to mark the route of the St. Patrick's Day Parade. It is always held the evening before the Parade which in 2015 will be on Saturday, March 14.

So the 2015 Green Stripe will be painted starting at 7 pm on Friday, March 13. The stripe will follow the Parade route from 4th Ave at Jefferson up to Westlake Park, a distance of about one mile.

Most participants gather at F X McRory's at 6:30 PM to ride the Flat-bed Truck up to City Hall Park on 4th Ave at Jefferson. There's no admission fee and children and families are very welcome to ride the covered truck!

At Westlake, we paint a large shamrock and then hold an impromptu Crossroads Céili (Irish Folk Dancing) dance. Each year, anyone and everyone is invited to come along for the 'craic', an Irish (Gaelic) word meaning a lot of fun.

*For more information, call 206-548-9859, or
email GreenStripe@irishclub.org.*



JOHN DOYLE BISHOP

Born in 1912, John Doyle Bishop was a Seattle fashion icon and shop owner from the 1940s through his death in 1980. Annually on March 17, he painted a green stripe on 5th Avenue outside his downtown Seattle store and often arranged to get arrested for the publicity! He was Grand Marshal of Seattle's first official St. Patrick's Day Parade in 1972.



*Here are some photos from previous
JOHN DOYLE BISHOP MEMORIAL GREEN STRIPES*



Loading up the flat-bed truck outside McRory's



Grand Marsal John Bruton and Galway Mayor Tom Costello couldn't resist taking a photo of one of the participants



We're just about ready to start!



The TV crews want information on what's going on



Drawing the official Shamrock in Westlake Park



Mick McHugh and other participants riding the flatbed truck with the cans of spray paint that were used to mark the St. Patrick's Day Parade route.



Mud McHugh with a bunch of Californians!



Piper Jim McGilivray.



Dignitaries marching the clearly marked, although somewhat wobbly, Parade route the following day in the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

For information on the Green Stripe, call Heather Murphy at 206-548-9859, or email Heather at GreenStripe@irishclub.org.



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