## Raise a Glass on St. Patrick's Day with these 10 Irish Toasts

RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA, Calif., March 16, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- Each year on March 17, scores of people happily follow the tradition of wearing green, drinking green beverages and eating corned beef and cabbage to celebrate the Irish heritage. Another tradition associated with St. Patrick's Day is a toast given to commemorate the holiday.

Toastmasters International has selected the 10 Irish toasts below as its choices for raising a glass and celebrating with a toast this St. Patrick's Day:

- 1. "There are only two kinds of people in the world, the Irish and those who wish they were."
- 2. "May your home always be too small to hold your friends."
- 3. "May your blessings outnumber the shamrocks that grow, and may trouble avoid you wherever you go."
- 4. "May you be in heaven a full half hour before the devil knows you're dead."
- 5. "To all the days here and after, may they be filled with fond memories, happiness and laughter."
- 6. "May you live as long as you want and never want as long as you live."
- 7. "May your troubles be less, and your blessings be more. And nothing but happiness comes through your door."
- 8. "May your bank account always be bigger than your troubles."
- 9. "May the best day of your past be the worst day of your future."
- 10. "If you're enough lucky to be Irish, you're lucky enough!"

"Toasting is an important part of any celebration, and these toasts are of special significance among the Irish," said Toastmasters Past International President Ted Corcoran, from Dublin, Ireland.

To practice your toasts or speeches, find a Toastmasters club near you by visiting <u>www.toastmasters.org/findaclub</u>. Or to interview an Irish Toastmasters expert, contact <u>pr@toastmasters.org</u>.

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