

Shamrock Club of Columbus

General Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2023

Attendance=70

Quorum = 45

Meeting called to order: 2:20 pm EST; 7:20 pm Dublin, Ireland

Opening Prayer: Mary Grady Strickland

Irish National Anthem & American National Anthem: Michael McConahay, Francis Doyle, Karen Fahy

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Bob Basbagill. Second by Julie Fulton

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Doug Dempsey

- Filed end of year of year tax documents with IRS
- The grant from the Greater Columbus Irish Cultural Foundation via the Columbus Foundation in the amount of \$10k is on its way so our money market account can be opened. Once we have the MMA agreement it will go to the board for approval and then we can open the account.
- As of 1/31/2023: Checking Account: \$17,025.56 Savings Account: \$39,695.48. Restricted Funds: \$28,100
- Started making SBA loan payments. \$125/month. We should be able to start making payments on the principle within a year.

Membership Report: Chairman Julie Fulton

Membership activity as of Feb. 4, 2023

- 22 new memberships
- 132 renewed memberships
- 59 lifetime memberships

Membership by category - renewals/2023 new

- 29 family
- 49 general
- 25 pub
- 52 senior

General notes:

- It's renewal time, get on it.
- Help sign up new members by lending a hand at the Irish Family Reunion (1 hour shifts). See/contact Julie.
- Active and involved members are the best ambassadors for the club. Join us!
- You must join by March 24 in order to be eligible to vote in the upcoming election.
- Thanked all who helped make membership renewal reminder calls
- Brian Byrne introduced new member Ryan McEvoy
- Kevin Malloy introduced his wife and new member, Carrie
- Matthew Quinn introduced himself.
- Welcome all new members!

Seanachai Report: Chairman Jim Casey (not present, President Komatsu gave his report)

- The February issue has been delivered electronically and the paper version will arrive in the mail shortly.
- Please see the Seanachai for all Green Season information
- Please send Seanachai submissions to Jim by the 19th of each month

Sunshine Report: Chairwoman Mary Grady Strickland

- Karen Finn is having hernia surgery on February 8. Pray for Rich.
- Kim Trenor Dunning passed away on January 28. Please pray for the Trenor family.
- Happy birthday Anna Vollmer
- Karen Finn celebrated another year on February 6
- Reminder: Mass before March 5 meeting is for all deceased members. March 12 Mass is for good weather, safety and health on March 17.
- Mass on St. Patrick's Day is at 9:30 at St. Patrick's hope you all can come join the officers & board as we honor St. Patrick on his Feast Day.
- Karen Finn gave an update on Monsignor Cody's recovery. He should be home this Friday. Contact Karen if you'd like to donate a meal.

Entertainment: Chairman Mike Murphy

- The Pints: Friday, February 10 @ 8pm in the pub
- The Drowsy Lads: Saturday, February 25 @ 8pm in the pub. Cover charge likely.
- Proclamation Day: Mossy Moran
- St. Patrick's Day Lineup: Rice Brother's @ 5pm; Skully @ 8pm
- Sirens will be playing at the end of March. Stay tuned for the date.

Clann na nGael Reports:

Ancient Order of Hibernians - Bruce McPherson

- Entertainment - check out the AOH website for more information
- Lucky \$1700 Drawing. Drawing on St. Patrick's Day. \$1700 to the winner, \$100 to the second place winner. \$10 each. See Scott Robinson or Glenn Hagan for tickets.
- OSU employees can get reimbursed for club memberships - good to know!

Daughters of Erin - Sharon Tantes

- Friday, February 24 is the date for stuffing Easter Eggs at the Club after the Fish Fry.
- Sunday, March 12 from 9am to 1pm - Irish Breakfast at Our Lady of Victory Church in Marble Cliff.
- Sunday, April 8 - Easter Egg Hunt

Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians - Stacie Stearns

- Saturday, February 18 at 7pm: Whiskey & Cigar Night. \$25 per person. Proceeds go to St. Aloysius Community Outreach. Please see Stacie for tickets.

Clann na nGael - Katie Somers

- Thanked everyone who attended the Clann na nGael dinner
- Dublin's SPD parade is Saturday, March 11. No interest in Clann na nGael presidents has been expressed for participation.

Greater Columbus Irish Cultural Foundation - no report

Emerald Society - Jim Dempsey

- Fish Fry's will be held every Friday during Lent from February 24 through March 31 **except** St. Patrick's Day and Good Friday. All-you-can-eat fish. \$15/adults, \$10/children.

Old Business

Green Season :

Proclamation Day - Friday, March 10: Vice President Nancy Murphy

- Mass is at St. Christopher Church in Grandview at 8:30 am followed by breakfast at Byrne's Pub. \$10 per person, proceeds go to Get Behind the Badge.
- City Hall at 10:45 am and Broad & High by noon.
- Fish Fry and music at the club in the evening

Parade - Co-chairs Dennis Moriarty and Ron O'Brien

- See the Seanachai and website for parade and sponsorship information. Note that the NCAA tournament is being held at Nationwide Arena that day so plan accordingly.
- Chairman O'Brien is procuring all the permits.
- The Parade Grand Marshal asked for a map of the parade route.

Irish Family Reunion: Chairman Rich Clemons

- See the Seanachai and website for information. You can also call into the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Program ads for sale now. \$100 Full Page; \$50 Half Page; \$20 Quarter Page; \$20 Business Card

Mark Dempsey Memorial Irish Triathlon: no report

Badge Crawl: Christina McConahay

- Update on Friday, February 3 - Director's Crawl
 - The McConahay/Conley team: Presale bags: 11 bags. Sold 125 badges and 22 lanyards
 - McDonald/Giesseman team: estimates they sold about 400 badges.
- Saturday, February 11 Badge Crawl
 - Men's Team: Devin Stearns is coordinating. Meet at the club at noon
 - Ladies Team: Christina and Brenda Golden are coordinating. Meet at the club at 11:30am

Blood Drive: Christina McConahay

- Sunday, February 19 from 10am-4pm - upstairs (General Meeting will take place in the pub). Sign up with Mike McConahay or through the Red Cross website. We have room for 40 more people.
- Members are encouraged to stick around after the meeting to help tear down.

Quiz Night: VP Murphy

- Saturday, February 11 at 7pm is the next Quiz Night.

New Business

Nominating Committee: President Karen Komatsu took nominations from the floor

- Karen Finn nominated Mike Murphy. He accepted.
- Kathy Redmond nominated Doris Dawson. He accepted
- Mary Grady Strickland nominated Katie Somers. She accepted.
- Julie Fulton nominated Mike Mentel. He accepted.
- Francis Doyle nominated Matt Quinn. He accepted.

Mike Murphy made a motion to accept the nominations, Rich Clemons seconded. All in favor except Mike and Kevin Malloy. Motion carried.

E-Board/Financial Oversight Committee:

- President Komatsu announced a special meeting with the Board & Financial Oversight Committee on Monday, February 6 to discuss financial questions submitted to the Board.

50/50 Drawing: Drawn by Ryan McEvoy. \$248 to winner Tyler Brown

Officer Comments: None

Elected Officials Present: Doris Beatty Dawson, Village of Harrisburg; Judge Michael Mentel, Ohio Court of Appeals, 10th District

Past Presidents Present:

Bob Basbagill 2005

Mary Grady Strickland 2018 & 2023 IWOTY

Francis Doyle 2010 & 2023 Clann na nGael Honoree

Brendan O'Reilly 2007

Mike Murphy 2014

Rich Clemons 2002

Patrick Fallon 2012

Pat Byrne 2001 & 2023 Parade Grand Marshal

Brian O'Reilly 2017

Molly Byrne 2011

Ed Kelly (via FB Live) 1997

Ed Gaughan 2016

Francis Doyle 2010 & 2023 Clann na nGael Honoree

Motion to adjourn by Mike Mentel, seconded by Pat Conley

Closing prayer by Mary Grady Strickland

Meeting adjourned at 3:02 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Megan Dempsey, Secretary