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President's Message



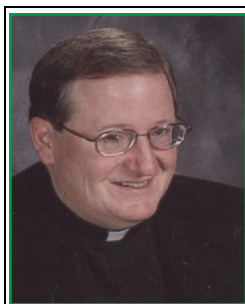
Answering the Call

"Brothers and sisters, I consider that the sufferings of the present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed to us." – Romans 8:18

I wrote this verse on my agenda for the July 12, 2020, meeting. This was our first meeting following the shutdown. I also wrote boldly at the top of the page *"Cead Mille Failte!"* The joy of being together that day was worthy of such an exclamation. There is a lot to look back on over the last two years, and the best was indeed yet to come.

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Chaplain's Comments



Dear Shamrock Club members and friends:

Would like to begin by offering my sincere thanks to all members of the Irish communities for your prayers, cards and best wishes as I recover from surgery on my right foot! Your support and prayer are indispensable to my recovery! I was in emotional agony while the celebration of St. Patrick's Day went on without me. However, we had a great party here at Mohun Hall, which included not only snacky refreshments but also a wee bit of liquid cheer! Who says priests and nuns should be teetotalers? Besides, many of the sisters at Mohun are Irish, so we had a very good time! They also prevailed upon me to offer a solo during our Irish songfest. I sang 'I'll take you home again Kathleen!' Great fun!

The month of April brings with it the presence of the season of Spring and hope for the future as nature reawakens from its rest in winter. How beautiful to watch! Holy Week and Easter are coming fast upon us, and I encourage all of you to take advantage of the Holy Week Services – they will strengthen your faith and remind you of all Jesus did (and is doing) for us. With the coming of Easter, we look forward to end of the year activities, graduations, ordina-

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I don't always remember the things I say, but I see the look on people's faces when they are welcomed, thanked, and congratulated. These simple acts go a long way, and I have enjoyed greeting the many people who have joined the Club, returned to the Club, or have supported the Club with their continued membership. Whenever there was a need, there was a person who stepped in to answer the call. Each year is the same, regardless of who leads this organization, there is a growing list of people who see a need and step in. Whether it is a new fundraiser, a social activity, or simply lending a hand, our volunteers answer the call.

We just completed a memorable St. Patrick's season. I was blessed to have my family with me, and perhaps you saw a tiny St. Patrick process with us to the church. That was my nephew Will. The only thing brighter than his smile was the sun we had for the big parade later in the day. Someone told me my smile was just as bright as the Officers watched all the groups go past in the parade. Many answered the call that day to make it a special event for everyone.

With St. Patrick's Day in the books, I can also say that there are still good times ahead. We had many new and renewed memberships and over 280 walk-ups buy tickets for the family reunion. This tells me there is still an interest in what we do. We have a strong board ready to move-up and good candidates with nothing but the Club's interest in mind as they run for office.

It is hard to put into words these past two years. Oh, the places we've been. I've written messages of gratitude and hope, of saints, seasons, and superstitions. We traveled to Inisfree, and we met ol' Stingy Jack. Through it all, we've stood tall, shoulder to shoulder, and answered the call. I'll just end things with one big heartfelt THANK YOU! I could not and would not have done anything without all of you. I'll see you down at the Pub I suppose. In front of all those big ears with pints in their fist and pipes in their mouths. And until we meet again, "*May God hold you in the palm of His hand.*" -- Andy

Sunshine Committee Report

Janell Brown's father John Carroll passed away in Florida, where his services will be held. Joe Motika has fallen and injured his back and also has some fluid in his lungs. Patty Moriarty, Mike's wife needs prayers. Tim Becker's mom, Marti, is having some new health problems. Suzy Lhamon is undergoing some medical testing. Pray for these as well as the following, Irene Cassady, Jo Kitchen, Devin Doyle, Judy Douglass, Pat O'Neil, Nick Severence, Brandy Carroll Higgins, Denise Walter, Marian Morrison, Ryan Graves, Annie Graves, Rick Byrne, Tony Sobony, Anne O'Farrell Devoe, Betty Regan, Correne Wade, Kevin Ryan, Joe Motika, Shelly Beal, Bill Morbitzer, Josef Fallon, Joe Berkemer, Brian Morse, Clyde Fenton, Patty Bryant, Dorothy Byrne, Marti Becker, Chris Konik, Caroline Johnson, Tim O'Farrell, Bev Matson, Rita Bowen, Jackie McPherson, Jackie McVey, Kara Markley & Robert Kenney.

Blood Drive

Our next blood drive is Sunday

June 12th, 10-4

You can sign up online in May

Mike McConahay 614-354-5742

Chaplain's Comments Continued

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tions, weddings, and loads of parties. After these years of Covid, it would be good for us to get out and socialize with one another.

All of us are horrified at the invasion of Ukraine by Russian forces under the leadership of Vladimir Putin. His egregious and rapacious ambition to reassemble the Russian Empire stands in stark contrast to the suffering Ukrainians under the leadership of their courageous President Zelenskyy. As the totalitarian Putin attempts to extend his evil aggression, we citizens of the free world must do all we can to preserve democracy in our nation and world and do all we can to stand against tyranny of any kind. The forces that would repress democracy must be resisted in our own nation as well as throughout the world. If any of us wonder why so many want to come to the United States the reason is very simple: like our ancestors, they want to offer a better life for their children and they want to live free of government dominance and repression. We are very lucky to live in the United States. We're not perfect, but we are free to pursue our own destiny. We must beware of disinformation so rampant today on social media. If something sounds crazy, it probably is crazy. Q-Anon is far from silent. Their outrageous assertions of conspiracy theories serve to upset people and make them worry about things that simply are not true.

Remember that Jesus said 'the truth will set you free!' I also would hasten to say, believing misinformation will ensure that you are truly misled. Paranoia. Irrational fear is stoked by these conspiracy theories. Beware of those who set out to scare us into their camp. We are all born with a critical faculty that helps us to distinguish between truth and falsity. Accept all assertions of conspiracy with a healthy skepticism. Check things out. There is plenty of good information out there to help us separate the wheat from the evil chaff.

On a more positive note, let us continue under the present leadership and the coming leadership of the Shamrock Club! So many have given so much to preserve and celebrate our Irish heritage. Thanks to President Andy, and welcome to President Karen! The future looks bright

Msgr. John K. Cody, Chaplain

Membership Report

Remember to renew your Shamrock Club Membership!

Junior Members \$5 Pub Members \$25

Senior Members \$30 General Members \$50 Family Members \$90

Keep your membership information up to date, especially your email address! Email membership@shamrockclub.com or call Irene Kenney in the office with changes. Using electronic media instead of US mail saves our Club money. It currently cost the Club \$2.00 a copy to print and mail the Seanachai to members. So keep those email addresses current and use our web sites:

www.shamrockclubofcolumbus.com and www.facebook.com/shamrockclub

You can also renew and pay securely online at www.shamrockclubofcolumbus.com

It is time to renew your Shamrock Club Membership for 2022!

Renewals can be done online with a credit card by going to our website or if you would like to renew by mail/check please use the application below

Total Members 1,024 New YTD 126 New March 81 New March 17th 41

Memberships not renewed from last year 309

The Shamrock Club of Columbus

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Todays Date: _____

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Mailing Address*	City*	State*	Zip*	Phone*
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Occupation/Profession*	Spouse/Significant Other & DOB
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E-mail address* _____

*Indicates mandatory field

Junior Membership (Age 17 & Under \$5/year)

Pub Membership \$25/year

Senior Membership (Age 65 & over \$30/year)

General Membership \$50/year

Family Membership \$90/year

New Member Application can be download from our website www.shamrockclubofcolumbus.com

2022 President's Club Members

President Andrew Shuman
Horizon Insurance - Brian Byrne

2022 C-Note Members

John & Jenny Archibald	Michael & Cindy Flynn	Michael & Catherine Moriarty
George & Vanessa Arnold	Past President Ed & Alice Gaughan	Paul Morrison
Past President Bob Basbagill	Terry Grady & Suzanne Butte	Jim & Patty Murnane
Steve Bates & Sandy Redmond	Leo & Theresa Grimes	Tom & Christine Murphy
In Memory of Susan Berkemer	In Memory of PP Thomas "Duke" Hinton	Parker Lee Foundation, Inc.
Janine L. Bourdo	Tim & Glenda Huffman	Lisa O'Connell-Paccioretti
Ken Bowen	Judge Terri B. Jamison	Judge Colleen T. O'Donnell
Rita H. Bowen	Tim & Karen Jones	Kevin Patrick O'Reilly, M.D.
Rich & Elaine Broderick	Jerry & Donna Keffer	Lois O'Reilly
Greg & Janell Brown	Brian & Barbara Rae Kelleher	Mollie O'Reilly & Scott Paynter
Past President Tom & Dana Byrne	Past President Ed & Teri Kelly	Michael & Margaret O'Sullivan
Past President Jim & Judy Casey	The Malloy Families	Dick & Kathy Pulse
Director Pat & Kim Conley	Bruce Kotlinski	Past President Towny Quinn
Teresa Conley	John C. Lynch	Rick & Ann Ralston
Gerry & Annie Curran	Mike & Jeanine Malloy	Brad Reardon
Daughters of Erin	Terri Maloney-Houston	Past President Mike & Kathy Redmond
Davey Tile	Don Manley	Dr. James D. Ritchlin
In Memory of PP Joe Davis	Glenn & Jill Mauer	Margaret O'Donnell Rotolo
Douglas L. Dempsey	Director Christina McConahay	Dennis & Christina Smith
Megan Dempsey	Jim & Debbi McDonald	Mike & Margie Sullivan
Alan Dormire & Robin Nakkula	Julie McGhee	Mark & Suzanne Taggart
Past President Francis & Hilda Doyle	In Memory of Jeff McGowan	Tim & Tricia Timlin
Doug Eakins	Mark McKernan	Paul & Mary Tisdale
Past President Tim & Chris Feeney	Brian & Peggy McSweeney	The McCandless Family
The Feiler Family	Judge Michael C. Mentel	David & Maureen Veeley
Rich & Karen Finn	Art & Sharon Mittenbergs	Angelina & Michael Welling
	The Sean Moore Family	

April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1530pm Fish Fry	2
32pm General Meeting	4	5	67pm Men's Darts	77pm DOE Ladies Darts	8530pm Fish Fry	97pm Quiz Night / President's Farewell Party
1012pm Elections - 2pm Gen-	117pm Coed Darts	12	137pm Men's Darts	14	15Good Friday	16Noon Kids Easter Hunt
17 	186pm Executive Board Meeting	197pm Emerald Society Meeting	207pm Men's Darts	217pm DOE Ladies Darts	225pm Happy Hour	235pm Installation Banquet 8pm Achill Crossing \$5 Cover
24	257pm Coed Darts	26	277pm Men's Darts	28	295pm Happy Hour	30

May 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
12pm General Meeting	2	3	47pm Men's Darts	57pm DOE Ladies Darts	65pm Happy Hour	77pm Oldies Night (Pub)
8	9	10	117pm Men's Darts	12	135pm Happy Hour	14
15	16	177pm Emerald Society Meeting	187pm Men's Darts	197pm DOE Ladies Darts	205pm Happy Hour	21
22	23	24	25	26	275pm Happy Hour	28
29	30	31				

Treasurer's Report

I hope that this report finds everyone healthy and in good Irish spirit.

We have had a successful St. Patrick's Day celebration. We were able to turn a preliminary profit of \$7,382. There are invoices not received and we should receive a partial refund from the CPD. Plus, we will show a profit from the bar with the sales of libations, food, and the musical entertainment.

Our cash balance as of Monday, March 28th was \$26,803. Our savings account remains steady at \$47,720. As of the date of this report, financials for March could not be finalized but will be ready for the executive board meeting.

Spring is finally here, and we can look forward to more outdoor activities.

Respectfully submitted,

David Stearns, Treasurer



Police & Fire Emerald Society of Columbus

2022 Fish Fry

“ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH”

Fried Fire House Fish fresh from the Irish Sea!

Potatoes O'Rourke - Cop's Cole Slaw - Irish Green Beans

O'Mac & Cheese for the Kids - Dessert

Fridays during Lent except Good Friday

Starting Friday March 4, 2022

5:30pm to 8:00pm at the Shamrock Club of Columbus

60 W. Castle Rd Columbus, OH 43207 Carryout Available

\$11 Adults \$5 Children

Shamrock Club Officers' Installation Banquet

Karen T. Komatsu
81st President



Saturday, April 23, 2022

6:00	Installation of Officers
7:00	Dinner
8:00	Entertainment in the Pub

The Shamrock Club of Columbus
60 W. Castle Rd. Columbus, Ohio

Catered by T.A.T.

Entertainment by Achill Crossing (www.achillcrossing.com)

\$50 per person

Make your reservations today.

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contact Irene Kenney at 614-491-4449**



PRESIDENT SHUMAN'S FAREWELL PARTY

THANK YOU!
GENIUS!
ATTA BOY!



WELL DONE!
WE THOUGHT THAT HE
WOULD NEVER LEAVE!
BRILLIANT!

Come join in bidding a fond farewell to our one and only two-term President!



SATURDAY, APRIL 9TH - 7PM
MUSIC BY THE RICE BOTHERS
60 W CASTLE RD. COLUMBUS



Irish

GOLF CLASSIC

2022





Beer IN THE Bush

FRIDAY, JULY 22 * WESTCHESTER GOLF CLUB

REGISTRATION 7:30AM SHOTGUN START 8:30AM

\$90 PER PERSON OR \$360 TEAM

18 HOLES WITH RIDING CART * SCRAMBLE FORMAT * PROXIMITY PRIZES & SKILLS CHALLENGES

Registration and Payment is now available online on the Club website.
You can also download and print out a registration form on the website.

Candidate for Secretary Megan Dempsey

Fellow Members,

I am asking for your support and vote on Sunday, April 10, to be your next Secretary. I was humbled to be nominated by Past President Ed Gaughan and seconded by Past President (and current favorite sister) Molly Byrne.

I am a small business owner who has managed to keep two hospitality-based businesses in Downtown alive during the pandemic. For me, the sorrow and detachment of the past two years have inspired me to protect and nourish all I hold dear.

About me: I am the youngest of eight children, was married to my late husband, Past President Mark Dempsey, just 74 days shy of 30 years and together we raised 5 wonderful children and were delighted to become grandparents of seven.

This Club and the Irish community as a whole have been part of my life since I was a step dancer with the Shamrock Club Irish Dancers way back in the 1970's. Since then, I have served two terms as President of the LAOH in the late 90's and was honored to be Member of the Year in 2001. In the 2000's I volunteered for many Shamrock Club events and got to see the inner workings of the club. I've served on the Msgr. Grimes Scholarship Committee and was Chair of the 2008 Installation Committee. I was most honored when President Andrew Shuman named me 2021 Irishman of the Year.

I believe the strength of our Club lies in the fact that we honor and love our Irish heritage and traditions but also welcome those who are "Irish in Spirit" into the fold with open arms. If we keep this forefront in our minds as we work through the business of the club, the rest will fall into place.

I will work with current and future officers, seek counsel from both membership and our wise past presidents.

It's time to make new memories with our friends at the club and continue to honor our past and those who have made our present possible since our club's founding in 1936.

Slainte,

Megan Dempsey

Candidate for Director Penny Giesemann

I have been an employee and member for 13 years. I am also a full-time employee of the Groveport Madison School System.

As an employee it is important to me that the Club runs smoothly and as a member that is my goal as well. Everyone knows that you tell the bartender everything and believe me I know the complaints, ideas and compliments. I listen to what you say. And as Director I will hear your voice and be able to take it to the Officers & Board.

I will bring hard work and dedication to this position. I will continue to make this a safe & healthy environment where everyone is welcome, and family is the most important thing.

I was honored to be named Member of the Year in 2019.

Through my experiences working on club events, volunteering and serving wherever I can I have a firm understanding of the knowledge, abilities and commitment that it takes to manage and oversee the daily operations of this club. My experience as a mother has taught me the important skills of patience, listening and kindness.

It's a pleasure serving you and now I would like to do so in a greater capacity.

Thank You,

Penny Giesemann

Shamrock Club Election of Officers

Shamrock Club Elections will be held on Sunday April 10th. Voting is from Noon till 3pm.

You must be a current voting Member with your Membership renewed on or before March 23, 2022.

Voting Membership Levels are:

Life Members: Currently only Past President's and First Ladies are Life Members

Family Members, General Members & Senior Members are all voting Membership levels.

Pub, Honorary, and Junior Memberships are non-voting Members.

Candidates for Office

Secretary

Megan Dempsey

Director (Vote for 2 only)

Jim McDonald, Penny Giesemann, Doug Eakins, Brenda Golden

Please bring your current Membership Card with you to the Election

Candidate for Director Jim McDonald

Fellow Members,

I would greatly appreciate your support by voting for me as Director of the Shamrock Club on April 10.

I have been a member of the Club for ten years and have had the opportunity to serve on the Executive Board for the last three years. I would like to continue my service on the E-Board as we have some projects I would like to see to completion (i.e. elevator). I believe my leadership and organizational skills have facilitated positive improvement even during the challenge of COVID-19.

It takes strong leaders - willing to listen to their membership without pushing their own agenda - to strengthen and grow an organization. Without a strong membership we would not have the Shamrock Club of Columbus.

I am always looking for new opportunities to learn and advance my knowledge, as well as, to share my experiences. It is this thirst of knowledge that has fueled my desire to stay involved with the Club leadership. I hope you will cast your support my way on April 10 and allow me to continue to enhance our leadership.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Jim McDonald

ANN RICHERS 2021 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

Congratulations to Calleigh Gleason, the 2021 winner of the Ann Richens Memorial Dance Scholarship. She has been dancing for 10 years with Millennium Academy. She received \$1,000 toward her dance instruction at the Clan na nGael banquet held in February.

**Celtic Women April 9th**

Worthington Memorial Day Parade

It is Monday, May 30th and we step off at 10a.m. More detailed information will be forthcoming at the May meeting and in the May Seanachai. Meantime, if there are any questions regarding this parade, please feel free to contact Karen Finn.

Thanks,
Karen



**SECOND ANNUAL
PATRICK PEARSE DIVISION 1
FREEDOM FOR ALL IRELAND
ROAD BOWLING FUNDRAISER**



30 APRIL 2022
REGISTRATION 10:00AM
EVENT STARTS 11:00AM
DEER CREEK STATE PARK BEACH ROAD
\$40.00 PER TEAM
4 PLAYERS PER TEAM, LIMIT OF 36 TEAMS
\$10.00 DEPOSIT ON CANNONBALLS
ALL PROCEEDS GO TO FREEDOM FOR
ALL IRELAND AND OTHER CHARITIES
CONTACT MIKE COSGROVE @
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INFORMATION

With St. Patrick's Day behind us and Irish American Heritage Month about to wrap up, we're just a bit over a month away from an opportunity that doesn't come along very often...your chance to toss a 28-ounce iron and steel cannonball down a 1 and 1/2 mile country road.

We hope you'll join us. Put a team together to compete and pursue the Championship Trophy, won by Team Bua (guess who?) last year. Sponsor a sign at the midpoint or the start/finish line. Rain or shine. We'll feed and water you. Or bring something stronger. Make new friends and renew old acquaintances.

Sign sponsorships are \$100 for start/finish line and \$50 for course midpoint. All proceeds from sign sponsorships will also go to Freedom for All Ireland and other charities. You can email the text you'd like to appear on your sign to pearseffai@gmail.com, and we'll get them in the works. If you sponsored a sign last year and would like to reuse it (and save us a few bucks), just let us know. Checks should be made out to "AOH" and dropped off or forwarded to Tara Hall, 274 E Innis Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43207. Please indicate Road Bowling sign sponsorship on your check. Look for my family's sign at course midpoint.

Contact Mike Cosgrove, AOH Patrick Pearse Division Freedom for All Ireland Chair with questions or for additional details.

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Thanks for the craic and support. See you on the Beach Road!

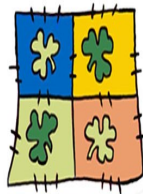
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<p>OFFICE HOURS Monday - through - Friday 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM Ph 614-491-4449 Irene M. Kenney Operations Manager Email shamrockclub1936@shamrockclub.com</p>	<p>NEXT MEETINGS All at 2pm Sunday April 3rd Sunday April 10th Sunday May 1st</p>	<p>PUB HOURS Monday Coed Darts Tuesday Closed Wednesday - Men's Darts Thursday - DOE Ladies Darts Friday 5pm Happy Hour Saturday Closed Sunday – Meeting Days only All Times Subject to Change</p>	<p>Seanachai The Official Newsletter of The Shamrock Club of Columbus J. Michael Redmond - Editor James B. Casey - Editor Emeritus Email Articles to: seanachai@shamrockclub.com Copyright 2022 Shamrock Club of Columbus</p>
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President Andrew Shuman

 2022 President's Club Member



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