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President's Message



Happy New Year! Wow it seems like just yesterday I was saying Happy Easter. Twenty twenty two was an interesting year to put it mildly. We were able to celebrate St. Patrick's

Day again inside at City Hall and Battelle Hall, we had a great day and Past President Shuman was able to Celebrate as Presidents before him The club was able to present outdoor music where everyone was still distancing for COVID. Even as the mandates were lifted, we were then and now experiencing the COVID effect. activities have been less attended than before COVID; I hope that we may someday be back to near before COVID numbers. On that note I am looking forward to Proclamation Day and Family Reunion being the start of returning to a previous normal. The plans for Proclamation Day have not been finalized, however, the Family Reunion is once again at Battelle Hall in the Convention Center. Tables are on sale now and I am looking forward to seeing you all and to a great celebration of St. Patrick. We will be starting the two-a-month meetings and I will be revealing this year's badge at the first one on January 8 and the honorees at the second on January 22. Come on down and celebrate with everyone and let's celebrate like it's before COVID.

Karen

Chaplain's Comments



Dear Shamrock Club Members and Friends,

With the recent celebrations of Advent, Christmas and New Years behind us, it's time to take time to consider some resolutions to help us grow and improve as the days of

January and the New Year advance. In order not to sound too "preachy", instead I'm going to suggest some areas that we can all reflect upon with a view to getting better in our response and involvement in the Club, our families, our faith and friendships.

Each month, the Seanachie goes out to our membership asking for both volunteers for our many activities, as well attendance at regular meetings. In January we begin our two-a-month meetings in preparation for our grand celebration of St. Patrick's Day. If you've been to any meetings lately, you've probably noticed that attendance has dropped over the past few years. One of the chief reasons for this is, of course, the Covid epidemic. While there is still some danger, the worst of it seems to be passing – even as I say this, I also encourage people to take common sense precautions: stay home if you have cold or flu, wear a mask if you fear an infection while out in public, wash hands often and stifle coughs and sneezes. Always carry a CLEAN handkerchief or tissues

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Chaplain's Comments, cont.

Covid has forced many of us to spend more time together as families. Homelife is important for strengthening bonds among family members and provides opportunities for sharing and dialogue. Watching TV is ok, but can be rather passive and inhibiting conversation and sharing. Young families can use mealtime and evening time not only for homework, but also for sharing with parents, children and siblings. Games played together can be a lot of fun, especially if shared and not individually played via phone or video games. It can be amazing how much we do not know about the feelings, hopes, dreams and plans of family members unless we take time to communicate.

As far as our religious and spiritual growth is concerned, this too has been harmed by the epidemic. Wisely, during lockdown and during the worst times we have been grateful that our parishes have livestreamed masses so that we can have some contact with mass even though unable to attend because of fear of infection. The problem is that many of us (not including shut-ins), while in good health and able to work and socialize outside of the home, have gotten used to watching mass on the TV. Our parish attendance counts during October underline the problem here – people are simply not going to church and as a result, are not contributing to the support of the church. Anyone not able to go to church can easily call their local parish and ask that an extraordinary minister of holy communion come to their homes once a week and give them the eucharist. Don't worry about "bothering" anybody about this: our parishes exist to provide the sacraments and other activities for the benefit of our parishioners. Or

course, our goal is to eventually start going to church once again. Hasten the day!

Finally, our friends, neighbors and fellow citizens. It takes time to cultivate friendships and to stay in contact with our neighbors, friends and fellow citizens. Involvement with neighborhood issues should be the concern of all to the extent that we are able to do so.

In conclusion, the year 2023 provides many opportunities for all of us to get more involved with the Club, our faith, and our fellow men and women, young and old. We need the support and friendship of many if we are to continue growing in all areas of our lives. Also, I ask for your prayers – I'm going in for surgery on my lower back on January 25. My back problems have greatly limited my ability to do many things – I'm sure this will help me to be able to do more than I've been able to do in a long time. Please remember me in prayer, and I assure you, you will be in mine too.

In Christ,

Msgr. John Kelly Cody, Chaplain





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Seanachai News

Just a reminder. If you have information for our monthly newsletter, please send it as a Word attachment to an e-mail to Editor, Jim Casey at ijcasey973@gmail.com

The **deadline** for articles is the **21st of the month.**

Seanachai Information

- 1. The electronic version will be delivered to the members every month by the meeting date.
- 2. The printed version will be delivered whenever the USPS gets around to it.
- 3. The **deadline for articles is the 21st** of the month preceding the month of publication.
- 4. The articles should be submitted as an Email, a Word attachment to email or as a jpeg.
- 5. The preferred font is Times New Roman, 11pt or 12pt.
- 6. No handwritten articles will be accepted.
- 7. **Seanachai ad prices are:** \$300 per year, \$175 per six months and \$50 per one month.

Mark Your Calendars

Shamrock Club Meetings January 8th (Badge revealed)

January 22nd (Honorees named)

February 5th February 19th

Music in the Pub - The Mclan's January 6th 8:00 PM

Past President's Luncheon January 7th 11:00 AM

Irish Darts

January 14th 6:00 PM

Quiz night

January 20th 7:00 PM

Shamrock Club Board Meetings Third Monday of the Month

Coed Darts Mondays 7:00 PM

Mens Darts Wednesdays 7:00 PM

DOE Darts Thursdays 7:00 PM

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Sunshine Committee Report

Prayers needed for Erin Feiler, Mary Kelly Tisdale, Kathy Kelly and Msgr Cody. Ann Devoe is having some health issues and can use some prayers also. Larry Doyle had a stroke. Harry and Artie Berkemer newborn twins can use some prayers. Continued prayers for Suzy Lhamon, Tim Jones, George Burton, Mary Sue Taub, Paul Tisdale, Marty Malloy, Peggy Sexton, Patty Moore Moriarty and Ryan Graves.

Happy birthday to Mike McConahay, Brendan O'Reilly, Ed Gaughan & Jackie O'Reilly

Past President Ed Moriarty(1990) is at : Columbus Alzheimer Long Term Memory Care, 700 Jason Way, Columbus, Ohio 43214. If you would like to send Ed's wife and caregiver Mary Kay Moriarty a card: 770 Island Court, Columbus, Ohio 43214

Kay Fallon is at Life Care of Estero, 3850 Williams Rd., Estero, FL. 33928

We wish for you a New Year of nothing but blessings filled with love, health, happiness and lots and lots of FUN!!!

Remember if you have any news for our Sunshine committee just send to: themightymary@gmail.com or Kafinn1@aol.com

Mary & Karen

December E-Board Meeting Highlights

Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Dempsey asked the board to consider how to deliver year-end financials, moving forward, monthly balance sheets and income statements. The board decided this will be delivered via email to General Membership once we have an accurate email list. Until then, members are encouraged to email the office to request reports.

Membership - the board approved the following:

- General Membership New 6
- General Membership Renewal 2
- Pub Membership New 1
- Pub Membership Renewal 1
- Senior Membership New 1
- Senior Membership Renewal 3
- Family Membership New 1

Elevator Project - help from someone with grant writing/finding experience would be appreciated. Contact Director Jim McDonald at jimmcdonald067@gmail.com if interested.

Fr. Vince (formerly of the Newman Center) Masses have been a great success with the club making over \$1500 over the three Masses that have been held at the club. No future Masses are scheduled at this time.

Club Grounds Maintenance and Clean-Up: we need someone to chair this project. Please contact Director Christina McConahay at tinamarie 007@att.net if interested.

February Blood Drive - Sunday, February 19 in the upstairs hall. Please note that the General Membership meeting will be held downstairs that day.

January Events

- Music in the Pub The McIans Friday, January 6 8pm
- Past President's Luncheon Saturday, January 7 11:30am-3pm
- General Meeting and 2023 Badge Reveal Sunday, January 8 2pm
- Irish Darts Saturday, January 14 6pm
- General Meeting and 2023 Honoree Reveal Sunday, January 22 2pm

Irish Family Reunion

The 2023 Shamrock Club Irish Family Reunion will be held again in the Battelle Grand Ballroom at the Columbus Convention Center 400 N. High Street Columbus, OH. Information on when you will be allowed to get in to decorate tables will be available as the Convention Center sees the availability after the previous event.

We will have tables on both levels of the Ballroom. Tables are \$130 per table of 10. Individual tickets prices are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children ages 5 to 17. Children 4 and under are still free. Tables are sold on first come basis. Past Presidents/Officers and 2023 President Club Members receive first choice and then it's on an availability basis. You are not guaranteed the same table as last year.

Tables this year will be available at the December meeting. (so move fast) Table prices have been reduced \$20 per table from last year. But prices will increase to \$140 per table at the first meeting in February and \$150 per table at the first meeting in March. Reserve now to save!

Alcoholic beverages are not permitted to be brought in and coolers will be checked. There will be food available for purchase (more to come on this) Plus you may still bring your own food as in past years.

This year we will also have a special 50 / 50 drawing hoping to reach a goal of \$5,000 to the winning number. Only 1,000 tickets will be sold at \$10 per ticket and you can start buying them when you sign up for tables.

LETS MAKE THIS A SHAMROCK CLUB BANNER YEAR !!!

Clemons "02"

Proclamation Day

The Proclamation Day Event will be held on Friday March 10, 2023. The Mass of Irish Unity will be at 8:30 am at St. Christopher Church 1420 Grandview Ave, Grandview OH. More details to follow.

Blood Drive

Shamrock Club 60 W Castle, Columbus OH 43207 Sunday, February 19, 2023 10:00 AM - 04:00 PM

Our February blood drive is now open for scheduling. Due to a conflict on the Red Cross's schedule, our blood drive had to be moved to the 3rd Sunday in February - Sunday Feb 19th from 10am to 4pm. This will be the same day as the Shamrock Club General Meeting. The General Meeting will be held in the pub while the Blood Drive is upstairs.

Please take a moment to schedule your appointment to give the gift of life today. If you are not able to donate, please help our blood drive be successful by sharing with friends & family.

Reach out to Mike McConahay at (614) 354-5742 if you have any questions.

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St. Patrick's Day, Friday, March 17th 2023 Parade Entry Form

Unit Name :			
Contact Person:			
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Telephone:	Email:		
Unit Type:			
Unit Size:			

There will be a fee of \$250.00 for all parade entrants, unless the entrant is an active member of the Shamrock Club. If the entrant is a paid member, the fee will be \$150.00. There is no fee for Military units, bands, school units or charitable organizations.

If you have questions, please contact Dennis Moriarty at 614-657-2640. Your check must accompany this Entry Form. Please mail to the Shamrock Club of Columbus, 60 West Castle Rd., Columbus OH 43207 Attn. Parade Committee.

Note: No parade participant is allowed to sell or give away any type of badge or other paraphernalia, pass out flyers or literature, or throw anything, either from their cars or while walking, including balloons, candy or matches, or to stop to perform along the parade route. Thank you for your cooperation.

This Entry Form Must Be Received by March 3, 2023

Ron O'Brien and Dennis Moriarty, Co-Chairmen

The Shamrock Club, 60 West Castle Rd, Columbus Ohio 43207, 614-491-4449

Email: shamrockclub1936@shamrockclub.com Web Site: www.shamrockclubofcolumbus.com





St. Patrick's Day, Friday, March 17th 2023 Parade Sponsor Entry Form

Unit Name :		
Contact Person:		
Address:		
City:		Zip:
Telephone:	Email:	
Unit Type:		
Unit Size:		

There will be a charge of \$500.00 for all PARADE SPONSORSHIP entrants to the Parade. This fee will entitle the entrant to have a unit in the Parade, a reserved table of ten (10) adults at the Annual Irish Family Reunion and recognition in the Reunion Program. The Reunion will be held at the Columbus Convention Center in the Battelle Hall immediately following the Parade. All Entrants, including any advertising signage or slogans that will be displayed must be approved by the Parade Committee.

If you have questions, please contact Dennis Moriarty at 614-657-2640. Your check must accompany this Entry Form. Please mail to the Shamrock Club of Columbus, 60 West Castle Rd., Columbus OH 43207 Attn. Parade Committee.

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St. Patrick's Day Procession to Mass

The Procession to Mass will form at 8:45am at the corner of Naghten Street and Neilston Street. It is suggested that all drivers of passenger vehicles that are participating in the Procession, drop people off at Naghten and Neilston Streets, then proceed to the Convention Center Parking Garage on Nationwide Blvd, then either walk back to the staging area or take the BEAT Shuttle Bus back to the Staging Area. The BEATShuttle Bus will be making runs from 8:00am until 9:15am. The cost for the BEAT shuttle is \$1.00 per person plus the purchase or display of the 2023 Parade Badge.

The Procession will step off at 9:00am and go east on Naghten Street to St. Patrick's Church. Mass will be celebrated at 9:30am.



2023 St. Patrick's Day Shuttle Buses for the Parade

The Beat Shuttle bus will start making runs from the Convention Center to the Parade staging area on West Broad Street from 9:15am until 10:15am. Cost is \$1 plus wearing a Parade Badge

Upon the conclusion of the Mass, there will be the BEAT Shuttle buses waiting to transport everyone from the Church to the P arade staging area, which will be on West Broad Street by COSI. Please be prompt after mass and get on a shuttle bus so we can start the parade on time. The BEAT shuttle bus is \$1.00 per person to help us recover some of our cost.

St. Patrick's Day Parade

Parade Staging

All participants not attending 9:30 am Mass need to report to the Parade Staging Area between 10 am and 11 am. The Parade will step off at 11:30 am. The Parade Will Stage on West Broad St., west of Marconi across the Discovery Bridge near COSI to McDowell Street

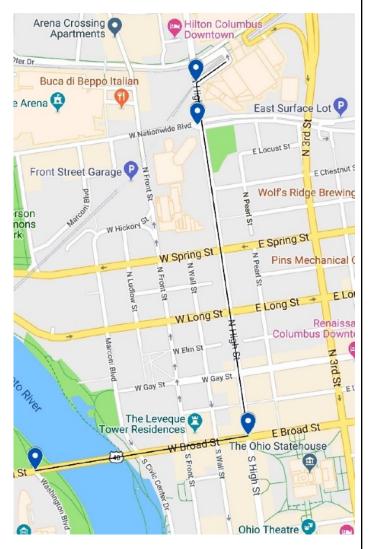
Enter the Staging Area from West on Broad Street at McDowell and the Parade Marshals will direct your entry to the proper position.



Parade Badges ? \$2 Each or 3 for \$5 \$40 for a bag of 25 Will be revealed at Jan. 8th meeting

Parade Route

The Parade steps off at 11:30am and will go east on W. Broad Street, then North on N. High Street to the Convention Center.



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2023 President's Club Members 2023 C-Note Members

Joining the President's Club or becoming a C-Note Member is one way you can help ensure your Clubs financial future for the upcoming year. Currently the President's Club and C-Note Club run on the Presidential Year which is May 1st to April 30th. The President's Club is \$1500.00 a year and the C-Note Club is \$100 a year.

President's Club Benefits:

- Sponsorship recognition at the following Shamrock Club events Installation Banquet, Irish Music Festival, Corn Roast, Halfway to St. Patrick's Day Party, Harvest Festival, the St. Patrick's Day Parade and Irish Family Reunion and in the monthly Seanachai.
- Red Tee Sponsorship at the Irish Golf Classic held in July; a complimentary twosome with a paid twosome and 4 meals at the post outing luncheon.
- Sponsorship of the 2023 St. Patrick's Day Parade including a transferrable entry into the parade (walking, car or float), a reserved table for ten (10) at the 2023 Irish Family Reunion.
- Event admission to all Shamrock Club events including: two (2) tickets to the Installation Banquet, ten (10) tickets to the Irish Music Festival, ten (10) tickets to the annual Corn Roast, ten (10) tickets to the Halfway to St. Patrick's Day party.
- Newsletter recognition on the back of our monthly newsletter which is currently mailed or emailed to over 1,100 households throughout Central Ohio. The newsletter is also posted on our website, providing a hyperlink for advertisers to their websites. Please submit ad as a .jpg.

C-Note Club Benefits:

- Five (5) Tickets to the Shamrock Club Music Festival and five (5) Tickets to the Shamrock Club Half Way to St. Patrick's Day Party in September.
- Recognition in the Monthly Seanachai.



2023 President Club Members

Byrne's Pub
Davey Tile
Judge Julie M. Lynch

The Dempsey Family-In Memory of Red Dempsey, President 1964 & Mark Dempsey, President 2008

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 the office with changes.

Using electronic media instead of US mail saves our Club money. It currently costs 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 2023! 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 1,090, New YTD 139, Memberships not renewed from last year 309.

The Shamrock Club of Columbus

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL ONLY

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Please print or type legibly			Todays Date			
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New Member Application can be download from our website www.shamrockclubofcolumbus.com

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2023 C-Note Club Members

John & Jenny Archibald

George & Vanessa Arnold

Past President Bob Basbagill

In Memory of Susan Berkemer

Rita H. Bowen

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Margaret O'Donnell Rotolo

Daughters of Erin

Past President Andy Shuman

Dennis & Christina Smith

Mary Strickland

Mark & Suzanne Taggart

Paul & Mary Tisdale

David & Maureen Veeley



A Manner of Speaking

Andrew Shuman

For those who attended the Cultural Foundation dinner in December, you may recall Collen Marshall sharing an old saying from one of her Irish relatives. "You're a Welshman if you don't marry a Dutchman"*, she said. All these years later, Colleen still did not know what it meant, and hope someone in the audience knew. I didn't know what the manner of speaking was, and sadly no one else in the audience did either. However, these phrases become an echo from our past and our traditions. I find them to be interesting when I come across them. Like in The Quiet Man, after buying the family property back, Sean Thornton tells Will Danaher that he didn't mean to "put him on his ear" (to shock, upset or irritate). Danaher took great offense and may have thought this meant to "pin him to the mat," another possible meaning. When he is told this is just a way of speaking, Danaher cautions Thornton to mind his ways. Often times, it's the history behind these sayings that is the most interesting. I'll go out on a limb and guess you may not have heard to "chance your arm." The obvious meaning of this phrase is to take a chance, but why one's arm?

One explanation comes from 1492, while Columbus was sailing the ocean blue. The Butlers of Ormonde and the FitzGeralds of Kildare were fighting to see who would become Lord Deputy of Ireland, King Henry VII's representative in Ireland. The conflict raged outside the walls of Dublin until the Butlers took refuge at St. Patrick's Cathedral. The FitzGeralds pursued them to the Cathedral and demanded the Butlers end the fighting and come out. The Butler feared they would be slaughtered if they agreed and took a chance on leaving the safety of the Cathedral. But it was not the Butlers who took the chance; it was the leader of the FitzGeralds, Gerald FitzGerald, who risk his arm to make peace. He ordered a hole be cut in the door and then he extended his arm through the door to offer his hand in peace. The Butler's saw this as a show of good faith and shook hands with FitzGerald to put an end to the fighting. It was Gerald FitzGeralds' show of good faith, his risk of bodily harm, that led to this popular phrase. Dubliners have preserved the famous door (also known as the "Door of Reconciliation") at St. Patrick's Cathedral where today visitors can view it and maybe even offer their own arm to someone.

Next time you think about taking a risk, think about Gerald FitzGerald, and know that there are worse things that can happen than offering your hand to someone to make peace.





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NEXT MEETINGS

All at 2 pm Sunday Jan. 8th Sunday Jan. 22nd Sunday Feb. 5th Sunday Feb. 19th

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

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