



# Seanachai

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## President's Message



Happy July! Summer is here, a time for fun with friends and family. We are all looking forward to the Fourth of July cook-outs, pool parties and upcoming events at the Shamrock Club!

I am looking forward to the upcoming BrewFest on Friday, July 7<sup>th</sup>. This is the first year for this event at the Club. We have several local breweries, local vendors, and a great line up of music. If you are not a fan of craft beer our Pub and Patio bars will be open. The next evening, Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, will be our Irish Music Festival. There will be mass, pipes & drums, dancers and 5 bands (inside & out). If you buy your tickets online before the events you get a discounted price. All the details about both events are in this newsletter. I hope to see many of you at these events and as I will always remind you, these events do not happen without volunteers. Please come and volunteer for an hour or two at one or both events. Also, while you are here say hello to someone you haven't met before and help turn non-members into new members.

Another annual event this month is the Irish Golf Classic on Friday, July 28<sup>th</sup>. Sign your team up online and consider being a hole sponsor. All the details for this event are also in this newsletter.

There will be a General Membership meeting on July 2<sup>nd</sup> and July 30<sup>th</sup>. The meeting on the 30<sup>th</sup> will be considered our August meeting.

I hope everyone has a happy and safe Fourth of July.

Nancy



## Chaplain's Comments



The month of July brings with it the precious anniversary of the Declaration of Independence-the signal event that established our Country, the United States of America. We can be somewhat distracted by the celebrations surrounding the 4<sup>th</sup> of July that we forget the serious division among the colonists concerning who or what would constitute our sovereignty: the King of England, or a government of the choosing of the citizens of the 13 Colonies. There were the Loyalists who stood for the status quo, and the continuing of government under King George III, and the Patriots, those who wanted a local government of an independent nation, free of the domination of the English Crown. A bloody and protracted war resulted, and miraculously, the Colonist-Patriots won. This was the birth of the United States of America, our beloved Country.

The result of that conflict made possible a new form of government; as later, President Lincoln would describe as: of the people, by the people and for the people. Our Nation was gravely tested as this new form of government evolved. The tragic Civil War threatened the existence of the Unity of the various States and eventually produced the end of slavery, also known of the Original Sin of the United States. By avoiding discussion of slavery at the founding of the nation, the forefathers and mothers put off addressing this burning issue that brought about such division and hatred among citizens on either side of the issue.

The preservation of the government and unity of our Nation is a constant challenge and concern of each citizen of our country. It is up to us to protect and defend our precious freedom and liberty, attained at a great price, and preserved by citizens of good will, in spite of the pressures and difficulties that face our nation and the nations of the world.

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### Chaplain's Comments, cont.

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July is not only a time to celebrate, but also a time to reflect and pray for the continued peace and concord of our unique form of government. It is incumbent on us to be responsible citizens by becoming aware of the laws, traditions and obligations of our citizenship, especially by exercising our privilege of voting for the candidates and expressing our opinion of the various issues that come before the electorate from time to time.

Our Country, one Nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all is our precious heritage. May we never neglect to participate in the ongoing progress of our Nation, as responsible and dedicated citizens, who daily appreciate our lives as citizens of these United States, the land of the free, and the home of the brave!

Happy Holiday!

Msgr. John K. Cody, Chaplain

### Membership Report

Membership activity through June 3, 2023

- 731 total members
- 485 renewed memberships
- 59 lifetime memberships
- 187 new memberships

You can read all the details from the membership reports provided at the meetings in the meeting minutes ([www.theshamrockclubofcolumbus.com/by-laws-standing-rules](http://www.theshamrockclubofcolumbus.com/by-laws-standing-rules))

Has your contact information changed - address, email, phone? Email [shamrockclub1936@theshamrockclubofcolumbus.com](mailto:shamrockclub1936@theshamrockclubofcolumbus.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.theshamrockclubofcolumbus.com](http://www.theshamrockclubofcolumbus.com) and [www.facebook.com/ShamrockClubCol](http://www.facebook.com/ShamrockClubCol)

Julie Fulton

### Sunshine Committee Report

Bob Deibel passed away please keep the Deibel & Byrne family in your prayers. Bob was Dort's brother. Please keep the Shuman family in your prayers on the loss of their step father Paul Oechsle. Please keep the Gordon & Taylor families in your prayers on the passing of Pat.

Congratulations to Billie Kirby on the birth of great granddaughter Paisley June on May 22. Congratulations to Sean O'Reilly on his retirement from the Columbus fire department after 34 years. Keep Annie Graves in your prayers, many health issues. Happy birthday to Andy Shuman and twin. Happy anniversary Mike & Nancy Murphy 38 years June 15th.

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

Mary & Karen

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**Seanachai News**

Just a reminder. If you have information for our monthly newsletter, please send it as an attachment to an e-mail to Editor, Jim Casey at [jjcasey973@gmail.com](mailto:jjcasey973@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 .

**MarkYour Calendars**

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Shamrock Club Meetings</b>       | <b>July 2nd</b>                   |
|                                     | <b>July 30th (August Meeting)</b> |
| <b>Brew Fest</b>                    | <b>July 7th</b>                   |
| <b>Shamrock Club Music Festival</b> | <b>July 8th</b>                   |
| <b>Irish Open Golf Outing</b>       | <b>July 28th</b>                  |
| <b>Corn Roast</b>                   | <b>August 26th</b>                |
| <b>Shamrock Club Board Meetings</b> | <b>Third Monday of the Month</b>  |
| <b>Cornhole League</b>              | <b>Thursdays 7:00 PM</b>          |
| <b>Horseshoe League</b>             | <b>Wednesdays 7:00 PM</b>         |

Shamrock Club of Columbus

# BREW FEST

JULY 7

GATES @ 5PM | 60 W CASTLE RD

**Brew Fest Admission \$50**  
Includes 25 tickets to purchase brews, 8oz souvenir mug, concerts and admission to Irish Music Festival on Saturday 07.08.2023

**Music Only Admission \$20**  
Includes concerts and admission to Irish Music Festival Saturday 07.08.2023

...And More!

**Featured Breweries:** HEART STATE, HELLBRANCH HARD CIDER, BUCKEYE LAKE BREWERY, PARSONS NORTH BREWING CO., GROVE CITY BREWING CO., EASTSIDE BREWING CO., THE BREW BROTHERS, SAUSAGE TRUCK, and others.

**Music Acts:** Shorty Allen and the Shorty's, Brave the Sea, and Jared Denen.

## Discounts for Pre-Purchased Tickets to **Brew Fest** and the **Irish Music Festival!**

Buy tickets to the **Brew Fest** [Here](#) and save **\$10.00** off the ticket price using the **Discount Code: Brew23**.

Buy tickets to the **Irish Music Festival** [Here](#) and save **\$5.00** off your admission price using **Discount Code: IrishMusic**

**Full price will be charged at the gate, so use these codes to get your pre-purchased tickets at a reduced rate!**





SHAMROCK CLUB OF COLUMBUS

# IRISH MUSIC FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, JULY 8  4-11 PM

## THE DROWSY LADS

ADMISSION: \$15  
CHILDREN 3-12 \$5  
MASS AT 4:30

FEATURING



### OUTSIDE

Irish Dancers.....5:00PM  
SC Pipes & Drums.....5:30PM  
The Mclans.....6:00PM  
The Drowsy Lads.....8:00PM

### PUB STAGE

The Pints.....5:00PM  
Achill Crossing.....7:00PM  
The Hooligans.....9:00PM



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# Irish

2023

# GOLF CLASSIC

**FRIDAY, JULY 28 \* 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



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## **2023 - 2024 President's Club Members**

### **2023 - 2024 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 - 2024 President Club Members**

Byrne's Pub

Judge Kim Brown

Riverside Bank of Dublin





## Shamrock Club Annual Corn Roast

### All you can eat corn

(roasted on the grill or steamed), brats, hamburgers  
and the fixins' for only **\$12 per person.**

**Price of \$30 per family** (kids under 18)

**Saturday, August 26th**

**5:00 pm to 8:00 pm**

**Food Service**

**7:00 pm- ?**

Music provided by

### **Other Brothers**

**Playground, horseshoes, corn hole and plenty of fun.**

Sponsored by the **Shamrock Club of Columbus**

60 West Castle Road, just off South High Street

Committee Chairs: Mike & Nancy Murphy

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**2023 - 2024 C-Note Club Members**

C-Note sponsors receive Five (5) Tickets to the Shamrock Club Music Festival, five (5) Tickets to the Shamrock Club Half Way to St. Patrick’s Day Party in September and recognition in the Monthly Seanachai.

Look for your Music Festival tickets to arrive in your email at the beginning of July. Keep in mind that the tickets are transferable so if you are not able to attend the Music Festival or the Halfway party, please feel free to forward them to someone who may want to attend. Tickets can either be printed or scanned from your phone at the front gate the day of the event.

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| John Archibald             | Rodney and Kathy Flanagan    | Parker Lee Foundation           |
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| Doug Eakins                | Julia Montei                 | Dave Veeley                     |
| Tim & Chris Feeney         | The Motika’s                 |                                 |
| Daniel Fitzpatrick         | Robin Nakkula & Alan Dormire |                                 |

**Cornhole League**

The Shamrock Club of Columbus will once again host a Cornhole League this summer. The league will take place on Thursday nights at 7 pm and started on May 19, 2023. We will play through the end of August. A match shall consist of three games (play all three games). Cost to play is \$10 per player (please pay at the start of the season). We will have two cookouts during the season – one around July 4th and the other at season end. There will be a season ending seeded tournament to determine the league champion. Seeding is based regular season standings.

If interested please e-mail [shamrockclub1936@shamrockclub.com](mailto:shamrockclub1936@shamrockclub.com) or Mike Murphy at [murph\\_2014@yahoo.com](mailto:murph_2014@yahoo.com)

**Shamrock Club Horseshoe League**

Wednesday nights - 7-8:30 p.m.

Pub opens at 5:00 p.m.

Official start date - Wednesday, May 24th

\$10.00 dues for season

Contact Tim Becker at 614-832-8816 to join the league.

You must be a Shamrock Club Member to join.

## Andy's Corner<sup>1</sup>

### The Irish Experience

Have you wanted to take that trip to Ireland, but you don't know what to do or where to go? You probably want to see the pubs and try some grub. But, when you get there, don't be surprised if you hear our music and they are singing our songs. Three years ago, when I visited Ireland, we were in Cong, County Galway, home of Ashford Castle and Cohan's Pub. Both famous as backdrops for the movie "The Quiet Man." We had some dinner, had a few drinks at our hotel, Ryan's River Lodge, and some of us wanted to find an open pub. We were warned by the group leader that we would be leaving early in the morning to head to the Cliff of Moher. After giving his words the weight they were due, his sisters and I snuck down the stairs like teenagers and out into the night. Much to our disappointment Cohan's was closed for the evening, but across the street a man standing outside of the Danaher Hotel asked if we were looking for a pint and a song. Of course, we were. We followed him in. To our surprise he walked over to the corner, picked up a guitar, and sat next to a man with an accordion. Live music in a pub, this was great craic! I cannot recall what he played, but attention soon turned to Ol' Paddy sitting by the fire with his tin whistle. This was it; this would be *real* Irish music. As the words crept out in a low tone, I listened intently. I slowly made out the words as Paddy crooned about... THE MISSISSIPPI BLUES!!! I cannot say I did not enjoy it, but what a surprise. We had come 3,500 miles across the ocean to hear "American" music. The singer asked for requests from the few people remaining in the pub, and a group of younger people, encouraged by our presence, asked for "American Pie" and "Sweet Caroline." Over the past three years, I have followed some musicians from Ireland on social media, and this trend continues. While there is no shortage of places to find traditional music, you may just have to look a little harder these days.

If you find yourself in Ireland this month, you will need to reset your megalithic monuments for the next solar event as the bonfires of the midsummer celebrations (summer solstice) at Grange stone circle in County Limerick and the Hill of Tara have now cooled. However, later in the month, the north will be ablaze with bonfires commemorating the defeat King James II by William of Orange at the Battle of the Boyne. The Twelfth is marked by bonfires across the north on the eve of July 12th, and public processions the next day. This practice has long been a cause of tension and often violence since its origins in the late 18<sup>th</sup> century. The underlying conflict and history that came out of the Battle of the Boyne is fascinating, but I am not qualified to speak on its impact or the troubles between parties since. Instead, do yourself a favor and watch the PBS documentary "Once Upon a Time in Northern Ireland." You can easily find it by searching pbs.org. It tells the story of The Troubles from both sides, using ordinary people who lived through it.

Whatever your plans, home or abroad, experience something Irish. Don't wait for that bucket, just make a list and start crossing things off. There are Gaelic sports in Cleveland, Akron or Pittsburgh, the Flanagan sculpture at the Columbus Museum of Art, festivals of music and dancing across the Midwest, road bowling in West Virginia, and even canal boat rides (Ohio has several) on the big ditch dug by Irishmen. If all else fails, I'll see you at down at the pub, I suppose.

Andy Shuman 2021, 2022

1. Andy's Corner is provided by Past President Andy Shuman (2021, 2022) whenever an article comes together for him.

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