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President's Message



Hello everyone! I hope you have been able to enjoy the beautiful weather in between winter. Let's hope Mother Nature decides to let it be spring so we can once again enjoy the Clubs grounds. Last night there was an amazing party ushering in the 2023 Officers and Board Members. It was

a great way to start the year and I am looking forward to working with all of these bright and talented people. We need your help to accomplish as many of the items on our to do list as possible. I am certain that many of you wish to help and would if you knew what was needed. To that end there is a questionnaire on the website and in this publication asking you to tell us about your talents so that we can contact you when a need arises. The club has some great activities coming up which I hope you all can attend; Hilda Doyle and Molly Pauken will be playing after the June meeting on the 5th, one of my favorite events on June 14th Flag Day and then Derick Warfield and the Young Wolfstones will be headlining the Music Festival on June 25. Have a great month.

Karen

PS: Hilda Doyle and Mary Grady Strickland asked me to thank their committee members for the fantastic part they played in making the Installation Dinner a success. Decorations: Alice Gaughan, Kathy Redmond, Karen Finn and Megan Dempsey. Food: Tracee, John, Kiera and Colleen Collins, Jeri Figliola, Molly O'Reilly and Past First Lady Jackie O'Reilly.

Also thank you to all who jumped in to help clean up.



Chaplain's's Comments



Dear Shamrock Club members and friends,

I am very happy to tell you that my surgery was a success and I'm able to walk some. It has been difficult being limited for the past few months, so it's good to be up and around, albeit in a very cautious manner – it does hurt a little to walk, but I'm grateful to be mobile. I still regret not being able to be present for the annual St. Patrick festivities – had to watch them on tv and computer.

Congratulations to Megan and all the Officers! We expect good things under President Karen's leadership! I'm sure we're all looking forward to a wonderful club year!

With the coming of the month of May, our activity calendars are sure to become filled with school end of the year activities, graduations, weddings, picnics and vacation planning. All kids are looking forward to summer vacation.

At the end of May, we will be welcoming a new Bishop, Bishop elect Earl Fernandes! I met him several years ago at the Josephinum. He is a very impressive and delightful person! Easy to talk to, and very eager to begin his ministry here in the diocese of Columbus. I suggest we send him a letter inviting him to be celebrant of the St. Patrick Day Mass – getting it on his calendar is very important! I am absolutely certain that you'll really like him! He's 49, somewhat young for a diocesan bishop, but he's a quick study! I'm looking forward to working with him in the diocese, and am sure he will provide us with excellent leadership.

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Sunshine Committee Report

On behalf of the membership thank you Mike McConahay for the many, many years you did the Sunshine Committee.

Please keep Kay Fallon, Fred Berkemer, Suzy Lhamon & AJ Malloy in your prayers as all are recovering from surgery of some sort. Mike Prevette had a stroke and is in Riverside. Lois O'Reilly, Msgr. Cody, Ryan Graves, Linda Bakensheter, Steve Dean and Paul Tisdale all have some health issues and can use some extra prayers.

We lost smiley Joe Motika on April 7, what a fine man he was.

Kevin Archer is being deployed. Welcome to the world Reilly Davis O'Reilly Staffon. Reilly is the great granddaughter of 2 of our past first ladies - Lois O'Reilly & Charlotte Davis and the first grandchild for Kyle & Toni O'Reilly, congratulations! Congratulations to Mike & Carol McConahay who celebrated 55 years of marriage on April 15. Mr. & Mrs. Kelly on your 50th anniversary

which you celebrated with your grandkids at the Easter egg hunt. Caroline Mischnick was confirmed at Our Lady of Victory on April 26, congratulations. Her Grandma Carol McConahay was her sponsor!

Thank you President Shuman, officers and board for 2 years, well done!

Congratulations to Karen T. Komatsu as she begins her year as the 81st President of the Shamrock Club of Columbus and to her officers and board on a successful, fun year.

If you have any information you would like in our Sunshine report please reach out to Karen Finn: kafinn1@aol.com or Mary Grady Strickland: themightymary@gmail.com

Again, thanks Mike for everything you did. It is an honor to continue this great committee.

May you have love that never ends, lots of money, and lots of friends. Health be yours whatever you do, and may God send many blessings to you.

Chaplain's's Comments, cont.

May is also the month of the Blessed Mother. The spring flowers and blossoms on the trees always remind me of our May Processions, living rosaries, May crownings of statues of the Blessed Mother, and the nostalgic Marian Hymns we all sang as children. Happy memories! We honor her for a number of reasons: she's the mother of our savior and our spiritual mother, she understands us, her children because she is one of us in her humanity, she is a powerful intercessor for us before the throne of God, and she was the first person to say "yes" to Jesus when she offered her "fiat" to God's invitation to become the mother of His Son.

All Marian devotion leads us to her son, Jesus. We remember that at the wedding feast at Cana, she told the stewards –"do whatever he tells you to do!" That advice is offered to us also who very much want to be disciples of Jesus in today's world.

May the blessings of this season be yours in abundance, and may the good Lord continue to help us emerge older, wiser and more appreciative of life as we come to the decline of the pandemic.

In Christ,

Msgr. John Kelly Cody, Chaplain



Officers

- President:** Karen Komatsu
Vice-President: Nancy Murphy
Secretary: Megan Dempsey
Treasurer: David Stearns
Chaplain: Msgr. John K. Cody
Director: Christina McConahay
Director: Jim Patrick Conley
Director: Jim McDonald
Director: Penny Gieseemann
Sg-At-Arms: Rich Finn

Pub Supervisor

Penny Gieseemann

Blood Drive

Our next blood drive is Sunday June 12th, 10-4. You can sign up online in May

Newsletter 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 jjcasey973@gmail.com

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

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. Meantime, if there are any questions regarding this parade, please feel free to contact Karen Finn. at

kafinn1@aol.com

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.

Flag Day



Our annual Flag Day Ceremony will be held this year on Tuesday June 14th at 6:00pm. Please arrive by 5:30pm. More information to come in the June Seanachai.

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 1,024, 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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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

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.

Join the C-Note Club for \$100 a year.

Join the President's Club for \$1500.00 a year.

Treasurer's Report

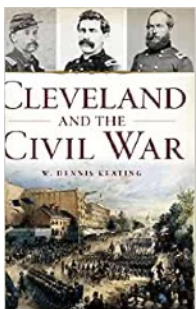
I hope that this report finds everyone healthy and in good Irish spirit.

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

Cleveland and the Civil War



The History Press has recently published a new book entitled *Cleveland and the Civil War*. Cleveland and Cuyahoga County sent more than 9,000 troops to war - more than 1,700 never returned. It includes information regarding Cleveland's Hibernian Guards and its hero Thomas Francis Galwey and the postwar Fenian invasions of Canada, which included many Irish Civil War Union veterans. The author is Professor W. Dennis Keating of Cleveland State University. Professor Keating is also a member and past president of the Cleveland Civil War Roundtable.

J. Michael Finn

Shamrock Club Member Talents

The Shamrock Club of Columbus needs your time and talents. We know more people would like to help in the running of the club but they don't know how. By letting us know your talents we can contact you when there is a need. Below are some areas of need; there are more which we don't yet know we need so if you don't find your talent in the list please add it to other.

Name: _____ Phone # _____

EMAIL: _____

Talents:

- Networking
- Web Design
- Construction
- Accounting
- Publicity
- Marketing
- Research
- Electronics
- Child Care
- Event Planning
- Plumbing
- Sewing
- Landscaping
- Publishing
- Social Media
- Sewing
- Office Administration
- Medical
- Graphic Design
- Other _____

Additional informations you would like to give _____

Thank you with your help we can keep the Shamrock Club of Columbus the Place the Irish and those who love the Irish meet.



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.

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<p>OFFICE HOURS Monday - through - Friday 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM Ph 614-491-4449 Email shamrockclub1936@ shamrockclub.com</p>	<p>NEXT MEETINGS All at 2pm Sunday May 1st Sunday June 5th</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 James B. Casey-Editor Email Articles to: jjcasey973@gmail.com</p>
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