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President's Message



We will be celebrating Thanksgiving in a few weeks; families will sit down to a big dinner and some share what they are thankful for. I would like to share with you what/who I am thankful for. I am thankful for the current Officers, Executive Directors, and the Treasurer for their commitment to the club to keep it running and profitable. I am thankful for our Bar Manager and Office Manager who handle the day-to-day operations of the club. I am thankful for FOC, for overseeing our finances and the POC for overseeing the Pub operations. I am thankful for the Past Presidents & First Ladies of the club, for their support and continued dedication to the club. I am thankful for every committee chairperson and their committee members for putting on so many great events this year. I am thankful for everyone who has volunteered at our events, no matter how small your part was, it was important and I thank you for being here. I am thankful for our bar staff that works hard to keep us all well hydrated. I am thankful for each and every member of our club, I am thankful for your membership, your attendance at events and your continued support of the club. I am thankful for my family and friends and their support this year.

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Chaplain's Comments



Dear Shamrock Club Members and Friends,

“When the frost is on the pumpkin....” Autumn is here: falling leaves, harvested crops, and all the things that make Autumn so special! The weather has been somewhat unpredictable: near freezing one night, and then 70 degrees the next day – such is the Season! Regardless, it's all beautiful!

November 1st is All Saints Day—a time to remember all saints as well those who are uncanonized, but with the Lord in his heavenly kingdom. Nov. 2nd is All Souls Day—a time to remember the souls in Purgatory. Going to mass and praying for all of our deceased loved ones is a wonderful way of remembering them. Attendance on All Souls Day bring with it the possibility of gaining a plenary indulgence, which can be applied to the Souls in Purgatory. Attend mass, receive communion, go to confession and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father.

This year, St. Charles Preparatory is celebrating its 100th birthday! I am an alumnus of the College Class of 1968. Happy anniversary, Carolians!

Perhaps the best celebrations in November are Thanksgiving Day, The Solemnity of Christ the King, and the beginning of Advent. Above all,

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President's Message, cont.

Lastly, I am thankful that God brought us all together to be the Shamrock Club of Columbus. Happy Thanksgiving to all!

We have a few events coming up. Friday, November 3, we will have Molly Roisin in the Pub. Sunday, November 5 is our General Meeting and Memorial

Mass, Friday, November 10 will be Quiz Night and the Dart Leagues are in full swing throughout the week. Also, Queen of Hearts will be happening Friday evenings when the club is open.

Have a safe month, I look forward to seeing you soon.

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Chaplain's Comments, cont.

Thanksgiving Day is a family celebration taking place in our homes. The traditional foods, the happy conversations, and the blessings we thank God for: Our Holy Faith, our lives and health, our families, the blessings of our citizenship in our Country, and for so many other things. Prior to Thanksgiving and December, we begin to make a special effort to be more generous and charitable to those in need. Food collections, donations of warm clothes still serviceable but no longer used by us, money to various charities to continue their necessary work, and other sacrifices we can make to help those in need.

And of course, Thanksgiving heralds the beginning of the Seasons of Advent and Christmas! Advent commemorates the 4000 years the chosen people waiting and praying for the Messiah, with prayer and expectation of His coming as He came at Bethlehem, as He comes to us in the present moment, and as He will come in glory at the end of time. Many times, both Pope Francis and Pope Benedict have said that God is full of surprises! On our part, we need to open the eyes of our hearts and allow God to transform us into people of Hope. May we prepare well for His coming, and await whatever surprises God has in store for us and those we love!

In Christ,

Msgr. John K. Cody, Chaplain

Mass and General Meeting November 5th

Come join us to remember our first Irish Catholic President John Fitzgerald Kennedy and all our deceased members this Sunday, November 5th at 2 p.m. This is a wonderful way to think of all our loved ones.

Stick around for the meeting immediately following.



Officers

- President:** Nancy Murphy
- Vice-President:** Megan Dempsey
- Secretary:** Patrick Conley
- Treasurer:** Doug Dempsey
- Chaplain:** Msgr. John K. Cody
- Director:** Jim McDonald
- Director:** Megan Kelly
- Director:** Molly McCandless
- Director:** Jamie Porter
- Sg-At-Arms:** Rich Finn

Office Administrator

Tina O’Grady

Pub Supervisor

Brian Kerr

Seanachai Information

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

MarkYour Calendars

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| Shamrock Club Meetings | November 5th, Mass 2pm |
| | December 3rd |
| | January 7th |
| | January 21st |
| Shamrock Club Board Meetings | Third Monday of Month |
| Charity Newsies Bling | November 4th |
| 1981 Hunger Strike, Mike Mental | November 9th |
| Kida Christmas Party | December 9th |
| Coed Darts | 2nd & 4th Mondays |
| Men’s Darts | Wednesdays |
| Women’s Darts | 1st & 3rd Thursdays |
| Co-Ed Corn Hole | 1st & 3rd Thursdays |
| Quiz Nights | 2nd Fridays |

Music in the Pub

Molly Roisin Nov. 3rd 8 pm
 Christmas Show Dec. 1
 Featuring the Drowsy Lads

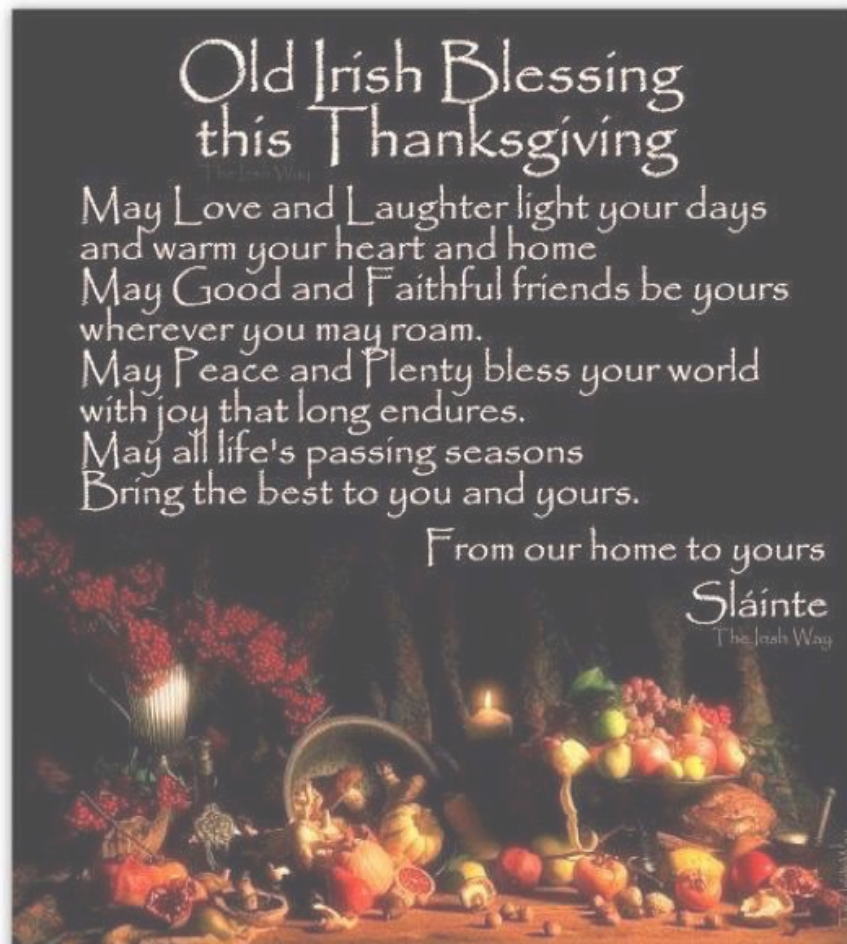
Sunshine Committee Report

Congratulations to Eric and Siobhan Burke Hawks on the birth of beautiful Ava Marie on September 30th. Past President John Cross, Out the door in 94, will be 89 on October 20th. If you would like to send a card: 3615 Glacial Lane Apt. 27 Grove City, OH 43123

Suzy Lhamon's mother Lucille passed away she was 88, please keep the family in your prayers. The Kelly Fitzgerald family needs prayers on the loss of Grandma Jane Fagan. Scott Robinson lost his Aunt Mary recently, please keep his family in your prayers. Pray for the Ralston and Lally families on the loss of Jack and for the Wackernagle family on the loss of their son Jason. Please keep The Conley family in your prayers on the passing of Kim's Mom.

Please keep Tim McSweeney in your prayers for strength. Riley Mulholand needs many prayers as she waits for a kidney, she is the niece of Shamrock Club Piper Steve Mulholand. Please continue to keep Dawn Peterson in your prayers

Remember if you have any news for our Sunshine Committee just send it to: themightymary@gmail.com or Kafinn1@aol.com, Mary and Karen



Andy's Corner ¹

“Twas the Little People...”



The phrase makes me laugh each time I think of it. In the space which used to be Pub Mahone, this translation was painted on a back wall alongside a Gaelic quote. The phrase ended with the words “for feck sake.” This seemed to be the answer for all things, both obvious and unexplained. Whatever the question, it could be attributed to these diminutive intermediaries. Aye, but the wee people are not to be trifled with. I read an article at IrishCentral.com which reported that the Irish still take them quite seriously, so much so that calling them fairies is avoided so as not to annoy them. Instead, it was suggested they be referred to as the “little people” or “the good people.” People go out of their way to continue certain customs just the smallest of offenses. Examples include giving a warning before throwing water out the door for fear you may give one a good soaking, or keeping the first glass of poitin for their enjoyment.

The recently Celtic holiday of Samhain recognizes the time of year when the portal between our world and theirs opens up. This often takes place around the ring forts or fairy mounds. During my trip to Ireland this summer, one of my travel companions made reference to the fairy tree which sat alone in an open field. She explained that these trees (often blackthorn) are home to the wee ones and removing them would be bad luck. The IrishCentral article also referenced these fairy trees and the misfortune which befell those who removed. When expanding a roadway, the traffic was routed around one tree, while another resulted in a dip in the road, which led to a great number of accidents attributed to the wee people and the spot of the former tree.

Fairy tales are as numerous as the trees they are said to inhabit. One of the more humorous collections is [Lady Cottington's Pressed Fairy Book](#). In the days before the internet when you received direct mailings from book clubs, this book was advertised. The co-creator was Terry Jones, a member of the famed Monty Python's Flying Circus. The book consisted of humorous and somewhat messy looking pictures of winged sprites smashed between its pages. The description states that these mischievous garden fairies attempted to outdo each other by leaping between the pages of the closing book in order to create the most outrageous pose. Sounds like great craic, but you only get one attempt to be a smash hit.

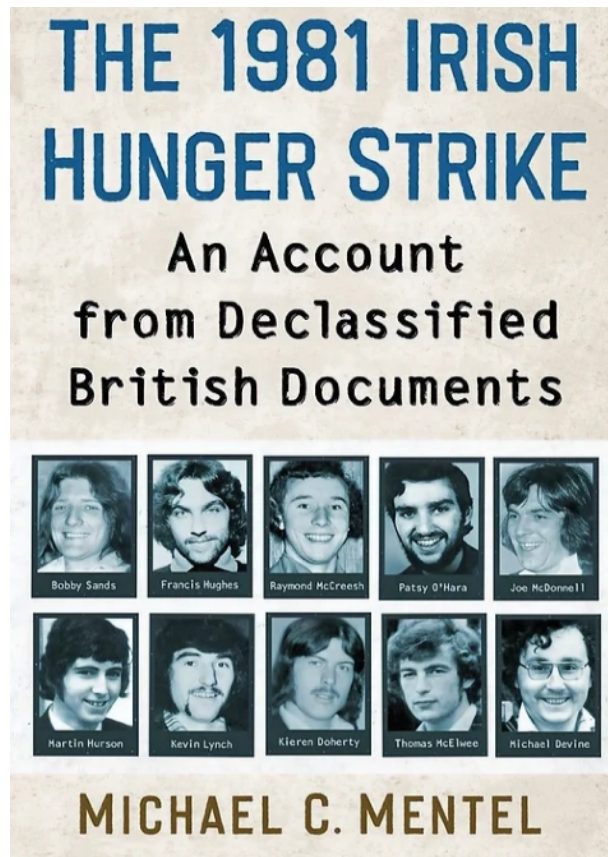
Lastly, I'd like to share a brief encounter at this year's music festival. While watching one of the performers, I noticed one, then another, then three, four, perhaps a dozen dragonflies. I watched as they danced about. I had never seen so many at the same time. I looked over to see Rich and Julie Clemons watching several flying near them. I says to them, “I've heard that dragonflies were actually fairies.” Julie smiled and said that she too had heard that. Whether it's true or not, it added to a beautiful evening and left me pondering, “Twas it the little people?” To paraphrase one famous small man, Michaelen Og Flynn, “I'm not saying was is, but I'm not saying it wasn't.” I'll see you down at the pub I suppose, and we can discuss it in proper Irish fashion over a pint (for feck sake). -- ANDY

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

Irish Hunger Strike of 1981

The Irish hunger strike of 1981 was one of the most tragic events to occur in Irish history. Hear from Shamrock Club member and author Mike Mentel, how the declassified documents illustrate how the 1981 hunger strike, and the ten men who died on it, forced a revolutionary change in the political and governmental structure of the north, forming a road to peace that concluded with the signing of the 1998 Good Friday Agreement. He has written a book called “The 1981 Irish Hunger Strike: An Account from Declassified British Documents” that is due to be released in November and is available for pre-order on Amazon.

Thursday, November 9th., 7:00 PM at the Shamrock Club



Fall/Winter Dart and Corn Hole Leagues



Co-Ed Dart League - 2nd & 4th Mondays - starting Sept. 11; 6:30 p.m.

Contact: Mary Kate Ansbro - marykansbro@gmail.com

All players must be Shamrock Club of Columbus (SCOC) Members

Men's Dart League -Wednesdays (Pub & Main Hall) - starting Sept. 6; 7:00 p.m.

Contact: Stephen Stewart - ton80bigpretty@yahoo.com

All players must be SCOC members

Women's Dart League - 1st & 3rd Thursdays - starting Sept. 7; 7:00 p.m.

Contact: Nancy Murphy - nlmurphy@yahoo.com

All players must be members of LAOH, DOE or the SCOC



Co-Ed Corn Hole - 1st and 3rd Thursdays - starting Sept. 7; 7:00 p.m. -Main Hall

Contact: Mike Murphy Murph_2014@yahoo.com

All players must be SCOC members

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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 tC-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 Pipes and Drums

The Pipes and Drums welcome new members at any time. Practices are on Monday evenings at the Shamrock Club of Columbus at 60 West Castle Rd. Columbus, OH 43207

If you don't play but would like to come and meet with us. Lessons are free. Call Tim Becker at 614-832-8816.



2023 - 2024 C-Note Club Members

John Archibald	Michael Patrick Flynn	Robin Nakkula & Alan Dormire
George & Vanessa Arnold	Ed & Alice Gaughan	Parker Lee Foundation
Robert Basbagill	Brent & Reba Jones	Lisa O'Connell-Paccioretti
Gregory and Janell Brown	Tim & Karen Jones	Tina O'Grady
Jim Brown	Jerry D. Keffer	Mollie O'Reilly & Scott Paynter
Thomas P. Byrne	Brian Kelleher	Lois K. O'Reilly
Jim & Judy Casey	Ed & Terri Kelly	Michael & Margaret O'Sullivan
Msgr. John K. Cody	Bruce A. Kotlinski	Richard & Kathy Pulse
Tracee & John Collins	Jeanine & Mike Malloy	Sandra Puskarcik & Dave McKee
Pat & Kim Conley	Donald M. Manley	In Memory of Michael H. Quinn
St. Patrick & Annie Curran	Glenn & Jill Maurer	Mike & Kathy Redmond
Daughters of Erin	Christina McConahay	Andrew Shuman 2021-2022
Joe & Charlotte Davis	Jim & Debbi McDonald	Mark & Suzie Taggart
The Dempsey Family	Julie O'Keefe McGhee	Timothy Timlin
Francis & Hilda Doyle	In Memory of Jeff McGowan	Paul Tisdale
Doug Eakins	Tom & Janet McGue	Dave Veeley
Tim & Chris Feeney	McSweeney Family	
Daniel Fitzpatrick	Julia Montei	
Rodney & Kathy Flanagan	The Motika's	

Shamrock Club Paddy's Half n Half Raffle 03-17-2024

Get your tickets early before we sell out!! **25 chances per sheet for only \$10.00**

Winner need not be present

Drawing at The Family Reunion 3/17/24

Our goal is a \$10,000 prize to the winner based on selling all **2,000 sheets.**

We will pay out half of what we take in if less than our goal.

You can purchase tickets at meetings, darts

or anytime you are at the club until Sunday, March 10, 2024.

Ticket sales begin at the meeting on Sunday, September 3rd,

If you want to purchase you can call/text Mary @ 614-316-8278

Mary Grady Strickland 2018

Rich Clemons 02



11th Annual Bringing the Bling for Charity Newsies

Have fun shopping while helping to clothe a child (proceeds go to Charity Newsies) To date we have raised \$13,819 and clothed 92 children.

Saturday, November 4, 2023 12:00 to 4:00 PM

Shamrock Club of Columbus, 60 W. Castle Road

(Food provided and beverages available)

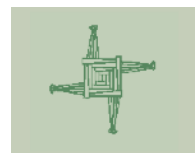
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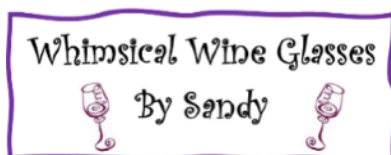
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