



The Blarney

UPCOMING:

Monthly Meeting:

May 9th

The Mickle Center

6:30 P.M.

Menu: Steak, Baked Potato, Salad,

Bread/ Butter, Dessert

Next Meeting:

June 13th

Mickle Center

6:30 P.M.

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BOARD NEWS

* **PARKING** – The board has been asked by the Mickle Center to please leave the area open at the street where the handicap access is. They have had several complaints that this happens on Monday nights so please keep that area open.

* **Past Parade Business** – We had 19 paid members for breakfast this will continue next year.

Future Tailgate party opinions were favorable, we will continue with Tony Rose's help, we will not fully invest in it next year.

Bonnie's Barricade's cost was \$8707. We will look for other options for next year with the understanding this takes many people to put together.

No donation from Exile Brewing yet.

No donation from Marriott yet.

* **MEMBERSHIP** – We currently have 70 paid members, if you have not yet paid your yearly dues, please contact a board member to get them caught up.

GOLF TOURNEY – Brian Krepps, Chairman.

Saturday June 11th, 8:00 A.M. Toad Valley, Cost is \$70 per person, 2-man best ball.

BAGS TOURNEY – Scott Tilton, Chairman.

Awaiting more information on this.

DISC GOLF TOURNEY – Jerry Grady, Chairman.

Saturday August 6th, Time? Cost is \$30. Per person. Proceeds to benefit the Food Bank of Iowa

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Presidents 'Pint of View'

Hi Fellas,

I'm sitting down to write my "pint of view" this month and it occurred to me that I have recently gained a wealth of knowledge on the history of Ireland that might include some information you would enjoy reading. My lovely wife, Lisa, and I signed up and attended a class at DMAcc that was posted back in December on our Facebook page by the instructor Michael Halloran. So, to save you all from having to read the musings inside my head ALL the time, I would like to occasionally share some of these tidbits of information with you. Here is the description of the class we attended.

A Guided Tour of Ancient Ireland: The History, Archaeology, and Mythology of a Celtic Nation Imagine a landscape of wolves, vast forests, ritual murders, cattle raids, treasure troves of gold, mysterious pagan tombs, Celtic stone crosses, and Viking raiders. This is the country in which you'll arrive during your guided tour of ancient Ireland.

The class was only \$50, 2hr long, held on Tuesday nights over a 4-week period this March and was taught by Michael Halloran (Facebook profile Mícheál Ó hAllmhúráin). Michael grew up in Ireland and moved to Iowa in 2013. He has a degree in history and Archaeology from the National University of Ireland, Maynooth. He was extremely informative and gave some info on how this history affected his own life growing up there. Michael was very happy to see that the class sold out and hopes to hold more classes in the future about past and more current Ireland history. I will make sure he posts links on our Facebook page (I will also try to announce them in our blarney) for anyone who is interested in attending! I'm rambling on this month so I will cut it off here and you can prepare to get some Irish history mixed in occasionally with my POV in upcoming blarneys.

CHEERS! 🍀

Your honored President,
Tony "T-bone" Schmid

BOARD NEWS CONT.

FSOSP RUN – John Leonhart, Chairman.

The run is now scheduled for Saturday July 11th, \$40 per person.

BIKE RIDE – Jeff DeMoss, Chairman.

The ride is planned for Saturday September 24th. Volunteers are needed.

Raffle tickets will be sold for the ride with the following prizes: 1-\$500. 1-\$250. 1-\$100. 1-\$50

***The October BOD meeting and the regular meeting dates are being moved to 10/3 for BOD and 10/17 for the regular meeting.**

*** 2022 Raffle Ticket Winners –**

Ireland: Pam O'Connor

\$500: Jennifer Stirling

\$100: John Freitag

\$100: Kristina Womack

\$100: Amy Rupe

\$50: Derik Spoon

\$50: Adrian Welch

\$50: Eva Ross

\$50: Laura Thompson



Irish History

- 1074 - Donatus (or Dunan), the first Bishop of Dublin, dies on this date and is buried in Christ Church Cathedral. Patrick, his successor, is sent to Canterbury for consecration (records are unreliable - the date of his death is also recorded as November 23)
- 1171 - Diarmaid MacMurrough, king of Leinster, dies in Ferns, Co. Wexford; Strongbow is his (disputed) successor (MacMurrough's remaining legitimate son, Connor, has been executed while a hostage of Rory O'Connor)
- 1782 - Second and third Catholic Relief Acts (4 May, 27 July) allow Catholics to own land outside parliamentary boroughs, to be teachers, and to act as guardians
- 1794 - United Irishman Archibald Rowan escapes from custody and eventually makes his way to America
- 1823 - Oliver Harty, Baron de Pierrebouurg, of Co. Limerick, Lieutenant-General in Napoleon's army, retires
- 1836 - The Ancient Order of Hibernians in America is founded in New York City
- 1854 - Songwriter, entertainer and painter, Percy French, is born in Cloonyquin, Co. Roscommon. One of his many famous songs is "The Mountains of Mourne"
- 1903 - Bing Crosby, descendant of Irish immigrants, is born in Tacoma, Washington, as Harry Lillis Crosby
- 1923 - Birth in Milltown Malbay, Co. Clare of Patrick Hillery, surgeon, politician, and former president from 1976 to 1990. He negotiates Ireland's entry into the European Community in 1973 and is later E.C. vice president for three years
- 1928 - Poet, Thomas Kinsella, is born
- 1938 - Johnny Caldwell, flyweight boxer and winner of a bronze medal in the 1956 Olympics, is born in Belfast
- 1964 - Birth of actress Roma Downey in Co. Derry
- 1967 - Seven Drunken Nights by the Dubliners enters the British Top Ten
- 1981 - Bobby Sands dies at Long Kesh prison on the 66th day of his hunger strike
- 2001 - Limerick is tops for pub grub after one of the city's trendiest bars picks up the coveted Club Orange/Licensing World Pub Lunch award. In a business worth an estimated £1million a day, the Thomas Street premises, Auburs, beat off stiff competition from 11 monthly winners to become Ireland's leading purveyor of pub lunches
- 2001 - Sinn Féin's Martin McGuinness confirms publicly for the first time that he was the IRA's second-in-command in Derry on Bloody Sunday. The admission prompts a swift call from the Ulster Unionists for Sinn Féin President Gerry Adams to come clean about his IRA past