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Headlines, Legends and Up-and-Comers 2004 Milwaukee Irish Fest Line- Up Offers Unprecedented Variety

Visitors to Milwaukee Irish Fest 2004, August 19-22, will savor a one-time music and entertainment experience notable for talent, energy, variety and risk-taking.

“Special performers include fiddlers Eileen Ivers and Natalie MacMaster, and Galway accordionist Joe Burke, all of whom are among the world’s best and best-known on their instruments,” says Jane Anderson, Irish Fest Executive Director.

“This year’s line-up is particularly well-rounded, with a number of ‘world’s best’ and Irish Fest firsts. It’s an eclectic concert of more than 200 performances ranging from debuts to legends – even a Broadway-caliber musical this year – for one low \$12 ticket,” Anderson says.

Among more than 100 groups spread across 16 lakefront stages will be a number of acts making their Milwaukee Irish Fest debuts, including world beat, Celtic and groove-inspired Bad Haggis with Eric Rigler; traditional Téada; German duo Pipeline; tenor Tommy Fleming; and folk favorite Luka Bloom.

Rock Stage Coordinator Barry Stapleton says Luka Bloom is one of the festival’s most highly anticipated debuts.

“We’re excited about experimenting with contemporary Irish pop music on our Rock Stage and Luka Bloom is as popular in Ireland as many top 40 bands are in the United States,” he says.

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Other rockers include Seven Nations, popular for bagpipes, and the Prodigals, whose harder edge has helped to build a large college-age following. Contemporary world music fans may appreciate Different Drums of Ireland, which incorporates all indigenous Irish drums to create a distinctive world beat influenced by Irish, Scottish and African traditions.

Entertainment Coordinator Chuck Ward recommends a reunion performance by Kips Bay as a hot show. Kips Bay includes Pat Kilbride on acoustic and electric guitars, cittern, and vocals; John Whelan on button accordion and keyboards; former Billy Idol band member Steve Missal on drums and vocals, and Richard Lindsey on six-string and fretless bass.

“Although several members have gone on to solo prominence, Kips Bay has not performed their lively fusion of rock, pop and traditional music together on one stage since 1996,” Ward says.

Past fest-goers will also appreciate the return of three of last year’s most popular bands: the Titanic movie’s pub band, Gaelic Storm, funk-inspired Slainte Mhath; and folksy flute favorite, Flook.

Citing the Furey Brothers, Tommy Makem, the Makem Brothers with Liam and Mickey Spain and bluegrass-inspired McKrells, Ward says, “It’s a great year for folk music.”

Lighthearted Seamus Kennedy, who incorporates folk, comedy, ballads and audience participation into his lively show, will also add a folksy flavor.

This year the festival will add a new way of celebrating Irish dance. Ragús, a 45-minute traditional music, song and dance cabaret show reminiscent of Riverdance will make its Milwaukee debut in the Cultural Village, while local dancers from Cashel Dennehy Irish Dancers, Glencastle Irish Dancers and Trinity Dance Academy will return to the festival for several performances throughout the weekend.

“As in past years, fest-goers who are inspired after watching dance performances can learn the fundamentals accompanied by live music in the Crossroads Area,” Anderson says.

Local performers will include the all-teen Milwaukee Irish Fest Choir, Waking Maggie, Reilly, Frogwater, Cé, Curtis Crossroads, Blarney, Leahy’s Luck, Finbar McCarthy, Theiss & O’Connor, Bantry Bay, West of Ennis, Sandcarvers, Barry Dodd, St. Brendan’s Voyage, Green Side Up, Fiona Molloy, Jeff Ward and 3 Pints Gone.

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Milwaukee Irish Fest Spotlights Isles of Ireland

Irish Fest 2004 will offer a one-time opportunity to explore the mystery, romance and legend of the Isles of Ireland.

“This year’s fest-goers will experience places in Ireland that few travelers ever see, as the isles’ history, music, art, literature and education are thoughtfully integrated into nearly every part of the festival,” says Jane Anderson, Irish Fest Executive Director.

It is said that there are as many Irish isles as there are days of the year; with the majority located just a few miles off the northern and northwestern coasts of the Irish mainland, and many no longer inhabited. Some of the better-known isles are Inisheer, Inishmaan and Inishmore, collectively known as the Aran Islands; 57-square mile Achill, Ireland’s largest and most western island; and three mile wide Tory, Ireland’s most northern isle.

For thousands of years, the isles were isolated and governed as small nations, evolving only as bridges were built and residents deserted for the mainland. But even as inhabitants were hit hard by shortages, famine, weather and downturns in the fishing industry, culture flourished.

Cultural Exhibit Coordinator Brian Witt says, “In recent years, there has been resurgence in island life, thanks to reliable ferry service, an infusion of grant dollars, growing tourism interest and communication technology. Still, we’re left to wonder: What is left behind by ancient settlers? The Fest’s comprehensive exploration of island life will tap several years of networking and research to find the answer.”

One of the liveliest cultural exhibits at the Fest will be Ragús, a 45-minute traditional music, song and dance cabaret show that will bring the mythical culture of the Aran Islands to life. Ragús is named for the Irish word for desire.

Theater Coordinator Kathy Radaj says, “We’re thrilled about the energy and caliber of Broadway-style Ragús, which has toured internationally and will remind many of Riverdance.”

Because fishing was an important cornerstone of island life, the Saint Barbara, a Galway hooker built in Chicago by Connemara native Steve Mulkerrins, will be docked alongside the Fest, and the Milwaukee Currach Club will sponsor an exhibit on the history of the traditional fishing boat with the distinctive rust-colored sails. In the Cultural Pavilion, the islands' maritime history will be further explored in an exhibit about famed female pirate Grace O'Malley, who lived on Clare Island, County Mayo.

The Gaeltacht (Irish speaking) stage will feature acclaimed melodeon player Johnny Ó Conghail, a native of Inis Bearchain, a mile-wide and nearly deserted island off Connemara.

Gaeltacht Coordinator Ina Kielley says, "Many inhabitants of the isles only speak Gaelic because they are so isolated."

Film buffs will appreciate daily screenings of Tango, a comedic film short depicting dueling families living on Inisheer and Inishmaan.

In the Cultural Pavilion, one-time attractions include a broad overview of the islands organized by Comhdhail Oileain, the Island Federation of Ireland; paintings and crafts created by artisans in the Women's Inter-Island Network; knitting demonstrations by Aran knitter Una McDonagh; and quilts created by Cape Clear Island artisan Christine Sawyer.

Hedge School speakers will include Michael de Mordha on the lore of the deserted Blasket Islands, Theresa McDonald on Achill archaeology, Lillis O'Laoire on Island literature and Padraigin Clancy on Aran Islands folklore.

Finally, for those who wish to remember the islands with a special souvenir, the wares of Vincent McCarron, a traditional basket maker from Inishmore, Aran Islands, will be on sale in the Moore St. Market.

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Memories Wanted:

Martin Hintz is writing a 25 year history of Milwaukee Irish Fest and is eagerly seeking memories that might be included in the book, which will be published later this year. To contribute, please contact him at

editor@irishamericanpost.com.

Sample questions follow that can be sent directly to Hintz. He hopes to hear from as many people as possible with their commentary for the festival's archives and for potential inclusion in the book. Be sure to include all your contact information, in case there are follow-up questions. Be sure to include: your name, phone, address, email, position/title, number of years as volunteer/participant/attendee.

1. How did you first hear about Milwaukee Irish Fest?
2. When did you attend your first festival? What were your impressions?
3. When did you first become involved as a volunteer at Milwaukee Irish Fest? Or do you just enjoy attending the festival?
4. What jobs have you done? Challenges? Problems overcome? Issues? People you worked with?
5. How have you seen the festival grow? In what ways?
6. What are some of the fun experiences you had with the festival? Anything from backstage or behind-the-scenes?
7. What has been the involvement of your family (husband, wife, significant other, kids); any fun stories about reunions of your clan on the grounds? Jobs on which everyone participated?
8. General memories (who, what, when, where, why, how).
9. Comments from your kids would be great, too.

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Milwaukee Irish Fest Summer School Offers Families A Low-cost, Week-long Extreme Cultural Adventure

Amidst a growing public thirst for extreme adventures, Milwaukee Irish Fest Summer School, August 15 to 20, offers an all-age interactive immersion in Irish singing, instruments, history, dance, language, genealogy, arts and crafts.

“There’s nothing like it – even in Ireland,” said Jane Anderson, executive director of Milwaukee Irish Fest. “Picture a space camp simulating life on the Emerald Isle, or fantasy baseball camp where players exchange their bats, mitts and balls for Irish dance shoes, tin whistles and knitting needles.”

Summer School offers tracks for children ages 6-10, teens ages 11-18, and adults. Discounts are offered as an incentive for families to participate together. A week of classes for one adult is \$400 with a rate of \$200 for each additional adult and \$150 for each additional child.

“Where else can children perfect Irish dance steps with a Riverdance star while their parents learn about current events from a cabinet-level minister of the Irish government?” said Summer School Director Jane Walrath, citing world champion Irish dancer Jean Butler and Minister of Ireland’s Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs, Eamon O’Cuiv, both of whom will teach classes at Summer School.

For travelers, low-cost housing and meal arrangements are available from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. All classes are offered on the UWM campus and headquarters for Summer School are in the Wisconsin room in the university’s student union, 2200 E. Kenwood Ave.

This year, a comprehensive one-time mini-curriculum exploring the offshore Isles of Ireland will be offered in several classes, including Aran knitting by Una McDonnagh, a native of Inisheer; an archaeology class by Theresa McDonald from Achill Island; Aran Island folklore by Dublin academic Pdraigin Clancy; Island literature by author Lillis Ó Laoire; and the story of the Blasket Islands, taught by Micheal de Mordha of the Blasket Island Center.

Other new offerings include “Live Like A Celt,” a kids’ class that will explore Celtic food, dress and shelter; “Irish Music in the American Civil War,” taught by David Kincaid and presented by the Ward Irish Music Archives and “Irish Illumination,” which will teach students the art of decorating manuscripts with brightly colored designs from the Middle Ages.

Summer School is an outgrowth of Milwaukee Irish Fest, which supports the school as a way to further the festival’s mission of meaningfully passing the Irish culture and heritage to future generations. The fest, begins the Thursday of Summer School, and most participants stay to participate in the fest’s activities.

In addition to daily classes, special events include:

Monday, August 16: A floating session (musical cruise) around the Milwaukee Harbor from 7 to 10 P.M. Expect a lively informal gathering of Irish musicians where all who know the tune will be encouraged to play or sing along. Tickets are \$20, including transportation and a picnic dinner launch party. Reservations are limited to 125 people.

Tuesday, August 17: A ceili (participatory Irish dance party) for all Summer School participants from 8 to 10:30 P.M. at the UWM Gasthaus.

Wednesday, August 18: A public lecture, "Ireland and the Global Economy," by Eamon O'Cuiv, Minister of Ireland's Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs from 4 to 4:45 P.M.

Thursday, August 19: A Hooley (Irish party) at the opening of Milwaukee Irish Fest at the festival grounds 5 to 10 P.M.

Friday, August 20: A Summer School Sampler offering brief experiences in the liveliest aspects of Irish culture from 9 A.M. until noon. The children's curriculum will include straw weaving, story telling, and a celebratory Hooley. Adult options will include bodhran (drum), dancing, language and genealogy classes.

Early registration is recommended, as popular classes fill up. Registration materials are due August 2. Late and walk-in registrations are accepted with a \$10 fee, subject to availability.

Download a Summer School brochure from www.irishfest.com. For registration information, contact Barb Breed-Heidt at 262-227-6538 or joheidt@uwm.edu.

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State Meeting of Shamrock Club Chapters

The Shamrock Club of Wisconsin's State Board will meet at the Irish Cultural and Heritage Center of Wisconsin in Milwaukee on Saturday, August 21, at 11 A.M. This is the Saturday of Irish Fest, and is scheduled to take place prior to the opening of the festival on Saturday. All the chapters are encouraged to be represented, but only two members of each

chapter will be allowed to vote as we will have election of officers. There will not be a breakfast at the center this year.

This will be a great chance for many of the members of the Shamrock Club to meet and share common themes amongst ourselves. So, even if you are not going to be voting, please stop in and introduce yourselves.

For more information, contact Cate Harris at (414) 321-5153. or by email at cateh6@msn.com.

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Dane County

The Club held its annual picnic at the Knights of Columbus Council on Verona Road in Madison. Members enjoyed a light buffet, an hour of bingo and a performance by the Premier Dancing Troupe. Premier is directed by Sharon Gallagher, a club member. On Saturday, July 24, 2004, the Club sponsored a stage at the first annual Madison Feis, an Irish dancing competition which drew some 1500 dancers.

There is no meeting planned for August as we urge all members to attend Irish Fest in Milwaukee. The next Board/General meeting will be on September 14, 2004, at 6 P.M. at the Coliseum Bar in Madison.

– Bob Kerans, Dane County President

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Shamrock Club Of New Dublin News

The summer months are finally upon us and we are busy planning for upcoming activities to include Irish Fest in Milwaukee, Irish Fest in Muskegon MI, our half-way to St. Pat's celebration in September, and the Dubuque Irish fest in October. In addition we are already busy planning next year's parade and Irish fest in New Dublin.

A lending library is being established to include books, tapes and other items about Ireland for our members to share and enjoy. The library will be located upstairs at Sommers

Midtown and we welcome donations to this library.

An open reminder: We meet the first Monday of every month 7:30 P.M. at Sommers Midtown downtown New London. We welcome new members from New London and the surrounding area to join us. For additional membership information contact Melissa Mulroy.

Hoping you have a wonderful summer.

– Carrie Katerzynske

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Rock County

UPCOMING EVENTS

- No meeting in August
- AUGUST 17 – Club Picnic, Sweet-Allyn Park at Shopiere
- SEPTEMBER 21 – Regular Membership Meeting, 7 P.M.; Senior Center, 69 S. Water Street

Our annual Club Picnic will be held at Sweet-Allyn Park in Shopiere, from 5 P.M. to 9 P.M. We will eat at 6 o'clock. Bring your own table service and beverage, and a dish to pass. Our picnic will be in the pavilion, so plan on coming rain or shine as we will be sheltered from the rain or shaded from the sun.

Have you done anything special since our last meeting? If it is something you would like to share with other members, tell us at the picnic.

Guests are always welcome at any of our functions. Enjoy the rest of the summer.

– Tom Kennedy

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Milwaukee President's Message

We now have our new Board in place and hard at work. Thanks to Kerry Jo Pfeiffer and all who assisted her for

organizing the installation dinner at the ICHC on July 1. The installation was presided over by our member, Judge Dennis Moroney to make it all official. My thanks to the Shamrock Club Honor Guard, Pipes and Drums for attending, it adds to every occasion's formality. It was a great way to begin, and will launch us into even more fine events in the coming year.

July is over, and we have enjoyed the ceilis at the ICHC. Seeing all the people at these events, and what fun they have, is amazing. Then we also had the Badger State Feis on July 17, with competitors from all over the Midwest. Our member, Sharon Murphy, began this Feis, and the volunteers are from the Glencastle Irish Dancers. Our Trustee Noreen Barclay was there with retail items benefiting the club. There are few events in this city where a Shamrock Club member is not present, and probably as a volunteer.

Now August looms large, and especially with my presiding over my first meeting at the ICHC. We will have Jane Anderson, the Executive Director of Irish Fest, and Barb Tyler their President of the Board of Directors in attendance. They will provide us with an early insight regarding the entertainment available at the Fest, and what will be occurring after the Fest. The Shamrock Club's presence at Irish Fest is in the Marketplace with our retail goods chaired by Noreen Barclay, the Cultural Tent with Vice President Kris Pluskota and others giving people a chance to join the club. We are also part of the daily parade with our Honor Guard, Pipes and Drums, and our Irish Rose (Gail Neville) and Irishman of the Year (Brian Witt) are at the Mass on Sunday, and in the parades all three days. Our members will be volunteering all over the grounds. Anybody interested in guessing how many of us are there?

We are looking forward to the picnic on August 8. Dawn and Pete Fleming, Kathy and Bob Donovan, and Jack and Sue Suit created an exciting event last year, and promise to top it again this year. If you haven't attended in a while, please plan on setting the day aside to do so. The picnic is for the family, and if you ever wanted to play "pin the tail on the leprechaun," this is it. More surprises planned and some special visitors may drop in to visit. Please bring a dish to pass; your meat and beverages are furnished.

On August 14 we have the Milwaukee Feis at the Four Points Sheraton. This marks the 15th anniversary of the Feis, and is organized by all four of Milwaukee's Irish dance schools. Yes, there were Shamrock Club members involved in starting this Feis too. We have over 2,000 competitors there, and with them all their family and friends. Several members from Cashel-Dennehy and Glencastle Irish Dancers participate as

competitors. We also want to congratulate members Erin Canon, Kelli Dalton, and Kamala Murphy for participating in the North American Nationals in Philadelphia over the Fourth of July week. We're all proud of each of you. If your child is a club member, and their name is not mentioned here, please let me know so we can include them for the next edition. We want them to be included too.

Have you been on the shores of Lake Michigan on Sunday afternoons to watch the Shamrock Club Hurling team? We have been their sponsor for three years now.

If this isn't enough, we have the golf outing on August 29 for our members. Thanks to Kris Pluskota and Pat Fitzgibbons for chairing this event. Whoever said summertime and the living is easy, never lived in Milwaukee. I bring all these to you because next year the Club celebrates its 45th Anniversary. It would have taken a great psychic to envision the amount of Irish activity in 2004 that started with the Shamrock Club in 1960. You are the roots, and all the rest is the fruit. Give yourself a pat on the back; your ancestors must be in awe of the tribute you have given them.

– Julie Smith

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Milwaukee Shamrock Club Picnic

Live at the Lake Front

Lake Park: Picnic Area #6

AUGUST 8, 2003 • Noon til 6 p.m.

(Lincoln Memorial Drive at Kenwood Avenue - Milwaukee)

Free Miller Genuine • Draft and Miller Lite

Free Refreshments • Free Soda • Free Entertainment

Free Guinness Starting at 3 p.m. • Free Hot Dogs and Hamburgers

Irish Dance Exhibitions • Join in sessions with local musicians

Games for kids from 1 to 93 years old

Free Shuttle to Milwaukee Hurling Games at McKinley Marina

For Information call: (414) 358-0408

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Shamrock Club Scholarships Awarded

Congratulations to Kryan Hamill; Jennifer McNaughton; Andreas Transo; Courtney Young; and Denise Benoit, 2004 Shamrock Club of Wisconsin Scholarship Recipients.

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Milwaukee's Installation Dinner 2004



Pictured back, left to right: Pat Fitzgibbons, Joe Hughes, Judge Dennis Moroney, Tom Blaha, Tom Smith. Front, Kathy Ferrell, Julie Smith, Kris Pluskota, Noreen Barclay, Kerri Jo Pfeiffer.

The new Shamrock Club of Wisconsin Milwaukee officers were installed in a July 1 ceremony and dinner at the ICHC. Milwaukee County Judge and Shamrock Club member Dennis Moroney swore in the 2004-05 Board at the event which was attended by over eighty members. The meeting was opened with Color Guard Director Rich Pfeiffer playing bagpipes as he lead members of the Color Guard Pipes and Drums in presenting colors.

After the dinner, new President Julie Smith presented club members with a quiz on the Great Famine, with each table filling in their answers. New board members, as well as retiring board members, were presented with gifts of appreciation. Those leaving the board after many years of service included

Michael Payne, Sharon Murphy, Bob Hamill, Tom McAleese, and Sue Dundon, as well as temporary board member Bridget O'Brien.



Left to right: Julie Smith, Kris Pluskota, Pat Fitzgibbons, Kathy Ferrel, Kerry Jo Pfeiffer, Tom Blaha, Noreen Barclay, Tom Smith, Judge Dennis Moroney. Back: Joe Hughes.



Eighty Shamrock Club members attended the 2004 installation ceremonies.

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Shamrock Club of Wisconsin

Annual Family Best Ball Golf and Dinner Outing

Sunday August 29, 2004

Edgewood Golf Club, Grafton

(I-43 north to Hwy 60, west 1.7 miles to 12th Avenue, right

1.4 miles to Cedar Creek Road, left to course)
Individual Awards – for Longest Drive, Longest Putt, Closest to the Pin – for MEN and WOMEN!
(One individual winner per award)
Door Prizes, “Money Hole” and Putting Contest
Golf will begin at 1 p.m.
Carts Included
Cocktail Hour: 4:30–5:30 / Buffet Dinner: 5:30–7:00
AWARDS to be presented during dinner

2004 Shamrock Club Golf Outing Registration

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Color Guard News and Notes

The month of June saw the Shamrock Club of Wisconsin Color Guard, Pipes and Drums continue their tradition of outstanding and award winning performances. Beginning on June 5 the Color Guard Pipes and Drums continued their annual participation in the Highland Games Parade held at Heidelberg Park in Glendale. Following the parade our pipers and drummers “circled-up” with members of the Celtic Nations Pipes and Drums in a joint musical salute to our Celtic heritage playing numerous songs and receiving a well deserved round of applause from all who were in attendance.

“Award Winning Tradition” marches on: June 13 saw the Unit make its yearly appearance in the Waubeka Flag Day Parade. Despite a windy and rainy down pour while marching, nothing could prevent or “dampen” the spirited performance of the Color Guard, Pipes and Drums. The spirit and determination of the group to represent the Shamrock Club of Wisconsin in this parade, in spite of elements, was rewarded with yet another award being received by the unit – 2nd Place for Musical Marching Group category.

The Hartland “4th of July” Parade, held on, June 27 rounded out the June portion of the Color Guard, Pipes and Drums 2004 performance schedule. The group’s performance was enthusiastically received, as along the entire parade route, spectators rose to their feet to honor the Unit with exhilarating applause and cheering.

“International Banner Carriers”: the Color Guard, Pipes and Drums would like to acknowledge and extend a special thank

you to Unit member Dan McCormack's sister, Julie Pharn and children, who traveled over 10,000 miles from Canberra, Australia to Milwaukee. The Unit was pleased and grateful to have Julie along with daughters Emily (age 13), Sarah (age 12), Madeline (age 9), and son Dan (age 10) carry the banner of the Shamrock Club of Wisconsin Color Guard, Pipes and Drums at the Hartland 4th of July Parade. We hope they had fun and enjoyed being part of the Unit's parade appearance and we wish them all a safe memory-filled trip home to Australia.

New Web Site

For the latest, most accurate and up to date information regarding the Shamrock Club Color Guard, Pipes and Drums (parades, special events, appearance requests, etc) the Unit can now be contacted at www.SCCGPD.org

Parade/Event Schedule

- Aug. 1 – Dousman Derby Days, 11 A.M.
- Aug. 7 – Sheboygan Brat Days, 10 A.M.
- Aug. 15 – State Fair Parade, noon
- Aug. 20 – Irish Fest, Parade, 7 P.M.
- Aug. 21 – Irish Fest, Parade, 4:30 P.M.
- Aug. 22 – Irish Fest Mass, 9 A.M. and Parade, 4:30 P.M.
- Aug. 29 – Muskego Fest, 11 A.M.

Note: Milwaukee Irish Fest gate opening and special performances are being planned. Check the Irish Fest program for last minute particulars.

If you would like to have the Shamrock Club Color Guard, Pipes and Drums appear in a parade, special event or family occasion – or you would like to join the Unit as a banner carrier, color guard, piper or drummer, please contact:

**RICHARD PFEIFFER, DIRECTOR
SHAMROCK CLUB COLOR GUARD,
PIPES AND DRUMS
TELEPHONE: (414) 769-1250
E-MAIL: MILWPIPER@CS.COM**

– Richard Stover

Shamrock Club At Irish Fest

The Shamrock Club will be represented at the Milwaukee Irish Fest from Thursday, August 19 through Sunday, August 22. We will again have both our sales booth and our Cultural Tent display. Our sales area will be open all four days of the festival, and we will be manning our Cultural Area booth Friday through Sunday, during festival hours.

If you would like to volunteer for either area, please contact the coordinators for each. Noreen Barclay is in charge of the sales area, and can be reached at (262) 695-8563 or email her at FDBarclay@earthlink.net. Kris Pluskota is in charge of the volunteers in the Cultural Tent. She can be reached at (414) 768-8876, or at dkplus@tds.net. New for this year: all volunteers for the Cultural Tent will be wearing Shamrock Club shirts, compliments of the club for their help. So, sign up to help, even if you are from one of the other chapters. You

get free admission to the festival, plus food tickets for a four hour shift. What a way to win all around – a chance to be a part of the world’s largest Irish festival, and dressed to boot.

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Milwaukee Hurling Club Update

The Milwaukee Hurling Club is well into its season. August will find the Club with semi-finals and finals being played out. Semis will be played at Lake Park East on August 8. Again, on that day, there will be shuttles between the Shamrock Club picnic at Lake Park, and the matches, which are down the hill at the old Gun Club site. The Championship game will be held on August 15 at Brown Deer Park. Prior to the Championship game there will be the Youth League game, with Jimbo’s vs County Clare. Stop in for the games, 11 A.M. for regular season, and 12:30 for the playoffs and championship, every Sunday.

The Shamrock Club Griffins play in the Harp Division, where they have held onto second place for most of the season. They are: Renee Anzivino; Doug Berigan; Jennifer Dressler; Britt Fescenmeyer; Eric Franson; Chris Gleissner; Tim Harvey; Mike Larsen; Eric Lemmer; Beth Liebl; Todd Lyda; Dan McAuliffe; Matthew McClenaghan; Scott Phillips; Peter Robertson; Rachel Rohde; Jake Schaefer; Jonas Schuster; Brad Spring; and Jake West.

Upcoming games:

August 1: Week 10 at Lakefront

Hanley’s vs County Clare

McBob’s vs Derry Hegarty’s

Axel’s vs The Harp

Milw. Ale House vs Shamrock Club

August 8: Playoffs at Shamrock Club Picnic, Lake Park,
12:30 P.M

TBD vs TBD

TBD vs TBD

August 15: Championship at Brown Deer Park, 12:30 pm

TBD vs TBD

Jimbo’s vs County Clare (Youth Match prior to adult championship)

Standings as of July 7

•Guinness Div.

McBob's (3-2-1)

Derry's (3-2-1)

The Harp (2-3-1)

Axel's (0-5-1)

•Harp Div.

Ale House (5-0-1)

Shamrock Club (4-1-1)

County Clare (3-2-1)

Hanley's (0-5-1)

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St. Patrick's Help Fund

St. Patrick's Help Fund is in desperate need of non-perishable foods. Please place in container at each meeting. However, donations can be brought to the ICHC any time during the week. It is not restricted to just meetings. A big thank you to everybody who has contributed to help the needy people at St. Patrick's. Questions? Call Katy Voss (414) 352-6479.

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New Members

NOTE: Please send your dues to your Membership Chairperson in your chapter. All names and addresses are listed in Emerald Reflections.

Milwaukee – Peter Cobb (referred by Rich Pfeiffer); Brenda Fay (referred by self); John and Shari Fehrenbach (referred by Kinsella Academy Irish Dancers); Viola Hohnstein (referred by self); Patricia Langaza (referred by Viola Hohnstein).

Membership Report Milwaukee Chapter:

- May: 40 memberships up for renewal, 27 paid, 13 dropped for nonpayment.
- June: 25 memberships up for renewal, 14 paid, 11 due.

- July: 26 memberships up for renewal, 5 paid, 21 due.

– **Tom Smith**

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