

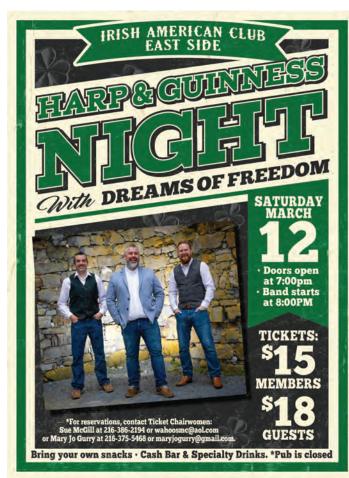
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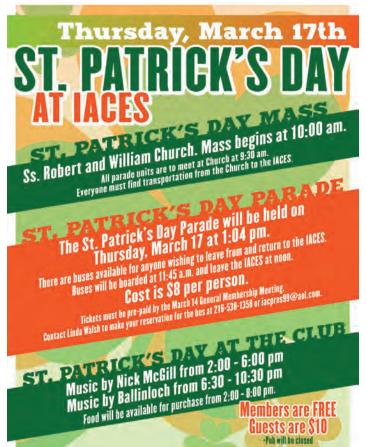












2021 Member of the Year

Michael Joseph Byrne

On July 3, 1961 with early fireworks Michael Joseph Byrne was born to Jackie and Pat Byrne. Michael is the fourth of six children. He attended St. Margaret Mary grade school, Cathedral Latin High School, and the University of Dayton and remains a dedicated "Flyers Fan". He enjoyed bowling, racquetball and excels at beer consumption. He enjoys placing bets and traveling for horse racing and NASCAR.

To know Michael is to know that he is very family oriented. He is the "fun uncle" to his many nieces and nephews. He is the chief cook at his family's winter party and spends the day providing commentary to

everyone who approaches the grill. He along with his siblings cared for their mother who passed away from cancer and his father who had MS for many years. He cared for them both until their passing and if you are a friend of his you feel like you knew them both with the many stories he shares. Michael worked multiple jobs before becoming a property manager of several rental properties with his business partner.

If you know Michael, you know that he sometimes can be brutally honest and never says anything behind one's back that he won't say to one's face. He was a Dictator for Life of his golf league for more than 20 years and is now Dictator Emeritus (both his own self-named titles). He has an active imagination living in a world called "Mikeyland" where he makes the rules and can change them at will. He sings out of tune and changes the words to any country song on the radio to include "Martha" if the song mentions a woman. Martha by the way lovingly known as "Miss Martha" to many, has been married to Michael for 32 years and every St. Patrick's Day they celebrate their anniversary.

Michael has served on the Executive Board as Member at Large. He is the pancake maker for the children's Breakfast with Santa. Michael began the OSU vs. Michigan tailgate party with donations of peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for those in need. He is the ace ticket seller for the Bluestone Division Hibernian reverse raffle and is co-chair of the 317 raffle. He has worked on several maintenance projects here at the Club and most recently was instrumental in the renovation of the Phil Walsh Cabaret Room. Michael we thank you for all of the things you have done for the Club and we are proud to honor you as our Member of the Year.

HE SAID. . . SHE SAID. . .

Donna Baioni and The Membership

On February 2, the Joyce family will celebrate Cormac Joyce's 1st birthday. Owen Piotrowski turns 11 on February 3; Joe Capuzzo celebrates February 10; Reilly Gallagher's and Marilou Donovan's special day is February 11; Jim Peppard and Ann Turk share a Valentine's Day birthday, February 14; Crystal Cosgriff will be busy blowing out the birthday candles on February 18. Rosemary Nugent will celebrate February 20; Colin Hatcher turns 17 on February 22, happy birthday Colin!

Welcome home **Jack Murphy** and **Pam Anderson** from Naples, Florida. Glad you had a great vacation!

Condolences to the family of **Sean Laffey**, son of **Tim and Mary Jo.** Sean died January 2 at the age of 40. Our sympathy to **Tom Keenan** and family on the death of his wife **Marty** who died at the end of December. Our prayers and sympathy to the family of **Marilou Donovan** who passed away on January 17.

To have your important events included in this column, please write them on the flyers found on the tables at the membership meetings, or call Ann Turk at 440-943-3088, or email schanachie@gmail.com



2022 Member of the Year

Mary Jo Gurry

The Executive Board's choice for the 2022 Member of the Year is Mary Jo Gurry! Mary Jo was born to Larry and Anise Loren. She has three brothers; Rick, Larry and Tom, and two sisters; Patty and Nancy. The family lived on Clarkstone Road in East Cleveland and belonged to Christ the King with all the children attending the parish school. Mary Jo went on to attend Notre Dame Academy ("class head to toe" as the NDA grads say), then Cuyahoga Community College where she earned her degree as a dental hygienist.

Mary Jo loves her Irish heritage. She

joined the Irish American Club East Side when it was formed in 1978, proudly being Charter Member #99 and an editor of *The Schanachie*. Mary Jo also met the love of her life at the Club. As the story goes, Mary Jo was bartending at a Club event held at the old Elks Lodge when a crazy rugby player named Jon Gurry came in and put his feet on the bar. Mary Jo knocked those feet right off the bar and they've been together ever since. Theirs was one of the first weddings held at the Club in the new location in 1983.

The Gurry's have three daughters: Maggie, Brigid and Alana. The girls attended St. Robert Bellarmine and Mary Jo was very involved in the parish and school. She was the cafeteria manager for many years and very active in the PTU and other parish events. When the girls entered high school, Mary Jo went to work at Euclid Hospital as secretary in the Radiology Department, retiring in 2016.

Retirement gave Mary Jo more time to be involved in the Club, volunteering with the after-funeral luncheons and as the current ticket co-chair. Mary Jo runs a "tight ship", making sure that everyone gets the seat or table they want and handles last minute issues to make our events run smoothly. You will find Mary Jo sitting at the door greeting everyone with her lovely smile! When not involved with Club activities, Mary Jo is an avid gardener and cruiser. If you want to see that signature Mary Jo smile, ask her about her next cruise or better yet, her favorite birthday gift, grandson Henry.

Mary Jo is dedicated to her family, friends and our Club. She and Jon love getting together with the Old Timers to reminisce about all the happy times they have had at the Club over the past 44 years.

We are very grateful to Mary Jo for her service to our Club, now and in the past. Enjoy the weeks ahead, for now it's time for us to honor you!

The Ancient Order of Hibernians Boland Berry Division & The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians Our Lady of the Rosary Division

Celebration of St. Brigid & St. Patrick Saturday February 5, 2022

(The evening will start with a Mass at 4:30pm)
West Side Irish American Club
8559 Jennings Rd Olmsted Township

Cost \$65

Reservations: Mary Jo Rawlins 216-410-6273

Membership Has Its Privileges

There were 107 members signed in at the Jan. 10 meeting.

If you paid your dues, but are not receiving *The Schanachie*, contact Membership Secretary, Kathy Foster 440.289.4785. The Schanachie is available online on the Club website (eastsideirish.org) and on our Facebook page (IACES).

No new members in September.

If you have a child 18 years of age who has come off your Family Membership, we have a membership rate of \$20 per year until s/he reaches age 21.

One new member in December: Suzanne Suknaich.

January Monthly Drawing

Member Kathy Hughes #8921 was not present at the January 10 membership meeting and did not win \$2,994. Attend the February 14 membership meeting and sign in for a chance to WIN \$3,194.

HELP WANTED

Are you interested in a part time paid position at the Club cleaning our hall after events?

If you are interested, please contact Kevin McCluskey at 216-965-2653 or Linda Walsh at 216-538-1358.

Club Rental Information

The Irish American Club East Side is available for gatherings of all sizes. We can host your party, shower, luncheon, wedding, banquet, or fundraiser. The upper hall can accommodate up to 500 people depending on setup. The lower level Phil Walsh Cabaret Room can seat up to 130 guests. If you wish to rent the Phil Walsh Cabaret Room you may bring in your own food or you have the option of using one of our club caterers. To reserve either the upper hall or the Phil Walsh Cabaret Room, contact Mary McCluskey at 216.978.4926, Linnea Meaney at 216.870.9404 or Eileen Laffey at 216.570.6502.

\$100 winner!

Mary Ann Driscoll won \$100 in the St. Patrick's Day Early Drawing.

HEADLINES and DEADLINES

If you would like to submit an article for *The Schanachie*, the **deadline** for the **March** issue is **February 7**. You may continue to send your articles to the Club or you may email them to Schanachie@gmail.com. Submission time is not the only criteria for inclusion and we reserve the right to edit due to content and space. If you have any questions call Ann Turk at 440.943.3088 or Kevin McCluskey at 216.956.2653. Proofreading staff is working from home during the Covid-19 virus.

Ticket Policy

Tickets for any event at the Irish American Club East Side can be obtained by phone or mail. When mailing your ticket request, please be sure to include a self-addressed, stamped envelope and a check made payable to: Irish American Club East Side. If you preorder a dinner for an event and do not show up or you do not cancel within 48 hours of the dinner, you will be billed by the Club for the price of the meal. All seats for a reserved table must be paid in advance for it to be reserved. That also includes all dinners that are included with an event.

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Tickets for sold out events must be paid for by the Thursday prior to the event.

Monthly Membership Meetings

Members are allowed to bring a dessert for the monthly meetings.

Month	Letter	Month	Letter
JANUARY	A & B	JULY	N & O
FEBRUARY	C & D	AUGUST	P, Q & R
MARCH	E & F	SEPTEMBER	S
APRIL	G, H & I	OCTOBER	T, U & V
MAY	J, K & L	NOVEMBER	W, X, Y & Z
JUNE	M	DECEMBER	All Members

Keep up to date with weekly email blasts from the **IACES**!

Do you know that the **IACES** sends out weekly email blasts with information on upcoming events at the **IACES**, Padraic Pearse and the greater Irish community? If you would like your email address added to this list please contact Sarah Dirk at obriendirk@gmail.com or 216.337.9004.

"In Memoriam" Plaque

In the lower hall there is an "In Memoriam" Plaque with the names of deceased members of the Club listed. If you have a friend or loved one that was a member of the Club and has passed away and you would like their name to be included on this Plaque, you can send their name and a check for \$50 made out to the Irish American Club or you can contact Jean Walsh at 440.942.3207.

IRISH AMERICAN CLUB EAST SIDE

2022 St. Patrick's Season Schedule of Events

The Executive Board of the Irish American Club East Side wishes you and your families a wonderful and safe St. Patrick's Day season. We invite you to enjoy your Club and the quality events that we've planned. Every member is welcome to march in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Please remember to carry your membership card with you at all times. Contact Membership Secretary, Kathy Foster, for membership information and cards.

TICKETS will be used to purchase beverages and food at the events listed below. At the February 14 General Membership meeting, tickets will be available at a 20% discount. Each ticket is \$1; however, the special price will be \$10 for 12 tickets; \$20 for 24 tickets; \$30 for 36 tickets; \$40 for 48 tickets; \$50 for 60 tickets. After February 14, tickets will be available at the regular price of \$1 each. Tickets may be used at all events and in the Pub through April 1, 2022.

FEBRUARY

Sunday, February 13

Super Bowl Party - Upper Hall

Doors open at 5:30 pm with kickoff at 6:30 pm.

\$30/members, \$35/guests. Ticket includes "Tailgate" buffet, beer and wine and a \$5 square on the Main Board for the first 100 tickets sold. Price also includes a chance to win a flat screen smart TV. Additional squares and 50/50 raffles will also be available.

For reservations, contact Ticket Chairwomen Sue McGill at 216-386-2194 or wahoosmc@aol.com, or Mary Jo Gurry at 216-375-5468 or maryjogurry@gmail.com.

Pub is closed.

Monday, February 14

General Membership Meeting – Upper Hall

Doors open at 6 pm, meeting begins at 7:30 pm.

Club store will be open and discount drink/food tickets available for purchase.

Cash bar.

Sunday, February 27

Kick Off to St. Patrick's Day – Upper Hall

Doors open at 4:30 p.m. \$5/members, \$10/guests Tickets sold at the door. Music by *No Strangers Here* from 5 - 8 pm Cash bar <u>6</u> SChanachie

MARCH

Friday, March 4

Lenten Fish Fry – Upper Hall

Perch, baked cod, beer battered cod, and shrimp dinners with french fries, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, and dessert. Options include a beer battered fish sandwich with fries for \$8 or a weekly special.

\$13/adults, \$7/children

Dinner will be served from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Music TBD

Cash bar. Pub is closed.

Sunday, March 6

Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner – Upper Hall

Doors open at 12:30 pm. with dinner served from 1 - 5 pm.

\$13/adults; \$7/children

Admittance only with dinner reservation.

Reservations must be made and paid by Thursday, March 3.

For reservations, contact Ticket Chairwomen Sue McGill at 216-386-2194 or wahoosmc@aol.com, or

Mary Jo Gurry at 216-375-5468 or maryjogurry@gmail.com.

IACES units and Irish dance schools will perform throughout the day.

No food or beverages may be brought into the club.

Music by *Crawley and Sofranko* in the Upper Hall from 6 - 9:30 pm.

Cash bar.

Friday, March 11

Lenten Fish Fry (See March 4 Fish Fry for full menu) – Upper Hall

\$13/adults; \$7/children

Dinner will be served from 5:30 - 7:30 pm.

Music TBD

Cash bar Pub is closed

Saturday, March 12

Harp & Guinness Night with Dreams of Freedom - Upper Hall

Doors open at 7 p.m. Music from 8 - 11 pm.

\$15/members; \$18/guests.

Reservations required.

For reservations, contact Ticket Chairwomen Sue McGill at 216-386-2194 or wahoosmc@aol.com, or Mary Jo Gurry at 216-375-5468 or maryjogurry@gmail.com.

Bring your own snacks.

Cash bar. Specialty drinks will be featured. Pub is closed.

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MARCH

Sunday, March 13

Family Day – Upper Hall

This is a members only event.

Doors open at 1 pm. Entertainment by *Nick McGill* 1 - 5 pm.

\$5/adults, children are free. Tickets sold at the door.

No reserved tables.

IACES units and Irish dance schools will perform throughout the day.

Family priced food will be available for purchase. No food or beverages may be brought into the Club.

Snacks for children permitted. • Music by *Ballinloch* from 5:30 - 9 pm. • Cash bar.

Monday, March 14

General Membership Meeting – Upper Hall

Doors open at 6:00 pm. Music from 6:00 pm – 11 pm. Meeting begins at 7:30 pm.

IACES units and Irish dance schools will begin performing at 6:30 pm.

Food will be available for purchase from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. • Cash bar.

Wednesday, March 16

Irish Coffee Night with The New Barleycorn - Upper Hall

Ladies Drill Team will perform.

Doors open at 5:30 pm. Music from 6:30 - 11:00 pm.

\$10/members, \$13/guests.

Reservations required.

For reservations, contact Ticket Chairwomen Sue McGill at 216-386-2194 or wahoosmc@aol.com, or Mary Jo Gurry at 216-375-5468 or maryjogurry@gmail.com.

Food available for purchase. • Cash bar. Pub is closed.

Thursday, March 17 - Happy St. Patrick's Day!



St. Patrick's Day Mass

Mass begins at 10 am at Ss. Robert and William Church, East 260th Street.

All parade units are to meet at church at 9:30 am. Everyone must find transportation from the church to the IACES.



Buses to the Parade

The St. Patrick's Day Parade will kick off at 1:04 pm. There are buses available for anyone wishing to leave from and return to the IACES. Members will board buses at 11:45 a.m. and leave the IACES at noon. Cost is \$8 per person. Tickets must be paid by the March 14 General Membership Meeting. Contact Linda Walsh to make your reservation for the bus at 216-538-1358 or iacpres99@aol.com.



St. Patrick's Day at the IACES

Music by Nick McGill from 2 - 6 pm.

Music by *Ballinloch* from 6:30 - 10:30 pm.

No charge for members, \$10/guests.

Food will be available for purchase from 2 - 8 pm.

Pub is closed.

St. Patrick's Day Raffle \$5,000 grand prize drawing

General Information

There will be no saving or holding of tables. If you leave the IACES, please take your belongings with you. The IACES is not responsible for items. No coolers or beverages of any kind may be brought into the IACES. All beverages must be purchased at the IACES.

The Pub will observe normal hours during the St. Patrick's Day Season. The Pub will be closed for Fish Fries, Irish Coffee Night, and St. Patrick's Day.

Beverage tickets may be used at all events and in the Pub through April 1, 2022. Tickets will be sold at the General Membership Meetings in February and March and at all events. Fish Fries will have a cash bar in addition to accepting tickets.

APRIL

Friday, April 1

Lenten Fish Fry – Upper Hall

Perch, baked cod, beer battered cod, and shrimp dinners with french fries, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, and dessert. Options include a beer battered fish sandwich with fries for \$8 or a weekly special.

\$13/adults, \$7/children

Dinner will be served from 5:30 - 7:30 pm.

Music TBD

Cash bar. Pub is closed.

Friday, April 8

Lenten Fish Fry (See April 1 Fish Fry for full menu) – Upper Hall

\$13/adults, \$7/children

Dinner will be served from 5:30 - 7:30 pm.

Music TBD

Cash bar. Pub is closed.

Friday, April 15

Lenten Fish Fry (See April 1 Fish Fry for full menu) – Upper Hall

\$13/adults, \$7/children

Dinner will be served from 5:30 - 7:30 pm.

Music TBD

Cash bar. Pub is closed.

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Thursday 6 PM - 11 PM
Friday 6 PM - 11 PM
Saturday 6 PM - 11 PM
Sunday 1 PM - 11 PM

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If you know of a member who is sick or if there has been a death in the family, Mary Kay Malone, Chairperson of the Sunshine Club, will try and send a card on behalf of the Club. You can contact Mary Kay at 216.337.4356 or send her an e-mail mkm1159@yahoo.com with the member's information.





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A very special thank you to all Pitch and Clean volunteers who gave up 1-2 hours recently to go through the entire building, both upstairs and downstairs, pulling each room apart, cleaning, sorting, and pitching when necessary, every nook and cranny. A job well done by all. What started out as a project turned into general cleaning, including mopping floors. It was needed since no one responded to our Help Wanted ad. Although every volunteer could not come every week, every hour was appreciated by the board and me. Thanks to Kathy Dietrich, Chris Faith, Bob Fitzgerald, Kathy Foster, Rosie Gentile, Mary Jo Gurry, Bob Henry, Pat Homan, Mary Kay Malone, Linnea Meaney, Pat McNamara, and Cookie Morgan. If you can spare 1-2 hours a week to help, please contact me, Mary McCluskey at 216.978.4926. All volunteers are welcome.

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AOH Bluestone Hibernian's Reverse Raffle	March Schanachie Articles Due	8	9	10	11	12
Super Bowl	Valentine's Day Monthly Meeting	15	16	17	18	19
20	President's Day	22	23	24	25	26
Kick Off to St. Patrick's Day	28					



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