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Executive Board Election 2026-2027

Bruce Greig

Nominations for the Executive Board, will be held at the May 11 General Membership meeting. Nominations will be accepted for the office of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Secretary for one-year terms. In addition, there are two Member-at-Large two- year open positions.

Any member in good standing, who has paid their dues and attended five meetings in the previous 12 months is eligible to run for office. Any member in good standing who has paid their dues and attended three meetings in the previous 12 months is eligible to nominate and vote for candidates for the above offices. Nominating members must show their current membership card and will have two minutes to nominate their candidate. Nominating members should come forward and check in with the election committee, nominations will be seconded by members in good standing, and shall come forward and check in with the nominating committee. Nominated members must show their current membership card and will have one minute to accept their nomination.

The election will be held at the June 8 General Membership meeting. Members in good standing must show a current membership card to receive a ballot. Absentee ballots will be available and issued when requested in writing from members in good standing. Write in ballots will be accepted. Write in candidates must also be members in good standing, having paid dues and attended five meetings during the previous 12 months.

The votes will be counted and verified at the June 8 General Membership meeting. Good luck to all seeking these important positions.

From the President

First and foremost, I would like to wish all the moms and grandmas a very Happy Mother’s Day! I hope you have a beautiful day spent with family and friends.

I also want to take a moment to express my sincere gratitude to everyone who attended our events over the past two months. Your continued support means the world to us and plays a crucial role in helping us bring quality entertainment to our club. Additionally, to our incredible volunteers who truly are the heart and soul of what we do, a heartfelt thank you to all who have contributed their time and effort to make these events a success. We couldn’t do it without you.

With spring upon us and the weather finally improving, I hope everyone takes the opportunity to enjoy the outdoors and the warmer days ahead. We would be thrilled to see all of you at the end of the month on May 30 for our Club’s Anniversary Dance that we had to reschedule from January. You will enjoy entertainment by The Kilroys, heavy hors d’oeuvres, open bar, and door prizes. It is always one of the best events of the year. Hope to see all of you there.

Best wishes,
Mary Alice Curran

St. Patrick’s Day Raffle Winners

- 1st Prize* \$5,000 Dom Severino
- 2nd Prize* \$2,500 Rose Sweeney
- 3rd Prize* \$1,700 Hailey Sendek
- 4th Prize* \$317 Joyce Pesek
- 5th Prize* \$317 Dan Borovac

Thank you to everyone who purchased or sold tickets.

We sold over 1,600 tickets, making the raffle a success.

Green Season Basket O’Booze Raffle Winners

1st prize was a basket of rare bourbon, and the winner was Alex Korchchefskey.

2nd prize was a basket of high-quality Irish whiskey and the winner was Joe Cox.

Congratulations & thanks to all who participated.



Padraic Pearse Center

Steak Shoot Returns for 2026

Bree Gurry

The Padraic Pearse Center Steak Shoot is back—join us every month for a fun night of cards, prizes, and friendly competition.

Details:

- \$10 for 1 set or \$20 for 3 sets
- First round at 7:30 PM

Dates: May 21, June 18, July 16, August 13, September 17, October 15, November 19

Locations:

- **May, September–November:** Phil Walsh Room
- **June–August:** Main Hall

The Holiday Cash Jackpot is back this season, with monthly winners leading up to the final prize. Winners must be present.

For more information, contact Bree Gurry at (216) 375-5469 or brigidcle@yahoo.com.

Book Buzz

Bonnie Easton

A blockbuster hit this summer will be *Land: A Novel* by Irish author Maggie O'Farrell who wrote *Hamnet* on which the movie was based. It will be released June 2. The story is set in post-famine Ireland in 1865. Tomás is a mapmaker who is working for the Ordinance Survey project that will show the true extent of the Great Hunger, and he is accompanied by his ten-year-old son. An incident in a grove of trees traumatizes him. Young Liam is left to find their way home before the arrival of British soldiers. The description from the publisher reads: "*Land* is a novel about separation and reunion, tragedy and recovery, colonization and rebellion. It is a story of blind treasure, overlapping lives, ancient woodland, persistent ghosts, a particularly loyal dog, and how, when it comes to both land and history, nothing ever goes away."

Imposter by L. J. Ross, the first entry in the author's *Alexander Gregory's* series, is a thriller that takes place in County Mayo. An elite criminal profiling unit has shut down after a scandal, but there is a killer on the loose, so Dr. Alexander Gregory is called in to help as the community is panicking. He had hoped for a quiet life, but no such luck.

What is the fascination that authors have lately with writing stories about bookstores? Edith Hogan offers another, *The Bookshop Ladies*, about a widow, Joy Blackwood, who travels to Ireland to discover why her French art dealer husband left a valuable painting to a bookstore owner named Robyn Tessier in Ballycove, Ireland. She decides to deliver the painting to Robyn personally. What she finds is a shy young woman who is afraid to talk to customers in a bookstore that is unprofitable and hemorrhaging money. Robyn looks enough like her late husband Yves to be his daughter. Joy stays to help in the bookstore and finally the secrets are revealed.

Irish Times list of Best Books of the 21st century countdown 45 to 41: *Intermezzo* by Sally Rooney, *Paula Spencer* by Roddy Doyle, *Days Without End* by Sebastian Barry, *The Heart's Invisible Furies* by John Boyne, and *Ghost Light* by Joseph O'Connor. Happy Reading!

HE SAID...SHE SAID...

Donna Baioni and The Membership

Happy birthday to our May celebrants: **Rhonda Henry, Patt Gronick and Kay Joyce-Lardie** celebrate on May 1; **Amy Catherine Schulte, and Emma Cervenik**, May 2; **Katie Cooper**, May 4; **Nancy Loren**, May 9; **Tommy Conkey**, May 10; **Betty Prendergast**, May 11; **Olivia Waite**, May 12; **Sue McGill**, May 13; **Jay Ryant, and Catherine Reed**, May 16; **Jacob Drew, and Darlene McFaul**, May 18; **Thomas Banc**, May 20; **Bob Henry**, May 24; **Bridget Kropf**, May 25; **Phoebe Conway, and Robin Burton**, May 26; **Michelle Campbell**, May 28; **Machenzie Wachter, and Carol Heiss**, May 29; **Joyce O'Brien**, May 30; **Bridget Waite**, May 31. Belated 60th birthday to **Carolyn Yanosko**, April 29.

Happy anniversary to **Tom & Mary Kay Malone, and John & Debbie Wachter, Carolyn & Peter Yanosko**, May 2; **Nat & Dan Pajak**, May 7; **Carmen & Kay Cesa**, May 10; **Bill & Pat Holman**, 49th anniversary, May 14; **Mary & Michael Conkey**, May 20; **Jack & Suzanna Kilroy**, May 25; **Maggie & Paul Spellman** May 29;

New baby news! Congratulations to **Brendan & Alissa Cosgriff** who welcomed baby **Jack** (John Anthony) on March 23. He weighed 9lbs. 10 oz. and is the 19 great grandchild of Nana **Mary Cosgriff** and beautiful grandson of **Tom & Betty Cosgriff**, and little brother to **Ronan**.

Get well wished to **Sharon Murray and Judy Sullivan**.

Congratulations to **Paddy Gallagher**. He finished 8th in the NCAA Wrestling Tournament. He is an All-American wrestler in the 165 lb. weight class. **Paddy** is the grandson of **Mickey and Bonnie McNally**.

Debby Arth is leading an Apple Vacation trip to Cancun in May. Many IACES members are joining her. Have a great trip!

Sending our sympathy to the **Preto** family on the death of their sister **Margaret**. And to **Nellie Quinn** on the death of her brother **Edward Stack**. Also to the **McGarry** family on the death of **Jack McGarry** and the families of **Raymond Murphy and John Gibbons**.

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.

Volunteer Appreciation Brunch

Whether you chaired an event, bartended, worked on the Schanachie, assisted in the kitchen, helped at the front door, or sold banger boards and 50/50 tickets, or assisted at the club in another facet —we want to thank you! Your contributions are what make our club such a special place, and we truly appreciate all of your hard work and dedication.

To show our gratitude, we are hosting a **Volunteer Appreciation Brunch on June 14th from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM.**

If you plan on attending, please be sure to **make a reservation**. You can contact **Linda Carney** at 216-316-3962 or via email at lcarney161@sbcglobal.net.

We look forward to celebrating you!

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Doors open at 5 pm. We'll have drink specials all night, plus horse pulls with multiple buy-in options—so you've got plenty of chances to pick a winner and get in on the action.

Feeling lucky and stylish? Don't miss our hat contest—there's always some standout looks and a prize on the line.

This is a potluck-style night, so bring a dish to share, grab your crew, and settle in for all the excitement of race day right here at the IACES.

Unofficial Cinco de Mayo Party in The Pub

By Pack the Pub

Cinco de Mayo...ish, but make it midweek fun at The Pub—no cover, just show up and join the party.

Wednesday, May 6 | Party starts at 6 PM

We'll have drink specials flowing, and we're inviting everyone to bring their favorite salsa, guac, or queso to share—because the best parties always involve snacks.

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Bill Homan (Santa) with Kevin Coyne



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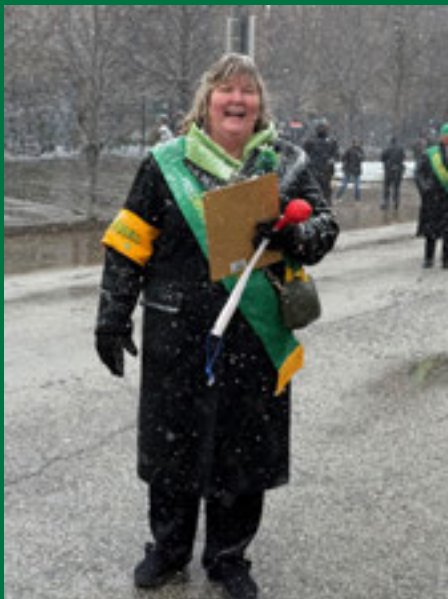


Euclid Memorial Day Parade

We invite all of our members to join us as we proudly participate in this year's Euclid Memorial Day Parade. Walk alongside the Executive Board, Members of the Year, our award winning float, and the Jack McDonough Fife and Drum. The parade will take place on **Monday, May 26th at 10:00 am**. Members who wish to march with us should meet at the club by **9:30 am**. Let's show our community what our club spirit looks like.



PARADE 2026 IACES Float



Membership Has Its Privileges

- There were 107 members signed in at the April 13, 2026 meeting.
- If you paid your dues, but are not receiving *The Schanachie*, contact Membership Secretary, Mandy Hill 440.694.5676. *The Schanachie* is available online on the Club website (eastsideirish.org) and on our Facebook page (IACES).
- If you have a child 18 years old coming off your membership, we have a student membership \$20 per year.
- Welcome New Members:** Kyle & Kayla Stephens, Kyle Corrigan, Thomas McGuinness, Joseph Pinzone, John & Theresa Major, Janet McCamely, Patrick & Toni Gaughan, Daniel and Chrissie Hinkel.

APRIL MONTHLY DRAWING

Member Karen Shay #7961 was not present at the April 13 membership meeting and did not win \$456. Attend the May 11 meeting and sign in for a chance to WIN \$618.

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.

HEADLINES and DEADLINES

If you would like to submit an article for *The Schanachie*, the deadline for the **June** issue is **May 4**. 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 Mary Alice Curran at 440.665.8110.

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

“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 Linda Walsh at 216.538.1358.

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Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH): Bluestone Division

Upcoming Events:

SAVE THE DATE

Hibernian Mass at Immaculate Conception “The Mac” Catholic Church, 4129 Superior Avenue, Cleveland Ohio
The mass begins at 10am on Sunday, May 31, 2026. Brunch at 11:30am, the Hofbräuhaus on Chester Avenue.
Arrive early and we will process prior to the start of mass. This is the last mass for Immaculate Conception Parish. The Cleveland Diocese has decided to merge and acquire assets of Immaculate Conception Parish with St John Evangelist Cathedral Parish, 9th and Euclid Avenue, Cleveland. The Immaculate Conception Parish was established 150 years ago to meet the growing needs of Irish immigrants on the east side of Cleveland.

Robert M. Fitzgerald Golf Outing! Friday, July 17, 2026, Shotgun Start at 1PM Briardale Golf Course, Euclid
A four-person scramble. It is time to pick your foursome More information will be provided in the June Schanachie.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Francis McGarry Reverse Raffle on February 1, 2026 See picture of Bluestone Hibernians. The raffle generated over \$4,000 and will be combined with the Golf Outing for scholarships.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Quarterly Hibernian Mass at St John Cathedral on Sunday, March 22, 2026 See the picture of all Hibernians who attended. A brunch followed at the Flat Iron Café.

INTERESTED IN JOINING AOH BLUESTONE DIVISION?

Monthly meetings for members only are held the third Monday of the month at 7:00pm at the Irish American Club—East Side (upper hall). Annual membership dues are \$50 (free membership for college students or over the age of 70)
Contact: Bob Mullin, President, 216-538-7035 or bobbymulls@yahoo.com

Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians (LAOH): Deirfiur of Charity Division

Charitable Drive Projects:

Amazon Wish List Collection for Project Hope: scan the QR code for Amazon wish list; items can be delivered directly to Mary Jo Gurry.

Canned Food Donations for the Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry at St. John of the Cross Church in Euclid. Collection boxes are located at IACES.

LAOH Deirfiur of Charity Annual Fundraiser: Basket Raffle and Celebrity Bartenders at Tradewinds Lounge on Saturday, June 13. Donations are needed for the basket raffle. Please contact Mary Joyce at mary.joyce42@gmail.com

INTERESTED IN JOINING LAOH DEIRFIUR OF CHARITY DIVISION?

Monthly LAOH meetings for members only are held the third Monday of the month at 7:00pm at IACES (lower hall). Annual membership dues are \$30.
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May 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 	2 Kentucky Derby Day 5 pm
3 Communion Breakfast Following 10:00 Mass	4 June Articles Due	5 	6 Cinco de Mayo Party in the Pub 6 pm	7 Thirsty Thursday In the Pub	8 	9 
10 Happy Mother's Day	11 Membership Meeting 7:30 pm & Cash	12 	13 	14 Thirsty Thursday In the Pub	15 	16 
17 	18 Meetings L.A.O.H. 7 pm A.O.H. 7:30 pm	19 	20 	21 Thirsty Thursday In the Pub Steak Shoot 7:30 pm	22 	23 
24 	25 Memorial Day	26 	27 	28 Thirsty Thursday In the Pub	29 	Forty Eighth IACES Anniversary
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