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Executive Board Election 2025-2026

Bruce Greig

Nominations for club officers and members at large, the Executive Board, will be May 12 at the General Membership meeting. The officers to be elected are 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 past 12 months, is eligible to run for office. Any member in good standing who has paid their dues and attended three meetings in the past 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. Nominated members must show their current membership card and will have one minute to accept their nomination.

The election will be held on June 9 at the 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 over the past year.

The votes will be counted and verified on June 9 at the General Membership meeting. Good luck to all seeking these important positions.

From the President

What a green season we had! I cannot thank you all enough for your support of our events and our St. Patrick's Day Raffle. We certainly had something for everyone beginning with our Kickoff and ending with the Screaming Orphans Concert on March 22. Our St. Patrick's Day Mass with Bishop Malesic presiding was a beautiful start to our special day. And special thanks to Father John Betters for welcoming us all into Ss. Roberts and William.

Our Club units shone brightly at the parade which however chilly, the sun came out and it proved to be a wonderful day for the Irish. Thanks to Peggy McDonough Voll, Addison Hart, Michaella Pingstock, Bruce Greig, Bella Behm, Josie Holody and all our Flag Corp for the wonderful job you all did as leaders of our units. Special thanks to Erin Waite and Kelly Pingstock for organizing us all at Mass and then down at the parade, not an easy task. And then there is our float! WOW so exciting that they placed first and no surprise, thank you to Wes Feathers, Bob Henry and all those great people who contributed to the beautiful float that people from all around greater Cleveland are still talking about.

To say I was and continue to be proud to be President of this great organization is an understatement. Let us continue to grow, build up our units and remain proud of our heritage. Thank you again for making your Club shine brightly!

> All the Best, Linda Walsh

PARADE 2025 IACES Float





St. Patrick's Day Raffle Winners

First Place \$5,000 Rosemarie Augen Second Place \$2,500 Hugh Daily & Bobby Fitz Third Place \$1,000 Pat McGreal Fourth Place \$317 Erin Homan Fifth Place \$317 Bill Gooding

Pub Trivia: "Summer Nights" Edition Bree Gurry

Get ready to *sweat your trivia off* at our sizzling **Summer Nights**-themed Pub Trivia night on Saturday, May 31. Bree and Maggie are bringing the heat with rounds that'll make you laugh, think, and maybe even hum a little *Grease* starting at 7 pm.

- Top team wins glory, bragging rights, and the finest mini trophies this side of paradise!
- Bonus points for good vibes, clever team names, and seasonal sass.

Grab your sunscreen, bring your brainpower, and let's make it a night to remem-*bar*!





Book Buzz Bonnie Easton

Thanks to all those who attended Karen Varunch's fantastic performance as the pirate Grace O'Malley on March 30. Karen referenced author Anne Chambers as her major source for researching her character. Chambers' latest book on Grace O'Malley is *Grace O'Malley: The Biography of Ireland's Pirate Queen* 1530-1603, released in 2019. The description of the book reads: "Political pragmatist and tactician, rebel, intrepid mariner and pirate, wife, lover, mother, grandmother and matriarch, the most notorious woman in all the coasts of Ireland, Grace O'Malley challenged and triumphed over the social and political barriers she encountered in the course of her long, pioneering life."

There are several books by well-known authors to tell you about this month.

The Paris Express: A Novel by Emma Donoghue (Room) takes place on a train to Paris in 1895. Based on a true story, the book introduces an array of international passengers who all have interesting backstories, but the train is hurtling down the tracks to derailment because of the actions of a terrorist on board. Three members of Parliament are riding in first class while anarchist Mado Pelletier plans an assassination with the bomb she is carrying.

Children of Eve by John Connolly is the 22nd book in the author's Charlie Parker series. The boyfriend of a prominent artist in Maine goes missing and private investigator Charlie Parker is called in to help. Why did Wyatt Riggins flee and to whom? Parker discovers that Riggins is an ex-soldier involved in the kidnapping of four children believed to belong to a cartel boss in Mexico, but his children are alive and well. Doesn't matter—the cartel boss still wants them found and will kill anyone who gets in his way. Charlie must find Eve's children and the truth.

Twist: A Novel by Colum McCann (*Transatlantic*) introduces us to the world of underwater communication cables. A worldweary, hard-drinking, middle-aged journalist, Anthony Fennell, flies to Cape Town to board a cable repair ship and hopes this writing assignment will jumpstart his floundering career. He meets fellow Irishman John Conway who has a black South African girlfriend, Zanele Ombassa, an actress now rehearsing a play in London. The cables lie on the ocean floor, sometimes too deep for divers to reach, which leaves the crew to rely on a grappling hook. Speculation is that Russia and its allies caused the damage to the cables. In London, Zanelle is injured in an attack, but Conway is left to worry about her from the ship that he cannot leave in the middle of the job. Both men are dealing with life at sea and a plot twist neither saw coming.

Nesting by Roisin O'Donnell is the author's first novel after several short story collections. In Dublin, a pregnant mother of two toddlers is married to a man who presents himself to the world as handsome, loyal, and a good provider, but to his family, he is controlling, domineering, and threatening. Ciara flees to England with her young daughters where she finally finds a room in a homeless shelter named Hotel Eden. Before her marriage, Ciara had traveled extensively as an English language teacher and now finds part-time work in a school for non-English speakers, but Ryan continues to try to lure her back and drags her to court hearings as she struggles through a difficult pregnancy. Still, Ciara is building a new life with the help and support of her new friends and is finding the courage to move on.

Based on a true story, *Women on Platform Two* by Laura Anthony puts a human face on the women's rights movement for reproductive freedom in Ireland in the 1970s. In 2023, Saoirse has a fight with her boyfriend about whether to have a child. She leaves the house to board a train for Belfast and has an intense conversation with a stranger, Maura Flynn, who tells her about another train trip she once took with her friend Bernie in 1971. Both women feared getting pregnant—Maura because she was in a violent marriage and Bernie because she already had three children and was warned that she could die were she to get pregnant again. Contraception was illegal. They found solace in each other's company and in the company of other women in similar circumstances. After Maura's story, Saoirse realizes she can make up her own mind about whether to have a child because of the women who came before her.

The Irish Times recently published a list of the Best Irish Books of the 21st century. We'll start from #100 and work our way back to #1: Oh My God, What a Complete Aisling by Emer McLysaght, Service by Sarah Gilmartin, Big Girl, Small Town by Michelle Gallen, The Hostel Life by Melatu Uche Okorie, and Snowflake by Louise Nealon.

Website for more reading suggestions: www.padraicpearsecenter. weebly.com. Happy Reading!

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Donna Baioni and The Membership

Happy birthday to all 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.

Happy anniversary to Tom & Mary Kay Malone, and John & Debbie Wachter, May 2; Nat & Dan Pajak, May 7; Carmen & Kay Cesa, May 10; Bill & Pat Holman, celebrate their 48th anniversary, May 14; Mary & Michael Conkey, May 20; Jack & Suzanna Kilroy, May 25; Maggie & Paul Spellman May 29;

Sending our sympathy to the families of: **Debbie Hanson**, and **Francis McGarry**, both past presidents; the **Gurry and Loren familes** on the passing of **Richard Loren**. Our condolences to the families of **James Dickride**, **James Fuerst**, and **Bud Eppich**.

Get well wishes to **Dan Niedzwiecki**, **Tom Kinney**, and **Larry McFadden**.

Bon Voyage!! Wishes for a wonderful trip to the many members who are traveling with their fearless leader **Debbie Arth**. Thanks, Debbie, for putting this trip together.

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.



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Membership Has Its Privileges

There were 109 members signed in at the April 14, 2025 meeting.

If you paid your dues, but are not receiving *The Schanachie*, contact Membership Secretary, Mary Alice Curran 440.665.8110. *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: Sean & Kristi Ward, Steven McGill, Kevin & Celeste Shea, Patrick & Mary Hitch, Sean Doley, Reilly Gallagher, Claire Gavin, Thomas & Jeanne Herron, Brendan Stanton, Kenneth & Jane Hoholski, Claire Foreman, Cory & Danielle Schneck, Randy & Anna Marie Roberts, Bryan & Michelle Dziak, Nicholas & Karen McGall, Thomas & Michelle Henderson, Andrew & Vanessa Geer, Christopher & Karrie Sweeney, Roger & Marilou Barrett Sebring, Gary & Kimberly Erxleben, Denise Arida



April 14 membership meeting and did not win \$647. Attend the May 12 meeting and sign in for a chance to WIN \$774.

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 5**. 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 Linda Walsh at 216.538.1358.

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

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| MAY | J, K & L | NOVEMBER | , , |
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"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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Sunshine Club

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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| | 5 June Schanachie Articles Due | 6 North | 7 | Thirsty Thursday | e | 10 | |
| 11 | 12 Monthly Meeting 7:30 pm & Cash Drawing & Club Nominations | 13 | 14 | 15 Steak Shoot PW Room 7:30 pm | 16 | 17 | |
| 18 | 19 Meetings L.A.O.H. 7 pm A.O.H. 7:30 pm | 20 | 21 | 22 Thirsty Thursday | 23 | TRIVIA | |
| 25 | 26 Memorial Day | 27 | 28 | 29 Thirsty Thursday | 30 | 31 Pub Trivia Summer Edition 7 pm | |
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