



The Blarney

UPCOMING:

Monthly Meeting:

November 9th.

6:30p.m.

Mickle Center

Dinner:

Chili, Chili Dog's

And all the trimmings.

Next Meeting:

December 14th

Annual Christmas Party

Christopher's

6:30p.m.

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Presidents 'Pint of View'

Hi fellas,

Well, 2020 has been one of the most unusual years that I can remember but we are all trying to navigate it the best we can, and your board members are no different.

By the time you read this blarney our U.S. presidential Election Day will have come and gone. After watching the current news though, I'm not 100% sure the results will actually be counted and totaled up by that time. Ha! It will definitely be interesting to watch and see the results!!

While on the subject of that election with board members I remembered that February is the month we hold our own FSOSP elections and wanted to remind you also. The board is currently reviewing term limits/bylaws/etc. and we will be announcing which positions will be available as board members/officers soon. We will be looking for possible new candidates. If you or someone else, you know is interested in finding what it takes to become part of this prestigious group (or feel they want to help make better decisions for the club) please let one of us know ASAP.

The other subject I want to hit on this month is the possibility of this year's annual Christmas party. There has been quite a discussion on the subject. Much like the current presidential election, we have members from both sides of this discussion. However, NOT like the current presidential election, your board members "worked together" and have come up with a great solution that works for both sides.

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FRIENDLY SONS OF ST. PATRICK OF CENTRAL IOWA



(Presidents View continued.)

It was decided that we will hold our annual Christmas party at Christopher's party room (I have been told that they have social distance seating for up to 60 people and we do not expect to get near that number based on our monthly meeting attendance) on Monday December 14th. However, due to the current pandemic, not all members that would like to attend would feel safe (much like our current monthly meetings).

So just like adjusting the monthly general meeting cost we will adjust the "out of pocket" Christmas party cost so there is no, absolutely no cost to the club to subsidize for those still willing to attend.

We are currently working on having all the details and cost finalized by the time you receive this blarney.

I have started a list of members that have reached out over the last 2 months and told me they would attend but please check back with me ASAP and confirm if you want to attend.

Here's wishing you all a safe and healthy upcoming holiday season!

Your honored president,

Tony "T-bone" Schmid

We are installing several measures to the monthly meeting due to the COVID threat.

- Please do not attend if you are feeling sick in any way.
- We recommend wearing a mask to prevent the spread of airborne germs.
- We WILL BE serving a dinner.
- We will be providing beverages as normal.
- We recommend that everyone follow the current social distancing practices.
- We will not be raffling a whiskey bottle.
- Meeting cost will be the normal \$10.



F S O S P
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Ok Lads, its that time of year, that ya let the Mrs. know how much fun we have. So as President T. said please RSVP so that we can get a definite count on member's and their significant others that plan on attending.

This year we will meet at:

Christopher's Restaurant.

2816 Beaver Ave.

Des Moines

The festivities start at 6:30 P.M. with cocktails and fine beer being served.

Details are still being worked out on the dinner but, it will be the finest dining experience to date for sure.

If you would like to take a peek at Christopher's Banquet Menu, you can do so here:

<https://www.christophersdsm.com/>

Just follow the link on the home page to the Banquet and Catering Menu.

The board and officers hope to see you there.



Wearin of The Grin'

- **Bernie and Bernadette** spent Christmas in America and decided to go to a drive-in movie. They found one and parked. After waiting for nearly 5 hours for the movie to start, Bernie was concerned. 'Are you sure there's a film on tonight?' 'Yes,' said Bernadette. 'There's a big sign back there advertising it.' 'What's it called?' asked Bernie.
'Closed for the Winter.'
- **A little Irish girl** was talking to her little sister. 'You know Father Christmas?' said the little Irish girl. 'Yes,' answered her little sister. 'Well, I think it's Daddy. ' 'Why?' 'Because he never shaves and only works one day a year.'
- **Three men died on Christmas Eve and were met by St. Peter at the pearly gates.** "In honor of this Holy Season," St. Peter said, "you must each possess something that symbolizes Christmas to get into Heaven."
The Englishman fumbled through his pockets and pulled out a lighter. He flicked it on. It represents a candle," he said. "You may pass through the Pearly Gates," St. Peter said.
The Welshman reached into his pocket and pulled out a set of keys, he shook them and said, "They are Bells." St. Peter said, "You may pass."
The Irishman started searching desperately through his pockets and finally pulled out a pair of women's panties. St. Peter looked at the Irishman with a raised eyebrow and asked, "And just what do these symbolize?" The Irishman replied,
They're Carol's.



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