



The Blarney

UPCOMING:

Monthly Meeting:

June 10th

Mickle Center

6:30 P.M.

Menu: Grilled Pork Loin, Baked Beans, Tossed Italian Salad, Bread, Desert

Next Meeting:

General meeting July 8th

Mickle Center

6:30 P.M.

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BOARD NEWS

Very soon we will gather for a day of fun and sun for the annual FSOSP Leprechaun Open. If you haven't already signed up for this prestigious event, unfortunately you are out of luck. All spots have been signed up and we plan for a full field that day. T-bone has asked me to remind you that we have a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. sharp. Registration starts at 7a.m.

The annual bags tourney will be held at Sully's on July 13th. Get your two person teams together, this is open to members and non-members. It's a perfect chance to bring someone new to introduce them to the club.

Our annual 'Halfway to St. Pat's' Car show will be held on September 22nd, at Charlie's Filling Station. Raffle tickets are available now, this year we will be giving away 3 whole hogs processed and ready to go. Be sure to pick up a book or three at this month's meeting. Tickets are \$10 each.





Presidents Pint of View

June is upon us and there-FORE it is once again time FORE our annual Friendly Sons Leprechaun Open. I look FORE-ward to this event every year. Not just because I enjoy spending a perfectly good day tramping through nature's lush, blooming spring foliage FORE-aging FORE a seemingly invisible white orb that just careened off a majestic oak tree directly to the right of the tee box, sending a beautiful assortment of wildlife scurrying for cover, or taking flight in a panic, but, because it is an event that is, I think, second only to the parade in member attendance. It is always great to see so many of us come together and enjoy the day. I FORE-see us all having a great time with kith and kin all thanks to the efforts of T-Bone and company and the folks at Toad Valley. The FORE-cast looks favorable that day, so don't FORE-get to bring sunscreen and stay hydrated (try to sneak in a few sips of water between the adult beverages).

I'll see you on the links, and if I don't see you there, I'll see you in the clubhouse, and if I don't see you in either of those places, I hope to see you at the next meeting.

Until then, stay safe Sons.

President,

Tim Schuck

FRIENDLY SONS OF ST. PATRICK OF CENTRAL IOWA PRESENT



**2 PERSON
BEST BALL**

2024 ANNUAL LEPRECHAUN OPEN

**SUNDAY,
JUNE 9, 2024**

TOAD VALLEY GOLF COURSE

\$75

per player

**Registration begins at 7am
8:30am shotgun start**

**Includes golf cart,
lunch and goodie bags**

**TROPHIES, RAFFLES, CONTESTS,
PRIZES AND SILENT AUCTIONS**

Open to both members and non-members of all ages, heritage, race and gender!



**Friendly Sons of St. Patrick
of Central Iowa**

**QUESTIONS? Contact Tony "T-bone" Schmid
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2024 volunteers of the year Justin Dye and Colton O'Connor working the table at Baconfest.

Remember, we can't do this all on our own, we need your help too. It takes all of us to make the club successful. We have many events throughout the year and are always in need of volunteers to make these projects a success. Its as simple as telling a board member you are interested in helping out. This doesn't mean your obligated for every event that comes up; or even a full day of one event. Every little bit helps.

FRIENDLY SONS OF ST. PATRICK

OF CENTRAL IOWA



Wearin' of the Grin

- Four guys have been going to the same golfing trip to St Andrews for many years. Two days before the group is to leave, Jack's wife puts her foot down and tells him he isn't going. Jack's mates are very upset that he can't go, but what can they do.
Two days later, the three get to St Andrews only to find Jack sitting at the bar with four drinks set up! "Wow, Jack, how did you ever talk your missus into letting you go?"
"Well, I've been here since last night. Yesterday evening, I was sitting in my living room chair and my wife came up behind me and put her hands over my eyes and asked, 'Guess who?' I pulled her hands off, and there she was, wearing a nightie. She took my hand and pulled me into our bedroom. She's been reading '50 Shades of Grey' and the room had candles and rose petals all over. On the bed she had handcuffs, and ropes! She told me to tie her up and cuff her to the bed, so I did. And then she said, 'Do whatever you want.'
"So, here I am!"
- When your shot has to carry over a water hazard, you can either use one more club or two more balls.
- If you're afraid a full shot might reach the green while the foursome ahead of you is still putting out, you have two options: you can immediately shank a lay-up or you can wait until the green is clear and top a ball halfway there.
- Counting on your opponent to inform you when he or she breaks a rule is like expecting them to make fun of their own haircut.
- Every time a golfer makes a birdie, he or she must subsequently make two double bogeys to restore the fundamental equilibrium of the universe.
- If your opponent has trouble remembering whether he or she shot a six or a seven, he probably shot an eight (or worse).
- A young man and a priest are playing together. At a short par-3 the priest asks, "What are you going to use on this hole, my son?" The young man says, "An 8-iron, father. How about you?" The priest says, "I'm going to hit a soft seven and pray." The young man hits his 8-iron and puts the ball on the green. The priest tops his 7-iron and dribbles the ball out a few yards. The young man says, "I don't know about you, father, but in my church, when we pray, we keep our head down."



FRIENDLY SONS OF ST. PATRICK
OF CENTRAL IOWA PRESENT

HALFWAY TO ST. PAT'S DAY CHARITY CAR SHOW

SUNDAY SEPT. 22 2024



JOIN US AT

CHARLIE'S FILLING STATION
305 Grand Ave., West Des Moines

\$20 REGISTRATION BY SEPT. 7
\$25 DAY-OF

REGISTRATION 11 A.M. — 1 P.M.
TROPHIES AWARDED AT 3 P.M.

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FOR DETAILS



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The Friendly Sons of St. Patrick of Central Iowa are a merry band of gentlemen that enjoys gathering together to commune and celebrate our Irish heritage. We are also a benevolent organization. With the support of many sponsors & contributors we are able to raise money that is donated back to local organizations in need that we call our "Community of Caring."

Irish History

1646 - Eoghan Rua O'Neill, a superb military strategist, defeats Robert Munro's Scottish army at Benburb in Co. Tyrone. The victory is celebrated by Pope Innocent X with a Te Deum in Rome

1836 - Barry Edward O'Meara, surgeon to Napoleon, dies in London

1852 - The Magnetic Telegraph Company links Britain and Ireland via submarine telegraph cable. The company also operates lines from Donaghadee to Port Patrick, and connects major Irish cities, as far as Limerick, Killarney and Cork

1880 - Birth in Dublin of William Thomas Cosgrave, the first President of the Executive Council of the Irish Free State

1913 - Birth in Dublin of Patrick Campbell, author and broadcaster; he wrote sixteen books, including *Life in Thin Slices*, *Rough Husbandry* and *How to Become a Scratch Golfer* (he was one himself)

1919 - Eamon DeValera begins his tour of the USA to raise money and support for the IRA's war against England

1920 - Cornelius Ryan, war correspondent and author of *The Longest Day*, *The Last Battle* and *A Bridge Too Far*, is born in Dublin

1925 - Death of Matt Talbot. With the help of a priest friend, Matt overcomes chronic alcoholism and models his life on that of the monks, who lived in Ireland in the 6th and 7th centuries. It is a tough programme of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. He gives away most of his wages every week to the poor at home and abroad. He is also keenly aware of his fellow workers struggle for social justice. A loyal member of Ireland's Transport and General Workers Union, a Union leader, Stephen McGonagle, describes him as "a beacon of light to Irish workers". After a life of heroic perseverance, he dies suddenly on the way to Mass. A candidate for canonization, his statue stands at the south end of the Liffey, by the bridge named after him

1938 - Robert and Edward Kennedy, youngest sons of the American Ambassador to London, open the children's zoo in Regent's Park. Children are charged sixpence to watch chimpanzees have a tea party

1952 - Ciaran Fitzgerald, rugby player, is born in Galway

1974 - Michael Gaughan dies on hunger strike at Parkhurst Prison in England

2000 - Cathal Crumley, a former IRA prisoner faces unionist anger as he prepares to become the first Sinn Féin Mayor in Ireland since 1920

2001 - It is announced that a previously unknown and heavily re-worked draft of one of the closing chapters of James Joyce's epic novel, *Ulysses*, is set to fetch up to £1.2 million at auction in London next month.

2002 - Former US President Bill Clinton travels to Enniskillen, Co Fermanagh, to open a £3m peace centre named after him in recognition of his special role in helping the divided North's community towards the Good Friday Agreement. The centre is built on the site of the 1987 Remembrance Sunday bombing



Are you excited for the 18th annual Iowa Irish Fest? The Fest takes place in downtown Waterloo, August 2 – 4. One of the most anticipated parts of the Fest is the live music! With an extensive list of Irish musicians and bands to entertain guests all weekend, the Fest is the place to be this August! Musicians from all over the world travel to Iowa to be part of Iowa Irish Fest!

See you August 2-4 in downtown Waterloo!

***NEW TO IOWA IRISH FEST**



Make sure to check out the 2024 Iowa Irish Fest Spotify playlist by scanning the QR code to the left or by clicking the button below!

[Spotify Playlist](#)

