



The Blarney

UPCOMING:

Monthly Meeting:

April 14th 6:00 P.M.

The Mickle Center

Menu: Irish Celebration

**Corned Beef, New Potatoes/
Carrots, Smoked Cabbage, Soda
Bread**

Next Meeting:

General meeting May 12th

Mickle Center

6:00 P.M.

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APRIL (AIBREÁN) 2025

Well, the 2025 parade is in the rear-view mirror, and a great time was had by all. We are still receiving funds but Mr. Soliday says we are better off than we have been in years. A full recap from him at this month’s meeting.

The Pre-Paddy Party was a huge success, thanks to everyone that attended. This is definitely something we can expand upon and make bigger in the years to come.

As far as the parade went, we could not have hoped for better weather that day. Mr. O’Connor would like to personally thank all of the members that came to help. We still have some rough edges to iron out with staging and de-staging, but all in all, a GREAT day! A very special thanks to our past queen Elizabeth Rucker who had won \$50 in the raffle and donated it back to the club!

We now shift our focus to our spring summer events and that means one thing: That’s right lads, raffle tickets! We have procured 3 whole hogs already processed and the raffle tickets are available, with the drawing at this year’s car show on September 14th. Come pick yourself up a book or three.

Speaking of raffles, T-Bone would like to remind everyone about our monthly raffle at Carl’s. It is drawn the first Wednesday of every month at 5 PM. You need not be present to win, except for the grand prize. We also have many other events on tap, please see the events page or the flyers in the Blarney.

One last item of note, if you have not yet paid your yearly dues, please do so by this month’s meeting.



Presidents Pint of View



Brothers,

This year's parade was a tremendous success! The turnout was incredible, with huge crowds and extensive TV coverage. A heartfelt thank you goes out to everyone who contributed on the day of the event. Your efforts made all the difference.

Special recognition goes to Colton O'Conner for his outstanding organization and meticulous planning. Your hard work truly set the stage for such a seamless event. To all the volunteers and supporters who came out to celebrate with us, thank you for making this day unforgettable.

We're also thrilled with the success of our raffle ticket sales, which, along with other fundraising initiatives, enabled us to present a \$4,000 check to The Children's Cancer Connection. This is a testament to what we can achieve together.

Looking ahead, we're excited to share some major announcements soon about innovative ways to promote our club in the coming years. Additionally, don't forget about the Disc Golf Tournament at the end of the month. We hope to see everyone there enjoying great company, good times, and maybe a beer or two.

Lastly, we're kicking off sales of the "Three Little Pig" raffle tickets now that St. Patrick's Day is behind us. Let's make this another fantastic success as we continue to grow as a club throughout the year.

Thank you for your unwavering support, we couldn't do this without you.

President

Adam McCarty

2025 St. Patrick's Day Awards

PARADE TROPHIES –

JUDGES CHOICE – Mackenzie Pipes and Drums

BEST IRISH THEME - The Foy Dancers

BEST IRISH CLAN – The Carroll Clan

BEST OF PARADE – Melrose Iowa

2025 RAFFLE WINNERS -

Ireland: Jackie Goode

\$500: Kimberly Truesdale

\$100: Cheyenne Hinds

\$100: Ryan Franz

\$100: Hary Lubinski

\$50: Pam Goering

\$50: Holly Gilbertson

\$50: Marilyn Coleman

\$50: Elizabeth Rucker



F.S.O.S.P UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday April 26th – 16th annual Disc Golf Open

- Early registration is available on www.discgolfscene.com
- Day of registration is 10 AM.
- Shotgun Start at 11 AM
- Food provided.

Saturday June 14th – Annual Leprechaun Open

- Early registration is now open \$80 per person
- 4-person best ball format
- There are 7 spots still open for early registration that will receive a free round of golf
- 8:30 AM Shotgun start

Saturday July 12th – Annual FSOSP Bags Tourney

- Time and details are still being worked out for this

Saturday September 14th – 3rd Annual FSOSP Car Show

- Charlies Filling Station – 305 Grand WDM
- DJ – FOOD – VENDORS – TROPHIES
- Registration 11 to 1
- Trophy presentation at 3

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MONTHLY RAFFLE

\$25 PER TICKET

MAXIMUM 75 TICKETS TO BE SOLD

GRAND PRIZE \$1000 (must be present)

5 - \$100 winners

If the person chosen for the grand prize is not present then an additional 5 - \$100 winners will be drawn

DRAWING IS THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH

Carl's Place just down the hill from the Mickle Center

"Located just south of I-235 and slightly north of Western Gateway Park, Carl's Place has been Des Moines' favorite dive since 1962. And it's the only local bar that's totally, 100%, NO LIE – on the way home from absolu

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2025 ANNUAL LEPRECHAUN OPEN

4 PERSON BEST BALL



**URBANDALE
FOOD PANTRY**

**\$10 of every entry will
be donated directly to the
Urbandale food pantry**

**SATURDAY,
JUNE 14, 2025**

TOAD VALLEY GOLF COURSE

237 N.E. 80th St., Pleasant Hill

\$80
per player

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

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

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

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



Friendly Sons of St. Patrick
of Central Iowa

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HALFWAY TO ST. PAT'S DAY CHARITY CAR SHOW

SUNDAY SEPT. 14 2025



DJ.
FOOD.
TROPHIES.
VENDORS.

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

SPONSORED BY
FAREWAY
MEAT & GROCERY

\$25 DAY-OF REGISTRATION • CASH OR VENMO

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

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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."

2025 PARADE PHOTOS





