



CEILIDHE CLUB NEWS

March 2018

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RECURRING EVENTS



**MONDAYS
SET DANCING**
7:15-9:15 pm



**FRIDAYS
PUB NIGHT**
7-11 pm



**3rd FRIDAY/MONTH
MEMBERSHIP
MEETING**
7 pm (Pub Night after)



Find us on Facebook at
"Irish Ceilidhe Club of RI"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Annual Club dues are \$50 per person. Dues are renewed each April. You may mail dues to Ceilidhe Club. Thank you.

OFFICERS & BOARD

- President: Bob Sheridan
- VP: Corky McWey
- Treasurer: Robert Rambo
- Recording Secretary: Paula Dodd
- Corresponding Secretary: Maggie Lenau
- Sergeant at Arms: Mel Lynch
- Trustees: Peg Flynn, Irene O'Rourke, Kathy Greenwell, Laura Travis, Dennis Hughes

March 9
(note change to 2nd Fri.)
General Membership Meeting - 7pm
Please attend!

President's Letter *By Bob Sheridan*

Dear Members,

On behalf of the Executive Board, HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S MONTH to all. Being 97.2% Irish, I have started warning my liver of this time of year; but seriously, we ask for all to be cognizant of the driving rules regarding alcohol. We value your membership, but most of all your life and those of others.

Some will be attending our Corned Beef Dinner on March 11; it was completely sold out. (SORRY) We will not be able to accommodate those who have not made a reservation and they will be turned down at the door due to space and fire limitations.

St. Patrick's Day

MASS	11:00 am
IRELAND TRIP RAFFLE	11:45 am
FLAG RAISING	12:15 pm
REFRESHMENTS	1:00 pm (corned beef sand/hot dogs)
MUSIC & STEP DANCING	1:00 pm
CLUB HOURS	11 am - DOOR CLOSING 4:00 pm

We are still looking for members who are willing to be officers for next year. The club is healthy, financially stable and growing. It just calls for strong leadership and willingness to give for its members. If you would like to run for office, especially President of VP, or can recommend someone, please inform Bob Sheridan in writing, bobsheridan7@gmail.com.

The Trip to Ireland Raffle drawing is around the corner. We will end ticket sales on March 11. If you haven't purchased your tickets yet, please do so now. We are currently at 78% of our goal of 600 tickets. Thank you for all of your support.

In closing, I would like to inform all that another major repair was done on Feb. 27, the hydraulic door closer on the front door that has been broken for years; it was being held together with bubble gum, duct tape, Gorilla Glue, etc. The appraised cost was over \$175 for materials and installation. I bought one at Lowe's for \$50 and installed it, saving \$125. This was badly needed and now works fine.

Have a safe and happy Irish Month, "Sasta u pats lae"
Bob Sheridan (County Westmeath)
President

CALENDAR

MARCH

Friday 3/2	7-11pm	Pub Night: Traditional Irish Session with Armand Aromin & Torrin Ryan
Mondays 3/5,12,19,26	7:15-9:15pm	Set Dancing Class
Tuesday 3/6	7pm	Board Meeting
Friday 3/9	7pm	General Membership Meeting
Sunday 3/11	7-11pm	Pub Night
Tuesday 3/14	2:30-5:30pm	Corned Beef Dinner
Friday 3/16	1pm	Book Club
Saturday 3/17	7:30-11pm	Pub Night: Pub Sing with Armand Aromin & Ben Gagliardi
Friday 3/23	11am-4pm	St. Patrick's Day activities at club
Saturday 3/24	7-11pm	Pub Night: Music by Colm O'Brien
Friday 3/30	7pm doors open	1916 Committee Lecture (details to follow)
	7:30 performance	Concert: Open the Door For Three (details on page 2)
	Pub closed	Good Friday

Event Details

St. Patrick's Month Festivities at the Ceilidhe Club

Sunday 3/11- Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

Doors open at 2:30; dinner served 3-5:30.

\$15 adults, \$5 children 12 & under, infants free.

Sold out. *Previous reservations only may be seated.*

Traditional Irish Music by Brian Twohey

Saturday 3/17 - St. Patrick's Day

Ceilidhe Club open 11am-4pm

11am Mass, followed by Ireland Trip Raffle drawing and flag raising. Corned beef sandwiches and hot dogs for sale in the pub plus complimentary desserts.

Music by "The Irish Ramblers" starting at 1pm.

Ceilidhe Club Stepdancers will perform.

Note: *Donations of Irish soda bread, brown bread and desserts would be greatly appreciated for the Corned Beef dinner and on St. Patrick's Day.*

Thank you!

Saturday 3/24 - Concert - 7:30pm

"Open the Door for Three"

We are pleased to present this trio of traditional Irish musicians. Kieran O'Hare is a highly respected and sought-after performer on the uilleann pipes, concert flute and tinwhistle. Kieran is accompanied by fiddle player Liz Knowles and bouzouki player and singer Pat Broaders. Doors open at 7pm. Performance begins at 7:30pm. Admission: \$20; Ceilidhe club members \$15.

Note: Ticket Sales Ending March 11

Trip to Ireland Raffle

Tickets \$25 each or five for \$100

~ Winner will be drawn on March 17 ~

If you need tickets, contact Bob Sheridan at 401-612-4433 or bobsheridan7@gmail.com or see Bob at the club. This is our major fundraising event for the year. Revenue generated allows your Ceilidhe Club to continue our events to promote Irish history and culture. Thanks for your participation.

Grand Prize: Trip to Ireland. Winner has choice of \$3,000 cash or trip which includes an Aer Lingus voucher for \$1,500, a \$1,000 allocation for cottage rental, and \$500 allocation for car rental. If desired, we will work with winner to design the trip. **Second prize:** Voucher to Cape Cod Irish Village. **Third prize:** Irish gift basket.

Save the Date!

The Sixties Band from MA is returning to the Club on Saturday, April 28 from 8-11:30pm. Doors will open at 7pm. So pull out those groovy bell bottoms and flowered dresses and plan to dance the night away to your favorite 60's tunes! Admission is \$10pp and light snacks will be provided. Tickets can be purchased ahead of time but will be available at the door. For additional info, call Maureen Murphy at 401-263-3173.

Ceilidhe Club Marchers Needed !

Saturday, March 10 - Providence St. Patrick's Day Parade at Noon

The Parade starts at St. Pius V Church (55 Elmhurst Ave at Eaton Street). Marchers will meet in the school parking lot at 11:30am. The parade is approximately 1 mile to the State House. We need Flag Bearers and Banner Holders. It is a lot of fun! We want a good showing of marchers representing the Ceilidhe Club! Please consider joining the parade. Contact Kathy Greenwell at 737-3319 if you are going to march or join our group at the school parking lot. (Note: There is a road race that morning so traffic gets congested in the area. Consider an early arrival & perhaps breakfast at nearby Newport Creamery or LaSalle Bakery, both on Smith St.)

Club News

BOOK CLUB will meet Tuesday, March 13, at 1pm at the home of Helen Flynn, 26 Tecumseh St, Providence. This month's discussion will be on the novel Saints for All Seasons by J. Courtney Sullivan. For more information, call Helen at 331-7614. All are welcome to this discussion.

CONDOLENCES to her husband, Joseph, to her son, John, and brother and sister-in-law, Mel and Kathy Lynch, on the passing of Patricia Carroll, who died on February 18th. Pat, along with her husband Joe, was a long-time Ceilidhe Club member. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

PRAYERS for a speedy return to health are requested for Rose and Bill Downing, who are both hospitalized. Also for Marilyn Doran and Liz Hughes as she recovers from injuries sustained in a recent fall. May all of you feel better soon!

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