# Irish American Association

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The Next Business Meeting will be February 16th, 2012 at 7:00 pm Sharp!

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#### **Presidents Message**

I would like to thank everyone who made it to the installation of Officers and especially P.J Quinn and Billy Hart for all they did to prepare for the night. Congratulations to Tom O'Brien for being named the 2011 Man Of The Year. This is the beginning of a very busy time of the year around the club. St. Patrick's Day is just around the corner and there will be a lot of activities going on around here. I am sure you will see by the events in the bulletin. I am hoping you will be seeing the website up and running by the time you get this bulletin but if not it will be up very shortly.

I am looking to see if anyone would like to be Chairman of the Sports Night Committee to see if we can get that event back in the works. Anyone interested in it please let me know. You can email me for any reason at rickosullivan@verizon.net.

I hope that everyone has been having a good winter and not to worry, spring is right around the corner. Wishing all a healthy year.

Rick O'Sullivan, President

#### **Chairman's Message**

I want to thank Mayor Christenson for installing the Officers for 2012. The Board of Directors and Officers are looking forward to 2012 and continuing to promote the Malden Irish American Club as one of the best Irish American club's around!

Enclosed in the bulletin you will find the tickets for our annual St. Patrick's Day drawing. I respectfully ask that you return them as soon as you can and if you need more tickets you can call me, Bill Hart or see any of the bartenders.

PJ Quinn Chairman of the Board

#### Chaplain O'Donnell's Message

Dear Members,

Most likely the Saint that sticks out in February is St. Valentine, with all the stores loaded with gifts and presents, it is hard to miss this day! But the month starts out with a great Irish Saint, Brigid of Ireland. She was a great help to the poor and showed a great deal of compassion to those in need. As we all know the I.A. strives to help those in need and shows compassion to so many through various charities we host. Let us follow the example of St. Brigid and be aware of those who need us the most and be willing to help those entrusted to our care. This is a quote from St. Brigid that gives us hope:

"I would like a great lake of beer for the King of kings; I would like the people of heaven to be drinking it through time eternal."

Happy St. Brigid Day!

Very. Rev. Richard O'Donnell V.F.



#### **Ways and Means Committee**

The Ways and Means have a busy schedule coming up starting with February 11<sup>th</sup>, Valentine's Night in the members bar with Mossie Coughlan and the Boston Irish. On Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> Derek Warfield and the Young Wolftones will be in the main hall – doors open at 7PM – show at 8PM. Tickets are \$25.00 each.

On Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup> we will hold our annual corned beef and cabbage dinner with all the trimmings. Music will be by Tradition and performance by the Heavey Quinn Academy of Irish Dance and the Kevin Barry Pipes & Drums. Tickets are \$40 per person. Doors open at 7PM with dinner at 7:30.

On March 17<sup>th</sup>, we will have Wayne Fleury in the Member's Bar starting at 3:00. In the main hall, from 3-7 we will have the Andy Healy Band and 8-12 will be Margaret Dalton and Erin's Melody along with the Heavey Quinn Academy of Irish Dance and the Kevin Barry Pipes & Drums. There will be a \$10 charge into the main hall. We know this is a family day, however, I respectfully ask parents to make sure kids are not running around or on the dance floor as people will be coming to enjoy the music and dance.

For information on tickets for these events, call PJ Quinn at 781-322-8624 or Bill Hart at 781-321-7720.

PJ Quinn and Keith Lordan

## Irish American Scholarship Fund

Once again the Malden Irish American club will be offering scholarships to High School Students entering their first year of college. Remember applications to apply for scholarships are for sons/daughter, grandsons/granddaughters of our members.

Applications forms for these scholarships will be available at the club on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012. Completed forms need to be returned to the Scholarship Committee, attention: Bill Smith, postmarked no later than April 30th, 2012.

Scholarships will be awarded Father's Day, at the Communion Breakfast on June 17th, 2012.

Regards

Bill Smith Scholarship Committee

## St. Patrick's Day T-Shirts

This year's St. Patrick's Day T-shirts will be here soon. The price of them went up this year (as with everything else) but we will be keeping the price the same (\$10.00) for members that buy them prior to March 1st. After that day the costs will be \$15 each or two for \$25. I can mail out the T-Shirt if you send me the sizes you need along with an added \$6.00 per shirt or \$11.00 for more than one shirt for postage. All profits made from the shirts help pay for pub nights as well as other activities around the club for you the members.

**Rick O'Sullivan** 

#### Irish American Club Golf League

The start of the 2012 golfing season is just around the corner and the IA Golf League committee has already begun making preparations for another terrific season. The cost to play in the golf league this year will remain at \$450, - this is for IA club members only - and will be payable in three equal installments of \$150 each. We ask you that have your first payment in to the golf committee no later than February 15<sup>th</sup>; please make all checks payable to Jack Marshall and indicate your preference for playing in the afternoon or evening divisions on your check. For your convenience, one or more committee members will be at the club each Sunday afternoon during the month of February from 1:00 to 3:00 pm to accept your payment.

Early in April – check the March 2012 bulletin for the actual date - a league meeting will take place where the league rules and regulations will be discussed. All interested golfers are encouraged to attend this meeting and voice their ideas as to how we can best improve our league. This is the time and place to discuss league policy and procedures, not on the golf course. At the close of this meeting our 2012 golf teams will be drawn. Actual play will begin in late April.

Any IA member interested in playing in the league during the 2012 season should contact one of our committee members: George Nuttall, Bill Lordan, Ken Johnson or Jack Marshall.

The IA Golf Committee



#### **Irish Humor**

Well, Murphy was staggering home trying to plan his entry, his excuse and his drunken condition. Quietly, ever so gently, he eased open the front door and tiptoed into the hall. He was just in the process of removing his shoes when it happened. The cuckoo clock came to life and out popped the pesky creature cuckooing three times for three o'clock.

'What to do?' thought Murphy. Then all of a sudden - inspiration. 'I'll cuckoo another nine times and if she's awake she'll think it's only midnight!'

So that's what our hero did. It worked. No reaction from the missus. All was calm as he slipped quietly into bed.

But next morning brought a different picture. As Murphy's head thumped its way back into the world from the oblivion of the night, the bedroom door swung ominously open. There stood the good lady hands on hips - steely-eyed.

'And what time did you get in last night, dear?' she asked.

'Quite late, about midnight I think, love,' said Murphy.

'Well, when you get up I want you to have a look at that clock in the hall. Only last night, at midnight, the strangest thing happened. The clock cuckooed three times, then it coughed, belched, kicked the cat up the backside, and then cuckooed nine more times!'



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