



# Pipe & Shamrock

45th Annual Sons of Erin

## St. Patrick's Day Parade & Festival

Water Street District, Henderson Nevada, March 17-20, 2011

Monthly Newsletter

February 2011

### President's Message

Brothers and Sisters,

This year's festival is rapidly approaching, we are into February closing in on the big, four day festival. This year we are working on providing a much more cultural event. We are securing more Irish musical acts and have included a whiskey tasting, Irish cooking demonstrations and even a shillelagh toss.

Get your tickets for our Annual Dinner Dance, tickets are available. Live music will be provided by Jimmy Ray, he does the Johnny Cash Tribute during the festival.

With the festival so close, we are need of volunteers to assist in all aspects of festival. To assist committee chairs, assist with clean up and set up, parade marshalls, booth workers and just about every other part of the festival. Be sure to stop by this months meeting to sign up, there's only two meetings left before the festival.

Slainte,  
Pat



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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

#### MONTHLY MEETING

Wednesday,

**February 9**

McMullan's Irish Pub

7:15 P.M.

OPEN MEETING

Door Prizes

Free Food



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The Southern Nevada Sons of Erin  
Are proud to present:  
The 45th Annual  
St. Patrick's Day Parade and Festival  
In beautiful downtown Henderson



Four fun filled days of carnival rides, merchandise booths, food booths, live music.

Festival begins on St. Patrick's Day and runs all weekend long.

Thursday, March 17, 2011 5pm to 10pm

Friday, March 18, 2011 5pm to 10 pm

Saturday, March 19, 2011 10am to 10 pm

Sunday, March 20, 2011 Noon to 6 pm

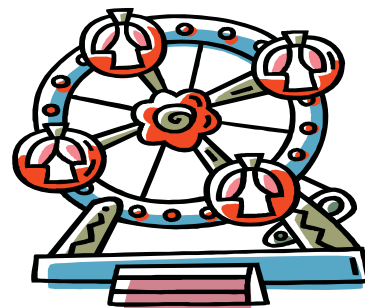
Don't miss the 45rd Annual Southern Nevada Sons of Erin Parade. This is consistently one of the largest parades to march down Water St every year. Shriners in little cars, car clubs, horse clubs, live bands and many other groups are all represented. Parade starts at 10 am and arrive early if you want a good spot! The parade will be followed by a car show on Water St.

Annual Dinner Dance

Enjoy a night of dining and dancing, featuring live music our annual awards presentation and like last year, an Irish auction. A classic St. Patrick's Day meal of corned beef and cabbage will be served and of course there will be a full bar.

Tickets will be available at the monthly meeting, or call 496-1888 to reserve tickets.

Davis Amusement will again partner with us this year to provide the carnival and mid-way games. Bring the family and enjoy the ferris wheel or the sizzler and there will even be an area for the younger children. Be sure to stroll through and check out all the booths, many unique items will be on sale and like last year, we will be expanding into the convention center.



## The Irish Drinking Culture

Many people like to think of Irish people as the drunken Irish and have a stereotypical view that we simply drink a lot.

There are various reasons why people tend to link Irish to drinking but we like to think it's down to the fact that Irish produces some of the finest stouts or whiskeys in the world. So let's look at why Ireland is famous for its drinking but also its pub culture.

So what is the best drinks made in Ireland?

A more popular drink in Ireland and almost unknown anywhere else is the spirit called [poteen](#) that was once deemed illegal. Irish poteen is like a moonshine that would be home brewed and sold from peoples homes. Its a very strong Irish drink that only the most hardened drinker in Ireland dares to try. Its been said that it could cause blindness and even sometimes kill people who end up suffering from alcohol poisoning. It is also common from elder people to rub poteen on their skin to help with arthritis or at least that's the excuse our grans would make.

Irish whiskey is probably the best and finest whiskey one can find anywhere on earth due to the time it takes to create the spirit, its price and its overall taste. Some of the best Irish whiskeys that are more popular would be Bushmills whiskey, Jameson whiskey and Tullamore Dew (personal favorite) which is found in every bar in Ireland. Learn how to make the popular Irish Whiskey Punch (Hot Toddy) that's great for curing a common cold or flu! You can get very creative using various whiskeys such as making Chocolate Whiskey Truffles.

Guinness is probably the most popular stout in the world and even when it's mentioned a connection to Ireland is automatically assumed by anyone. Although Guinness is so popular its really does take an acquired taste for anyone to drink a full pint of the black stuff. Its a heavy drink with its thick head and dark liquid. For those who drink several pints in one sitting only knows too well what the day after will bring and we are not just referring to the hangover. In March 2010 Guinness announced they will no longer promote "good for you" and stated "We no longer want to promote alcohol as a medicine, or to imply it can be used as a treatment or a cure."

### Gaelic Phrases & Expressions

The first line is in Gaelic, the second line is the phonetic pronunciation and the last line is the English translation

PHRASE: Gra, Dilseacht, Cairdeas  
PRONOUNCED: graw, deel-shockt, korr-djass  
MEANING: Love, Loyalty, Friendship

### Symbols & Traditions

#### Green Man



The Green Man is often perceived as an ancient Celtic symbol. In Celtic mythology, he is a god of spring and summer. He disappears and returns year after year, century after century, enacting themes of death and resurrection, the ebb and flow of life and creativity. The Arthurian legend of Sir Gawain, The Green Knight, is a notable image of the Green Man from the Middle Ages. Gawain had a green helmet, green armor, green shield... even a green horse. When he was decapitated, he continued to live.

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**Rowan - The Thinker**  
**January 21 – February 17**

Celtic tree astrology recognizes Rowan signs as the philosophical minds within the zodiac. If you were born under the Rowan energy, you are likely a **keen-minded visionary**, with high ideals. Your thoughts are original and creative, so much so, that other's often misunderstand from where you are coming. This sometimes makes you aloof when interacting with others as you feel they wouldn't understand where you are coming from anyway. Nevertheless, although you may appear to have a **cool exterior**, you are burning within from your passionate ideals. This inner passion provides inner motivation for you as you make your way through life. You have a natural ability to transform situations and people around you by your mere presence. You are **highly influential** in a quiet way and others look to you for your unique perspectives. Rowan pairs well with Ivy and Hawthorn signs.

**Irish Skink**

- 3 sticks of celery, trimmed and finely diced
- 6 cos-type lettuce leaves, rinsed and chopped
- 4oz green peas
- 4 spring onions, trimmed and chopped
- 1 dessert-spoon fresh chopped chives
- 1 ½ to 2 pints chicken stock
- 3 fluid oz double cream
- 1 egg yolk
- 4 sprigs parsley, 1 sprig thyme and a bayleaf tied together
- Chopped parsley to garnish
- Salt and pepper

Place the vegetables, herbs, seasoning and stock into a saucepan. Bring to the boil. Cover and simmer for ½ hour or until the vegetables are tender. Remove the bouquet garnish. Blend the cream and egg yolk and add to the soup. Heat without boiling. Add salt and pepper to taste. Serve with a light sprinkling of parsley.

February Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2—Groundhog Day	3	4	5
6	7	8	9—Monthly Meeting, McMullan's Irish Pub	10	11	12
13	14—St. Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22—Last day to submit for agenda item	23	24	25	26
27	28					

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John Windsor and Friends

Every Saturday & Sunday

Darby O'Gill

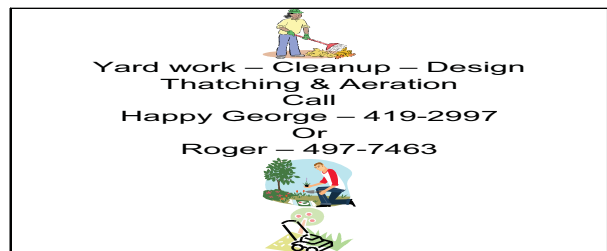
Every Wednesday Night

Finnegan's Wake

Every Friday Night

All you can eat fish & chips on Thursday

Sunday Night Roast Dinner



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