



# Pipe & Shamrock

45th Annual Sons of Erin

## St. Patrick's Day Parade & Festival

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

Monthly Newsletter

January 2011

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### President's Message

Brothers and Sisters,

I hope everyone had a great Holiday Season. I look forward to a good new year for everyone. As we enter the new year, we are at the start of the busiest time of the year for us. We are planning the biggest and best celebration we have ever had. We will kick off the festivities on Thursday, St. Patrick's Day, and go through Sunday. This will be made possible only with everybody's help. Thanks to those who have already volunteered for committees, but we can always use more. Please help where you can. We are making plans for this years dinner dance which is always a fun event watch for more details.

St. Baldrick's foundation is our main charity this year so lets all support this good cause for childhood cancer. St Baldrick's main event will take place this at McMullen's Pub on Mar 5th please show support by shaving or pledging.

Slainte,  
Pat



### MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday,

**January 13**

McMullan's Irish Pub

7:15 P.M.

OPEN MEETING

Door Prizes

Free Food

**McMullan's  
Irish Pub**

*Across from the  
Orleans Hotel*

**Home of the  
Sons of Erin**

Visit the  
Sons of Erin  
Website  
[www.snsoc.com](http://www.snsoc.com)



**Sale  
Club Merchandise**

Limited number of  
shirts & hats remain-  
ing to purchase

Currently accepting  
orders for Jackets,  
hats & shirts

Contact  
Frank Timbers  
For  
Additional info  
Or  
To Place  
An order

**Monthly Meeting**

This month's meeting will be held on Thursday, January 13 at McMullan's Irish Pub, 7:15 pm.

**Annual Dinner Dance**

We are firming up the final details for our Annual Dinner Dance and tickets should be available at this months meeting. It will feature live music, presentation of our annual awards and dinner will be the usual corned beef and cabbage. We are arranging an auction like last year, but this year it will be called an Irish Auction. It's holiday knock off of a Chinese Auction. Stop by the meeting to purchase your tickets or contact any board member.

**Festival Committees**

Carnival—We will be working with Davis Amusement again this year to provide all the carnival favorites along with everybody's favorite, midway games. We have been swamped with vendors, both new and old requesting space in this year's event and we are trying to find a way to accommodate everyone's request.

Parade—The St. Patrick's Day parade looks like once again it will be full. Our parade is consistently one of largest in Henderson and will be followed by a car show.

Entertainment—We are working hard to bring more Irish into our St. Patrick's Day festival. We will have live demonstrations of Irish folk dancing and traditional Irish cuisine. With two stages there will be plenty of live music and entertainment for young and old alike.

Membership—Our membership booth is our best chance to promote ourselves to the public and gain membership. We will have our Irish novelties, information on the club, remaining club merchandise.

Refreshments—Our beer committee is working hard on making all of the arrangements to provide the entire festival with an endless flow of everybody's favorite beverage.

**Announcements**

Do you have some exciting information that you would like to share with other club members? Marriages, anniversaries, birthdays or anything else you might want to share, send the info to:

Announcements

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Please try to have any item submitted by the 25th of the month to make sure it makes the current issue.

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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

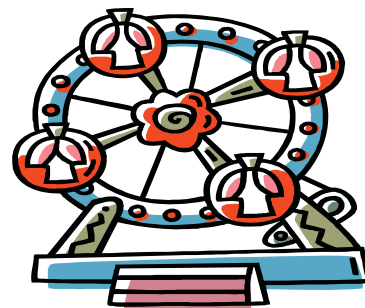
Don't miss the 45rd Annual Southern Nevada Sons of Erin Parade. This is consistently one of the largest parades to march down Water St every year. Shriners in little cars, car clubs, horse clubs, live bands and many other groups are all represented. Parade starts at 10 am and arrive early if you want 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 January meeting. See a board member to purchase.

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.



## Who Are The Leprechauns of Ireland?

As part of Irish mythology and folklore the Leprechauns are part of our faerie folk, called by some as the “wee folk”. As a cousin of the clurichaun they are known to inhabit Ireland well before [the arrival of the Celts](#).

Small enough for one to sit comfortably on your shoulder they are very smartly dressed in small suits with waist coats, hats and buckled shoes.

As mischievous and intelligent folk they are generally harmless to the general population in Ireland, although they are known to play the odd trick on farmers and local population of villages and towns.

It is said that every Leprechaun has a pot of gold, hidden deep in the Irish countryside. To protect the leprechaun's pot of gold the Irish fairies gave them magical powers to use if ever captured by a human or an animal. Such magic an Irish leprechaun would perform to escape capture would be to grant three wishes or to vanish into thin air!

Leprechauns are also very keen musicians who play [tin whistles](#), [the fiddle](#) and even the [Irish Harp](#) and various other Irish traditional instruments. They are known to have wild music sessions at night which in Ireland are known as Ceili's with hundreds of Irish leprechauns gathering to dance, sing and drink.

The leprechaun is fond of drinking Poteen, moonshine, but must not be mistaken by their Irish cousins the cluricauns who are drunken creatures who love to cause chaos around Ireland at night time, a headache for us humans.

William Butler Yeats once said,

because of their love of dancing they (the Fae) will constantly need shoes

He goes on to tell the story of a woman who had been spirited away by the Faeries and had been returned seven years later minus her toes. She had danced them off!!!

The famous 1959 movie *Darby O'Gill and the little people* show us a great example of who the Leprechauns are and how we vision them.

### 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: Athblian shona duit  
PRONOUNCED: ought/bleen hunna dwit  
MEANING: Happy new year to you

### Symbols & Traditions

#### Celtic Griffins



Part [eagle](#) and half-part [lion](#). The griffin's more likeable qualities include nobility, gentleness, and justice. Depicted on ancient stone tombs, griffins are the guardians and protectors of life, and remain loyal in their protection even in the afterlife.

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### Birch - The Achiever December 24 – January 20

If you were born under the energy of the Birch you can be highly driven, and often **motivate others** they become easily caught in your zeal, drive and ambition. You are always reaching for more, seeking better horizons and obtaining higher aspirations. The Druids attributed this to your time of birth, which is a time of year shrouded by darkness, so consequently you are always **stretching out** to find the light. Birch signs (just like the tree) are tolerant, tough, and resilient. You are cool-headed and are natural-born rulers, often **taking command** when a situation calls for leadership. When in touch with your softer side, you also bring beauty in otherwise barren spaces, brightening up a room with you guile, and charming crowds with you quick wit. Celtic tree astrology Birch signs are compatible with Vine signs and Willow signs.

### Hunters Pie

- 1 carrot, peeled and chopped
- 1 onion, peeled and chopped
- 1 stick celery, trimmed and chopped
- 8 lamb chops, whipped and trimmed
- 1 pint rich brown stock or gravy
- 3 lbs potatoes, peeled and quartered
- Knob of butter
- Salt and pepper

A little milk and butter

Heat the oil in a frying pan, lightly brown the vegetables, and then place in an oven proof dish.

Lightly brown the chops in the remaining oil, then place on top of the vegetables.

Bring the stock to the boil and pour over the meat and vegetables.

Cover and cook for about 30 minutes or until the chops are tender. Drain the chops and allow to cool.

Strain the stock and reserve.

Boil the potatoes in lightly salted water, mash well with the butter and use just over half to line a buttered 2 pint pie dish, pressing well into the sides and base.

Place the chops in the pie dish, season well and top with the remaining potato, roughing it up with a fork.

Brush the top with the milk and dot with butter.

Bake for about 20-30 minutes or until golden brown.

Bring the reserved stock to the boil and, just before serving, make a hole in the top of the pie and pour in some of the stock, serve the remainder separately in a gravy boat.

Serve with carrots and a green vegetable.

Serves 4

### January Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1— Happy New Year!!
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12—Monthly Meeting, McMullan's	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25—Last day for submissions for newsletter or general meeting.	26	27	28	29
30	31					

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John Windsor and Friends

Every Saturday & Sunday

Darby O'Gill

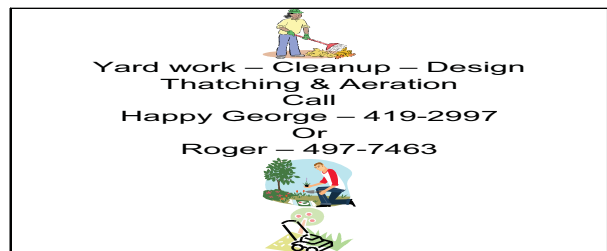
Every Wednesday Night

Finnegan's Wake

Every Friday Night

All you can eat fish & chips on Thursday

Sunday Night Roast Dinner



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