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Note: Irish-American Society meetings are usually held on the second Friday of each month, except during July and August (and for special events). The meeting location for 2018 is the Edelweiss Am Rio Grande German-American Club (GAC), 4821 Menaul, NE (west of San Mateo). In 2019, we will meet at the Unitarian Church, corner of Comanche and Carlisle.

Next Event: Sunday, December 2nd, 1 PM

It's the IAS Annual Christmas Party!

It's that holly jolly time of year and once again the IAS will be hosting its annual Christmas Party at the GAC on Sunday, December 2nd, from 1 to 4 PM. (Potluck starts at 1:00.)



We have two requests:

1. Bring a potluck dish to share. (And be sure to mark your plates and utensils so we can get them back to you.) Coffee, tea, and a no-host bar will be provided.
2. Bring a dessert of any kind (cake, pie, cookies, etc.) to donate to the Cake Walk Contest! (It's also perfectly all right to bring store-bought goodies!)

Here's the lineup for the day's festivities:

- 1-2 PM: Musical entertainment by the Duke City Ceili Band (and Ceili dancing with Norita!)
- 2-2:30: Irish Step Dancing Performance by the Coleman Academy of Irish Dance!
- 2:30-3:00: A visit from Santa! [Please bring a wrapped (and labeled with the child's name) present for each of your children for Santa to give to them personally. And don't forget to bring your cameras!]
- 3:00-4:00: Cake Walk!



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President's Message

By Ellen Dowling

Dear IAS Members:

As I type this, it's coming up hard a-pace on Thanksgiving. Best wishes for a lovely day with your loved ones! And then, just over one week later, on December 2nd, it will be our Annual Christmas Party. This will be our last event at the German-American Club, as starting in January, we will be relocating our monthly meetings to the Unitarian Church hall on Carlisle and Comanche. The New Year is going to hold a lot of changes for us, but if we all work together, I believe we can adjust with little difficulty. The major difference between our new and old venues is that we will need to bring our own drinks to the Unitarian Church (soft drinks, water, etc.), as well as our usual sweet or salty snacks. But the space is large and well-lighted (with no smoking), and the Board and I are pretty sure that our members will really enjoy it.

Many thanks to our November speaker, Dr. John Roche, who gave such an interesting talk on Irish poet (and Nobelist) Sean Heaney that board member Pete McKenna ran right out and bought several volumes of his poetry. ☺ As of now we're booking entertainers for 2019—we have a cooking demonstration planned for January and a local Celtic musician for February, but still need ideas for the rest of the year. If you know of anyone who could talk to us about something Irish, or sing, or dance, or whatever, please let me know.

It is also my pleasure to welcome the members of the 2019 IAS Board of Directors, who were elected at our November 9th meeting. Our new members include Joanne Connolly (taking Pete McKenna's place as Board Secretary), Brynn Cole (replacing Norita Callahan as Membership Chair), and Kari Laverty as a new Member-at-Large. Thanks so much for stepping up! And special thanks to Board members Laura Banks and Maureen Riley for taking over the Hospitality duties!

Membership Report

By Norita and Ken Callahan

No new members this month. As of November 16th, there are 84 family members (x 2), 91 single members, and 7 students. This is a total of 266 renewals and new members. REMINDER: Your 2018 IAS membership expires 12/31/18. If your current member card(s) end in 2018 - it is time to renew for 2019.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE STILL SEEKING PULL-TAB DONATIONS! The aluminum or steel pull tabs donated from beverage cans or ANY kind of canned food (6000 + pounds annually) generate funds to offset the House expenses. YOUR donations make a significant impact and are very much appreciated. Thanks this month to David & Jennifer Barnaby, Jeanine Blair, Lee & Patricia Dickens, and Emmett O'Sullivan, who collected the packed quart-size baggie of tabs from the Rio Rancho Senior Center. 😊



Brynn Cole, Ken Blemel, & Hanna Manierre

Also: The IAS/GAC Halloween/Celtic New Year FUNction was a good night! 68 people attended, many in wonderful costumes. We danced to the music of DJ Madie. The costume parade showed all the varied creative outfits and \$100 in prizes was given to winning recipients by judges Steve Borbas, Carolyn Gonzales, and Luisa Gignac. Kathe Mirabal was at the door. Many volunteers helped with the festive decorations, uggy creatures et al.: Laura Banks, Laurie Cady, Ken Callahan, Brynn Cole, Elena Gallegos, Anna Herrera, Rose Marie Keating, Sheri Kraemer, Kari Laverty, Hanna Manierre, Phyllis Martinez, Heidi Meisen, Kathy Mueller, Maureen Riley, and Carol Williford. Thank you to all volunteers and to those of you who attended!

Treasurer's Report October 2018

Kathy Wimmer, Treasurer

Category	Income		Category	Expenses
Membership (check/cash)	\$25.00		U-Stor-It (September)	\$35.00
Membership (electronic)	\$23.97		Ck#113: Jewish Community Center (rental deposit for March 16, 2019 St. Pat's Party)	\$273.75
Sale of misc. items at Edgewood Celtic Festival	\$28.00		Ck#114: Frankie Davis (October entertainment)	\$50.00
Amazon Smiles: Quarterly donations***	\$8.29		Ck# 105: Cash Bank (for Edgewood Fest, Christmas Party, etc.)	\$100.00
			State Farm Insurance: yearly payment (paid electronically)	\$475.00
Total Income	\$85.26		Total Expenses	\$933.75
			IAS Account prior month's ENDING balance	\$9,414.99
			Plus Income (current month)	\$85.26
			Less Expenses (current month)	(\$933.75)
			Current month's Ending Balance	\$8,566.50

*** Do You Buy Things on Amazon?

Do you know that you can list the Irish-American Society of New Mexico as your nonprofit donation of choice? See that \$8.29 in Kathy's report? That's just from one account with Amazon. Currently, we have around 265 members. Let's imagine that at least 150 of our members also have accounts with and buy things on Amazon. If they were all signed in to Amazon Smile, imagine how much money our Society would be getting each quarter! Here's how it works:

- ♣ [What is AmazonSmile?](#) AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. You can choose from over one million organizations to support.
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- ♣ How do I select a charitable organization to support when shopping on AmazonSmile?
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The Irish-American Society is on the Amazon list! Please check it out.

The Irish Book Club

The Irish Book Club is now online! If you are on Facebook, just type The Irish Book Club into the search bar (or click on <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2022642747761043/>), and you'll find us. In October, we read *The Gospel According to Blindboy* by Blindboy Boatclub. (Reviews below.) For November, we are reading *Conversations with Friends* by Sally Rooney. (We'll start discussing this book on Dec. 1st.)

***The Gospel According to Blindboy* by Blindboy Boatclub**

One of the best things about participating in a book club is that you get the opportunity to read books you might otherwise never have dreamed of reading. *The Gospel According to Blindboy* is just such a book. Indeed, it may be the most interesting, shocking, disgusting, and hilarious book I myself (Ellen) have ever read.

Here is Amazon's take: "*The Gospel According to Blindboy* is a surreal and genre-defying collection of short stories and visual art exploring the myths, complacencies and contradictions at the heart of modern Ireland. Covering themes ranging from love and death to sex and politics, there's a story about a girl from Tipperary being kicked out of ISIS, a van powered by Cork people's accents, and a man who drags a fridge on his back through Limerick. Whip-smart, provocative and animated by the author's unmistakably dark wit, it is unlike anything else you will read this year."

And here are some blurbs:

"Mad, wild, hysterical, and all completely under the writer's control – this is a brilliant debut." Kevin Barry

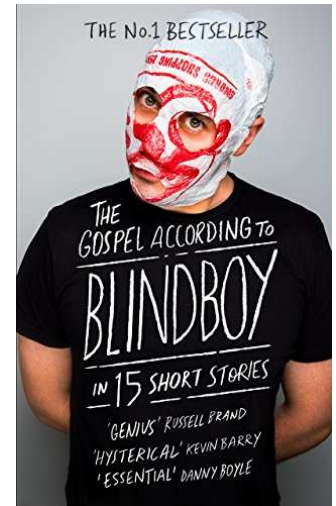
"There is genius in this book, warped genius. Like you'd expect from a man who for his day job wears a plastic bag on his head but something beyond that too. Oddly in keeping with the tradition of great Irish writers." Russell Brand

"One of Ireland's finest and most intelligent comic minds delivers stories so blisteringly funny and sharp your fingers might bleed." Tara Flynn

"Essential, funny and disturbing." Danny Boyle

Some of the stories in this book are so hilariously offensive, indeed, that I hesitate to even describe them here. One contender for most funny and least shocking is "Dr. Marie Gaffney," in which an ornithologist gives a TED talk on how repulsive the Cork accent is to crows. ("It is like a scolded Alsatian whimpering on the roof of a car that passes from your right to left at such a speed that the Doppler effect is apparent.") And how she devised "the Cork Man Bird Van" and saved the Irish flycatcher (and won the Nobel Prize). Pete McKenna's addition: "Yeah it is humorous but the opening gambit on humans, communication, and pattern-recognition is like a glittering distillation of someone's 623 page dissertation; and it takes Blindboy, like, 3.5 pages to get it all out. . . . Good craic." And just in case you're thinking that the stories are just too shocking (and they are that, 'tis true), here's a sample of Blindboy's poetic prose: "Delicious flavour-memories perambulate around his tongue as if they are real. Creamy peanut satay, the burny crunch of a salt-and-pepper piece of battered chicken thigh with spicy bell pepper, the scorched black taste of chow mein up your nose as you swallow, the salty mystery and soft mouthfeel of a bite of prawn curry and fried rice, green peas and onion crunching in the mouth with velvet brown curry sauce, crispy quick-fry chips, oily spring rolls, black-bean sauce." (From "Hugged-Up Studded Blood-Puppet") Doesn't that make you want to order Chinese takeaway?

Yes, that's the author, Blindboy Boatclub himself, up there on the cover. Blindboy Boatclub (real name Dave Chambers) is Ireland's foremost satirist and most original comedic voice, and one half of the Irish comedy hip-hop duo The Rubberbandits. CAUTION: READ AT YOUR OWN RISK. 😊





Guess what? We won an award!

House Concert with The Reel Sisters!
December 1, 2018

Whole Woman Studio

Doors at 6:30, Concert at 7 p.m.
\$20 at the door. Cash only, please.

Seating is limited to 50 guests.

To RSVP and for more information:
505-243-4010

The Reel Sisters are a duo steeped in the musical tradition of Scottish harp and smallpipes. **Rosalind Buda** and **Kelly Brzozowski's** approachable, lighthearted personalities combine with compelling tunes to create a unique and intimate musical experience. **The Reel Sisters'** music is uplifting, stirring, and just sweet fun!

Whole Woman Studio
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The Reel Sisters' new CD, *Beyond Measure*, now available!
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Local Step Dancers Make Good!

Coleman Academy of Irish Dance announces:

Congrats to Melissa Pinson, on placing third in the U17 Ladies at the Western Region *Oireachtas* in Portland, Oregon!



Note: The Coleman Academy dancers will perform for us at the Christmas Party on December 2!

Celtic Steps Irish Dancers announces:

GwendylN Noreen placed 6th out of 67 dancers and will be able to compete at the World Irish Dance Competition held in North Carolina this year. We also had four of our girls qualify to compete at the North American Irish Dance Championships again this year as well: GwendylN Noreen, Garnet Waldrop, Clare Padilla, and Magdalena Padilla (the same four as last year).



Note: The Celtic Steps dancers will perform for us at the St. Patrick's Party on March 16, 2019!

IAS General Meeting Minutes November 9, 2018

Peter McKenna, Secretary

Ellen calls the meeting to order at 7:16 PM, then introduces herself and the Board member present at the meeting (all but Bob Bryers are present).



Norita, Neil Gido, Shelly Broome,
Winnie Gido & Betty Murphy

Reports

Treasurer: Kathy Wimmer announces a balance of \$8,566.50 which accounts for about \$933 in expenses, most of which is end of the year expenses, such as insurance.

Membership: Norita announces we have 91 single members, 7 student, and 84 family memberships for a total of 266 members for 2018. Ellen reminds the Society that we will be moving to the Unitarian Church in January 2019 and that this is a “no smoking” venue. We will also be hosting St. Patrick’s Day celebrations with dinner at the Jewish Community Center, which we can advertise, unlike events at the GAC; IAS has faith that these two changes will spur membership renewals and be a draw for new members.

New Business

Election of 2019 Board is the main issue for this evening. Ellen announces a slate: Ellen Dowling for President, Bob Bryers for Vice President, Kathy Wimmer as Treasurer, Brynn Cole as Membership Director, Joanne Connolly as Secretary, with Members-at-large Maureen Riley, Paul McDonough, Laura Banks, Jay Vandersloot, and Kari Laverty. Cole, Connolly and Laverty would represent new Board members. There are no further nominations or Board volunteers from the floor. Ellen moves to close the nominations; seconded by four and all approve. It is moved that the slate be elected unanimously; seconded by three; all say “aye.” Done.

Ellen calls for more volunteers (places volunteer sign-up sheets and handouts on tables) to staff committees for upcoming events, primarily St. Patrick’s Day.

Upcoming Events

Christmas Party Dec. 2 from 1-4 PM. Duke City Ceili Band, Coleman Step Dancers, a cake walk, and a visit from Santa are featured. Please watch newsletter for instructions on bringing a gift for your children for Santa to pass out. Bring a cake or succulent pastry for the cake walk.

Burns Nite: JayVandersloot announces that tickets are on sale now for \$50 a chair, which will rise incrementally to \$60 a seat in January.

There being no further business or announcements, Ellen calls an end to the meeting at 7:28 PM.

Refreshments followed by talk on Irish Nobel poet Seamus Heaney by John Roche.



Jonathan Eldredge & Heidi Sims

So I Went to Ballymaloe Cookery School . . . (Part III)

By IAS member Carol Williford

Here we are back on the range or as they call it in Ireland, the hob. As the weeks rolled by, the stack of papers with recipes and directions began to pile up. The school had us sort them into categories and store them in binders, which would have been too big to fit on my bookcase back home. When all was said and done, we ended up with five binders (four inches thick), which they shipped home for us.

Each week we were given a duty roster and a packet of recipes, found the name of our new partner and which kitchen we were assigned to. Daily I found myself up by six, breakfast and out the door by seven. For the first month, I spent every morning in the bread shed learning the art of making sourdough bread. And what an adventure that was! In the past, the closest thing to a loaf of bread I'd ever made had the consistency of a brick. But with the guidance of Tim Allen, I turned out the most beautiful round loaf of sourdough you have ever seen.



As many of you know, sourdough bread is unique because it is made without adding yeast. It is an ancient method using warm water and strong white flour simply left to mingle and bubble for seven days. The yeast comes from the environment, which makes sourdough unique dependent on where you live. Each day you feed your starter (I named mine "Bob") with additional water and flour. At one point, you take half out but continue to feed your new pet. Many of my cookerymates became so attached they brought them home!!!

Throughout the three months, one of our assigned duties would include making bread for lunch. There were approximately seven different types of bread we could be assigned. By the end, I could whip up a loaf of Irish Soda bread or a bit of Spotted Dog without difficulty.

Another skill I acquired was the ability to make jam. Back in the States, the only jam I had ever had came from the store, so making it was a total mystery. As most of you experienced smarty pants will tell me, it's simple, but I was sweating bullets the first few times I gave it a go. What I did discover is that you don't need to buy pectin. You can use the zest, pips, and pith of various citrus fruits tied up in a muslin bag. Jars can be washed in the dishwasher and placed in a warm oven to be sterilized. Lids are simmered in a pan on the stove. Since returning home I have made strawberry jam, Christmas chutney, and blood orange marmalade.

Each day we began cooking at nine, but quickly discovered if you started around eight, you would be finished by 12:30. I was not prepared for the idea we would be cooking lunch for 100+ individuals every day! Or that I would be working in a small space with 24 other cooks, no air conditioning, and with a timeline! The entire concept threw me for a loop the first week.

So to increase my skills and understanding of how things worked, I signed up to work at the Ballymaloe House kitchen. I chose the breakfast shift, which started at 6 AM. Another student had signed up too, so we shared a ride. (Ballymaloe House is over a mile from the school.) Once there, I was given prep work to do and instructed on proper knife techniques. I spent the morning chopping vegetables, making mashed potatoes, and helping make a picnic basket for a guest. By mid-morning, we took a break outside on a side patio with tea and leftovers from the breakfast buffet. Warm Irish sunshine, hot tea, and new friends . . . does it get any better than this?

Come along with me next month as we continue to explore my adventures at cookery school. Lectures on wine, butchery, cheese, gluten-free baking, food photography, and several foody field trips were all absolutely amazing and in many ways life altering.

Culture All Around

Dance Classes:

♣ **Coleman Academy of Irish Dance.** Saturdays, 8 AM to 1 PM at the Lloyd Shaw Dance Center, 5506 Coal SE. Call 866-5867 for information or visit our web site at www.irishdancenm.org and www.colemanacademy.com.

♣ **Celtic Steps Arizona/New Mexico (formerly Tir Conaill Academy of Irish Dance),** at the McDermott Athletic Center, 801 Loma Colorado, Rio Rancho. Call 505-415-4390 or visit <http://celticsteps.org/albuquerque/> for further information.

♣ **Ceili dance classes** are held every Wednesday at the GAC at 7:15 PM, \$3.00. No experience necessary! Call Norita Callahan at 298-2708.

Celtic Music on the Radio and the Web:

♣ **The Thistle and Shamrock** program, featuring Fiona Ritchie, airs on KANW 89.1 FM, Mondays at 6:00 PM.

♣ **Celtic and Beyond**, with co-hosts Ellie Blair and Kelly Clement, 7:00 PM each Wednesday on KTAOS 101.9 FM. (Also broadcast on the Web at www.ktao.com.)

Celtic Steps Irish Dance Classes

50% off Regular Tuition prices for first month!!

Classes for beginner dancers age 4 to adult!

The McDermott Athletic Center

801 Loma Colorado Dr., Rio Rancho, NM

For Information and to sign up now

Contact: Christopher McGrory, ADCRG,

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520-991-3605 or

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Free parking for two hours at the parking garage on the SE corner from the library, just get your ticket stamped at the library.

Questions? Contact Robert Harper at robertharper48@comcast.net

Support Your Local Irish/Scottish/Celtic Musicians/Performers!

Shenanigans

Celtic and American Folk with a twist, variety of instruments and vocals. Contact: Kathy Wimmer (249-7012 kmillewimm@comcast.net)

Iscuma ("It Doesn't Matter")

Traditional Irish and Celtic music with Kathy Wimmer and Marc Roberts. For information, contact Kathy at 249-7012.

Saoirse ("seer shih," Irish for "freedom")

Celtic music from Scotland, Ireland, Brittany, and Galicia, spiced with jazz and world beat. Contact: Harlow Pinson at hpinson@indepthl.com or 994-2135.

The Anslovers: Teenagers Emily, John, and Jamie on violin, guitar, and upright bass. Contact: John & Lorraine Anslover at anslovernavy@comcast.net.

Carol Benson

Strolling café fiddler, vocalist, Suzuki teacher, and symphony violinist. Contact: 505-268-0906 (carolbens@gmail.com)

The Duke City Ceili Band will entertain you with fast paced jigs and reels, lilting waltzes, and rousing sea shanties from the Irish traditional repertoire. Find them on Facebook or contact Cleve Sharp at 507-9915 or clevelans@comcast.net.

A Message from the GAC:

The Edelweiss Am Rio Grande German-American Club (GAC) is a private club and as such cannot solicit by advertising or otherwise participation in its events and activities to the general public. The IAS is an associate club of the GAC and all IAS members and their bona fide guests are welcome at all GAC events and IAS events held at the GAC.

Michele Buchanan and Shanachie Harpers

765-1288 (tmbuchs@gmail.com)

Rye Creek

Folk, Irish, western and good old mountain music. Contact Terry Ryan Axline, 293-8924 (neomexicana@hotmail.com) or Ron Trellue, 505-362-2551 (trellue@swcp.com) or visit www.myspace.com/ryecreeknm.

Celtic Coyotes

Traditional music from Scotland, Ireland, Wales, and Brittany. Contact: Doug Cowan celticcoyotes@yahoo.com (710-0583).

Friends Forever

Michael and Donna Coy and Chris Nelson play Celtic, Folk, Cowboy and Originals. Contact: 296-2017 or 250-4429; mmcoy3@msn.com.

Eagle's Whistle: Same group, but also with Andy Moss on whistle and concertina.

The Singing Coyote Sisters

Donna Coy & Michelle Palmer perform Celtic, Folk, Gospel, and Sing-A-Longs. Contact: 296-2017 or 730-1985 mmcoy3@msn.com

Cans for Celts

Help raise funds for the Rio Grande Valley Celtic Festival and Highland Games in 2019! Please bring your aluminum cans, pie plates, foil, etc. along with copper items, tubing, and small non-working appliances with electric motors to the IAS meetings for recycling. (No cardboard or paper or large appliances.) For pick up between meetings – contact Paul McDonough @ 505-294-8205 and leave a message. Thank you!

Calendar of Events

IAS Events

Date	Day	What
November 27	Tuesday	IAS Board of Directors meeting , 7 PM at the GAC. All members are invited to attend.
December 2	Sunday	Annual IAS Christmas Party , 1:00 to 4:00 PM at the GAC. Details on p. 1 of this newsletter.
January 8	Tuesday	IAS Board of Directors meeting , 7 PM at the GAC. All members are invited to attend.
January 11	Friday	IAS monthly meeting and program , 7 PM at the Unitarian Church hall, Comanche and Carlisle. Program: An Irish cooking show with Carol Williford!

Celtic/GAC Events

GAC hours are Mon, Tues, Wed: 4 to 10 PM; Thurs, Fri, Sat: noon to 10 PM; Sunday: noon to 5 PM
The GAC phone number is 888-4833.

December 1	Saturday	Musical performance by the Reel Sisters , 7 PM at Whole Woman Studio, 418 Central SE. (See details on p. 6.)
December 1	Saturday	Fasching (Carnival/Mardi Gras) Royal Ball at the GAC . Meal 5:30 till 6:45, Music 6:30 till 10:30 by Hit Squad. Door fee \$12; meal fee \$10.
December 6, 13, 20, 27	Thursdays	Albuquerque Traditional Irish Music Open Session from 7- 9 PM at ABQ BBQ, 7520 4 th St. NW, Los Ranchos de Albuquerque. Reels, jigs, hornpipes, waltzes, set dances, and occasional singing. All are invited to participate or just listen. Food, non-alcoholic beverages, beer and wine, are available. 7 to 10 PM. For more info, contact Harlow Pinson at hpinson@indepthl.com .
December 9	Sunday	Rye Creek Band performing at O'Niell's Pub Nob Hill (Central and Washington), 4 to 7 PM.
December 10	Monday	The Singing Pilgrims present Christmas Ceilidh at The Blue Grasshopper (north of Coors and Montano), 7 to 9 PM.
December 15	Saturday	Christmas Dance at the GAC . Meal 5:30 till 6:45, Music 6:30 till 10:30 by Jagg Band. Door fee \$12; meal fee \$12.
December 15	Saturday	Apple Mountain Celtic Session from 1 to 3 PM at High and Dry Brewing, 529 Adams St. NE, ABQ. (Contact Jim Crowley jabbas40@yahoo.com).
December 16	Sunday	Rio Grande Jazz at the GAC from 2 to 5:30 PM.
January 26	Saturday	St. Andrew Scottish Society Annual Burns Night Celebration at the Best Western Rio Grande Inn (1015 Rio Grande Blvd NW, Albuquerque). Ticket prices up to Nov. 31: \$50.00; Dec 1-31: \$55.00; Jan 1-20 \$60.00; limit of 120 tickets, so make your reservations early at the website https://squareup.com/store/sassnm . No ticket sales at the door or after January 20; for full table reservations contact Amy Gorman at 505-250-4352.



**The Irish-American Society
of New Mexico**

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Irish-American Society of New Mexico

Membership Application/Renewal Form

Please check one: New Membership Application_____ Renewal_____

If this is a renewal, has your contact information changed? Yes _____ No_____

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