



# IRISH TIMES

Newsletter of the  
Irish-American Society of New Mexico  
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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 usual meeting location is the Edelweiss Am Rio Grande German-American Club (GAC), 4821 Menaul, NE (west of San Mateo).

## Next Event: Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM

### A Musical Performance by the Gaelic Golondrinas!



This four-person group has played music since they were young. Many are classically trained and can play multiple instruments. Over the past five years, they were introduced to Celtic music through various jam sessions, Apple Mountain Music gatherings, folk festivals and English contra-dances. The members include Vicky Estrada-Bustillo on silver flute and keyboard; Martha Cook on penny whistle, concertina, and keyboard; Marilyn Hutton on violin/fiddle; and Tom Tunney on guitar and mandolin

As their name implies, they play predominantly Irish, Scottish, and English contra-dance tunes ranging from reels and jigs to hornpipes and waltzes. Since this group is from New Mexico, the second part of their name, Golondrinas (the Spanish word for swallows), was selected to highlight the group's pride in its southwestern roots.

*We hope to see you there and we hope you will bring a sweet or salty snack to share!*

### ***Important Announcement from the IAS Board of Directors:***

As you may already know from reading the treasurer's reports, printing and mailing a hard-copy version of this newsletter costs the IAS well over \$3,000 a year (even with no publication in July and August). The Board has thus decided that, beginning with the January 2017 edition, the ***Irish Times*** will be published electronically only. For those of you who have been getting the e-newsletter all along, you won't notice any change. For those of you who do not have a computer or access to one, we have several options to make sure you continue to get your newsletter. Please contact membership chair Norita Callahan for details ([noraabq@yahoo.com](mailto:noraabq@yahoo.com); 298-2708).

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## President's Message

By Ellen Dowling

Dear IAS Members:

Well, it's certainly been one of those long, hot summers, but now I think it's cooling down a bit, just in time for our annual FAMILY PICNIC with the Scots on August 28<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see many of you there!

Although the Society does not hold any general meetings during the summer, your IAS Board has been busy working on upcoming and future events, as well as trying to solve the problem of income versus outgo in our finances.

As you can see from the Treasurer's Report below, our monthly printing bill is a whopping \$311.36! (This also includes the processing and mailing, but still, it's quite a large expense.) Multiply that number by 10 and we're spending over \$3,000 a year on the printed newsletter. With more and more of our members opting to receive the electronic version of the newsletter each month, it has become clear to us that technology is giving us a way to save a lot of money; thus, we have decided to go to an all-electronic newsletter, starting in January of 2017.

Besides the cost savings to the Society as a whole, there are several significant benefits to receiving the e-newsletter: 1. You will receive the newsletter moments after I send it out to the membership. No more wondering why you didn't receive your hard copy because the post office is not that careful with bulk mailings. 2. You can share the newsletter with all your friends, no matter where they live in the world. 3. **YOU WILL GET THE NEWSLETTER IN COLOR!** So often photos in the black and white printed copy are faded and/or hard to read. In the e-version, the colors are sharp and brilliant.

We are, of course, well aware that not all of our members have access to the internet via computer. We promise that we have no plans to leave you newsletter-less! ☺ We are working on ways to be sure that everyone can get the newsletter one way or another; thus, we need you to call Norita if you do not have a computer so that we can add your name to the list. For those of you who do have computers and internet access, but prefer to read the hard-copy version, we ask that you help us out by simply printing out your own copy of the newsletter.

Thank you all so much for your understanding.

### Treasurer's Report July 2016

Victoria Bryers, Treasurer

Category	Income	Category	Expenses
Membership (July)	\$25.00	Print Express (newsletter)	\$311.36
		P McDonough for Picnic supplies	\$125.00
		G Muisiner for Rising entertainment	\$25.00
Total Income	\$25.00	Total Expenses for July*	\$461.36
		Previous checks cashed in April	0
		Total July checks cashed	\$311.36
		IAS Account July Beginning Balance	\$2,068.13
		Plus Income (July)	\$25.00
		Expenses (July)	\$461.36
		Uncashed checks (*)	\$150.00
		Subtotal	\$1,781.77
		IAS Heritage Fund Account	\$5,000.00
		July Ending Balance	\$6,781.77

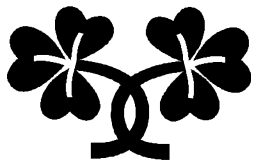
## Membership Report

By Norita and Ken Callahan

**Céad Mile Fáilte** (*A Hundred Thousand Welcomes*) to our newest members: Larry & Mary Compton, Glynnette M. Hale, Eric Ortgren, and Ronald J. Stewart.

As of August 15<sup>th</sup>, there are 121 single members and 86 family members (x 2). This is a total of 293 members for the 2016 membership year.

**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 Lottie McDonald, Jeanine Blair, Harold Traurig & Gloria Casale, Frances Holmes, Dennis & Rosalie Pfeiffer, and Bruce & Cindy Miller.



### Flowers of the Forest

On July 2, 2016, we lost long-time member and enthusiastic Irish-American Chuck Keady, who died peacefully at the age of 82. For many years, Chuck was very active in the Children's Friendship Project for Northern Ireland (CFPNI), for which he served as Southwest Coordinator. (That's Chuck and Ellen on the right, visiting the Tram in 2006 with the Irish teens.) He is survived by his wife, Ernie, his daughters (Susan, Barbara, and Carol), his sons (Steven and David), his grandchildren, and his great-grandchildren.



We were also saddened to learn of the death of IAS member Carol Cowan's sister, Laurene Ann Opdyke, who passed away July 30, 2016. She was a registered nurse and worked in many places in the US as well as in Saudi Arabia. She is survived by her husband Richard, her sisters Evelyn and Carol, her children Lisa Ann and William, and three grandchildren.

May they rest in peace.

### IAS Raffle!

IAS Board members Bob and Vikki Bryers have donated two tickets to **Danú: A Christmas Gathering** for the IAS to raffle off as a fundraiser. The performance will take place at Popejoy Hall on December 9<sup>th</sup> at 8 PM.

Raffle tickets for the mezzanine will be sold for \$5/ticket (for the pair of tickets) and 3 for \$10. (The tickets are worth \$48 each.) Raffle tickets can be bought at the Annual Picnic, our September and October meetings, and at the Halloween Party. The drawing will be held at our November meeting. (You need not be present to win.)





**October 1 & 2, 2016**

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## Featuring the *Four Corners Regional* Highland Games Championship

Defend your State's Honor in the 3rd Regional Championships! Celtic Heavy athletes from AZ, UT, CO and NM will use individual scores to represent their respective state on a virtual state team. The best scoring state will take home the championship title for the year! Individuals not from one of the Four Corners states are welcome to compete in your respective classes.

Be part of this epic new event!

## *Don't forget the rest of the Celtic Festival...*

- Highland Dance Competition
- Two full days of Celtic Music
- Pipe Bands
- Celtic Vendors & Food
- Clan Tents
- Bonny Knees Competition
- **Headlining: Prydain**

## IAS General Meeting Minutes June 10, 2016

By Pete McKenna

President Ellen Dowling opens the meeting at 7:17 PM

Ellen welcomes new members and guests. Introduces new members Holly Graham, Randy and Joyce Overton, and David Cooper. Guest Al Sherman (husband of IAS member Natalie Sherman) is also introduced.

Board Members present and introduced by Ellen:

VP Bob Bryers

Treasurer Vikki Bryers

Secretary Peter McKenna

Board Paul McDonough

Board Jay Vandersloot

Board Maureen Riley

Membership Chairs Norita & Ken Callahan are in Ireland.

Board member Christine Phillips was absent.

Reports:

Treasurer reports we took in \$773 and details the sources. We spent \$1,414 mostly on the newsletter, meeting entertainment, and the Celtic Kick-Off party.



IAS member Liesel Lopez has been in the hospital, but reports are that she is getting better and better. She is not up to receiving visitors at this time, but we are sure she would welcome encouraging email messages sent to [LieselLopez@yahoo.com](mailto:LieselLopez@yahoo.com)

Membership – Ellen reports that we picked up 8-9 new members at the Celtic Festival.

Ellen yields the floor to Paul McDonough for human interest. Paul tells us about the new Star Wars movie being filmed in Ireland. The cast took out a full page ad thanking West Cork peninsula dwellers for their hospitality and support. This is passed around.

Ellen opens discussion on the newsletter. Tells those present that we need at least 200 recipients to get the bulk mailing rate. She introduces the concept of all-electronic newsletters as we can no longer afford to do both the mailing and the printing. Ellen assures the membership that if they do not have on-line access no one will be cut off – you will get your newsletter. This is the trend of the future. We would have this new electronic system in place come January.

#### Upcoming Events:

Ellen talks of the upcoming annual picnic (with SASSNM) in Elena Gallegos Park on August 28. IAS hosts this year. Paul will coordinate food and cooking. We are looking for singers and players for musical support and interest; this is not a paid gig. The newsletter will have the dates and times. Please email Ellen and let her know if you are coming so we can plan for food purchasing.

#### New Business:

None. Ellen recognizes Jay Vandersloot for a final comment. Jay thanks IAS for helping at the Festival booths – both at the IAS booth and ticket sales. Jay implores the membership to consider participating in other IAS events where booth support is needed for promoting IAS.

Call for Adjournment: Emmett O’Sullivan moves to adjourn; Natalie Serman seconds. All say “aye.” Meeting adjourns at 7:30PM. Refreshments followed by a performance by Jug O’Punch.



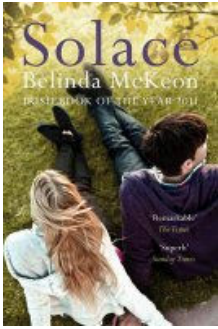
**Kathleen Bryers, daughter of IAS board members Bob & Vikki Bryers, was married to Matthew Alan Garver on July 16<sup>th</sup>.**

*May your mornings bring joy and  
your evenings bring peace.  
May your troubles grow few as your  
blessings increase.  
May the saddest day of your future  
Be no worse than the happiest day of  
your past.  
May your hands be forever clasped  
in friendship  
And your hearts joined forever in  
love.  
Your lives are very special,  
God has touched you in many ways.  
May his blessings rest upon you  
And fill all your coming days.*



## The IAS Book Page

The IAS Book Club has now met three times at the Quarter Celtic Brew Pub (on Lomas and San Mateo) at 7:30 PM and we are having a blast. We meet on the last Thursday of the month, and if you're interested in joining us, contact Ellen at 307-1700 (edowling@standuptrainer.com).



### Review: *Solace*, by Belinda McKeon

By Kathy Wimmer

The second book chosen and read for our fledgling IAS Book Club was the Irish Book of the Year and Faber Prize winner, *Solace*. It is a beautifully written and rather melancholy tale of a conflict of values between a father and son, and their inability to find a connection despite a mutually shared tragedy.

That there is a tragedy looming in the future of these characters is something we are told at the beginning of the book, which starts out with a 13-page "Prologue" that has been plucked from the chronological timeline of the novel, and it doesn't reveal itself until page 215 – almost two thirds of the way through the book. I puzzled over why the author chose to unfold the story in that way, rather than start in an orderly fashion with the events in the first chapter, but perhaps she wanted the tragedy – which only is hinted at as a mysterious absence – to hover over her readers' heads like an electrical storm, keeping us from getting complacent.

The author Ursula K. Le Guin puts it best in her review of *Solace*, which appeared in The Guardian ([https://www.theguardian.com/books/2011/aug/12/solace-belinda-mckeon-review?CMP=share\\_btn\\_link](https://www.theguardian.com/books/2011/aug/12/solace-belinda-mckeon-review?CMP=share_btn_link)): "To describe the story's central event would be to betray the author's care in foreshadowing and withholding information till past the middle of the book." Le Guin goes on to emphasize the three main characters that form the heart of the story: Tom, a farmer; his son Mark, a doctoral student writing his thesis on the nineteenth-century novelist Maria Edgeworth; and the woman Mark falls in love with – Joanne – who is the daughter of a cutthroat lawyer who wronged Tom many years before.

*Solace* is Belinda McKeon's debut novel, although she is not a novice writer. She is described as an award-winning playwright, and her powerful descriptions and tenderly constructed characters inspire me to explore the plays she's also written.

### Review: *Of Irish Blood*, by Mary Pat Kelly

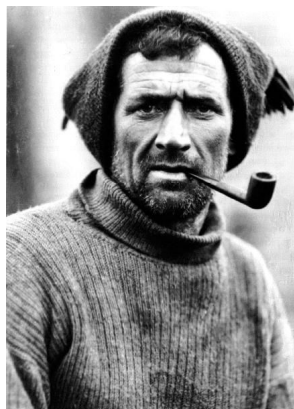
By IAS Member Diane Barrios

Mary Pat Kelly is the author of numerous books including the best-selling *Galway Bay*, which tells the story of six generations of the Chicago-Irish Kelly clan. In *Of Irish Blood*, it's 1903. Nora Kelly, 24, is a beloved daughter of the Kelly clan. Talented and progressive but poor, Nora climbs the ladder of Chicago's fashion industry until a relationship with a dangerous, violent man sends her running back to the Old World her family fled. She then takes shelter in Paris determined to start fresh as a fashion designer. There she meets a group of Ireland's revolutionary women in the centuries-old Collège des Irlandais. They challenge Nora to honor her Irish blood and join the movement to free Ireland. Along the way, she mixes with such luminaries as William Butler Yeats, James Joyce, Gertrude Stein and many more.

This book satisfies as an historical novel of the early 1900s in America and Europe and as a closer look at Irish revolutionaries at the time leading up to the 1916 Irish Uprising and its aftermath.



## Family of Tom Crean Plans to Recreate Section of Heroic Journey



Following in the footsteps of Irish Antarctic hero Tom Crean in this centenary year, his descendants will be undertaking the South Georgia Traverse in September/October 2016. The exciting South Georgia Centenary Traverse will be led by Aileen Crean O'Brien, Tom Crean's granddaughter, together with her two sons Cian and Morgan and her partner Bill Sheppard.

In 1916 Ernest Shackleton, Tom Crean, and four other crew members left the surviving members of the Endurance crew on desolate Elephant Island. The six ship mates crossed the Southern Ocean in an open life boat to reach South Georgia. Upon reaching the island, they had to traverse across an uncharted landscape to reach the whaling station at Stromness. With their clothes in rags, hardly any equipment, and little food, the intrepid explorers set off to reach help to aid their desperate comrades.

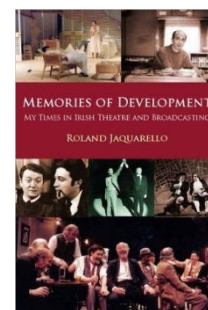
The 2016 South Georgia Traverse will begin on September 21, 2016, when Aileen will leave the comparative safety of her restaurant "Tom Crean Fish & Wine" in Kenmare, Co. Kerry with the intrepid Team Tom Crean and fly to the Falkland Islands. At Port Stanley, they will rendezvous with the skipper of the 50' boat Pelagic, and as part of the crew sail down across the Southern Ocean to South Georgia, approximately 800 miles (similar to Tom's journey). After several days of acclimatizing to the weather conditions on South Georgia, the team will meet their mountain leaders Stephen Venables and Crag Jones. Team Tom Crean will then begin the Shackleton Traverse, ski touring across the island, over a mountainous 4,000 feet pass, across Crean Glacier, around Crean Lake, down the waterfall to Stromness to meet up with the Pelagic at the old whaling station at Grytiken. They will then sail back up to the Falkland Islands to catch flights home to Ireland on October 29<sup>th</sup>.

To help Team Tom Crean achieve success, you can sponsor them at <https://gogetfunding.com/tom-crean-family-expedition/>. To follow our training exploits and learn more about the expedition, check our Facebook page, South Georgia Centenary Traverse 1916-2016 with Tom Crean's Family, or [www.tomcreanfamilyexpedition.com](http://www.tomcreanfamilyexpedition.com)

## New Book out on Irish Theater: *Memories of Development: My Times in Irish Theatre and Broadcasting*, by Roland Jaquarello

<http://www.independent.ie/entertainment/books/book-reviews/liam-and-the-director-deemed-too-english-34669310.html> [This book is available on Amazon. For info, click on the cover picture.]

A message from the author: As stated in the review, the book is of value not only as dramatic cultural history but also as an insight into one director's struggle to realize productions and the work of many important dramatists. The memoir includes my periods as a Director at the Abbey Theatre Dublin, Artistic Director of the Lyric Theatre Belfast, and Artistic Director Green Fields and Fields and Far Away, my own Irish company, which toured the UK during "the troubles." The narrative of my book includes discussions of working with such familiar names as Colm Meaney, Liam Neeson, Fiona Shaw, Donal McCann, Milo O'Shea, Sorcha Cusack, Marianne Faithfull, Val Kilmer, Mary Black, and John Dankworth. I think the book will be of interest as it gives an unusual perspective to dramatic times, being one Englishman's unique Irish journey. I do hope it interests you. Best, Roland





## 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](http://www.irishdancenm.org) and [www.colemanacademy.com](http://www.colemanacademy.com).

♣ **Tir Conaill Academy of Irish Dance,** Saturdays at the New Mexico Irish Dance Company, Suite 3, 12700 San Rafael (Quail Run Shopping Center), Albuquerque. Call 379-3753 or visit [www.tirconaillacademy.org](http://www.tirconaillacademy.org) 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](http://www.ktao.com).)

An advertisement for Two Fools Tavern. The top half features the text "Two Fools Tavern" in a large, stylized font, with "where the Craic is Mighty!" underneath. Below this is a photo of the interior of the pub, showing a bar, stools, and a fireplace. The bottom half contains text describing it as "Albuquerque's only authentic Irish pub" with food served daily from 11am-11pm and Friday/Saturday until 12am. It also mentions "Enjoy the best Fish and Chips this side of the Pond" and a "sample New Mexico's most extensive Scotch Whisky Selection." A logo for "Two Fools Tavern" is shown, featuring two figures in a circular frame. The website "www.2foolstavern.com" and phone number "(505) 265-7447" are listed, along with the address "3211 Central Ave. N.E. in historic Nob Hill".

### Celtic Music at O'Niell's:

Music every Sunday from 4 to 7 PM at the "old" O'Niell's, 4310 Central Ave SE (Corner of Central & Washington in East Nob Hill) and the "new" location (3301 Juan Tabo NE, between Comanche and Candelaria). For more info, visit <http://www.oniells.com/>

An advertisement for O'Niell's. It features the "O'Niell's" logo in a large, green, stylized font. Below the logo, the text reads "Award Winning Food", "Best Late Night Happy Hour", "Dog Friendly Patio", and "Good Food. Honest Drink". The background is a photo of the interior of the pub, showing a bar and patrons.

## 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](mailto:kmillewimm@comcast.net))

### *Iscuma ("It Doesn't Matter")*

Traditional Irish and Celtic music with Bill McCoy and Kathy Wimmer. For information, contact Bill McCoy at 897-4407.

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

Celtic music from Scotland, Ireland, Brittany, and Galacia, spiced with jazz and world beat. Contact: Harlow Pinson at [hpinson@indepthl.com](mailto: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](mailto:anslovernavy@comcast.net).

### *Carol Benson*

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

**A Jug of Punch**, featuring triple distilled Irish-American fun! Flutes, accordion, mandolin, violin, and guitar. Contact: Cleve Sharp, 505-507-9915 ([clevelans@comcast.net](mailto:clevelans@comcast.net))

**Michele Buchanan and Shanachie Harpers**  
765-1288 ([tmbuchs@gmail.com](mailto:tmbuchs@gmail.com))

### *Rye Creek*

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

### *Celtic Coyotes*

Traditional music from Scotland, Ireland, Wales, and Brittany. Contact: Doug Cowan [celticcoyotes@yahoo.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:mmcoy3@msn.com)



### IAS T-Shirts for Sale!

You can get yours at any IAS meeting, or contact Paul McDonough to arrange purchase ([penthormul@aol.com](mailto:penthormul@aol.com), 294-8205). The T-shirts come in a variety of sizes, from small to XXL. There are also white shirts with a Celtic knot and the Zia symbol. T-shirts are \$15 for short sleeve; \$20 for long.

### Candy Bars for Celts!

Besides the Cans for Celts fundraiser for the Rio Grande Valley Celtic Festival, we are now also trying to raise money by selling candy bars at \$1.00 each. Candy can be purchased at any meeting from Paul McDonough.



## Calendar of Events

### IAS Events

Date	Day	What
August 28	Sunday	<b>IAS/SASS Annual Family Picnic</b> , Elena Gallegos Picnic Area, noon to 4 PM.
September 6	Tuesday	<b>IAS Board of Directors meeting</b> , 7 PM at the GAC. All members are invited to attend.
September 9	Friday	<b>IAS Monthly Meeting and Program</b> , 7 PM at the GAC. Musical performance by the Gaelic Golondrinas.
October 4	Tuesday	<b>IAS Board of Directors meeting</b> , 7 PM at the GAC. All members are invited to attend.
October 14	Friday	<b>IAS Monthly Meeting and Program</b> , 7 PM at the GAC. Showing of the short film, "A Terrible Beauty," about the Irish Rising.

### Celtic/GAC Events

September 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	Thursdays	<b>Irish Music Session</b> , every Thursday night at Joliesse Chocolates, in the North Valley at 6855 4th Street NW, Los Ranchos de Albuquerque, 7 to 9 PM. For more info, contact Harlow Pinson at <a href="mailto:hpinson@indepthl.com">hpinson@indepthl.com</a> .
September 3	Saturday	<b>Slow Celtic Session</b> at Apple Mountain Music, 10 AM to 12 noon. (For more info, contact Apple Mountain Music, 10301 Comanche NE, 505-237-2048.)
September 3	Saturday	<b>Winefest</b> at the GAC, 7 to 11 PM with the Swingshift band. Cost \$10.00
September 11	Sunday	<b>Scottish Session</b> at Apple Mountain Music, 2 PM to 4 PM. (For more info, contact Apple Mountain Music, 10301 Comanche NE, 505-237-2048.)
September 18	Sunday	<b>Jazz Sunday</b> at the GAC, 2 to 5 PM. (\$5 for IAS members.)
September 17	Saturday	<b>Open Irish Session</b> at Apple Mountain Music, 2 PM to 4 PM. (For more info, contact Apple Mountain Music, 10301 Comanche NE, 505-237-2048.)

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