



# IRISH TIMES

Newsletter of the  
Irish-American Society of New Mexico  
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JULY 2017

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 8<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM

**[Reminder: We have no meetings or programs in July and August. See you again on September 8<sup>th</sup>!]**

So to keep you amused until September, here are some unique-to-the-Irish proverbs from the [Irish Eyes site](http://IrishEyes.com). Can you figure out each one's meaning?

1. For every mile of road there are two miles of ditches.
2. There's no use boiling your cabbage twice.
3. The older the fiddle the sweeter the tune. [This is my personal favorite.]
4. A woman planted feathers in the dunkel and thought she'd grow hens. ["Dunkel" is German for dark and is a kind of dark beer. This does not help me understand this proverb any better. How about you?]
5. It's often that a man's mouth broke his nose.
6. As the old cock crows the young cock learns.
7. If there was work in the bed he'd sleep on the floor.
8. No need to fear the ill wind when your haystacks are tied down.
9. The longest road out is the shortest road home.
10. You'll arrive back with one arm as long as the other.



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## President's Message

By Ellen Dowling

Dear IAS Members:

As I type these words, today is on its way to a balmy 102°! (I remember I was once in Northern Ireland in July and it was so cold people had fires in their fireplaces. Ah, those were the days.) Hope you all are finding fun ways to stay cool this summer.

Just a reminder: We will not have any meetings or programs in July and August. (It's too hot!) Hope to see you all at our September 8<sup>th</sup> meeting and/or September 10<sup>th</sup> picnic!

## Membership Report

By Norita and Ken Callahan

**Céad Mile Fáilte** (*A Hundred Thousand Welcomes*) to our newest members: Lee & Patricia Dickens, Staci & Greg Downey, Cecilia & Laurence McCann, Sara Midyett, and Steven & Colleen Warshawer and Family.

Membership: As of May 15<sup>th</sup>, there are 95 single members, 83 (x 2) family members and 3 students. This is a total of 264 renewals and new members for the 2017 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 Emmett O'Sullivan, Peter McKenna & Janet Patterson, Lottie McDonald and Lee & Patricia Dickens.

## Treasurer's Report May 2017

Kathy Wimmer, Treasurer

Category	Income		Category	Expenses
Membership (April)	\$235.00		Norita Callahan: Reimbursement for stamps	\$9.80
Newsletter sponsorship, O'Niell's	\$30.00		Donation to Albuquerque Gaelic Football for assistance with their nonprofit application	\$300.00
Amazon Smiles contribution	\$7.05		Doug Cowan/Celtic Coyotes honorarium May meeting	\$50.00
Returned check fee reimbursement	\$15.00		Rio Grande Valley Celtic Festival ad	\$50.00
Books, CD, T-shirt sales	\$29.50			
Total Income	\$316.55		Total Expenses	\$409.80
			IAS Account Apr Ending Balance	\$8,035.59
			Plus Income (May)	\$316.55
			Less Expenses (May)	(\$409.80)
			May Ending Balance	\$7,942.34*
			*Note: Ending balance includes \$5,000 from Heritage Acct. funds	

## IAS General Meeting Minutes May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017

President Ellen Dowling opens the meeting at 7:18 PM.

Ellen welcomes new members and guests. Introduces new members Kate Killabrew, Stacy Downy, and Lee and Patricia Dickens. Kate has brought two cherry pies from her fecund tree and encourages folks to come down and pick some cherries at her house.

Board Members present and presented by Ellen:

Secretary Peter McKenna

Membership Chairs Norita (and Ken) Callahan

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Reports:

Treasurer –we took in about \$300 and spent about \$400 leaving us with a balance of about \$8,000. (Ellen reports for Kathy Wimmer; we remain solvent.)

Membership – Norita reports that we have 81 family (x2), 95 single, and 3 student members for a total membership of 260 souls.

Upcoming Events:

Ellen presents Pegeen Mouser who addresses IAS about the upcoming Celtic Festival in Mountainair, New Mexico. This will be the first of what will hopefully be an annual festival and a charitable event. Pegeen tells us this Festival will have a bagpiper, children's events, a brewpub tent, a performance by Shenanigans, and other activities. Multiple detailed directions and driving times (@1.5 hrs) from Albuquerque are discussed.

Ellen reminds us we will have no meetings and no events in July and August. Our next meeting will be September 8<sup>th</sup>, and will feature Dr. Angelo Cervantes (UNM) talking about the San Patricios.

Annual Family Picnic—with SASSNM (Scots)—will be at the Elena Gallegos picnic area on September 10<sup>th</sup>. Details in the newsletter. Ellen will smile at Doug Cowan (Celtic Coyotes) and see if Doug will again set up another Celtic Jam at the picnic; very successful last year.

Paul McDonough is selling, for the last time, books this evening. All books are \$1 and after tonight will be disposed of. Hereafter book sales shall be no more.

New Business: none

Call for Adjournment: Emmett moves to adjourn; anonymous enthusiasts second. All say "aye."  
Meeting adjourns at 7:30 PM. Refreshments and then Dr. Mary Power telling us of James Joyce.

### The Irish Book Club

The Irish Book Club meets at O'Niell's Pub at Washington and Central at 7:30 PM, usually on the last Thursday of the month. In July we will meet on the 27<sup>th</sup> to discuss *Beatlebone* by Kevin Barry. If you're interested in joining us, contact Ellen at 307-1700 ([edowling@standuptrainer.com](mailto:edowling@standuptrainer.com)).



### Cans for Celts

Help raise funds for the Rio Grande Valley Celtic Festival and Highland Games in 2018! 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!



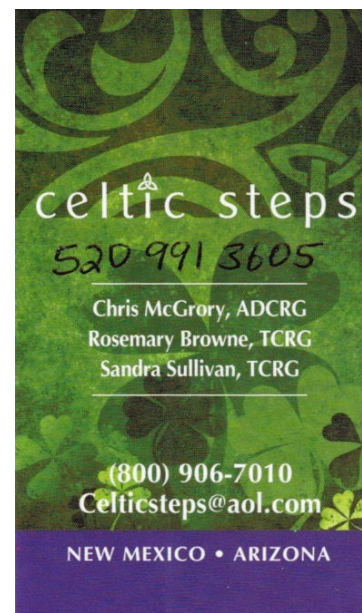
## Culture All Around

### Dance Classes:

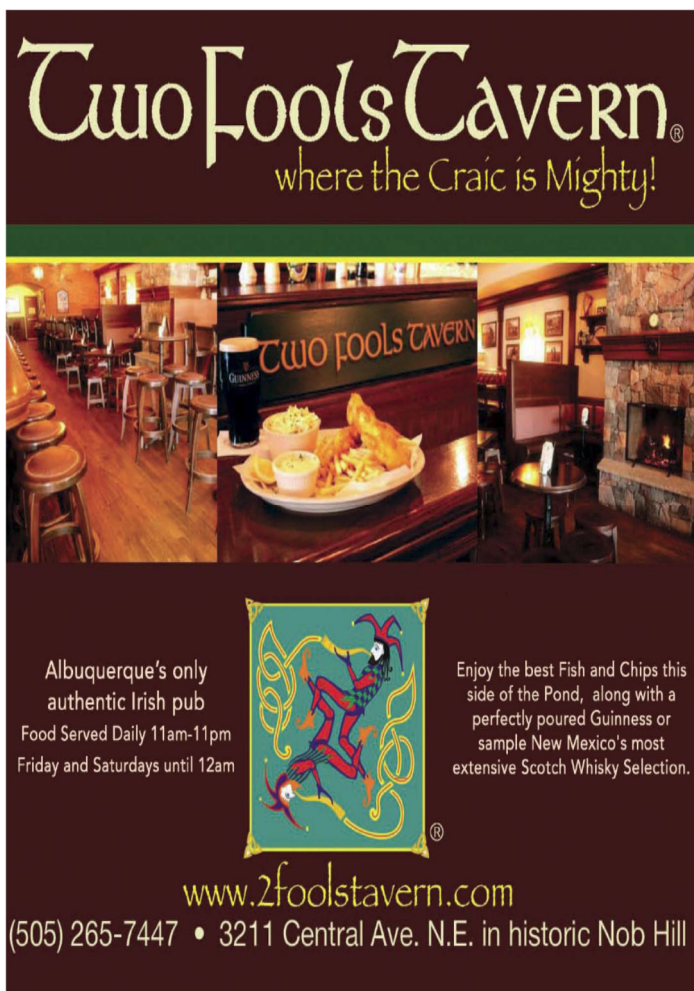
- ♣ **Coleman Academy of Irish Dance.** Saturdays, 8 AM to 1 PM at the Lloyd Shaw Dance Center, 5506 Coal SE. Call 866-5867 for information or visit our web site at [www.irishdancenm.org](http://www.irishdancenm.org) and [www.colemanacademy.com](http://www.colemanacademy.com).
- ♣ **Celtic Steps Arizona/New Mexico (formerly 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 <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](http://www.ktao.com).)



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### *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.

### *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.

## Calendar of Events

### IAS Events

Date	Day	What
August 1	Tuesday	<b>IAS Board of Directors meeting</b> , 7 PM at the GAC. All members are invited to attend.
		<b>Note:</b> There are no monthly meetings in July and August
September 5	Tuesday	<b>IAS Board of Directors meeting</b> , 7 PM at the GAC. All members are invited to attend.
September 8	Friday	<b>IAS Monthly Meeting and Program</b> , 7 PM at the GAC. Program will be a lecture on the San Patricios by Angelo Cervantes.
September 10	Sunday	<b>IAS Annual Family Picnic with the St. Andrew Scottish Society</b> , noon to 4 PM at Elena Gallegos Picnic Area. More details to come.

### Celtic/GAC Events

July 1	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.)
July 4	Tuesday	<b>Friends Forever (Michael and Donna Coy)</b> play at 11:00 AM at the Route 66 Arts Alliance show in Edgewood at the soccer field on Hwy. 344. They will have musicians performing from 10 until 4 on that day and plenty of arts and crafts.
July 6, 13, 20, 27	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> .
July 8	Saturday	<b>Friends Forever (Michael and Donna Coy)</b> performing at Apple Mountain, 10301 Comanche Rd NE around 7:00 PM.
July 8	Saturday	<b>Folk Music Jam</b> , led by IAS member Michael Coy, at Apple Mountain Music, 2 to 3:30 PM.
July 8	Saturday	<b>Hawaiian Luau</b> at the GAC, with the Roger Burns Band, 7 to 11 PM. Cost \$10.00.
July 9	Sunday	<b>Scottish Session</b> at Apple Mountain Music, 2 PM to 4 PM.
July 10 & 24	Mondays	<b>The Singing Pilgrims</b> present <b>Ceilidh at the Crossroads</b> at The Blue Grasshopper Pub (at its new Westside location at 6361 Riverside Plaza Lane NW, near Coors and Montano) from 7 PM-9 PM.
July 11-13	Tuesday through Thursday	<b>Fanatic Heart: The Story So Far of Black 47</b> , showing at the Guild Cinema, 3405 Central Ave. NE. Show times are 4:30 and 8:30 each day. "Passion, poetry and politics mashed up into a dance party. This documentary tells the story of front man Larry Kirwan, an Irishman in New York, and Black 47, the fabled "House Band of New York City." General admission: \$8; Seniors: \$5. <a href="#">See trailer here</a> .
July 16	Sunday	<b>Jazz Sunday</b> at the GAC, 2:00 to 5:00 PM. Cost to IAS member \$5.00.
July 22	Saturday	<b>Member Appreciation Night</b> at the GAC with Jim Brauer's Schunkelbubn Band, 7 to 11 PM.
July 23	Sunday	<b>Rye Creek</b> performing at O'Niell's Pub Heights (3301 Juan Tabo NE), 4 to 7 PM.



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