



# IRISH TIMES

Newsletter of the  
Irish-American Society of New Mexico  
[www.irishamericansociety-nm.com](http://www.irishamericansociety-nm.com)

FEBRUARY 2019

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 is the Memorial Hall at the First Unitarian Church, 3701 Carlisle Blvd NE, SW corner of Comanche and Carlisle.

## Next Event: Friday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM

### A Musical Performance by Casey Mráz!

Casey Mráz is an Albuquerque-born musician, songwriter, composer, playwright, and father. He earned his M.F.A. in Dramatic Writing from UNM in 2009 and studied Literary Arts in Prague, Czech Republic. He plays a wide variety of musical styles, including Rock, Americana, Blues, Latin, Celtic, and more. His main instruments are piano, guitar, accordion, banjo, and charango (Andean lute). He also composes music for theatre, dance, film, and the circus arts. You can catch him playing in various breweries as a solo act. He also performs with his group Casey Mráz & Los Metamorfos as well as Concepto Tambor. For samples of his playing, visit his website: <http://www.caseymraz.com/>

For our February 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, Casey will play a lot of Irish folk songs that he has picked up over the years while sprinkling in a few of his original tunes. He will be playing guitar, banjo, and accordion, as well as singing.




**We also ask that you bring a sweet or salty snack to share. We will provide coffee, but if you want any other type of beverage (water, sodas, etc.) please bring your own.**

### A Friendly Reminder:

Your dues are now due for the 2019 membership year. You can pay by credit card on our website ([www.irishamericansociety-nm.com](http://www.irishamericansociety-nm.com)), or mail a check to our P.O. Box (address on last page of this newsletter), or give a check or cash to our Membership Chair at a meeting. (If your current membership card says "2019," your membership is good till Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019.)

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## President's Message

By Ellen Dowling

Dear IAS Members:

Special thanks to our own Carol Williford for conducting such a wonderful cooking demo at our January 11<sup>th</sup> meeting! Not only was it fascinating to watch her cook up a Carrageen Moss Pudding, but her running commentary about her experiences at the famed Ballemaloe Cooking School in Co. Cork was equally entertaining. As one of our members said afterwards, "Bring her back to teach us how to make Irish stew!" We shall, indeed. (The recipe for Carrageen Moss Pudding is on p. 4.)

We all also thought that our new space has many advantages over the GAC: It's a more intimate space, for one, and so we could all get up close to participate in the cooking demo. I think it'll also be a great space for our February meeting with our musician performer, Casey Mráz. (And of course there's no smoking. ☺) The downside is that we have to set up the tables and chairs and then break everything down at the end of the program. Fortunately, this was not too big of a problem since all of us (about 32 attending) worked together to pull off both tasks efficiently. And thanks also to everyone for bringing yummy snacks.

And now we are looking forward to our biggest event of the year: our St. Patrick's Day Party, this year on Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, from 6 to 10 PM at the Jewish Community Center (JCC). (See the flyer on p 6. for details.) Since we are no longer holding our event at a private club, we are allowed to advertise to the general public. So please make copies of the flyer (I'll send one to all who have email as well) and distribute to everyone you know! We'd really like to fill up the room at the JCC (it holds 180), so spread the word! Just remember that tickets for entry, food, and alcoholic drinks need to be purchased by March 11<sup>th</sup>.

On a more somber note, as I write this, our board vice president, Bob Bryers, is prepping for vascular surgery on Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> to treat the results of his recent stroke. Please keep him in your thoughts. (Bob is the person who mails out the hard-copy newsletters each month. Until he is back in business, board member Laura Banks will take over his duties. Thank you, Laura.)

## Membership Report

By Brynn Cole

*Céad Mile Fáilte* (A Hundred Thousand Welcomes) to our newest members: Caden Layne Robbs & Katie Grace Moberly-Robbs, and Rachel Wiethoff.

As of 1/16, there are 31 family members (x 2), 50 single members, and 4 students. This is a total of 116 renewals and new members for the 2019 membership year.

REMINDER: Your 2018 IAS membership expired 12/31/18. If your current member card(s) end in 2018 - it is time to renew for 2019. You can do so in person by cash or check, mail in your check (the form is on the last page of this newsletter, or pay online by credit card ([www.irishamericansociety-nm.com](http://www.irishamericansociety-nm.com))).

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 Doug & Carol Cowan, Don & Fran Hardy, Barbara Nagey, and John Uher.

## Treasurer's Report December 2018

**Kathy Wimmer, Treasurer**

| Category                            | Income          | Category   | Expenses          |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|--|-------------------|
| Membership (check/cash)             | \$390.00        | U-Stor-It monthly storage fee  | \$35.00           |
| Membership (electronic)             | \$176.92        | Ck #121: Cleveland Sharp (Christmas party, Duke City Ceili Band)       | \$125.00          |
| Celtic Steps newsletter sponsorship | \$30.00         | Ck#122: Coleman Academy  | \$50.00           |
|                                     |                 | Ck#123: Bob Bryers (hardcopy newsletter mailing)                       | \$118.47          |
|                                     |                 | Ck# 124: First Unitarian Church (2019 rental fee for monthly meetings) | \$240.00          |
|                                     |                 | Ck# 126: First Unitarian Church (rental fee for 2019 Christmas party)  | \$90.00           |
|                                     |                 | Ck# 127: First Unitarian Church (deposit for two keys)                 | \$100.00          |
|                                     |                 | Ck# 128: US Postmaster (PO box annual fee)                             | \$140.00          |
|                                     |                 |  |                   |
| <b>Total Income</b>                 | <b>\$596.92</b> | <b>Total Expenses</b>  | <b>\$898.47</b>   |
|                                     |                 |  |                   |
|                                     |                 | IAS Account prior month's ENDING balance                               | \$8,649.00        |
|                                     |                 | Plus Income (current month)  | \$596.92          |
|                                     |                 | Less Expenses (current month)  | (\$898.47)        |
|                                     |                 | <b>Current month's Ending Balance</b>                                  | <b>\$8,347.45</b> |

### Recipe for Carrageen Moss Pudding

[\(from the Ballymaloe web site\)](#)

#### Ingredients:

- 1 semi-closed fistful (5g) cleaned, well dried Carrageen Moss [can be purchased online]
- 1 1/2 pints (900ml/3 3/4 cups) milk (use half and half in America)
- 1 tablespoon (1 American tablespoon + 1 teaspoon) castor sugar
- 1 egg, preferably free range
- 1/2 teaspoon pure vanilla extract or a vanilla pod

Soak the carrageen in tepid water for 10 minutes. Strain off the water and put the carrageen into a saucepan with milk and vanilla pod if using. Bring to the boil and simmer very gently with the lid on for 20 minutes. At that point and not before, separate the egg, put the yolk into a bowl, add the sugar and vanilla essence and whisk together for a few seconds, then pour the milk and carrageen moss through a strainer onto the egg yolk mixture whisking all the time. The carrageen will now be swollen and exuding jelly. Rub all this jelly through the strainer and whisk this also into the milk with the sugar, egg yolk and vanilla essence if using. Whisk the egg white stiffly and fold or "fluff" it in gently. It will rise to make a fluffy top. Chill the pudding in the serving dish for several hours until set.



## The Irish Book Club

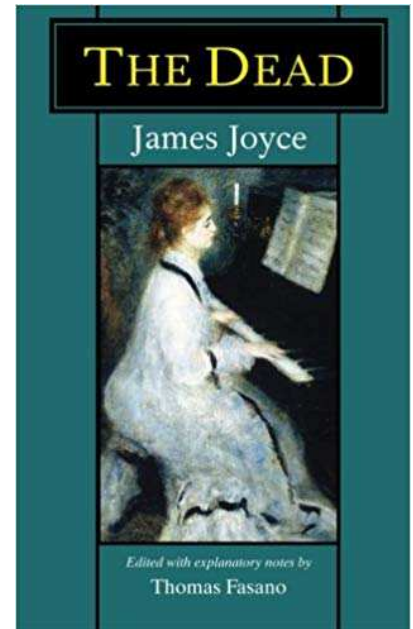
The Irish Book Club is now online! If you are on Facebook, just type The Irish Book Club into the search bar (or click on <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2022642747761043/>), and you'll find us. In December, we read *The Dead*, by James Joyce. For January, we are reading *Bloodroot*, a collection of poems by Irish writer Annemarie Ní Churreáin (pronounced "Nee Hurr-ann"). [Note: One of the reasons we picked Annemarie's book of poems is because she herself is going to be in New Mexico on a poetry tour in February! See p. 8 for details about her appearances.]

### *The Dead* by James Joyce

Amazon's description: "*The Dead* is one of the twentieth century's most beautiful pieces of short [just 80 pages] literature. Taking his inspiration from a family gathering held every year on the Feast of the Epiphany, Joyce pens a story about a married couple attending a Christmas-season party at the house of the husband's two elderly aunts. A shocking confession made by the husband's wife toward the end of the story showcases the power of Joyce's greatest innovation: the epiphany, that moment when everything, for character and reader alike, is suddenly clear."

And a couple of Amazon reviews: "This is a great place to start with James Joyce, because it is readable and engaging. What at first seems like a slow start is actually a slow burn that bursts into flame at the end. If you've ever doubted whether your life is full, or your love is true, or worried about death or the claims the past makes upon the present, you'll be intrigued by Joyce's treatment of these themes." "More an extended vignette than a novella, *The Dead* is a tender, loving observance of one night in an extended family's Christmas holiday party. Sharply etched characters fill the rooms of the Misses Morkans' annual dance, with special attention paid to Gabriel Conroy and his wife, Gretta, as they slowly, slowly come to a better understanding of each other, one tinged with more than a hint of sadness. Part of *The Dubliners* series of stories and tales, it shows the work of a master craftsman who can bring you into each person's life without obvious manipulation."

And, as several of our members pointed out, there's a wonderful film version of *The Dead*, directed by John Huston and starring his daughter, Angelica. Kathy Wimmer: "I listened to it on Audible (a good narration, by the way) and as soon as I finished immediately watched the movie. 'The Lass of Aughrim' is also a beautiful ensemble piece that the Canterbury Harps plays." John Roche: "Gorgeous version of The Lass of Aughrim in John Huston's *The Dead*, sung by the late Frank Paterson with Angelica listening on the stairs, where she is framed against the stained glass like a Pre-Raphaelite Madonna." Back to Kathy: "I am most struck by a comparison with the movie. In the movie, wisely, I think, we don't hear Gabriel's inner thoughts until a voice-over at the end. It probably would have interfered if used throughout, and the actor does convey a lot with his looks. But in the reading, Gabriel's thoughts as he thinks of his wife as they are going back to the hotel, made me feel much less sympathetic to him than I felt in the movie. Oh, this is another book (novella, really, right?) that I would love to discuss over a beer!!!!" And then Maura O'Keefe Baiardo: "I also listened to the Audiobook version of *The Dead*. This was such a perfect book choice for around the holidays. I've been thinking of the contrast between holiday celebrations then/now, Irish/American. I really enjoyed how descriptive Joyce was—I felt I could picture everything in my head. I especially loved Gabriel's speech about hospitality and changing traditions/times. As I get older I reminisce more and more about holiday traditions (or about the people and events from my youth). I could identify well with both Gabriel and his wife in this way."





**Come Join Us!**

**The Annual IAS  
St. Patrick's Day Party**



Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
6:00-10:00 PM

The Ronald Gardenswartz Jewish Community Center  
5520 Wyoming Boulevard NE (Between Spain and Academy)

**Entry Fee**

\$15 Adults (over 16); \$5 Children 5-15 (under 5: free)

**Featured Entertainment**

6:00 PM: *Celtic Band Shenanigans*  
7:00 PM: *Celtic Steps Irish Step Dancers*  
7:30 PM: *NM Fire & Police Pipes & Drums*  
8:00 PM: *The Duke City Ceili Band*  
*Audience Participation Ceili Dancing with Norita*  
9:00 PM: *Celtic Band Rye Creek*

**Dinner (optional)**

Traditional corned beef, cabbage/potato stew (vegetarian), and Irish soda bread for \$20; all-beef hot dogs, chips and carrot sticks for \$15. Water and lemonade, plus dessert, will be served with dinner.

**Beer and Wine (optional)**

Beer and wine service \$10, with a limit of 3 drinks per person

**ENTRY, DINNER, AND BEER AND WINE TICKETS MUST BE  
PURCHASED BY MONDAY, MARCH 11<sup>th</sup>!  
(NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR)**

You can purchase tickets online at [www.irishamericansociety-nm.com](http://www.irishamericansociety-nm.com)

# Minutes of the General Meeting

## January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Joanne Connolly, Secretary

President Ellen Dowling called the business part of the meeting to order at 7:15 and introduced the members of the Board: V.P, Bob Bryer (absent for medical reasons); Treasurer, Kathy Wimmer; Secretary, Joanne Connolly; Membership, Brynn Cole (with Norita Callahan); Members-at-Large, Maureen Riley, Laura Banks, Paul McDonough. (Absent: Jay Vandersloot and Kari Laverty.)

This is our first IAS event at the Unitarian Church social hall at 3701 Carlisle NE Carlisle and Comanche. We have moved from the German American Club Edelweiss because many people complained about the cigarette smoke from the bar. We do not have a sign in sheet, but this looks like a much bigger attendance than usual.

### *Reports:*

Treasurer: We are solvent.

Membership: Current membership is 21 families x 2 = 42, 38 singles, and 4 students, for a total of 84 members. President Ellen urged everyone to pay dues for 2019 today.

*Housekeeping:* In this beautiful, well-lit, and clean venue, we ask that at the end of the meeting tonight that everyone help clear the tables, and fold up tables and chairs. With the help of the others, Ken Callahan will put all furniture away.

Ellen described the plans and ticket prices for the St. Patrick's Day party at the Jewish Community Center, 5520 Wyoming, NE. All information and ticket prices will be on the IAS website. [See the flyer on p. 6 of this newsletter.]

The next general meeting of the IAS will be February 8<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM, here. The program will be music performed by Casey Mraz.

We adjourned for refreshments and to welcome Carol Williford's Irish Cooking Class.

### *Irish Cooking Demonstration*

IAS member Carol Williford described her recent 12 weeks in Ireland. She was one of 67 international students at the Ballymaloe culinary school in Shanagarry, Middleton, County Cork, Ireland. Each cooking team was responsible for making various Irish specialties.

The specialty Carol demonstrated for us is Carrageen Moss milk pudding. Seaweed becomes gelatinous when soaked in water, and is used as a thickener, in tonight's recipe, a thickener for milk. The way she measured the seaweed was by the handful. Carol made tonight's treat as a demonstration in our Unitarian Church kitchen, but she had made some earlier so everyone could taste it tonight. [The recipe is on p. 4], but you really have to see a pro like Carol to make it correctly.

This is a real treat for guests and family who like milk pudding!

After tasting the pudding, we all pitched in to clear the tables and fold them up for Ken Callahan to put on the cart.

## ***Irish Poet to Visit New Mexico!***

Annemarie Ní Churreáin, author of the poetry collection, *Bloodroot*, will be on tour in New Mexico in February. Her appearances include a reading on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at UNM (time and place to be announced), and a poetry writing class in Placitas on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11 AM. Information about the poetry writing class can be found here: <http://www.julesnyquist.com/catalog/item/1420675/10401663.htm>, and a full listing of her appearances can be found here: <http://studiotwentyfive.com/2019-new-mexico-tour/>.

## ***Learn to Play the Bodhrán!***

This six-week course, taught by Celtic musician extraordinaire Dain Forsythe, will introduce five basic rhythms and more advanced rhythms as needed. Each class session will last 1.5 hours. (Maximum student capacity is 12.) The course will be held at Albuquerque Meeting House for the Religious Society of Friends (the Quakers), 1600 5<sup>th</sup> St NW, Albuquerque, Friday evenings, February 1<sup>st</sup> through March 8<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Fee: \$150; early registration: \$120 (by January 25<sup>th</sup>, 8 PM). Methods of payment: Paypal, cash, or check. To register, email Dain at [dainlf@gmail.com](mailto:dainlf@gmail.com).

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## ***Free Concert of Celtic and World Music!***

Christy Martin and Aodh Og O'Tuama, AKA Four Shillings Short, are celebrating their 23<sup>rd</sup> year of touring in the US and Ireland and will return to Albuquerque on Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, for a FREE CONCERT of Celtic and World music at the Solid Grounds Coffeehouse at St. Stephen's Methodist Church (4601 Juan Tabo NE). Doors open at 6:30 PM; concert at 7:00.

## ***Murphy's Celtic Legacy at Popejoy, Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, at 3 PM!***

Featuring dancers and musicians from *Riverdance*, *Lord of the Dance* and *Celtic Woman*, Murphy's Celtic Legacy presents an invigorating performance of Irish Dance reborn. The show's original tale draws from Irish folklore — Kings and Queens, rebels and magic, and epic battles between good and evil. Created by Chris Hannon, former principal dancer for *Lord of the Dance*, Murphy's Celtic Legacy features original choreography combining traditional Irish and modern dance fused with multimedia elements, all accompanied by a seven-piece band.

Popejoy has offered discounted tickets to IAS members. To get the discount, use this link: [unmtickets.com/ias](http://unmtickets.com/ias)



## 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),** 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](http://www.ktao.com).)

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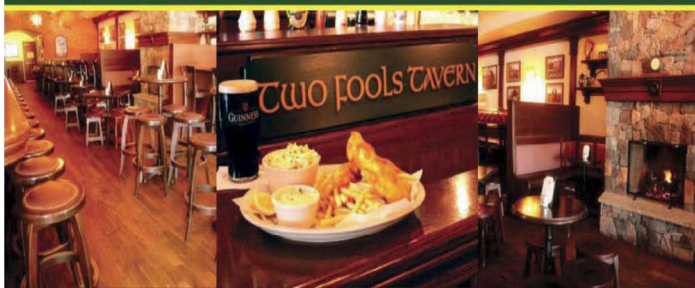
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Free parking for two hours at the parking garage on the SE corner from the library, just get your ticket stamped at the library.

Questions? Contact Robert Harper at  
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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](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))

***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](mailto: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***  
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### *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)

### *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   |
|------------|----------|--|
| February 7 | Thursday | <i>IAS Board of Directors meeting</i> , 7 PM, location to be announced. All members are invited to attend.                                     |
| February 8 | Friday   | <i>IAS monthly meeting and program</i> , 7 PM at the Unitarian Church hall, Comanche and Carlisle. Program: Musical performance by Casey Mraz. |
| March 7    | Thursday | <i>IAS Board of Directors meeting</i> , 7 PM, location to be announced. All members are invited to attend.                                     |
| March 16   | Saturday | <i>IAS Annual St. Patrick's Day Party</i> , 6 to 10 PM at the Jewish Community Center. (See flyer on p. 6 for details.)                        |

### Celtic/GAC Events

GAC hours are Mon, Tues, Wed: 3 to 8 PM; Thurs, Fri: noon to 10 PM; Sat: noon to 11 PM; Sunday: noon to 6 PM.

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| February 1             | Friday            | <i>Karaoke at the GAC</i> , 4:30-6:30 PM.   |
| February 1 to March 8  | Fridays           | <i>Six-Week Bodhrán Course</i> , taught by Dain Forsythe, at the Albuquerque Meeting House for the Religious Society of Friends (the Quakers), 1600 5 <sup>th</sup> St NW, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. (See p. 8 for details.)  |
| February 1 and 3       | Friday and Sunday | <i>Two Concerts by Tommy &amp; Sandra O'Sullivan from Dingle</i> , in Santa Fe on Feb. 1 and Albuquerque on Feb. 3. (See p. 8 for details.)   |
| February 2             | Saturday          | <i>Verrücktenball (Krazy Ball)</i> at the GAC. Meal 5:30 till 6:45; music 6:30 till 10:30. Door fee \$10; meal fee \$10. Music by Roger Burns. Call 505-888-4833 not later than Thursday, Jan 31 <sup>st</sup> to reserve meal.   |
| February 7, 14, 21, 28 | Thursdays         | <i>Albuquerque Traditional Irish Music Open Session</i> from 7- 9 PM at ABQ BBQ, 7520 4 <sup>th</sup> 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 <a href="mailto:hpinson@indepthl.com">hpinson@indepthl.com</a> . |
| February 10            | Sunday            | <i>Early Bird Dance</i> at the GAC, 1-5 PM. Door fee: \$12; light potluck (appetizers, desserts, sweet/salty snacks).   |
| February 10            | Sunday            | <i>Rye Creek Band</i> performing at O'Niells Pub Heights, 3301 Juan Tabo NE, 4 to 7 PM.   |
| February 16            | Saturday          | <i>Damenball (Sweethearts Ball)</i> at the GAC. Meal 5:30 till 6:45; music 6:30 till 10:30. Door fee \$10; meal fee \$10. Music by Swingshift. Call 505-888-4833 not later than Thursday, Feb. 14 <sup>th</sup> to reserve meal.  |
| February 16            | Saturday          | <i>Apple Mountain Celtic Session</i> from 1 to 3 PM at High and Dry Brewing, 529 Adams St. NE, ABQ. (Contact Jim Crowley <a href="mailto:jabbas40@yahoo.com">jabbas40@yahoo.com</a> ).  |
| February 17            | Sunday            | <i>Rio Grande Jazz</i> at the GAC from 2 to 5:30 PM.  |
| February 23            | Saturday          | <i>FREE CONCERT of Celtic and World music</i> at the Solid Grounds Coffeehouse at St. Stephen's Methodist Church (4601 Juan Tabo NE), 7 PM. (See p. 8 for details.)   |
| February 24            | Sunday            | <i>Murphy's Celtic Legacy</i> , Irish dance performance at Popejoy Hall, 3 PM. Go here to get tickets with a special discount for IAS members: <a href="http://unmtickets.com/ias">unmtickets.com/ias</a>   |



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