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## The Official Newsletter of the Irish-American Club of Tulsa



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### **A Note from the IACT President – John Miggins**

*Greetings fellow Irishmen and Women and welcome to the March Madness in all things Irish. We have just returned from our booth at Tulsa IrishFest, festive, wholesome fun. Taking the rain out on Friday, we saw increased crowds on Saturday and Sunday listening to great Irish and Scottish Music and many families out to enjoy themselves. Our booth was well represented as an outreach to connect people with like-minded individuals and families to celebrate and preserve the Irish Culture. That is the mission of the Irish American Club of Tulsa since 1977 and I am proud to be a longtime member and President. Along with our active board, we are fostering the kind and welcoming spirit of the Irish and featuring events that help us remember and be thankful for being Irish. We would like your support. March and April are membership drive months with an election coming up you can also have a chance to select the leadership of the club and steer it in a direction you so desire. We strive for inclusion, education of our common culture, celebration of the arts of music and dancing and a little blarney as well as only the Irish can do. Please consider joining us in this most meaningful cause and enjoy the company of friends. As my mom used to say, “You are a stranger here but once”. Pull up a chair, I have a story to tell you: did you hear the one about the Irishman..... you can fill in the rest, I’m sure. Get someone new to join. Let’s build the club. Here’s the link to our website:*

*[Irish American Club of Tulsa - Home \(weebly.com\)](http://Irish American Club of Tulsa - Home (weebly.com)) Share it. Your mother would be proud!*

*John McMahan Miggins*

*First generation 100% Irish heritage and 50% Blarney*





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**Board of Directors Elections** – It's that time of year again to elect the Clubs Board of Directors. Elections will be at our St. Patrick's Dinner on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. The following is a list of those up for election:

President:	John Miggins (current), Stryker Moon
Vice President:	John Dolan (current)
Secretary:	Amanda Johnson (current)
Treasurer:	(vacant), Candace Ruimveld
Members (five)	Current members seeking re-election: Brittany Tidwell, David Lawrence, Stryker Moon (if not elected President) 2 open positions

### Last Call to Renew Your Membership

Last call to renew at the current rates. We will be raising Membership rates after the elections. We hope that you have all enjoyed the club this last year and will renew your membership for another year. For those that have not paid, you can renew electronically on the website or mail in a check. Dues are still \$30 for a family and \$20 for an individual for now. You must be current on dues to get member prices for the St. Patrick's Dinner coming up in April.

### *Recent Events:*

#### **W.B Yeats, Irish Poet Appreciation Day**

Although we had a small crowd, those in attendance enjoyed the event. Poems were read by John Miggins, Danny Myers, David and Penny Lawrence and John Dolan. We even had a member of the audience volunteer to read. Afterwards, the Guinness at Kilkenny's was particularly refreshing!

#### **Tulsa IrishFest 2024**

The IrishFest was a great success! We had a booth in the vendor area and got lots of interest in the Club. We did fight some horrible weather on Friday but the weather then cooperated as Saturday and Sunday were both beautiful days with lots of sunshine! If you didn't make it this year then put it on your calendar for next year.





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### *Upcoming Events:*

#### **April – St. Patrick’s Dinner Show**

Date and Time: **April 13<sup>th</sup> – 4:30 to 8 pm**  
Location: **American Legion Hall – 11328 E Admiral.**

Last time we said April 14<sup>th</sup> by mistake. Apologies for that but we want to have the Dinner on Saturday so no one has to worry about school or work the next day. Just another opportunity to enjoy live dancing and music. We plan to have dancers and live music and great food. There will be a flyer coming out very soon with all the details and a button on the website to order tickets. We will also have our annual elections for Board Members. Interested? Let us know and we'll put you on the ballot.

#### **May – Game Night**

Date and Time: **to follow**  
Location: **American Legion Hall – 11328 E Admiral.**

We'll have several different tables set up for kids, family and adult only games. Just a good way to come together for fellowship and fun. Details to follow.

*Have some ideas for Club activities? Let us know. Better still, join the Board of Directors and help us plan.*

#### **IAC Board of Directors Meetings**

Board Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 6 pm. Location for the meetings is the American Legion Hall - 11328 E Admiral.

All Board Meetings are open to the membership and guest unless an executive session is required. The next meeting is April 16, 2024.

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### IRISH FUN

Have you heard of “Foil Arms and Hog”? They are an Irish comedy team that put out a short video every Thursday. You can follow them on Facebook to get the very latest video. You can also see them on YouTube - [Foil Arms and Hog - YouTube](#) Great comedy!! Check out their compilation of going through customs of different countries.

Did you know that Spotify has an incredible library of Irish music. Try any Irish group you’ve ever heard of and enjoy.

