



Muskegon Irish American Society

NEWS



Winter 2023

IT'S A PUB PARTY!



It's time for our annual pub party at a new location!

Sunday, February 5, 2023 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Knights of Columbus, 2915 Fairfield St. Norton Shores, MI

This is our 21st annual pub party! After missing two years due to the pandemic, we are glad to be back and look forward to seeing you! Back for this year's party is house favorite, **Conklin Ceili Band!** The party begins with a warm welcome and music by renowned *Dynamic Duo*, David McIntire and MIAS President, Kevin Donovan. As usual, a great selection of food and beverages will be available for purchase.

There is no cover charge and reservations are **not** required. **MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW TO BE SURE YOU DO NOT MISS THIS GREAT TIME!** We hope to see you there!



In Remembrance



John L. Tyler, 79, of Muskegon, died peacefully on Nov. 22, 2022. He was born July 5, 1943, in Muskegon to Walter and Geraldine Tyler. More than 40 years ago he took up the hobby for which he is most remembered bagpiping. He played with the Muskegon Lochanside Highlanders and the Muskegon Regional Police Pipes and Drums. He played in his sons' and granddaughter's weddings, countless funerals, and many parades, and was in a local production of Brigadoon. His grandchildren have memories of being either lulled to sleep or awakened in the morning by Grandpa John's bagpipes. John also was a longtime member and past president of the Muskegon Shoreline Barbershop Harmony Society. When he wasn't playing bagpipes or singing, he could also be found playing a guitar or encouraging his children and grandchildren to love music as he did. His greatest love was his wife Patty, who survives him. He is also survived by his sons Aaron (Lisa) Tyler, Matthew (Jennifer) Tyler; 7 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren A MEMORIAL SERVICE was held December 2, 2022 at The Lee Chapel.



Dr. Brian S. Glynn, MD, passed away peacefully on December 30 in Muskegon at age 83. Dr. Glynn was born and raised in Ireland, and attended medical school at the University of Dublin Trinity College, and completed his medical studies at Oxford. After practicing for a time in Dublin, he immigrated to Canada and the United States, and specialized in psychiatry. He spent most of his career in the mental health field, and he was the medical director of the mental health unit at Hackley Hospital. He later retired from his service as a psychiatrist with the Michigan Department of Corrections. Dr. Glynn had an abiding sense of Irish humor and dry wit, which will be long remembered by those who knew him. He was proud of his Irish heritage, and very much enjoyed our club's activities. Dr. Glynn is survived by his significant other, Allison Bush, five adult children, and close friends. We extend our sympathy to them and all who grieve his loss.

Call for Nominations to the Michigan Irish American Hall of Fame - Class of 2023

Criteria for Nomination:

1. Nominations will be accepted for individuals of Irish American Descent, living or deceased, with substantial ties to Michigan who have made contributions in areas such as Public Service, Philanthropy, Business and Industry, Arts and Entertainment, Religion, Education, and Sports.
2. Nominees must have a meaningful connection to the state of Michigan, be of verifiable Irish ancestry, be a citizen of the United States and have made a notable contribution in one of the aforementioned areas.
3. Nomination forms are available through the Muskegon Irish American Society or can be completed online at www.michiganirishamericanhalloffame.org Nominations must include name of nominee, category and brief description of reason for nomination/candidate worthiness.
4. A committee appointed by the Board of Directors of the Muskegon Irish American Society will screen nominations and recommend selections to the Board for final approval.

Deadline for Nominations: The completed nomination form and any supporting materials must be emailed or posted on or before **APRIL 1, 2023** Nominations received after this date may be considered for the following year.



Highlights From Irish Movie at the Museum



Paula Hynes Named 2022 Irish Person of the Year!

Paula was born Nora Paula Molloy in the village of Moycullen, County Galway, in the west of Ireland. Paula is the eldest of seven brothers and one sister, growing up in a loving environment on the family's farm in Tullokyne. On May 26th, 1956, Paula left her home in Moycullen for the States. Paula loves her native Ireland and she loves the United States. She cherishes her involvement in the *Muskegon Irish American Society*, in part because of the work she has been able to do, but mostly because of the friendships that it has fostered. Those fortunate enough to sit down with Paula for even a few brief moments, realize what a thoughtful, generous, and funny person Paula is.

Those lucky enough to spend a little more time soon learn of Paula's formidable strength—a strength that was forged by her Catholic faith and nurtured by her upbringing on the Molloy farm in Tullokyne.

Following Paula's award fifty members enjoyed the movie *Maudie*, with everyone saying it was our best movie ever and hardly a dry eye in the house!

Nollaig Shona Duit

Merry Christmas

Dublin, Ireland





St. Patrick's Day Events

There will not be another newsletter before St. Patrick's Day.
Please note these upcoming events.

50th Annual Irish Flag Raising March 17

Friday is St. Patrick's Day itself. Please join our club at **noon** for our 50th annual Raising of the Irish Flag in downtown Muskegon. Watch our Facebook page for location. Please join us in this longstanding tradition!

St. Patrick's Day Parade March 18

Sponsored by Muskegon Jaycees in downtown Muskegon on Saturday morning at **11:00 am**. Line up for the parade at the corner of 4th and Clay, by Hackley Park at 10:30 am. If you are a member of our club, **please walk with our club** in the parade, we need a good turnout for the Muskegon Irish American Society! More information at www.muskegonjaycees.org

News From Ireland

Ireland offers a large number of free publications for your perusal. Irish media covers popular topics like Culture, Education, Food, Genealogy, Local and National News, Sports, and Travel. Stay up-to-date on the impact of the housing crisis, employment opportunities, cost of living, current covid regulations, the crisis in hospital overcrowding, applying for dual citizenship, Irish football, cultural celebrations (there are many more than just St. Patrick's Day!), historical sites to visit and all your favorite Irish recipes!

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2023 Dues

With this newsletter you will receive your annual dues statement for 2023. This year our dues will increase, but remain a bargain at **\$25** per family. Dues are essential to support our club's programs and the newsletter. Payment by check is always welcome! It is also convenient to pay your dues during the pub party on February 5th. Thank you!