



Aigéan

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The Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh of Ocean County

Brothers,

As we head into our busiest time of year, your cooperation and participation are expected. We have events, parades, and meetings coming fast and furious, so your attention should be on e-mails and Facebook notifications, which are being sent often.

For all our "new" members, it is imperative that you notify e-board members for answers to questions you may have for any club function. This time of the year is very special to all of us as we reflect on our proud heritage and celebrate with pride and honor who we are, proud Irish-AMERICANS.

With our new club finally open for business, we should not sit back and get

lazy, but continue to find new ways to expand and grow. Our current clubhouse is a steppingstone to our end goal — a clubhouse we truly own and will be ours to enjoy for many years to come. With all that in mind, stay focused on the upcoming dates and hopefully set your calendar accordingly.

As a second reminder, check your emails and respond to the "bus" notification, related the Seaside Parade on March 11. We need an answer ASAP.

Slainte'

Charlie Schmitt 🍀

President



Belmar Saint Patrick's Parade

**When: Sunday, March 5, 2023,
12:30 PM (Belmar)**

Where: Belmar

As we did last year, we are planning to attend the 2023 Belmar Saint Patrick's Day parade on Sunday, March 5, 2023, and to march as a group with the Belmar Shillelagh's. The plan would be to meet at our club that morning and, depending on the size of our group, take a bus together to the Belmar club. Let us know if you would like to attend so we can plan for the transportation to and from Belmar.

We understand that our parade in Seaside Heights is the following Saturday, but we had a great time in Belmar last year, and it would be great to do it again! Reach out if you have any questions. We will discuss this further at our next meeting on January 30 in order to get an accurate list of how many people are coming. We're still considering the issue of getting a bus for the day if the number of participants warrant that expense.

Mark Whitley 🍀

Vice President

Upcoming Events

GENERAL MEETING

Monday, February 27, 2023, 7:00 PM • Clubhouse

Seaside St Patrick's Day Parade – March 11 (details on page 5).

GRAND OPENING -- Saturday April 1 at the club. As of this writing members are invited, and more information will follow in the near future.

IRISH WAKE -- Saturday April 29 in which we will be drawing our MEGA 50/50 ticket.



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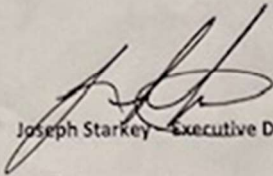
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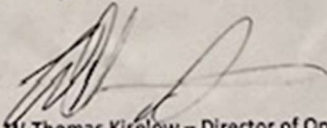
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Your donation for our veterans is greatly appreciated and we Thank You for your continued support. As a local grass roots nonprofit we strongly rely on individual and group assistance to support our Ocean County Veterans. Your donation is gratefully appreciated and rest assured all donations go towards veterans' services.

Sincerely Yours


Joseph Starkey – Executive Director


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URGENT

Brothers,

As everyone knows you are expected to march in the Seaside Saint Patrick's Day Parade on March 11th.

Please email Charlie Schmitt at chas728728@yahoo.com with the following:

1) Your Name

2) Will you be participating

3) Will you be taking the bus from the club? It leaves at 9 AM and returns 3-4 PM.

If you are not taking the bus, we are all meeting at KLEES bar around 11 AM.

It is imperative that you respond ASAP. We need to get a head count for the bus.

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