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The Next Business Meeting will be February 20th, 2014 at 7:00 pm Sharp!

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President's Message

Dear Members

January was a very busy month at the club. Starting with the installation of officers, I would like to thank all who attended and special thanks to Bill Hart for all of the preparation that goes into this special night. As president I had the honor in presenting Tom Loftus with the Irish Americans Man of the Year Award. Tom is an active and supportive member of our organization, not only supportive to our club, but also to his brother members, whenever the need arises.

Despite the weather the NFL barbecue weekend was a huge success. Special thanks to Kevin Aylward, Jack Marshall, Andrew Relph, Mike Sullivan, Bill Hart and John Esposito for preparing all of the food.

An Audit Committee has been formed and Chairman Rick O'Sullivan will be giving reports at the monthly members meeting.

A Breakfast meeting was conducted on Sunday January 19th with the younger members of the club. The purpose of the meeting was to explore ideas on ways to make membership in the Malden Irish American club more attractive to the younger generation of club members. We are approaching our 60th year as a club and we realize that if we are to remain successful we need to look to our younger members for ideas to better improve the club and increase our membership rolls. It was a very productive meeting with a lot of ideas that will be taken into consideration. Out of this meeting, a Fantasy Baseball League will be formed. Anyone interested can sign up at the club or contact Andrew Relph or Dan Gillis.

We are coming into the busiest time of the year for the club. Check the bulletin for dates and time and please make an effort to come down and support the club.

I hope to see you at our next monthly meeting on February 20th

President
Dennis Leonard

Chairman's Message

I would like to begin this month's message by thanking President Dennis Leonard for the excellent job that he and his crew of hard working assistants did at hosting a tail gate party for our members during the football playoffs. Everyone really enjoyed themselves and these are the types of activities the club will be trying to promote during the year to keep our members interested in spending their time at the club.

February 15th will be our first Pub night of the year and I would like to encourage all our members to attend. Entertainment will be provided by Bill Fonzi and a good time is sure to be had by all. If you have not been to one of our Pub nights come down and give it a try, you won't be disappointed.

With the monthly bulletin this month you will be receiving your St. Patrick's Day Raffle tickets. The St. Patrick's Day Raffle is our primary fund raising event of the year and we look to all our members to sell or buy, at a minimum, the tickets that they receive in the mail. If you have a need for more raffle tickets, please contact Billy Hart or PJ Quinn.

Butch Russell

Chairman
Board of Directors

Membership Committee

Just a reminder that your membership card you received is a **permanent card** and will continue to be active as long as your dues are current. In the event you have not renewed your membership yet, you will need to submit your card with your renewal to have it reactivated.

We are looking to try to boost our membership as we need to try and get our numbers up again. If you have not renewed your membership I ask that you do so soon in the event of a dues increase. If you know of any candidates for membership to our club please try to get them application to become new members.

May you all have a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Rick O'Sullivan Membership Committee Chairman

Irish American Club Golf League

The IA Golf League committee has begun making preparations for another terrific season. The cost to play in the golf league this year will be \$500, - this is for IA club members only - and will be payable in installments of: \$200, \$150 and \$150. We ask you that have your first payment of \$200 in to the golf committee during the month of February; please make all checks payable to Jack Marshall and indicate your preference for playing in the afternoon or evening divisions on your check. For your convenience, one or more committee members will be at the club each Sunday afternoon during the month of February from 1:00 to 3:00 pm to accept your payment.

Early in April – check the March 2014 bulletin for the actual date - a league meeting will take place where the league rules and regulations will be discussed. All interested golfers are encouraged to attend this meeting and voice their ideas as to how we can best improve our league. This is the time and place to discuss league policy and procedures, not on the golf course. At the close of this meeting our 2014 golf teams will be drawn. Actual play will begin in late April.

Keep in mind that any IA member interested in playing in the league during the 2014 season should contact one of our committee members: President Jim Conway, George Nuttall, Bill Lordan or Jack Marshall.

The IA Golf Committee

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See Brendan Smith for more info. If you have concerns about the size of the jackets, let us know and we can arrange to have a sample brought in at your request. The base price of the jackets will be \$55

Ways and Means Committee

Valentines Pub Night Saturday February 15th :DJ "Billy Fonzi" will entertain with music & karaoke from the 70's, 80's and 90's

Friday, February 28th – Direct from Ireland Derek Warfield and the Young Wolftones. Doors open at 7:00 and show at 8:00. Tickets \$25/person.

Sunday, March 16th - Pre St. Patrick's Day Party from 3:00 – 7:00 in the Main Hall. Music by the Silver Spears with performance by the Heavey Quinn Academy of Irish Dance. Tickets are \$10/person or table of 10 for \$100.

Monday, March 17th – Music in the member's bar all day. Main hall open 6:00 – 10:00. Music will be by the Andy Healy Band, performance by the Heavey Quinn Academy of Irish Dance and the Kevin Barry Pipers. Tickets are \$10/person or table of 10 for \$100.

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