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Upcoming Events

- Mar 17, 2012 St Patrick's day dinner & celebration
- Apr 3, 2012 Board Meeting
- April 17, 2012 General Meeting: Elite Dance Irish Dancing Demo
- May 1, 2012 Board Meeting
- May 15, 2012 General Meeting: McGillicuddy House presentation



President Pat Hamilton

President's Message

Musings from your President:

This is my last month as president of the Society and my last 'musing'. I've enjoyed my 15 months as president and am looking forward to building on our efforts of the past year.

- We participated in the first Celtic Street Fest and are looking forward to an even more successful fest as we relocate to



the Main Street Square for this summer's fest.

- We lost a cherished member, Helen Magnusson.
- We are taking positive steps toward bringing the Dakota Celts and the Scottish & Irish Society together.
- We have enjoyed interesting programs at our general meetings and offer our members an activity most months of the year.
- We are using a member survey to get a better handle on how to better meet our members' needs.

We can only continue to move forward and grow our membership with YOUR help! We need you to be as active as you can in our activities. We need your ideas and your help to bring them to a reality. Don't hesitate to become active when you can and get to know your fellow members better.

I wish our new president the very best and encourage you to continue to be supportive to him. I'll still be around to help and he knows where to find me! 😊

St Patrick's Day Activities:

St Patrick's Day Parade: You can start out your day by keeping that New Year's Day resolution to "exercise more" and walk in the St Patrick's Day parade. The Dakota Celts have organized the parade and it will be starting at 11:00. If you want to participate in the parade, please join us by 10:30 at the Headlines Academy's parking lot, across from Black Hills Federal Credit Union, on Main Street. That is the staging area for the parade.

St Patrick's Day Dinner & Ceilidh: The Chophouse will be hosting this event for us again this year. They have always treated us well and modified our recipes to serve the hungry masses in very tasty fashion. Fannie O'Linn will be entertaining us again with their special blend of beautiful music and opportunities for singing along. Don't miss out on this fun evening!

Pat Hamilton, S.I.S. President

Meeting Notes

SIS BOARD MEETING

3/6/12

Jim Byrne's office

Meeting called to order by Gary Hamilton at 7:15 pm. Minutes from last board meeting were reviewed. No changes.

Treasurers report: 2,667.95 in checking. Decorating committee was given approval of \$50.00 from the board to buy St. Pat decorations.

Old business: St. Pat's

Discussed if any of the board members had seen the outdoor advertisement but Epic Signs. No changes from discussion. Ticket sales for the Chop House have started and doing fairly well. Decorating committee will meet at 1:00 after the parade. Bill Knight has picked up flags and banners, etc. Anyone who would like to be in the parade should contact Mike Nau for planning and Siaryn Duggan at Celtic Connection for tickets. Candy from SIS will be purchased by John Burke.

The officers and board members will be announced during St. Pat's.

Pete and Susan Peterson met with Dakota Celts and gave an update. The approximate dollar amount would be

\$400 to obtain another 5013c status. Or one group could dissolve, join the other group and change the name

At a later date for around \$25. Both organizations will need to vote before merger can finalize. After the dissolution, papers would be filed with the IRS. Carole will check into this further regarding legalities.

New Business:

Membership survey results are still ongoing but as of yet most members still prefer Tues evening to meet. One person was against the merger with Dakota Celts. The program favorite is genealogy. And several members agreed to help Dakota Celts with their obligation in August with the fair grounds.

Cultural Days at SDSM&T on March 3/29 and 3/31. Many have volunteered but anyone is welcome to help on those days. A craftsman is still needed for a demonstration.

Susan Peterson made a motion to help supply coffee for Raeben Real-estate used by SIS. Seconded by Bill Knight. the McGuillicuddy house was offered to us for SIS meetings. Will discuss further with members at next meeting.

Reminder that there will be no meeting in March due to St. Pat's celebration.

Programs:

April: Irish step dancing from Dance Elite. Still need a location.

May: History or Rapid City's Irish Citizen McGillicuddy at the McGuillicuddy house. Located on SE corner of South and Mt. Rushmore road.

June: Midsummer at the Knight's house.

July: Celtic Street Fair on July 14. Downtown Square. August" Annual picnic at the Burke's house.

September: open

October: Halloween party—location announced later.

November: open

December: Hogmanay

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Sally Knight, acting secretary.

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


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