



# IRISH SPIRIT

The St. Patrick Society Quad Cities, USA

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December 2010



## THE GATHERING OF THE CLAN LUNCHEON

Friday, March 11th, 2011

Col Ballroom

1012 West 4th Street, Davenport, Iowa

Doors open for the luncheon at 11:00am.

Watch for further details and reservations information in the February 2011 issue of the Irish Spirit.



## IRISH MOTHER OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

Nomination letters of 150 words or less for 2011 Irish Mother of the Year can be mailed to:  
St. Patrick Society  
PO Box 4487, Davenport, Iowa 52808.

Nominees should be involved in family, church, and community, have a good sense of humor and demonstrate pride in her Irish Heritage.



## SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Applications for the \$1000.00 scholarship are available at Quad City area High Schools in January each year and are also available on the Society website.

Questions regarding the Scholarship applications should be directed to Matt Wissing at 563-324-1705.

### REMINDER

The St. Patrick Society is a non-profit organization 501(c) 3.



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## **GRAND PARADE XXVI**

***Plans are underway for Grand Parade XXVI.  
The big day is Saturday, March 12, 2011.***

Recently Digital City ranked our Grand Parade as the **13th best St. Patrick's Day Parade in the world!**

A web-based rating service in Toronto, Canada advised **Grand Parade is the 6th best St. Patrick's Day Parade in North America** and the River Cities Reader for the second time, printed the results of their reader's poll, our Grand Parade is considered the **#1 parade in the Quad Cities.**

Applications will be considered after January 1, 2011. Please call John Scally at 309-788-2341. Application deadline is February 25, 2011.

**POST PARADE BASH**  
Saturday, March 12th, 2011  
Col Ballroom  
1012 West 4th Street,  
Davenport, Iowa  
  
Doors open for the bash at 1:00pm.

### **VETERAN'S DAY PARADE**

Thank you to all who participated in the parade on November 11, 2010.

### **THE 2010 QUAD CITIES IRISH FESTIVAL**

This event was held Saturday August 28, 2010 and it was a success; the event was changed from a Sunday to a Saturday. Congratulations to Mary Decker who won the \$1000.00 Grand Prize. Mary was Irish Mother of the Year in 2001. Thanks to all volunteers who worked to make this a success.

### **IRISH MEMORIAL UPDATE**

Progress is being made! The Irish Memorial committee has completed interviews with Landscape Architectural Consulting firms. We have selected Confluence, a multi-office firm with impressive credentials.

Confluence will submit site design plans to the Irish Memorial committee, one will be chosen by the committee with site work commencing spring 2011. Confluence will perform many duties right up to dedication which is planned for mid-2011.

We continue to generate funding for the project. Those who contribute a minimum of \$300.00 will be acknowledged at the project site. Please call John Scally at 309-788-2341 if you have questions.

### **Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 2810 5th Avenue, Rock Island, IL will be hosting an Emerald Gala on Saturday, March 5, 2011**

Mass will be at 5:15 p.m. Irish fare and cocktails begin immediately afterwards in the Parish Hall. Dinner will be served starting at 6:45p.m. The evening will feature music, dancing, dinner and silent and live auctions.

**Cost is \$30/person.  
If you RSVP a table of 10,  
the cost is only \$275.00.  
For tickets or additional information,  
please contact  
Chris Mandle at (309) 738-5967.**

