



Shamrock Club Sacramento

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May is Finally Here



June 11th Meeting

The **Next Meeting** will be held:

JUNE 11

at 7 PM

SMUD 6301 S Street in
Room **Sequoia 1**

FIRST TUESDAY

LUNCH

May 6th

11:30-1:00

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Please wear your name tags

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The Shamrock club was honored with a resolution at the California Legislature on March 27th for Irish Heritage Month, honoring the contributions of the Irish to the development of the state. Assemblyman **Richard Pan** presented the resolution at the state capitol to President **Bill O'Connor**, Vice President **C.J. Kennedy** and founder **Chris Brown**. The group paraded from Assemblyman Pan's office to the floor of the Assembly accompanied by bag pipe music provided by **Eric Leiken**. New Shamrock members **Bernadette Lawrence** and _____ who work with Assemblyman Pan facilitated the presentation. A big **THANK YOU** to the legislature and all from the club who participated.

Highland Games

The Highland games were held on April 26-27th in Woodland. Many members stepped up to staff the membership booth this year. A big thanks to Dawn Wise for stepping up and organizing the people to help out this year. Although we did not have a tremendous number of people stopping by (perhaps due to the threatening weather) we still had quite a few and many took the time to sign up for more information.

Below: Chris Brown, Eric Lieken, Assemblyman Pan, C.J. Kennedy, Erin Flannery, and Bill O'Connor at the California Assembly Room



We will be providing them with more information in the near future, and hope to sign up some new members.

I had the opportunity to meet with president of the Reno, NV area Irish club and a representative of the Irish Club from Grass Valley at the Games. We are going to plan a joint trip to the United Irish Cultural Center in San Francisco in the near future – perhaps August. Look for more information on this in the coming months.

Hill of Tara

The hill of Tara in County Meath stands only 300 feet high, you can see almost a quarter of Ireland from the Hill. According to tradition Tara was the seat of the High Kings of Ireland. Located near the river Boyne, the hill has archaeological, religious and spiritual significance. At the solstices crowds gather here as they have for millennia.

Do you know what Soda Farl is?

Soda Farl is a flattened dough bread that can be eaten fresh from the griddle with butter and jam or cooked until golden and served alongside the traditional full Northern Irish breakfast, the Ulster fry.

NO MEETING IN MAY

There will be no meeting in May. Normally we have not had a meeting in April, but with the Highland games at the end of April it was necessary to have one in April, so we will be taking May off. ENJOY THE MAY FLOWERS, and mark your calendars for June.



Chris Brown, Jim McGranahan, Dawn Wise, John Wilson, and Bill O'Connor at the Highland Games



Aerial view of the Hill of Tara



Standing stone at Tara