

Shamrock Club Sacramento

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July 9th Meeting

The <u>Next Meeting</u> will be held:

JULY 9th

at 7 PM

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

1ST TUE LUNCH

Tuesday July 1st
11:30-1PM
Old Spaghetti Factory
1910 J Street,
Sacramento

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A Rare Visit

Anthony Kearns, an Irish
Tenor, is making a rare visit to
Sacramento and appearing at
Christian Brother High School
on Thursday July 24th and
Friday July 25th. Mr. Kearns is
the founder of the Irish Tenors.
His first PBS Special before a
live U.S. audience, "Live from
Ellis Island," was a tribute to
U.S. immigrants. He opened
the 2013 National Memorial
Day Parade Program in



Anthony Kearns

Washington, D.C. with a stirring rendition of "America, the Beautiful," with a 260member chorus from across the country in front of an estimated crowd of 300,000 people to mark the 70th anniversary of World War II, the 60th anniversary of the Korean War, and the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War. On June 18, 2013, Kearns performed at the official U.S. ceremony commemorating the **50th Anniversary of President** John F. Kennedy's visit to **Ireland at Arlington National** Cemetery.

He was Best Male Singer at the Waterford International Festival of Light Opera, and Best Irish Singer at the 1999 ESB Veronica Dunne International Singing Competition. The prize for Best Male Singer during all Veronica Dunne International Singing Competitions is now presented in Kearns' name. Kearns was recognized in 2010 by the Irish Music Association as the "Best Irish Tenor in the US, UK, and European Union.

It is truly a special event that I am sure would be a treat for

anyone who is able to attend.

As if Mr. Kearns appearance was not enough Shamrock Club member **Nicole McKeever's** school of Irish Dance will be performing (I am sure this will be spectacular). So please put this event on your calendar as a great club outing and plan to be there!

The La Salle Club Presents:

Anthony Kearns

In concert



Two Shows:

Thursday, July 24th at 6:00 PM
Friday, July 25th at 6:00 PM
George Cunningham Performing Arts Center
Christian Brothers High School
4315 Martin Luther King Blvd
Tickets:

\$35.00 Mezzanine \$50.00 Orchestra
For tickets and Information:
www.thelasalleclub.com

Ireland's Finest Tenor

In a rare Sacramento appearance, Anthony Kearns, founder of the Irish Tenors, brings to town his repertoire of opera, Broadway, Viennese romance, and the lovely lilt of Ireland.

Both concerts will feature dancers from Sacramento's own McKeever School of Irish Dance.



The Thursday Night show is dedicated to Msgr.

Edward Kavanagh for his service to the people of Sacramento and his promotion of Irish Culture.

Half -Way to St Patrick's

Plans are in the works for the Half-Way to St. Patrick's event! I have contacted **Robert Scott** of **Mighty Old Gents**, who played on our float in the St. Patrick's Day parade. They are in the process of rebuilding their band, but they are going to try to make an appearance at the picnic, and "practice" on us. We are attempting to line up some other Irish cultural entertainment to go along with the distinctly American Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and salads. Please feel free to invite friends (potential members) to attend. Hope to see you all there!

Top Ten Irish Eats & Drinks

If you go to Ireland what are the top ten Irish dishes and drinks you must locate and enjoy:

- 1. <u>Apple and Rhubarb Tarts</u> (don't forget to top it off with a dap of Irish Cream)
- 2. <u>Brown Bread.</u> A brown wheat bread it is great with butter and terrific with Irish stew or soup.
- 3. <u>Guinness.</u> What meal would be complete without a Guinness. (well afternoon and evening meals anyway)
- 4. Hard Cider. Need I say more!
- 5. <u>Traditional Irish Breakfast.</u> Bacon, Eggs, sausage, fried tomatoes, fried mushrooms, black pudding, white pudding, and baked beans, MMMMM
- 6. <u>Irish Cheese.</u> If you like Cheese Ireland has a plethora of fine cheeses.
- 7. <u>Irish Stew.</u> Lamb, potatoes, onions and lots of other good stuff
- 8. <u>Irish Whiskey</u>. Jameson, Tullamore Dew, Bushmills, Feckin Irish Whiskey...this list could go on and on!
- 9. Potatoes (and Curry Chips). Potatoes are an Irish staple! Try Champ (mashed potatoes with milk, green onions or leeks) and boxty (grilled potato pancakes). And of course there is always the chips with fish (& chips), some of which are served dipped in curry sauce (hot stuff).
- 10. <u>Seafood</u>. Surprise—Ireland is surrounded by water and known for its many mariners. Is it any surprise that seafood is a major item in their diet.

Made myself hungry. I think I'll go eat now

Upcoming events:

1/2 way to St Patrick's Day September 20th

Halloween TBA
Christmas Party TBA

Irish New Year December 31st @ 4 PM