

# 42nd Annual Newport Irish Heritage Month - March 2019

As of March 19, 2019



It is our goal to use this website to include '**All Things Irish**' that will be occurring in the Newport area during the month of March. That includes events of organizations that support the Newport Irish culture, including: **the Ancient Order of Hibernians** [including the **AOH Pipes & Drums**], as well as, the [The Museum of Newport Irish History](#), the [Newport Saint Patrick's Day Parade Committee](#), and [WADK's Irish Hours](#).

## Reoccurring Events

### Museum of Newport Irish History Interpretive Center

Admission: by donation.

MNIH Members / children under 16 free

648 Thames Street, Newport

11 am to 4 pm on these 9 days:

Friday, March 8 - Saturday, March 9 - Sunday, March 10

Friday, March 15 - Saturday, March 16 \* - Sunday, March 17

Friday, March 22 - Saturday, March 23 - Sunday, March 24

\* St. Patrick's Parade Day

Click here for the Museum website: [www.newportirishhistory.org](http://www.newportirishhistory.org)

### 'Irish Eyes 2019' Exhibit

An exhibit by local artists on everything Irish opens with a public reception on Saturday March 2, 2019 5-7 pm. Exhibit Dates: March 2 through March 31

Gallery Night: Thursday, March 14, 2019 5-8 pm

Spring Bull Gallery, 55 Bellevue Ave. 401-849-9166 [springbullgallery.com](http://springbullgallery.com)

### Guided Tours of Fort Adams

Historic fort constructed with Irish labor between 1824-1857.

Tour times: 12 noon & 2:00 pm (weather permitting). Tours are one hour. Saturdays and Sundays during the month of March. - (401) 841-0707

Adults: \$15, Children: \$8 (Mention Irish Heritage Month for \$3 discounts).

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## The Irish Hours on 1540 AM WADK in Newport

Irish Radio - The best in traditional and contemporary Irish or Irish influenced music.  
Hosted by Rick Kelly since the 1980s.  
Year round on Sunday mornings at 8:00 am.  
Click [here](#) for a podcast!

## Events by Day

### Sunday, February 24 - **St. Practice Day**

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm - O'Brien's Pub, 501 Thames Street, Newport, RI 02840 This major Parade fundraiser is in honor of the Grand Marshal Robert "Bobby" Lehane, and will feature light food, music, & raffles!! This event is always a blast! Price is \$25 at the door.  
Sponsored by O'Brien's Pub [RIP Brother George!]

### Thursday, February 28 - **Hibernian of the Year Dinner**

Honoring the 2019 Hibernian of the Year, Father **Francis O'Loughlin**  
Hibernian Hall - 6 pm. Tickets are \$30. \*

### Saturday, March 2nd - **Irish Eyes 2019 Exhibit Opening**

Public reception of an exhibit by local artists on everything Irish.  
5-7 pm. Spring Bull Gallery, 55 Bellevue Ave.  
For further information, call 401-849-9166 or go to their website: [springbullgallery.com](http://springbullgallery.com)

### Saturday, March 2nd - **St. Patrick's Parade Grand Marshal Roast**

Honoring **Grand Marshal Robby Lehane** will be held at **Saint Augustin's Church Hall**  
Click here to [Read about Bobby](#). 5:30 pm till all the roasting is done.  
Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served.  
*Please note that it has is now been moved to a Saturday night. \**

### Sunday, March 3rd - **Dancing at the Forty Steps**

**This event was cancelled due to snow and ice conditions at the 40 Steps.**

This is the official opening event of the Newport Irish Heritage Month commemorating the informal dances held by the Irish who made Newport their home in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.  
Featuring traditional music, demonstration of traditional Irish dancing and Ancient Order of Hibernian Men Singers  
Free event - 1:00 pm - Weather permitting.  
Forty Steps is on the Cliff Walk, at the East end of Narragansett Avenue, off Bellevue Avenue in Newport.

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### Sunday, March 3rd - **The Wolfe Tones**

These Irish Folk legends will be returning to Hibernian Hall. Their performance will start at 3 pm. Tickets are \$40. Reservations and further information are now available through the division website: Click on this link for further information: [www.aohnewport.org](http://www.aohnewport.org)

### Sunday, March 3rd - **Traditional Irish Music Sessions**

#### **Fastnet Pub**

One Broadway, Newport. (401) 845-9311  
Live traditional Irish "session" - 6:00-9:00pm.  
hosted by A. O. Gutierrez, Tim May, and Jack Wright.  
[www.TheFastnetPub.com](http://www.TheFastnetPub.com)

### Saturday, March 9th - **62nd Annual Irish Night - Council 256 K of C**

The K of C's traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner and entertainment doors open at 6 pm - Suggested donation \$20.  
Contact Michael O'Sullivan 401-830-0256 [mikeosull@cox.net](mailto:mikeosull@cox.net)  
or Brian Geer 401-743-3789 for tickets.

### Sunday, March 10th - **Green Eggs and Ham**

This is a parade fund-raiser, and is always a great fun family event. Come on down and enjoy the big spread of food. Price is \$10 adults, \$5 children 3-12, (under 3 free)  
Hibernian Hall from 9 am till 1 pm Tickets at the door.  
For more information go to <http://www.newportirish.com/events.html>

### Sunday, March 10th - **Shannachie**

Pat Heffernan and Patrick Keane will return for their annual visit to Hibernian Hall and play Irish ballads for the afternoon [*with a guest harmonica player*]. Their 4 hour show starts at 1:00 pm.  
This event, which is sponsored by the Newport Hibernian division is free to all.

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## Wednesday, March 13th - **Irish Music Night at the La Forge**

Irish Music & sing-a-longs with **Irish David [O'Neill] Manuel** on the piano.  
Special performance from 6:30 pm until 8:30 pm.  
La Forge Casino Restaurant  
186 Bellevue Avenue, Newport  
[www.laforgenewport.com](http://www.laforgenewport.com)  
(401) 847-0418

## Thursday, March 14 - **Newport-Kinsale Chef Exchange**

Hibernian Hall from 6 pm to 9 pm - An evening at which several visiting chefs from our sister city of Kinsale, Ireland will join with local chefs to put on a food tasting event. There will also be a whiskey tasting station for those so inclined. \$40.  
Tickets will be available at the Hibernian Hall and participating restaurants. 6-9 pm.  
The ticket price has been raised to \$40 pp to help offset increased food costs. \*  
For further information: go to [www.newportkinsalechefexchange.com/](http://www.newportkinsalechefexchange.com/)

## March 15th - **St. Patrick's Day Celebration at the Midtown Oyster Bar**

Hosted by Ryan Belmore  
345 Thames Street, Newport  
Entertainment will include **AOH Pipes & Drums**, as well as the **AOH Men Singers**.  
Show Time: 4 pm to 8 pm.  
The AOH Men's Singers will come on sometime between 4:30-5pm, with the AOH Pipes & Drums to follow at around 6 pm.

## Friday, March 15 - **Big Daddy Award and Pre-Parade Party**

Honoring IHOP Restaurant owners, and longtime parade supporters, Bill & Karen Cardinal.  
Hibernian Hall, Newport. This free event will include a DJ, Hors d'oeuvres and a Cash Bar.  
Doors open at 6:00pm. Information: (401) 846-5081. [www.newportirish.com/events.html](http://www.newportirish.com/events.html)

## Saturday, March 16th

### **62nd Annual Parade in Honor of St. Patrick**

Parade Grand Marshal: Robert "Bobby" Lehane  
Dedicated to the memory of Lenny Murphy  
The parade steps off from City Hall on Broadway promptly at 11:00am.  
It continues via Washington Square, Thames Street, and Carroll Avenue to St. Augustin's Church.  
For the parade website, click here: [www.newportirish.com](http://www.newportirish.com) .

### **Post-parade Party at Hibernian Hall**

AOH Hall, Wellington Avenue, Newport.  
Corned Beef sandwiches and plenty of Irish Music Advance tickets only: \$20.00 - Cash bar Information and tickets: (401) 847-8671.

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## Post-parade Family Party

An alcohol free family event.

Location: "The Hut", (Behind the Newport Public Library) -

Following the parade at 1:00pm - 4:00pm.

Entertainment including bag pipers, Irish step dancers, pirates, face painting and more

There will be a "How Green I Am" contest with cash prizes.

Entry is free!

[www.newportirish.com/events](http://www.newportirish.com/events)

Sponsored by: Savings Institute Bank & Trust

## Celebrating the Irish at the La Forge

La Forge Casino Restaurant

186 Bellevue Avenue, Newport

Great food including Corned Beef & Irish beverages

Music & sing-a-longs with David [O'Neill] Manuel on the piano.

Immediately following the parade until 5:00 pm.

Returning at 7:00 pm until 11:00 pm. (401) 847-0418 [www.lafornewport.com](http://www.lafornewport.com)

Sunday, March 17

## Mass in Honor of St. Patrick

St. Mary's Church, Spring Street & Memorial Boulevard, Newport. 11:00 am.

The Mass is in memory of deceased Ancient Order of Hibernians and Lady AOH members, as well as the victims of the Great Famine.

Church was built 1848 - 1852 by Irish-American Architect Patrick Keeley and dedicated to Mary, 'Our Lady of the Isle'.

[www.stmarynewport.org](http://www.stmarynewport.org)

## Traditional Irish Country Breakfast

La Forge Casino Restaurant

186 Bellevue Avenue, Newport

Serving breakfast 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Music & sing-a-longs with David [O'Neill] Manuel on the piano. 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Reservations suggested: (401) 847-0418

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## Monday, March 18 - Gaelic & Garlic

A celebration of Newport's **Irish** and **Italian** heritage held at our local **Portuguese** Cultural Center - the **Vasco Da Gamma Hall** on Fenner Avenue, Newport 5:30 to 7:30 pm.

[www.stacyhouse.com/Events/2019\\_03\\_18\\_Gaelic & Garlic.pdf](http://www.stacyhouse.com/Events/2019_03_18_Gaelic_%20Garlic.pdf)

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## Saturday, March 23rd - **LAOH Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner**

St. Augustin's Church Hall - 5 pm.

Sponsored by the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians. This is a fundraiser for a scholarship fund.

The tickets are \$25.00, children 10 and under are \$10.00. BYOB

Featuring dancers and raffles, raffles, raffles.

Tickets are available from Liz McKinnon [elizabethjmckinnon@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethjmckinnon@gmail.com) phone (401-835-3443), or purchase your tickets at Hibernian Hall. \*

## Sunday, March 24th - **Traditional Irish Music Sessions**

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## Monday, March 25th - **Museum of Newport Irish History lecture**

“Under the Starry Flag: How a Band of Irish Americans Joined the Fenian Revolt and Sparked a Crisis over Citizenship”

Guest speaker: Lucy E. Salyer, Ph.D.

Monday, March 25, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.

Mainstay Hotel & Conference Center, 151 Admiral Kalbfus Rd. Newport

For details / reservations go to [www.NewportIrishHistory.org](http://www.NewportIrishHistory.org) and click "Lectures"

## Sunday, March 31st - **Traditional Irish Music Sessions**

### **Fastnet Pub**

One Broadway, Newport. (401) 845-9311

Live traditional Irish "session" - 6:00-9:00pm.

hosted by A. O. Gutierrez, Tim May, and Jack Wright.

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\* Tickets are available at the Hibernian Hall.

Please send any additions and / or corrections to Peter Martin - [calendar@stacyhouse.com](mailto:calendar@stacyhouse.com)