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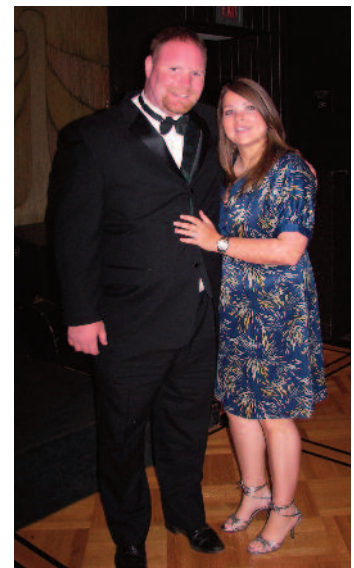
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QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

2012 ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION DINNER

Sean Kearns, our St. Patrick's Celebration Dinner Honoree shown here with his wife, Janelle, at last year's Celebration Dinner. He carries on the Kearns' Family tradition of being the Parade Grand Marshal. Our sixth consecutive dinner which always takes place on the eve of the parade will be held at the Petroleum Club.



CELEBRATION DINNER RSVP

The Irish Society is now accepting RSVPs for the 2012 St. Patrick's Day Celebration Dinner. The event will take place Friday, March 16, 2012 at the Petroleum Club.

The money raised goes towards Irish Society events and a portion of the proceeds helps fund the St. Patrick's Day Parade. So come out and celebrate with us.

Ticket prices are \$150 per person. A wonderful dinner will be served and an open bar is available all evening. Valet service included. Please call for reservations: "Lyn" Brogan at (281) 531-0656 or Pat Sharkey at (713) 752-4266.

UPDATES: TOM HORAN & SR. MURIEL



Here is himself, Tom Horan. He is up and getting out on occasion. We will gladly welcome him at this year's Celebration Dinner on March 16. He and Lyn Brogan, Dinner Chair, are shown here in 2010 at the Houston St. Patrick's Parade.

According to herself, she's doing OK. We're sure she'd love to hear from you. Sr. Muriel is dearly missed. She can now be reached at her Mother House:

Holy Spirit Convent: Tel. 210-533-5149
300 Yucca Street, San Antonio, TX 78203



OPENING OF THE NEW WILLIAM J. FLYNN CENTER FOR IRISH STUDIES

The William J. Flynn Center for Irish Studies was the site of its Grand Opening on January 24th. A full house was in attendance. Below is Director Lori Gallagher, with the namesake Bill Flynn himself. It was a wonderful evening. Here is the Irish Consul General, Aidan Cronin, down from Chicago, along with our President Pat Sharkey & Lori Gallagher.



There were too many other UST, Irish Society and Houston Irish community celebrities in attendance to mention here. This location is a far cry from its original location. Three cheers for Lori. And, The Irish Society is very proud to have been instrumental in supporting the foundation of the original Center for Irish Studies.

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ANNUAL DUES RENEWAL

REMINDER. Please send in your annual dues NOW. We would gladly hope that you all can renew your membership prior to March 1st. Individual membership is \$35. It is only \$50 for a family membership. It is \$500 for lifetime membership under age 62 and \$250 for those over 62. Your dues are instrumental in our providing social events during the year. Please march with us in the St. Patrick's Downtown Parade on March 17, which is the day following our annual Celebration Dinner. We gather at Minute Maid Park at the corner of Texas & Hamilton at 11:30. We encourage all, from children to senior citizens, to join us as we'll provide vehicular transportation, thanks to your dues money.

"Thank you for mailing your check to our P.O. Box now."



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