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## ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION WEEKEND



Lori Gallagher, Director of the UST Center for Irish Studies was the honoree at the fifth St. Patrick's Celebration Dinner held at the Petroleum Club on March 11th.

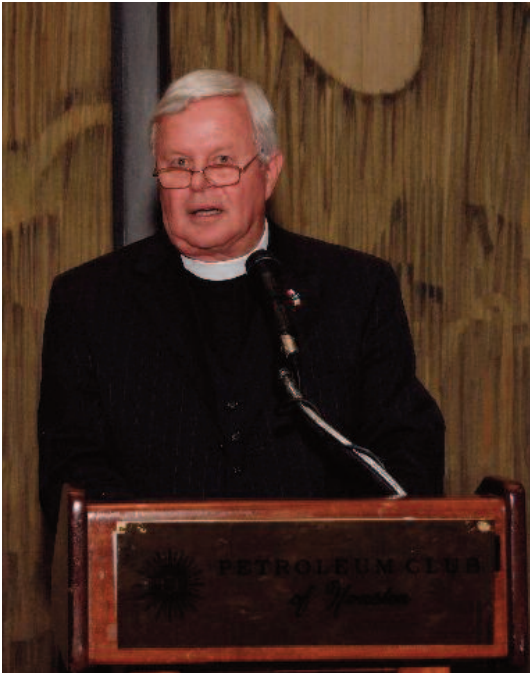
Lori & her husband, Curtis Huff, upon entering the ball room.



Here is the happy couple receiving their Jameson awards from Gregory Horan.



## 5TH ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION DINNER



The Reverend Charles Greene leading us in Grace before our dinner for his first appearance.

Charles is a founding member of the Irish Society.

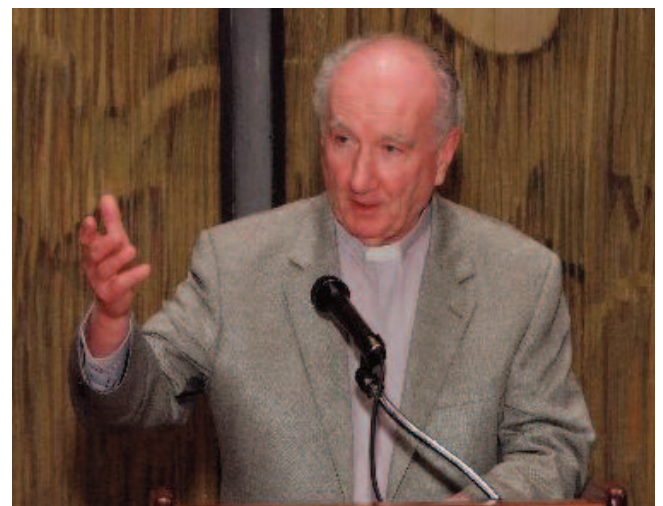


Mike Griffin always presents our Patron Saint.



Here is our Sergeant At Arms (& Treasurer) Neil Miggins, during our traditional tolling. Neil was told by his Mother: "Easy on the bells, Neil."

Mike Daly, John Flowers, & Eamonn Finnerty, our favorite publicans and major supporters.



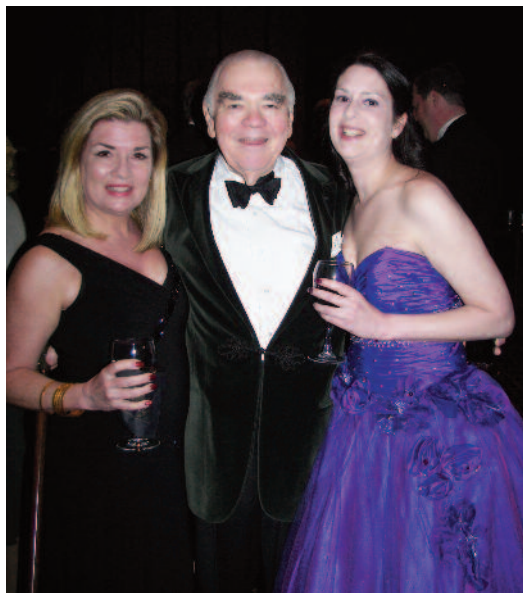
Fr. Jay Walsh offered the Gala attendees a final Benediction before the Gala concluded.

## 5TH ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION DINNER



Tim Reilly, Irish Vice-Consul, down from Chicago, Sinéad Lucy, Irish Universities representative, and John Kane, Honorary Irish Consul General, thoroughly enjoyed socializing during the reception hour.

Prof. Aoife Ní Ghloinn sang our traditional concluding anthem, 'Our Lady of Knock'.



Cheryl Learn, Tom Horan, and Leslie Morris greatly enlivened the reception.

The O'Maoileidh Dancers entertained us with traditional Irish step dancing. They were very well received, especially Anna Kelly.



## THE ANNUAL HOUSTON ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE



Her Honor, Mayor Annise Parker, joined the Parade for the 2nd consecutive year. Here she is with Grand Marshal Lori Gallagher and husband, Curtis Huff.



Jay & Bertha Dooling riding in style.

Three bright smiles: Board Member Conlin Brogan, Linda Brogan & Leslie Morris.



Irish Society members were led by piper Dr. John Burke & President Pat Sharkey.



Pete and Dana. Pete Little is the Social Director of the Irish Society, and our liaison with the Parade Commission.

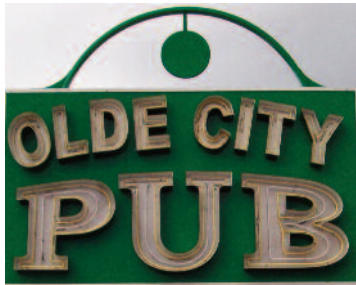
## IRISH SOCIETY PUB CRAWL

WHEN - Wednesday, May 4th from 6 PM to 8 PM

WHERE - 6 PM Start at Molly's Pub, (509 Main St.) then right across the street to Shay McElroy's on the ground floor in the Rice Hotel about 6:30, and concluding at the Market Square Bar & Grill (311 Travis).

Everybody is on your own. Please join us.

## BLOOMSDAY PARTY



WHEN - Thursday, June 16th from 6 PM to 9 PM

WHERE - The Olde City Pub located at 14124 Steubner Airline, just 1/8th mile north of FM 1960.

TRADITIONAL IRISH MUSIC will be the featured entertainment and the O'Maoileidgh Dancers will perform at 7 PM.

CRAIC - A brief "reading" of some of James Joyce's famous work ULYSSES. Participation welcomed.

HOSPITALITY - A welcoming drink & the food is on us. The rest of the evening is cash bar.

RSVP to Lyn Brogan at 281-531-0656, David O'Keefe @ Dfokeefe@Aol.com, Pat Sharkey @ 713-752-4266, Pete Little by phone at 832-722-3788 or PeteLittle@Comcast.net.

## SAVE THE DATE...

Sunday, September 26, 2011 1 PM to 6 PM for the 2nd Irish Aires-Irish Society-IAHA Family Picnic at Dan Electro's Guitar Bar up in the Heights. This location is at 1031 E 24th St. between N. Main and Airline - 713-862-8707.

\$20 donations per adult and children free. (BYOB OK.)

Please check our website for more details on all our Irish Society Events.

## THE IRISH SOCIETY WEBSITE

The Irish Society's website - [www.theirishsociety.org](http://www.theirishsociety.org) - is updated regularly with a schedule of events and news of interest to The Irish Society's members. The Irish Society has an active social calendar planned for its members.

If you want current information on upcoming Irish Society events, check out our website on a regular basis. We will be adding even more useful features to the website in the near future.

If you have information you want posted on our website or any suggestions for improving the website, please forward your information to our distinguished webmaster, Gregory Horan at [gforan@hotmail.com](mailto:gforan@hotmail.com).

### 2009 'A DATE', 2010 ENGAGED, 2011 MR. & MRS.

Sean Kearns and his wife, Janelle, were married last October. Congratulations!



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