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The Next Business Meeting will be September 19th, 2013 at 7:00 pm Sharp!

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President's Message

I hope all of you and your families had a pleasant summer.

Now that September is upon us things will be picking up at the club.

The annual Labor Day Road Race starts off the month and we are asking for volunteers for this special day. Please contact Mike McCarthy if you can spare a few hours.

Are you ready for some football? Come down to the club to see the patriots kick off the season <u>September 5th</u> against the Bills.

We are getting very good reviews on the newly installed sound system so come on down and enjoy all of the top hits.

Pub Night September 21st

"American Graffiti" 40th anniversary

I hope to see you at our <u>September 19th</u> monthly meeting.

President

Dennis Leonard

Chairman's Message

I hope all our members had a wonderful summer.

We will be resuming our regular monthly meetings on Thursday September 19th and I hope the membership will make every effort to attend these important monthly business meetings. Regarding the September's business meeting, if anyone has intentions of submitting a change to our Club's bylaws, he must present the proposed changes – in writing - to the club Secretary by the close of the September 19th business meeting. The proposal must be read and discussed at the October business meeting in order to be placed on the November ballot.

Planning for our annual Labor Day Road Race is currently in the works. Michael McCarthy will host a volunteers meeting on Thursday August 29^{th at} 6:30 pm. Please try and attend this meeting if you plan on helping out at the Labor Day Road Race.

Thanks,

Mike "Sully" Sullivan

Chairman - Board of Directors

Labor Day Road Race

As usual the race will be held on Labor Day morning September 2nd. Race start time is 11:00 a.m... The course is a 5K or 10 K race. The fee is twenty dollars online at www.coolrunning.com or at the club before race day. Your fee will get you a shirt and a ticket for refreshments. Mail in registration will be \$25 and registration on the day of the race will be \$30. Entertainment will be provided by the Andy Healey Band and there will also be a raffle.

The volunteers meeting will be held on Thursday, August 29th at 6:30 pm. Please make sure that you sign up if you plan on volunteering so we can better plan staffing for the day of the race. I hope to see all the regulars this year and any new volunteers are welcomed because without the volunteers the race wouldn't exist.

Last year we raised \$5000 for Dana Farber and we hope to meet or exceed that goal this year.

Mike McCarthy

Labor Day Road Race Chairman

Irish American Club's Golf League Banquet

For players in the Irish American Golf League, our annual banquet will be held on Thursday evening, October 3rd, 2013 at 6:30 pm. A buffet will be served and a cash bar will be open. We hope to see as many players as possible attending this year's golf banquet.

The IA Golf League Committee

VETERANS TV RAFFLE

We will be having a raffle for a widescreen HDTV to be raffled off on Veterans Day during the Veterans Day Dinner. Tickets are only \$10.00 each with all proceeds going to the Veterans Dinner Committee to pay for the day's events and all left over proceeds will benefit the Chelsea Soldiers Home and the N.E. Center for Homeless Veterans 17 Court St., Boston. Please show your support to all of our veterans by purchasing and selling some tickets, only 300 tickets will be sold. Tickets will be available at the bar.

Veterans Committee

THE TEN THOUSAND DOLLAR RAFFLE

Brother Member:

I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable summer

Now that Fall is almost here I would like to bring everyone's attention to one of our next big events. You guessed it: **THE TEN THOUSAND DOLLAR RAFFLE**.

We will be having the \$10,000.00 drawing October 10th, 2013 Thursday night. The doors open at 6:30pm and the drawing will start at 8:00pm sharp. The club sells only 300 tickets and we give out 20 cash prizes. Bring the odds of winning to roughly 1 in 15. These are better odds than the lottery. The cost of a ticket is \$100.00 there is room on the back for additional partners if the cost is too high for some people. As stated on the ticket \$7,250.00 will be given out in cash prizes, and then all tickets back in for a final drawing of \$10,000.00. Please note that although we say tickets for the drawing we use 300 ping pong balls.

For those of you looking for a special number there is a sign-up sheet at the bar.

The light refreshments mentioned will be Chinese food. The cost for additional attendees will be \$10.00 and not \$20.00 as previously done. There will be a cash bar.

This is a fun night out and always draws a big crowd. If anyone is in need of tickets, they can contact me: Bill Smith 781-708-1350, email wpsmith9@aol.com or see Bill Hart.

Regards

Bill Smith

Veteran's Committee Message

10th Annual Veteran's Dinner

November 11, 2013

Now that September has arrived, the Veterans Committee is in full swing preparing for our 10th Annual Veteran's Dinner on November 11, 2013. The dinner will commence at 1:00 pm and all our members that are Veterans are invited, and encouraged, to attend this dinner; keep in mind there is no cost to our Veterans for this dinner. Please help us mark this tenth anniversary celebration with a tremendous turnout of club Veterans.

In previous years the Veterans Committee has celebrated various themes related to specific military campaigns: for example, WW2, Korea, Viet Nam and the Middle Eastern Theater have all received special recognition. This year the theme will be "Celebrating Your Service". Celebrating Your Service is designed to pay tribute to our club members who have honorably worn the uniform of our US military.

In order for this dinner to be a success we are seeking your help. We are asking our Veterans to submit photographs taken of themselves while on active military duty. With each photo, please include your name, date and any other information that may be pertinent. If your photos are stored electronically, you can email them directly to John Scheiffern at johnmoe@verizon.net. If you have hard copies of photographs, you can put them in an envelope marked **Keith Lordan, Veterans Committee** and leave the envelope down the club.

In addition to the dinner, the committee is in the process of updating our data base to include all our Veterans and eventually comprise a booklet containing all the names of club members who have served in the armed forces. Please include your name, rank, your branch and years of service and email this information to KeithLordan@hotmail.com. Keith will use this information to update our files.

Next month's bulletin will provide information on our Sock Drive for the Soldier's Home.

Semper Fi

Keith Lordan

Veteran's Committee

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Just a reminder that your membership card you received last year is a **permanent card** and will continue to be active as long as your dues are current. In the event you have not renewed your membership yet, you will need to submit your card with your renewal to have it reactivated.

In an effort to make some budget cuts, after this bulletin you will only receive it electronically if we have your email address. If you wish to continue to receive it via mail you can send me an email at membership@maldenirishamerican.org to keep receiving it by mail. If you do not have an email address you do not need to do anything and you will still receive it in the mail. We are doing this to try to cut back some of our expenses that continue to grow. As you all know the cost of postage keeps going up. If you do not receive it electronically via email and have an email address please send me an email and I will forward it to our secretary Bill Lordan.

Rick O'Sullivan

Membership Committee Chairman

MALDEN IRISH AMERICAN JACKET

Club jackets are now available for order. They are nice jackets and will be available in Harvest Green or Black. They will have our logo on the front and your name placed on the sleeve. You can also have other designs placed on the jacket as well (i.e. flags, fighting leprechaun etc.) for a small extra fee.

Sizes available are XSmall-5X.

See Brendan Smith for more info. There will be a few samples on display at the club to be used to try on for sizes. The base price of the jackets will be \$55

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YOUR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM IS PRINTED BELOW. WHEN WE RECEIVE YOUR DUES RENEWAL FORM ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK WE WILL MAIL YOUR PERMANENT MEMBERSHIP CARD TO YOU. PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW AND REMEMBER **DO NOT MAIL CASH**. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: IRISH AMERICAN CLUB AND MAIL TO 177 WEST ST. MALDEN MASS. 02148 IN CARE OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

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